

This week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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10th AUGUST 2025 8th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Prayer for the Week

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
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. Helen Parsons (former member of St James Singers, funeral on Monday 11th August, 11.30am, Great Glen Crematorium)

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

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: Feby John Churchwarden: Julia Walker

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Assisted by: Lucy Hutchinson and Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant
Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota
Sidesperson: Margaret Clarke
Servers: Lucy Hutchinson, Duduzile Chizema and Woolley
Setting: Mass of St Thomas - Thorne

HYMN 4 New every morning is the love

GLORIA Mass of St Thomas - Thorne

READING Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16 read by Phil Jones

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.'

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and

foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

GRADUAL HYMN 386 i Praise we now the word of grace

GOSPEL Luke 12.32-40

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ³⁵ 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. ³⁹ 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

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

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

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 394 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

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

Sidesperson: Julia Warner Server: Phil Jones

HYMN 634 i Firmly I believe and truly

PRECES Sanders

PSALM 108 (See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 11.10-16, 12.1-6 read by Revd Canon Philip Norwood On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

¹¹ On that day the Lord will extend his hand yet a second time to recover the remnant that is left of his people, from Assyria, from Egypt, from Pathros, from Ethiopia, from Elam, from Shinar, from Hamath, and from the coastlands of the sea

¹² He will raise a signal for the nations, and will assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah

from the four corners of the earth.

¹³ The jealousy of Ephraim shall depart, the hostility of Judah shall be cut off;

Ephraim shall not be jealous of Judah,

and Judah shall not be hostile towards Ephraim.

¹⁴ But they shall swoop down on the backs of the Philistines in the west; together they shall plunder the people of the east.

They shall put forth their hand against Edom and Moab, and the Ammonites shall obey them.

¹⁵ And the Lord will utterly destroy the tongue of the sea of Egypt; and will wave his hand over the River

and will wave his hand over the River

with his scorching wind;

and will split it into seven channels,

and make a way to cross on foot;

16 so there shall be a highway from Assyria for the remnant that is left of his people, as there was for Israel when they came up from the land of Egypt.

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, and you comforted me.
Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the Lord God is my salvation.

³ With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴ And you will say on that day:

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;

make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted.

- ⁵ Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.
- ⁶ Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

MAGNIFICAT Chanted – Set A

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the church of God that is in Corinth, including all the saints throughout Achaia: ² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, ⁴ who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. ⁵ For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. ⁶ If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. ⁷ Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 1.1-22 read by William Woolley

⁸ We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, of the affliction we experienced in Asia; for we were so utterly, unbearably crushed that we despaired of life itself. ⁹ Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death so that we would rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead. ¹⁰ He who rescued us from so deadly a peril will continue to rescue us; on him we have set our hope that he will rescue us again, ¹¹ as you also join in helping us by your prayers, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted to us through the prayers of many.

¹² Indeed, this is our boast, the testimony of our conscience: we have behaved in the world with frankness and godly sincerity, not by earthly wisdom but by the grace of God—and all the more towards you. ¹³ For we write to you nothing other than what you can read and also understand; I hope you will understand until the end— ¹⁴ as you have already understood us in part—that on the day of the Lord Jesus we are your boast even as you are our boast.

¹⁵ Since I was sure of this, I wanted to come to you first, so that you might have a double favour; ¹⁶ I wanted to visit you on my way to Macedonia, and to come back to you from Macedonia and have you send me on to Judea. ¹⁷ Was I vacillating when I wanted to do this? Do I make my plans according to ordinary human standards, ready to say 'Yes, yes' and 'No, no' at the same time? ¹⁸ As surely as God is faithful, our word to you has not been 'Yes and No.' ¹⁹ For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, whom we proclaimed among you, Silvanus and Timothy and I, was not 'Yes and No'; but in him it is always 'Yes.' ²⁰ For in him every one of God's promises is a 'Yes.' For this reason it is through him that we say the 'Amen', to the glory of God. ²¹ But it is God who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us, ²² by putting his seal on us and giving us his Spirit in our hearts as a first instalment.

NUNC DIMITTIS Brewer in F

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

RESPONSES Ferial

ANTHEM Brother James' Air - Jacob PRAYERS Angela Jagger, Reader

HYMN 703 Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom

SERMON Angela Jagger, Reader

HYMN 763 Praise to the Holiest in the height

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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The Vicar Writes Morality is the corollary of faith, not, alas, because people of faith always behave with good morals, but rather because acting well, like faith itself, requires a leap beyond the "evidence" we might have before us. To do good is to trust in the Good, despite all evidence to the contrary, and that is Faith.



Sunday 17th August 9th Sunday after Trinity

08:30 Holy Communion

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

10:30 Choral Mattins

Officiant: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

18:30 Sung Eucharist

Readings: Isaiah 28.9-22 and 2 Corinthians 8.1-9 President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Assisted by Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister Readings: Hebrews 11.29-12.2 and Luke 12.49-56

The Week Ahead

Tuesday 12th

12.30 Lunchtime Organ Recital Special recital by Revd David Price

Wednesday 13th

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 14th

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

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

19.30 St James Singers Rehearsal

Saturday 16th

12 noon Funeral of Revd Jane Sharp

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.

TRAM DEPOT In conjunction with Oadby Motorfest The Leicester Transport Heritage Trust will be opening the Stoneygate Tram Depot from 10am to 4pm on Sunday (on London Rd next to the filling station by the Racecourse roundabout). Visitors can see inside the depot, learn about the work of the Trust and perhaps ride on one of our preserved buses. Admission £3 adults, children free.

RIDE AND STRIDE This takes place on Saturday 13th September. If you would like to take part in this year's sponsored event, forms are on the back table. If you require further information, go to https://www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/

If you can volunteer on the day for an hour or two to help welcome people coming to St. James, please contact the Church Office on 0116 2542111 and sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

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 Sunday and 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 11th August 1.15-4.15pm Wednesday 13th August 1.15-4.15pm

Friday 15th August 1.15-4.15pm

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