

# This week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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# 5<sup>th</sup> MAY 2024 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter / Rogation Sunday

# Prayer for the Week

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us
to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

#### Our Prayers are asked for:

#### All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering

Marilyn Dorum: Mollie Drake: Anne Sylvester: Nina French Anthony Green: Gillian Boorne: Josephine Chizema: Ann Blanchard and all those currently unable to attend services.

#### Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Isobel Ross: Rex Woolhouse: Penny Judge: Mark Sadler: Nicola Shilton: Andrew King: Mandy Stephensen: Revd David Clark:

The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by Polly Taylor in memory of her Parents.

# Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Book of Common Prayer
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley
Assisted by: Mike Rule
Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30

## **Sung Eucharist**

See order of service

President: The Revd Andrew Quigley Assisted by: Michael Bull and Angela Jagger Churchwarden: April Rule and Janet Burton

Sidesperson: David Pugh

Servers: Michael Bull, Charles Samuel and William Simpey

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HYMN 630 GLORIA Father, Lord of all creation Jones

READING Acts 10.44-48

read by Andy Judge

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup>for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup>'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' <sup>48</sup>So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

#### GRADUAL HYMN 633 ii Filled with the Spirit's power

GOSPEL John 15.9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup> 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are

my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

SERMON INTERCESSIONS The Revd Andrew Quigley Angela Jagger

OFFERTORY HYMN 721 ii

**MOTET** 

Love divine, all loves excelling Ubi Caritas - Duruflé

Please remember that intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not permitted due to the infection risk. If you do not wish to drink from the chalice, please receive the bread only (which is still full and valid communion).

#### POST COMMUNION HYMN 432 Bread of the world in mercy broken

### **Post Communion Prayer**

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 475 Forth in the peace of Christ we go

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

A card reader donation machine is available at the back of church. Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service. 18:30

# **Choral Evensong**

#### See order of service

Officiant: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule Servers: William Woolley and Hilary Rees

Sidespeople: Vacant

**HYMN 627 (Tune 609) CONFESSION PRECES PSALM 45** 

Father most holy, merciful and loving see white service card **Ayleward** (see music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Song of Solomon 4.16-5.2; 8.6,7 read by William Woolley

Awake, O north wind, and come. O south wind! Blow upon my garden that its fragrance may be wafted abroad. Let my beloved come to his garden, and eat its choicest fruits.

5l come to my garden, my sister, my bride; I gather my myrrh with my spice, I eat my honeycomb with my honey, I drink my wine with my milk. Eat, friends, drink, and be drunk with love. <sup>2</sup> I slept, but my heart was awake. Listen! my beloved is knocking. 'Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my perfect one; for my head is wet with dew, my locks with the drops of the night.'

<sup>6</sup> Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm; for love is strong as death, passion fierce as the grave. Its flashes are flashes of fire, a raging flame. <sup>7</sup> Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it. If one offered for love all the wealth of one's house. it would be utterly scorned.

MAGNIFICAT Murrill in E

SECOND LESSON Revelation 3.14-22 read by Jennifer Smith

'And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the origin of God's creation:

<sup>15</sup> 'I know your works; you are neither cold nor hot. I wish that you were either cold or hot. <sup>16</sup>So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am about to spit you out of my mouth. <sup>17</sup>For you say, "I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing." You do not realize that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. <sup>18</sup>Therefore I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire so that you may be rich; and white robes to clothe you and to keep the shame of your nakedness from being seen; and salve to anoint your eyes so that you may see. <sup>19</sup>I reprove and discipline those whom I love. Be earnest, therefore, and repent. <sup>20</sup>Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me. <sup>21</sup>To the one who conquers I will give a place with me on my throne, just as I myself conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. <sup>22</sup>Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.'

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THE CREED see white service card, p. 3

RESPONSES Ayleward

ANTHEM Greater Love - Ireland

PRAYERS Sheila Roberts

HYMN 824 (Tune 749 i) With joy we meditate the grace

SERMON Sheila Roberts

HYMN 698 i King of glory, King of peace

#### **ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

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The Vicar Writes "Abide" is a seldom used word nowadays. It means to remain, to endure, or simply to dwell. We are called to remain in Christ's love, with each other – something that can take endurance! But this is the only lasting dwelling, and the only place worth living.



#### The Week Ahead

#### **Tuesday - Friday**

08:00 Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

#### Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

14.30 **House Group.** To join, please use the link

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4049355092?pwd=ZU5aZ2JaTW1BK0V3aHZUTIp4bGVGUT09&omn=77644728505

Meeting ID: 404 935 5092 Passcode: 6Hyy6R

#### Wednesday 8th

19.00 **Youth Group** in the Undercroft

21:00 Compline via Zoom. To join, please use the link

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75984858232?pwd=sXK193zlo5Vj4WApP0aKUmTjrXEX0O.1

Meeting ID: 759 8485 8232 Passcode: L6WRmc

#### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>

10:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order I (traditional) President: The Reverend Jane Sharp Assisted by: Vicky Roe

11:00 Coffee Drop-In

19.30 Sung Eucharist for Ascension Day

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

(Incense will be used at this service)

#### Friday 10th

16.30 Junior Choir. 18.15 Chorister Training. 18.45 Full Choir Rehearsal.

# Sunday I2<sup>th</sup> May 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter / Sunday after Ascension

08:30 **Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Philip Norwood President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Acts 1.15-17, 21-26 and John 17.6-19

14.30 Laura Centre Service Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley18:30 Choral Evensong Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Isaiah 61 and Luke 4.14-21

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING will be held on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May after morning service.

PCC MEMBERSHIP We are looking for new members. Perhaps you have served in the past or in another church, or perhaps it would be a brave new world! Either way, it is an important way of serving the church, and hopefully more rewarding than onerous - only 5 or 6 meetings a year – for 1, 2 or 3 years. Please consider and pray about this before new members are elected at the APCM. Nomination forms are available now at the back of church. Please talk to the Vicar, Churchwardens or other members of the PCC if you'd like more information. As a charity sponsoring work with children and young people, PCC members are required to have a DBS check and undertake Safeguarding Training provided by the Church of England.

'THE SHELL' The next edition of 'The Shell' is being prepared. The deadline for articles or other contributions is **TODAY**. Please send items for inclusion to the church office by post or E-mail or to Paul Jenkins at <a href="mailto:editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk">editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk</a>

**GODSPEED** Dee and Kevin Shepherdson have announced that they will be leaving the Old Horse in November after 28 years at the helm. They will be a hard act to follow and we wish them a long and happy retirement.

**STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION** Paintings by artist and priest lain McKillop of the resurrection appearances of Jesus recorded in the Gospels are on display at Leicester Cathedral until 20<sup>th</sup> May. An illustrated book of the paintings and reflections is available for purchase. Daily meditations can be found at <a href="https://mckillop.weebly.com/easter-to-pentecost-daily-meditations.html">https://mckillop.weebly.com/easter-to-pentecost-daily-meditations.html</a>

**INCENSE** Please note that incense will be used at the Ascension Day Sung Eucharist on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 19.30.

# Resources for Home Worship Broadcast Media

Daily Service Monday – Friday at 9.45am Radio 4 Extra on DAB

Freeview 708, Freesat 708, Sky 0126, Virgin Media 910 and online at

https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006wzfs

Sunday Worship Sunday at 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday at 1.15 pm BBC I

Choral Evensong Sunday and Wednesday at 3 pm Radio 3

Ascension Service Thursday at 8 pm Radio 4

# Online at <a href="https://www.churchofengland.org">www.churchofengland.org</a> and <a href="https://www.leicestercathedral.org">www.leicestercathedral.org</a> DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE - Freephone 0800 804 8044

New funding has been secured by the charity 'Faith in Later Life', which has allowed the Daily Hope Telephone Service to reopen. The charity is welcoming donations at: <a href="https://www.faithinlaterlife.org.uk/donate">www.faithinlaterlife.org.uk/donate</a>

The options available from a telephone keypad are:

- 1. Hymns we love reflections on favourite hymns
- 2. How to support Daily Hope
- 3. Spring reflections by Pippa Cramer
- 4. Morning and Evening Prayers
- 5. Weekly Church of England Service
- 6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope
- 7. Easter message from Alex Drew

It is helpful to have the telephone on speakerphone to avoid having to hold the handset.

Vicky Roe. Pastoral Assistant

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