

This week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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2nd MARCH 2025 SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

Prayer for the Week

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
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: 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

Valera Walker

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel BCP Holy Communion

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood Assisted by: Phil Jones Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Assisted by: Duduzile Chizema and Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant

Churchwarden: Simon Edwards Sidesperson: David Pugh

Servers: Duduzile Chizema, Charles Samuel and William Woolley

Setting: Festive Eucharist - Rawsthorne

HYMN 589 GLORIA Angel-voices ever singing Festive Eucharist - Rawsthorne

READING Exodus 34.29-35 read by Jennifer Smith

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

GRADUAL HYMN 2 Christ, whose glory fills the skies

GOSPEL Luke 9.28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

SERMON INTERCESSIONS The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

OFFERTORY HYMN 42

Longing for light, we wait in darkness

POST COMMUNION HYMN 430 i Bread of heaven, on thee we feed

MOTET

O thou the central orb - Wood

Post Communion Prayer

Holy God,

we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:

may we who are partakers at his table

reflect his life in word and deed,

that all the world may know his power to change and save.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 638 Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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

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

18.30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister Churchwardens: April Rule and Simon Edwards

Sidespeople: Vacant

Servers: Michael Bull and Hazel Carlin

HYMN 649 God of mercy, God of grace

PRECES Rose

PSALM 89.5-12 (See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Exodus 3.1-6 read by Jennifer Clegg

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' ⁴When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' ⁵Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' ⁶He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

MAGNIFICAT Dyson in D

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON John 12.27-36a read by Caroline Beardsmore 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' ³⁰Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. ³⁴The crowd answered him, 'We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?' ³⁵Jesus said to them, 'The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. ³⁶While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light.'

NUNC DIMITTIS Dyson in C minor

RESPONSES Rose

ANTHEM O Gladd'ning Light - Treseder
PRAYERS Mike Rule, Associate Minister
HYMN 281 'Tis good, Lord, to be here
SERMON Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

HYMN 586 All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine

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Sunday 9th March Ist Sunday of Lent

08:30 **Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Readings: Deuteronomy 26.1-11 and Luke 4.1-13

18:30 **Choral Evensong** Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Readings: Jonah 3 and Luke 18.9-14

The Week Ahead

Monday 3rd

14.30 House Group on Zoom. To join the meeting, click

https://shorturl.at/VvGbW Meeting ID: 404 935 5092

Passcode: 6Hyy6R

Wednesday 5th

19.30 Sung Eucharist for Ash Wednesday

Servers: Phil Jones, Sara King and William Woolley

Thursday 6th

12:30 Holy Communion Common Worship, Order I (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Sheila Roberts

Friday 7th

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

The Vicar Writes This Sunday is the view from the peak before we plunge down into Lent. There is fear, but beyond it all there is light.



LENT AT ST JAMES' In addition to our normal services there will be a number of special opportunities for us to deepen Lenten observance: COMPLINE in church each Wednesday at 7pm. THE LENT COURSE: THE SOUND OF MUSINGS - each Thursday, in person at about 1pm in the Vicarage, or online via Zoom at 7.30 pm - https://shorturl.at/ETvcp Meeting ID: 881 8051 1464 Passcode: 445752 (please sign up if interested). SERMON SERIES: Sunday evenings on the theme "Favourite things", featuring guest preachers as well as our regulars! (Some of this fits in with our Come and Sing Sound of Music on Sunday 6th of April.)

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.

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 3WD and at 7.30 pm in Stoneygate Baptist Church, 315 London Road, LE2 3ND. All are welcome to attend.

CHORISTER AWARDS This morning five Junior Choristers: Bess, Chidera, Chizaram, Somto & Thomas are to be admitted as choristers - receiving surplices to wear in services and a certificate. We welcome them into the Choir of St James the Greater in official recognition of their good attendance at services and their commitment to the choir. Please pray for them and their colleagues as they continue to grow and flourish as part of our choral foundation.

On Sunday 9th March in the morning, we will be presenting RSCM medals to Emily. Harriet, Jasmine and Regina.

There will be cake after both of these services for all to celebrate these achievements!

RECITALS AT ST JAMES The next in our recital series is on Sunday 9th March at 3.00pm and will be a variety of chamber music performed by ensembles from the University of Leicester. The concert will last about an hour and refreshments will be served afterwards. The concert is free with a retiring collection with proceeds to the church.

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



COME AND SING BOB CHILCOTT'S: A LITTLE JAZZ MASS

You are invited to an extended Come and Sing with our Junior and Senior Choirs, led by our Director of Music, Emma Trounson. We will be singing the Jazz Mass as part of the morning service on Sunday 11th May, accompanied by the 'Mark Trounson Trio': piano, double bass and drums. The trio will then perform for the

Recitals at St James' concert at 3.00pm.

Rehearsals: Friday 2nd May & Friday 9th May

Primary Age: 4.30pm-5.45pm

Age 11+ & adults: 7.00pm-8.45pm

Service: Sunday I Ith May

Rehearsal (for all) 900am-10.15am, Service 10.30am-11.30am

No prior experience is necessary, and you will be loaned the music.

To register to sing as part of the choir, please visit: trybooking.com/uk/ENEX

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

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

Music 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. 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.

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

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:

- I. 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

Andrew can be contacted by E-mail at: revdaquigley@gmail.com or 0116 2544113. The Church Office can be contacted by E-mail at: office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk 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.

The Church of St James the Greater,

