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

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23rd FEBRUARY 2025
2nd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.
Amen.

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering
Marilyn Dorum : 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
Rex Woolhouse : Penny Judge : Mark Sadler : Nicola Shilton : Mandy Stephensen :
Mollie Drake : Revd Jane Sharp : Michael Molloy : Chris Jones :
Revd David Clark : Maria Lliescu

Rest in peace

Tony Geary (former Chorister & Server)
Funeral at Loughborough Crematorium on Monday 24th February at 9.30am
Valera Walker

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Common Worship Order I (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood

Assisted by: Lin Mawer

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

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10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: David Kibert and Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant

Churchwarden: April Rule

Sidesperson: Vacant

Servers: William Woolley, Phil Jones and Tony Chizema

Setting: Ireland in C

HYMN 782

GLORIA

Songs of praise the angels sang

Jones

READING Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-24 *read by Phil Jones*

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created. In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, ⁵when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; ⁶but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— ⁷then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. ⁸And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

¹⁵ The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

¹⁸ Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' ¹⁹So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature,

that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, 'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.'
²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

GRADUAL HYMN 554 **With wonder, Lord we see your works**

GOSPEL Luke 8.22-25

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, ²³and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. ²⁴They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. ²⁵He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

OFFERTORY HYMN 541 (Tune 345) **Lord of beauty, thine the splendour**

MOTET

The Call – Vaughan Williams

POST COMMUNION HYMN 424 **Author of life divine**

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,

by your gift

the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,

and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:

may we who have been nourished at your table on earth

be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross

and enjoy the delights of eternity;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

***Please be aware of those remaining to listen.
Do join us for refreshments at the back of church.***

A card reader donation machine is available.

Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the Service.

18.30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Churchwardens: April Rule and Simon Edwards

Sidespeople: Colin and Angela Stray

Servers: Hilary Rees and Hazel Carlin

HYMN 704

Let all the world in every corner sing

PRECES

Ayleward

PSALM 147

(See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Genesis 1.1-2.3 *read by Colin Stray*

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. ⁹ And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. ¹⁴ And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky

to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.’ And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, ‘Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.’ ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.’ ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.’ And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, ‘Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.’

²⁷ So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.’ ²⁹God said, ‘See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.’ And it was so. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

2 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

MAGNIFICAT

Stanford in B flat

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON Matthew 6.25-34 read by Angela Stray

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴ 'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Stanford in B flat

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

RESPONSES

Ayleward

ANTHEM

For the beauty of the earth - Rutter

PRAYERS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 676

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

SERMON

Mike Rule, Associate Minister

HYMN 739 i

Now thank we all our God

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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ELECTORAL ROLL RENEWAL: 2025 marks the 6-yearly renewal of the Electoral Roll of our church. The Electoral Roll is a list of those who regularly worship at our church and/or those who consider St James their 'home church'. You must be on the Roll should you wish to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting or stand for election to the PCC. Electoral Roll forms are available at the back of church - you must fill in a form even if you've been on the Roll previously as this is a complete revision. For further details talk to April Rule.

ROAD CLOSURES Please note that the Leicester 10k is taking place on Sunday 2nd March. Several road closures will be implemented between 9am and 11am. Click here for the route: https://www.runforall.com/media/ev4dkvbd/leicester-10k_route-map.jpg

Sunday 2nd March

Sunday next before Lent

08:30 **Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Philip Norwood
10:30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Readings: Exodus 34.29-35 and Luke 9.28-36
18:30 **Choral Evensong** Officiant: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister
Readings: Exodus 3.1-6 and John 12.27-36a

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 26th

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

<https://zoom.us/j/91012643324?pwd=Uy9ENUlPeVlvVERoelMzWi9BSnpRUT09>

Meeting ID: 910 1264 3324 Passcode: Compline

Thursday 27th

12:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Assisted by: Vicky Roe

Friday 28th

16.30 Junior Choir. 18.30 Chorister Training. 19.00 Full Choir Rehearsal.

The Vicar Writes There is a paradox, that we are perhaps most likely to fall into fervent prayer facing a crisis, but that we are most ready to believe in a good God when all is plain sailing. Faith is that which endures storm and calm alike, indeed which is most plainly seen when we face the tempests and troubles of life.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is celebrated in over 146 countries. This year the service has been prepared by the Christian women of the Cook Islands on the theme, "I made you wonderful." Services will be held on Friday 7th March at 2 pm in St. Mary Magdalen Church, Brinsmead Road, LE2 3VD and at 7.30 pm in Stoneygate Baptist Church, 315 London Road, LE2 3ND. All are welcome to attend.

ST JAMES CHORAL PROJECT CONCERT The next workshop and performance day in our Schools' Choral Bootcamp series "Around the world in song" will be performed by pupils from Uplands Junior School. The short informal concert will be on Thursday 27th February at 2.15pm-2.45pm in church. Please support this endeavour by attending as an audience member, or contacting Emma if you can help with stewarding: dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

RECITALS AT ST JAMES The next recital in our series is on Sunday 9th March 2025 at 3pm and is given by musicians from the University of Leicester, who will be playing a variety of chamber music. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

COME AND SING EVENSONG

The next Come and Sing event will be Choral Evensong and will place **TODAY**, rehearsal 4.30pm, service 6.30pm. Sheet music is provided. Refreshments will be served between the rehearsal and the service. Music to include: Ayleward Preces and Responses, Stanford Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in Bb and For the beauty of the earth - Rutter. There is still time to register via trybooking.com/uk/EIKY



QR code for the Come and Sing Evensong 23/2/25

COME AND SING THE SOUND OF MUSIC This will take place on Sunday 6th April 2025 with a workshop and performance led by Emma Trounson, with refreshments in between.

All Age Workshop 2.00pm-4.00pm

Refreshments 4.00pm-4.30pm

Informal Concert 4.30pm-5.00pm

Please register via trybooking.com/uk/EKMV



JUNIOR CHOIR

Our Junior Choir meets on Fridays 4.30 pm-5.30 pm and welcomes children of primary age. They will sing roughly once a month at Sunday services to begin with, for which they will even earn a bit of pocket money! The choir is free to join, there are no auditions and the boys and girls will sing in our supportive and inclusive church environment. Being a chorister means getting a free music education. From the moment they start school onwards children can be part of an organisation where they will improve their singing voice, learn to read music, develop their confidence, work as a team with other children, perform at a high level with teenagers and adults and make friends for life. If you know of a child of primary school age who might be interested, or are willing to help at the choir, please get in touch with Emma Trounson: DoM@stjamesthegreater.org.uk.

THE SHELL Print copies of the Spring edition are available at the back of church. Please place donations in the box on the wall.

CONGRATULATIONS We send our congratulations to Pam Spokes on becoming a Lay Canon and Head Warden of Leicester Cathedral. Pam said “Since joining the team of volunteer welcomers in 2014, the cathedral has become a large part of my life, leading me to take on other roles, such as KRill guide, member of the Festival Year Working Group, volunteer administration assistant in the Music Department during a staff vacancy, and most recently as Head Warden and also Secretary of the Friends of Leicester Cathedral. It means a lot to me to have been appointed an Honorary Lay Canon I and look forward to using my talents to continue to serve the cathedral in my new role.”

CONCERT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Saturday 8th March The Messiah Handel 7.30pm

This performance is given by the Luminatus Vocal Ensemble and will feature an orchestra using period instruments. Tickets cost £20 (£17 concessions).

Saturday 22nd March ‘Music for All’ 7.00pm

That's right..... A concert that has music for ALL.... There's music from across the ages from BRAHMS and BRITTEN to MOZART and MENDELSSOHN! Topped off with a sprinkling of RUTTER.

Stephen Bullamore: conductor Avalon Summerfield: mezzo soprano
Knighton Chamber Orchestra

This performance is given by Leicester Philharmonic Choir and tickets cost £15 (under 25 £5)

Saturday 29th March ‘Gloria’ Vivaldi 7.30pm

This performance is given by the Leicester Bach Choir.

A Spring concert - a varied programme with Vivaldi's dazzling Gloria at the centre. Also including music by Bach, Vaughan Williams, and Dyson. The choir will be accompanied by the Bach Camerata Orchestra and organ. Pre purchased tickets are £20. £23 on the door.

Saturday 5th April Requiem Mozart 7.00pm

The City of Leicester Singers will perform a concert of music composed by Mozart, including the Requiem and the Missa Brevis in G major. Tickets are £12 and under 16s are free.



CAN YOU HELP?

WELCOMING We need more **sidespeople** to act as welcomers to our services. The job is simple - handing people the service sheets and welcoming them as they arrive - but important, particularly for new people coming to church. Please speak to the Vicar or Churchwardens if you can help.

READING During the course of the 10.30 am Eucharist and 6.30 pm Evensong services, members of the congregation read a passage from the Bible as part of our worship. If taking part in services in this way is something that may interest you, please have a chat with Mike Rule.

SINGING If you like to sing and may wish to explore the possibility of joining St. James Singers, please have a chat with Mike Rule. We rehearse every fortnight on a Thursday evening and sing one service each month and during school holidays. No audition is required, just a love of singing.

SERVING Have you considered joining our serving team? Chat with one of us or E-mail servers@stjamesthegreater.org



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 1

Choral Evensong Sunday and Wednesday at 3 pm Radio 3

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE - Freephone 0800 804 8044

Funded by the charity 'Faith in Later Life', which welcomes donations for the service at: www.faithinlaterlife.org.uk/donate

The options available from a telephone keypad are:

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

The options available from a telephone keypad are:

1. Hymns we love
2. How to support Daily Hope
3. Chair exercises
4. One-minute sermons by J. John
5. Weekly Church of England Service
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope
7. Daily Prayers

CONTACTING THE TEAM

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or by telephoning 0116 2542111 and leaving a message. Simon Edwards can be

contacted at fabric@stjamesthegreater.org.uk Please do not hesitate to get in

touch. Further details are on our website: www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk

CHURCH OFFICE This week the Office will be open on Monday 1.15pm – 4.15pm, Wednesday 1.15pm – 4.15pm and Friday 1.15pm – 4.15pm.

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**Sung Eucharist
for Ash
Wednesday**

Wednesday 5th March

7.30 pm

