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

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**20th APRIL 2025
EASTER DAY**

Prayer for the Week

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.
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 : Elizabeth Bentley : Kathryn Haynes

Rest in peace
Maria Lliescu : David Lovatt : Rosemary Herbert

Welcome to St James the Greater

06.00 Dawn Service and Holy Communion

See special Order of Service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: William Woolley

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Server: William Woolley

A card reader donation machine is available.

10.30 All Age Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Margaret Sharman and Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Sidesperson: David Sharman

Servers: Charles Samuel, Lucy Hutchinson and Tony Chizema

Setting: Festive Eucharist - Rawsthorne

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Vicar Alleluia! Christ is risen.
All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

INTROIT Exultet – Shephard

Vicar	We are all risen with Christ.	<i>All loudly</i>	The Lord is life!
	Eternal life is ours.		The Lord is life!
	Death has met its master.		The Lord is life!
	The way to heaven is open.		The Lord is life!
	He is risen indeed.	<i>All shout</i>	Alleluia! Amen!

HYMN 205

GLORIA

Jesus Christ is risen today

Festive Eucharist - Rawsthorne

READING Acts 10.34-43 *read by Regina Santos-Merx*

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread

throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

HYMN 203

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

GOSPEL John 20.1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' ¹⁶Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Members of the Congregation are invited to join the Choir to sing:

ANTHEM

Hallelujah Chorus

Handel

INTERCESSIONS

Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

OFFERTORY HYMN 667

I danced in the morning

MOTET

O sons and daughters – Walford Davies

POST COMMUNION HYMN 197

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks

Post Communion Prayer

God of Life,

who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son

to the death of the cross,

and by his glorious resurrection

have delivered us from the power of our enemy:

grant us so to die daily to sin,

that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 218

Thine be the glory

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.

The Vicar Writes He is risen! Not just a theological statement, or even a historical or biological one. The risen Christ re-writes the cosmos, and re-rights it. We only live in the life of the risen Christ, and only see by his light. May you know the fullness of all the joys and blessings of Easter.



18:30

Festal Evensong

See order of service

Officiant and Preacher: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Sidespeople: Churchwardens

Servers: William Woolley, Hilary Rees and Michael Bull

Thurifers: David Kibert and Vicky Roe

INTROIT

Haec dies quam fecit Dominus:
exultemus et laetemur in ea,
alleluia.

Haec Dies *Byrd*

This is the day which the Lord hath made:
let us be glad and rejoice therein.
Alleluia.

HYMN 221

CONFESSION

PRECES

EASTER ANTHEMS

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 43.1-21

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

see service card

Ayleward

see music sheet

read by Simon Edwards

But now thus says the Lord,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

³ For I am the Lord your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴ Because you are precious in my sight,

and honoured, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you;

⁶ I will say to the north, 'Give them up',

and to the south, 'Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth—
⁷ everyone who is called by my name,
 whom I created for my glory,
 whom I formed and made.’

⁸ Bring forth the people who are blind, yet have eyes,
 who are deaf, yet have ears!

⁹ Let all the nations gather together,
 and let the peoples assemble.
 Who among them declared this,
 and foretold to us the former things?
 Let them bring their witnesses to justify them,
 and let them hear and say, ‘It is true.’

¹⁰ You are my witnesses, says the Lord,
 and my servant whom I have chosen,
 so that you may know and believe me
 and understand that I am he.
 Before me no god was formed,
 nor shall there be any after me.

¹¹ I, I am the Lord,
 and besides me there is no saviour.

¹² I declared and saved and proclaimed,
 when there was no strange god among you;
 and you are my witnesses, says the Lord.

¹³ I am God, and also henceforth I am He;
 there is no one who can deliver from my hand;
 I work and who can hinder it?

¹⁴ Thus says the Lord,
 your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:
 For your sake I will send to Babylon
 and break down all the bars,
 and the shouting of the Chaldeans will be turned to lamentation.

¹⁵ I am the Lord, your Holy One,
 the Creator of Israel, your King.

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord,
 who makes a way in the sea,
 a path in the mighty waters,

¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse,
 army and warrior;
 they lie down, they cannot rise,
 they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

¹⁸ Do not remember the former things,

or consider the things of old.
¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing;
 now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
 I will make a way in the wilderness
 and rivers in the desert.
²⁰ The wild animals will honour me,
 the jackals and the ostriches;
 for I give water in the wilderness,
 rivers in the desert,
 to give drink to my chosen people,
²¹ the people whom I formed for myself
 so that they might declare my praise.

OFFICE HYMN 209

Love's redeeming work is done

MAGNIFICAT

sung by the choir Bairstow in D

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON John 20.19-23

read by April Rule

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

NUNC DIMITTIS

sung by the choir Bairstow in D

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

THE CREED

see service card, p 3

RESPONSES

Ayleward

ANTHEM

My beloved spake Hadley

PRAYERS

Mike Rule, Associate Minister

HYMN 194

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

HYMN 208

Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky

DISMISSAL *Plainsong*

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

Sunday 27th April

2nd Sunday of Easter

- 08:30 **Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood
- 10:30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Readings: Acts 5.27-32 and John 20.19-31
- 18:30 **Choral Evensong** Officiant: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood
Readings: Isaiah 53.1-6, 9-12 and Luke 24.13-35
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The Week Ahead

Wednesday 23rd

21:00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link
<https://zoom.us/j/91012643324?pwd=Uy9ENUlPeVlvWERoeIMzWi9BSnpRUT09>
Meeting ID: 910 1264 3324 Passcode: Compline

Thursday 24th

12:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood
Assisted by: Vicky Roe

THE STEEDS Guy and Chiara joined us when Guy became our organist a few years ago. Chiara joined the choir where she has exercised a valued ministry with the children and young people, initiating and running the youth group. Both have also sat on church committees. Sadly for us, Guy's ongoing medical training is taking him to Nepal for a few weeks, and he and Chiara are taking this moment to move on from St James'. We will miss their inestimable gifts and contributions, and I trust we will all pray for joy and blessings on their life going forward.

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING will be held on Sunday 18th May after the morning service.

THE SHELL deadline is Sunday 4th May for contributions to the next edition. Please send content such as articles, book reviews or recommendations, recipes, notices, etc., to the church office by post or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

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.

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. **The deadline for handing in forms is Sunday 27th April.**

KNIGHTON LIBRARY The meeting concerning the proposed closure of Knighton Library has now been changed. It is to be held at Avenue School on Wednesday May 21st. from 6-7.30pm.

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 11th May

Rehearsal (for all) 9.00am-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



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
Easter Sunday Service	10.00 am	BBC 1
Urbi et Orbi	Sunday at 11.00 am	BBC 1
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. Everyday Faith Reflections
4. One-minute sermons by J. John
5. Weekly Church of England Service
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope
7. Daily Prayers
8. Interview with John Lennox by J. John



Office opening hours w/b 21/04/2025

Wednesday 12.15-4.15 Thursday 1.15-4.15 Friday 2.15-4.15

Risen

Risen, Christ is risen!
Hear the angel say;
Never word so glorious,
Burst upon the day!
Risen, Christ is risen!
Hear the church repeat,
As her bannered armies
Follow Jesus' feet.

Risen, Christ is risen,
Let our anthems say;
For our sake the Saviour
Rose this wondrous day.
Ours the hopes eternal
Of his empty tomb;
Ours regained the Eden
Of immortal bloom.

Shines the wondrous morning
On the ages long!
Hail it, halls of Zion,
Glorious now with song!
Perish, mortal bodies;
Vanish, empty breath.
Hail him, — Jesus! Jesus!
Conqueror of death!

Risen, Christ is risen!
Hail the morning bright,
Children of the promise,
Children of the light.

Hezekiah Butterworth
1839-1905



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