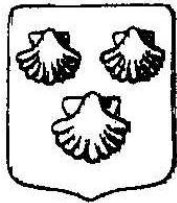
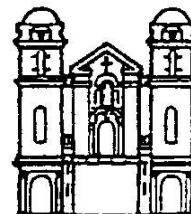


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**This week at the Church of
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Leicester**

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29th JUNE 2025
2nd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Prayer for the Week

Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,
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 – Funeral at St James on Friday 4th July at 12.30 pm

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are
sponsored by Angela Stray in memory of her parents Jack & Edna Palmer.

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: William Woolley

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Charles Samuel and Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Sidesperson: Vacant

Servers: Charles Samuel and Billy Murray

Setting: Little Organ Mass - Haydn

HYMN 765 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation

GLORIA Little Organ Mass - Haydn

READING Galatians 5.1, 13-25 *read by Regina Santos-Merx*

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁵ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶ Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

GRADUAL HYMN 380 i

Come, Lord, to our souls come down

GOSPEL Luke 9.51-62

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³ but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' ⁵⁹ To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' ⁶⁰ But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' ⁶¹ Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' ⁶² Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

SERMON

Mike Rule, Associate Minister

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

OFFERTORY HYMN 781

Son of God, eternal Saviour

Sanctus & Benedictus

Little Organ Mass - Haydn

MOTET

If ye love me - Tallis

COMMUNION HYMN 725

Make me a channel of your peace

Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit,
that we may serve you here on earth
until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 629 iii Father, hear the prayer we offer

Organ Voluntary

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: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Sidespeople: Vacant

Server: William Woolley and Hazel Carlin

HYMN 698 i

King of glory, King of peace

PRECES

Reading

PSALM 124 & 138

(See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Genesis 27.1-40 *read by David Roberts*

When Isaac was old and his eyes were dim so that he could not see, he called his elder son Esau and said to him, ‘My son’; and he answered, ‘Here I am.’ ² He said, ‘See, I am old; I do not know the day of my death. ³ Now then, take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and hunt game for me. ⁴ Then prepare for me savoury food, such as I like, and bring it to me to eat, so that I may bless you before I die.’

⁵ Now Rebekah was listening when Isaac spoke to his son Esau. So when Esau went to the field to hunt for game and bring it, ⁶ Rebekah said to her son Jacob, ‘I heard your father say to your brother Esau, ⁷ “Bring me game, and prepare for me savoury food to eat, that I may bless you before the Lord before I die.” ⁸ Now therefore, my son, obey my word as I command you. ⁹ Go to the flock, and get me two choice kids, so that I may prepare from them savoury food for your father, such as he likes; ¹⁰ and you shall take it to your father to eat, so that he may bless you before he dies.’ ¹¹ But Jacob said to his mother Rebekah, ‘Look, my brother Esau is a hairy man, and I am a man of smooth skin. ¹² Perhaps my father will feel me, and I shall seem to be mocking him, and bring a curse on myself and not a blessing.’ ¹³ His mother said to him, ‘Let your curse be on me, my son; only obey my word, and go, get them for me.’ ¹⁴ So he went and got them and brought them to his mother; and his mother prepared savoury food, such as his father loved. ¹⁵ Then Rebekah took the best garments of her elder son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them on her younger son Jacob; ¹⁶ and she put the

skins of the kids on his hands and on the smooth part of his neck. ¹⁷ Then she handed the savoury food, and the bread that she had prepared, to her son Jacob. ¹⁸ So he went in to his father, and said, 'My father'; and he said, 'Here I am; who are you, my son?' ¹⁹ Jacob said to his father, 'I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me; now sit up and eat of my game, so that you may bless me.' ²⁰ But Isaac said to his son, 'How is it that you have found it so quickly, my son?' He answered, 'Because the Lord your God granted me success.' ²¹ Then Isaac said to Jacob, 'Come near, that I may feel you, my son, to know whether you are really my son Esau or not.' ²² So Jacob went up to his father Isaac, who felt him and said, 'The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau.' ²³ He did not recognize him, because his hands were hairy like his brother Esau's hands; so he blessed him. ²⁴ He said, 'Are you really my son Esau?' He answered, 'I am.' ²⁵ Then he said, 'Bring it to me, that I may eat of my son's game and bless you.' So he brought it to him, and he ate; and he brought him wine, and he drank. ²⁶ Then his father Isaac said to him, 'Come near and kiss me, my son.' ²⁷ So he came near and kissed him; and he smelled the smell of his garments, and blessed him, and said, 'Ah, the smell of my son

is like the smell of a field that the Lord has blessed.

²⁸ May God give you of the dew of heaven,
and of the fatness of the earth,
and plenty of grain and wine.

²⁹ Let peoples serve you,
and nations bow down to you.

Be lord over your brothers,
and may your mother's sons bow down to you.

Cursed be everyone who curses you,
and blessed be everyone who blesses you!

³⁰ As soon as Isaac had finished blessing Jacob, when Jacob had scarcely gone out from the presence of his father Isaac, his brother Esau came in from his hunting. ³¹ He also prepared savoury food, and brought it to his father. And he said to his father, 'Let my father sit up and eat of his son's game, so that you may bless me.' ³² His father Isaac said to him, 'Who are you?' He answered, 'I am your firstborn son, Esau.' ³³ Then Isaac trembled violently, and said, 'Who was it then that hunted game and brought it to me, and I ate it all before you came, and I have blessed him?—yes, and blessed he shall be!' ³⁴ When Esau heard his father's words, he cried out with an exceedingly great and bitter cry, and said to his father, 'Bless me, me also, father!' ³⁵ But he said, 'Your brother came deceitfully, and he has taken away your blessing.' ³⁶ Esau said, 'Is he not rightly named Jacob? For he has supplanted me these two times. He took away my birthright; and look, now he has taken away my blessing.' Then he said, 'Have you not reserved a blessing for me?' ³⁷ Isaac answered Esau, 'I have already made him your lord, and I have given him all his brothers as servants, and with grain and wine I have sustained him.

What then can I do for you, my son?' ³⁸ Esau said to his father, 'Have you only one blessing, father? Bless me, me also, father!' And Esau lifted up his voice and wept.

³⁹ Then his father Isaac answered him:

'See, away from the fatness of the earth shall your home be,
and away from the dew of heaven on high.

⁴⁰ By your sword you shall live,
and you shall serve your brother;
but when you break loose,
you shall break his yoke from your neck.'

MAGNIFICAT Dyson in F

SECOND LESSON Mark 6.1-6 *read by Emily-Hafwen Davies*

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. ² On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. ⁴ Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' ⁵ And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶ And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching.

NUNC DIMITTIS **Dyson in C minor**

RESPONSES

Reading

ANTHEM

Tu es Petrus - Duruflé

PRAYERS

Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

HYMN 131

O for a closer walk with God

SERMON

Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

HYMN 713

Lord of all hopefulness

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – Melody in G minor – York Bowen

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

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Office opening hours w/b 30/06/2025

Monday 1.15-4.15 Thursday 1.15-4.15 Friday 1.15-4.15

The Vicar Writes One of the great divides of our time is between “liberal” and “conservative” values. We are clearly meant to be liberated – freed from sin and death, free from the burdens of legalistic religion – but this does not mean we are libertine. The perfect law of love guarantees our freedom, and guides our action.



Sunday 6th July **3rd Sunday after Trinity**

08:30 BCP Holy Communion President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
10:30 Sung Eucharist President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Readings: Galatians 6.7-16 and Luke 10.1-11, 16-20
18:30 Choral Evensong Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Readings: Genesis 29.1-20 and Mark 6.7-29

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 2nd

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

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75984858232?pwd=sXKl93zlo5Vj4WapP0aKUmTjrXEX0O.1>

Meeting ID: 759 8485 8232 Passcode: L6WRmc

Thursday 3rd

12:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Assisted by: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

Friday 4th

12.30 Funeral of Michael Bull
16.30 Junior Choir. 18.30 Chorister Training. 19.00 Full Choir Rehearsal

Saturday 5th

19.30 Charnwood 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 copy.

CONCERT STEWARDS There is a sign-up sheet at the back of Church for those who can help steward our Sunday afternoon recitals. Please help if you're able. Many thanks.

THE SHELL deadline is Sunday 3rd August 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

CONCERT Charnwood Orchestra are performing a concert in church on Saturday 5th July at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £16.00, Concessions £14.00, 18s and under or NUS £5.00. Music to include Barber of Seville Overture by Rossini, Violin Concerto No.2 by Paganini and Symphony No.1 'Titan' by Mahler.

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. Please get in touch with Emma. Emma Tounson: dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

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

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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