

This week at the Church of St James the Greater

Leicester

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22nd JUNE 2025 Ist SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Prayer for the Week

O God,

the strength of all those who put their trust in you,
mercifully accept our prayers
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature
we can do no good thing without you,
grant us the help of your grace,
that in the keeping of your commandments
we may please you both in will and deed;
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: 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: Kathryn Haynes: Jean Warren:

Stephanie Crapper : Peter Lawton Rest in Peace

Michael Bull MBE, former Server, Churchwarden and loyal member of St James.

Derek Mitchell, former Chorister and Verger.

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are sponsored by Margaret Wright in memory of her husband David.

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Common Worship Order I (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar 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 Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister Churchwarden: Serge Mozota

Sidesperson: Sue Ingle and Rachel Pratt

Servers: David Kibert, William Woolley and Billy Murray

Setting: Leighton in D

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

GLORIA Lécot

READING Galatians 3.23-29 read by Andy Judge

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

GRADUAL HYMN 387 Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking

GOSPEL Luke 8.26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of

his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'— ²⁹ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰ Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. ³¹ They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³² Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³ Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷ Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

SERMON Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister
INTERCESSIONS The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

OFFERTORY HYMN 621 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Sanctus & Benedictus Leighton in D

COMMUNION HYMN 467 The Son of God proclaim

MOTET O God of hosts, the mighty Lord - Mold

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts:
may our communion strengthen us in faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 456 ii Now let us from this table rise

Organ Voluntary - Offertoire sur 'Adoro te devote' - Alexandre Guilmant

Do join us for refreshments at the back of church.

A card reader donation machine is available.

18.30 Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: Angela Jagger, Reader Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Sidespeople: Colin and Angela Stray

Server: Phil Jones

HYMN 761 Praise the Lord! Ye heavens, adore him

PRECES Sanders

PSALM 57 (See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Genesis 24.1-27 read by Phil Jones

Now Abraham was old, well advanced in years; and the Lord had blessed Abraham in all things. ² Abraham said to his servant, the oldest of his house, who had charge of all that he had, 'Put your hand under my thigh ³ and I will make you swear by the Lord, the God of heaven and earth, that you will not get a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I live, ⁴ but will go to my country and to my kindred and get a wife for my son Isaac.' ⁵ The servant said to him, 'Perhaps the woman may not be willing to follow me to this land; must I then take your son back to the land from which you came?' ⁶ Abraham said to him, 'See to it that you do not take my son back there. ⁷ The Lord, the God of heaven, who took me from my father's house and from the land of my birth, and who spoke to me and swore to me, "To your offspring I will give this land", he will send his angel before you; you shall take a wife for my son from there. ⁸ But if the woman is not willing to follow you, then you will be free from this oath of mine; only you must not take my son back there.' ⁹ So the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master and swore to him concerning this matter.

¹⁰ Then the servant took ten of his master's camels and departed, taking all kinds of choice gifts from his master; and he set out and went to Aram-naharaim, to the city of Nahor. ¹¹ He made the camels kneel down outside the city by the well of water; it was towards evening, the time when women go out to draw water. ¹² And he said, 'O Lord, God of my master Abraham, please grant me

success today and show steadfast love to my master Abraham. ¹³ I am standing here by the spring of water, and the daughters of the townspeople are coming out to draw water. ¹⁴ Let the girl to whom I shall say, "Please offer your jar that I may drink", and who shall say, "Drink, and I will water your camels"—let her be the one whom you have appointed for your servant Isaac. By this I shall know that you have shown steadfast love to my master."

¹⁵ Before he had finished speaking, there was Rebekah, who was born to Bethuel son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, coming out with her waterjar on her shoulder. ¹⁶ The girl was very fair to look upon, a virgin whom no man had known. She went down to the spring, filled her jar, and came up. ¹⁷ Then the servant ran to meet her and said, 'Please let me sip a little water from your jar.' ¹⁸ 'Drink, my lord,' she said, and quickly lowered her jar upon her hand and gave him a drink. ¹⁹ When she had finished giving him a drink, she said, 'I will draw for your camels also, until they have finished drinking.' ²⁰ So she quickly emptied her jar into the trough and ran again to the well to draw, and she drew for all his camels. ²¹ The man gazed at her in silence to learn whether or not the Lord had made his journey successful.

²² When the camels had finished drinking, the man took a gold nose-ring weighing a half-shekel, and two bracelets for her arms weighing ten gold shekels, ²³ and said, 'Tell me whose daughter you are. Is there room in your father's house for us to spend the night?' ²⁴ She said to him, 'I am the daughter of Bethuel son of Milcah, whom she bore to Nahor.' ²⁵ She added, 'We have plenty of straw and fodder and a place to spend the night.' ²⁶ The man bowed his head and worshipped the Lord ²⁷ and said, 'Blessed be the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken his steadfast love and his faithfulness towards my master. As for me, the Lord has led me on the way to the house of my master's kin.'

MAGNIFICAT Chanted

SECOND LESSON Mark 5.21-43 read by David Kibert

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. ²² Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³ and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' ²⁴ So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵ Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶ She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷ She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸ for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' ²⁹ Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰ Immediately aware that power

had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' ³¹ And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?" ³² He looked all round to see who had done it. ³³ But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴ He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' ³⁶ But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' ³⁷ He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸ When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹ When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' ⁴⁰ And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' ⁴² And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³ He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

NUNC DIMITTIS Chanted

RESPONSES Ferial

ANTHEM Holy, Holy, Holy! - Smith PRAYERS Angela Jagger, Reader

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

SERMON Angela Jagger, Reader

HYMN 675 (omit verse 6) Immortal Love, for ever full

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

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Office opening hours w/b 23/06/2025

Monday 1.15-4.15 Wednesday 1.15-4.15 Friday 1.15-4.15

CATHEDRAL VISIT TODAY Our Senior Choir will be joining forces with the Cathedral's Senior Choristers to sing a service of Choral Evensong this afternoon at **3.30pm** at Leicester Cathedral. All are welcome to come to the service, it would be lovely to see some familiar faces in the congregation. The choirs are singing an Anthem by JS Bach scored for double choir and Murrill in E canticles.

The Vicar Writes Now we enter the long stretch of Ordinary Time – a time for the growth and nourishment of our faith, and as our readings contain stories of exploring new lands, healing the sick and raising the dead, we are reminded that "Ordinary" is not the most apt term.



Sunday 29th June 2nd Sunday after Trinity

08:30 Holy Communion 10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Readings: Galatians 5.1, 13-25 and Luke 9.51-62

18:30 Choral Evensong

Officiant: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister Readings: Genesis 27.1-40 and Luke 6.1-6

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 25th

21:00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81259880030?pwd=TG9JbmJzUW56VmFrMmJxdDJBTHFNQT09 Meeting ID: 812 5988 0030 Passcode: u7iqca

Thursday 26th

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

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Lin Mawer

Friday 27th

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

Saturday 28th

19.00 Knighton Chamber Orchestra Concert

NICENE CREED DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET A new Devotional Booklet has been produced by the Church of England which explores the Nicene Creed, in the 1700th anniversary year of its original compilation at the Council of Nicea in 325 AD. The booklet is available from Church House Publishers for £3.99 + P&P. Please visit https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/features/we-believe to purchase your сору.

YOUTH CHOIR We are planning to start a new Youth Choir at St James the Greater, hoping to bridge the age gap between our Junior and Senior Choirs. Rehearsals will take place on Fridays from 6.00pm-7.15pm, collaborating with the Senior Choir on Sunday services twice a month to begin with. If you know any secondary school aged young people: II-18 who might like to try singing in our new Youth Choir, please ask them to get in touch with Emma. We will also need adults to help with supervision of the young people, so Emma would be interested to hear from adults who would be interested in taking part in a supervision rota. Emma Trounson: dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

Resources for Home Worship Broadcast Media

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

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

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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