

This week at the Church of St James the Greater

Leicester

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3rd AUGUST 2025 **7TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

Prayer for the Week

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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: Michael Molloy: Chris Jones:

Kathryn Haynes: Jean Warren: Stephanie Crapper: Polly Taylor

Caroline Hough: Billy Murray

Rest in Peace

Revd Jane Sharp, funeral on Saturday 16th August at 12 noon in St James. Peter Gerald Smith (father of Annette Jones): Helen Parsons (former member of St James Singers, funeral on Monday I Ith August, 11.30am, Great Glen Crematorium)

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are sponsored by David & Sarah Clark in grateful memory of Kathleen & Bernard Clark & Anne & Gorge Hayter.

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel Book of Common Prayer

President: The Reverend Canon 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: Charles Samuel and Angela Jagger, Reader Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota Sidesperson: David Pugh

Servers: Charles Samuel, William Woolley and Tony Chizema Setting: A People's Eucharist - Greening

HYMN 696 Jesus, where'er thy people meet

GLORIA Hebridean (hymn 414)

READING Colossians 3.1-11 read by Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷ These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸ But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹ In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

GRADUAL HYMN 679 In Christ there is no east or west

GOSPEL Luke 12.13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' ¹⁴ But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' ¹⁵ And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" ¹⁸ Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." ²⁰ But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

SERMON INTERCESSIONS The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Angela Jagger, Reader

OFFERTORY HYMN 607 (Tune 621) Christ be the Lord of all our days

Give almes of thy goods - Tye COMMUNION HYMN 689 Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts (Tune Maryton)

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 211 Now is eternal life

Organ Voluntary - Paean Richard Dunster-Sigtermans

Do join us for refreshments at the back of church.

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18.30

Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: Mike Rule, Associate Minister Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Sidespeople: Vacant Server: William Woolley

HYMN 16 God, that madest earth and heaven

PRECES Ferial

PSALM 107.1-12 (See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Genesis 50.4-26 read by Colin Stray

When the days of weeping for him were past, Joseph addressed the household of Pharaoh, 'If now I have found favour with you, please speak to Pharaoh as follows: ⁵ My father made me swear an oath; he said, "I am about to die. In the tomb that I hewed out for myself in the land of Canaan, there you shall bury me." Now therefore let me go up, so that I may bury my father; then I will return.' ⁶ Pharaoh answered, 'Go up, and bury your father, as he made you swear to do.'

⁷ So Joseph went up to bury his father. With him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his household, and all the elders of the land of Egypt, ⁸ as well as all the household of Joseph, his brothers, and his father's household. Only their children, their flocks, and their herds were left in the land of Goshen. ⁹ Both chariots and charioteers went up with him. It was a very great company. ¹⁰ When they came to the threshing-floor of Atad, which is beyond the Jordan, they held there a very great and sorrowful lamentation; and he observed a time of mourning for his father for seven days. ¹¹ When the Canaanite inhabitants of the land saw the mourning on the threshing-floor of Atad, they said, 'This is a grievous mourning on the part of the Egyptians.' Therefore the place was named Abel-mizraim; it is beyond the Jordan. ¹² Thus his sons did for him as he had instructed them. ¹³ They carried him to the land of Canaan and buried him in the cave of the field at Machpelah, the field near Mamre, which Abraham bought as a burial site from Ephron the Hittite. ¹⁴ After he had buried his father, Joseph returned to Egypt with his brothers and all who had gone up with him to bury his father.

¹⁵ Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' ¹⁶ So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷ "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of

God? ²⁰ Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹ So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

²² So Joseph remained in Egypt, he and his father's household; and Joseph lived for one hundred and ten years. ²³ Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation; the children of Machir son of Manasseh were also born on Joseph's knees.

²⁴ Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am about to die; but God will surely come to you, and bring you up out of this land to the land that he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.' ²⁵ So Joseph made the Israelites swear, saying, 'When God comes to you, you shall carry up my bones from here.' ²⁶ And Joseph died, being one hundred and ten years old; he was embalmed and placed in a coffin in Egypt.

MAGNIFICAT Chanted – Set B

SECOND LESSON I Corinthians 14.1-19 read by Angela Stray Pursue love and strive for the spiritual gifts, and especially that you may prophesy. ² For those who speak in a tongue do not speak to other people but to God; for nobody understands them, since they are speaking mysteries in the Spirit. ³ On the other hand, those who prophesy speak to other people for their building up and encouragement and consolation. ⁴ Those who speak in a tongue build up themselves, but those who prophesy build up the church. ⁵ Now I would like all of you to speak in tongues, but even more to prophesy. One who prophesies is greater than one who speaks in tongues, unless someone interprets, so that the church may be built up.

⁶ Now, brothers and sisters, if I come to you speaking in tongues, how will I benefit you unless I speak to you in some revelation or knowledge or prophecy or teaching? ⁷ It is the same way with lifeless instruments that produce sound, such as the flute or the harp. If they do not give distinct notes, how will anyone know what is being played? ⁸ And if the bugle gives an indistinct sound, who will get ready for battle? ⁹ So with yourselves; if in a tongue you utter speech that is not intelligible, how will anyone know what is being said? For you will be speaking into the air. ¹⁰ There are doubtless many different kinds of sounds in the world, and nothing is without sound. ¹¹ If then I do not know the meaning of a sound, I will be a foreigner to the speaker and the speaker a foreigner to me. ¹² So with yourselves; since you are eager for spiritual gifts, strive to excel in them for building up the church.

¹³ Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. ¹⁴ For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unproductive. ¹⁵ What should I do then? I will pray with the spirit, but I will pray with the mind also; I will sing praise with the

mind also. ¹⁶ Otherwise, if you say a blessing with the spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say the 'Amen' to your thanksgiving, since the outsider does not know what you are saying? ¹⁷ For you may give thanks well enough, but the other person is not built up. ¹⁸ I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you; ¹⁹ nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind, in order to instruct others also, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

NUNC DIMITTIS Chanted – Set B

RESPONSES Ferial

PRAYERS Mike Rule, Associate Minister

HYMN 770 Restore in us, O God

SERMON Mike Rule, Associate Minister

HYMN 799 i The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Chorale Prelude on Down Ampney (Homage to RVW) David Blackwell

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

A card reader donation machine is available at the back of church.

The Vicar Writes It is too easy to use religion as a tool in earthly disputes – nothing settles an argument like having God on your side! But this is not what faith is for – faith is for the "things above" – for God himself, and for the building of relationship between him, and us his children.



Sunday 10th August 8th Sunday after Trinity

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

Readings: Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16 and Luke 12.32-40

18:30 Choral Evensong Officiant: Angela Jagger, Reader

Assisted by Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

Readings: Isaiah 11.10-16, 12.1-6 and 2 Corinthians 1.1-22

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 6th

21:00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link https://zoom.us/j/91012643324?pwd=Uy9ENU1PeVlvWERoelMzWi9BSnpRUT09

Meeting ID: 910 1264 3324 Passcode: Compline

Thursday 7th

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

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Assisted by: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

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.

LUNCHTIME ORGAN RECITAL As part of a national UK tour, Fr David Price (Thailand) will be giving us a special lunchtime organ recital on Tuesday 12th August at 12.30pm. This should last for around 45 minutes and will include music by Bach, Mendelssohn, Harris and Dupré. Free entry. Retiring collection. It would be lovely to see you there to support Fr David.

JOURNEY IN FAITH is a 3-term course run by the Diocese that provides the time and space for people to:

- ♦ Grow in knowledge of the Christian faith,
- ♦ Deepen their relationship with God,
- ♦ Explore how to live out faith in the whole of life.

An introductory session is planned for Saturday 13th September 9.30am-12.30pm at St. Martin's House. For further information please contact Liz Rawlings: LizRawlings@LeicesterCofE.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 I
Choral Evensong Wednesday at 3 pm Radio 3

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

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE – 0345 646 2206 charged at landline rate

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

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



Church office opening hours: Monday 4th August 1.15-4.15pm Wednesday 6th August 1.15-4.15pm Friday 8th August – Office closed

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