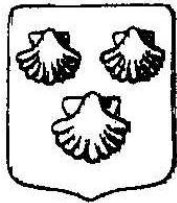
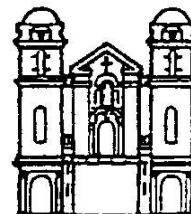


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**24<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2025**  
**BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE**

**Prayer for the Week**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach  
your word:  
grant that your Church  
may love that word which he believed  
and may faithfully preach and receive 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

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are sponsored by  
Barbara Raven in memory of John Raven.

# Welcome to St James the Greater

## **08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel**

### **Common Worship Order I (Traditional)**

President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood

Assisted by: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

Churchwarden: Julia Walker

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## **10:30 Sung Eucharist**

### ***See order of service***

President: The Reverend Canon Dr Stephen Foster

Assisted by: David Kibert and Angela Jagger, Reader

Churchwarden: Serge Mozota

Sidespeople: Sue Ingle and Rachel Pratt

Servers: David Kibert, William Woolley and Tony Chizema

Setting: Mass of St Thomas - Thorne

### **HYMN 448 i GLORIA**

### **I come with joy, a child of God Mass of St Thomas - Thorne**

### **READING** Acts 5.12-16 *read by David Kibert*

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. <sup>13</sup> None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. <sup>14</sup> Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, <sup>15</sup> so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. <sup>16</sup> A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

### **GRADUAL HYMN 300 (Tune 147)**

### **Glory to you, O God**

### **GOSPEL** Luke 22.24-30

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. <sup>25</sup> But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. <sup>26</sup> But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. <sup>27</sup> For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

<sup>28</sup> 'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; <sup>29</sup> and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, <sup>30</sup> so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

SERMON  
INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Canon Dr Stephen Foster  
Angela Jagger, Reader

**OFFERTORY HYMN 308**

**Rejoice in God's saints**

**Post Communion Prayer**

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have willed that the gate of mercy  
should stand open for those who trust in you:  
look upon us with your favour  
that we who follow the path of your will  
may never wander from the way of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN 456 ii**      **Now let us from this table rise**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Please be aware of those remaining to listen.*

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**Thought for the week** Our Bible readings in recent weeks have been focused upon trust and faith. In particular we have been hearing in the Letter to the Hebrews about the Great Cloud of Witnesses who through many great trials and tribulations stayed true to their faith bringing them at last to their heavenly home. In our world today, full of challenges and uncertainties, we too should take courage in knowing that God's Kingdom cannot be shaken. May we then give true thanks and praise in worship to our Lord.



*Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister*

**18:30**

## **Taizé Service**

***See special order of service***

Officiant: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

Churchwarden: April Rule

Sidespeople: Colin and Angela Stray

Server: Hazel Carlin

### **FIRST LESSON** Isaiah 35.1-10

*read by Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant*

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,  
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;  
like the crocus <sup>2</sup> it shall blossom abundantly,  
and rejoice with joy and singing.

The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,  
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.

They shall see the glory of the Lord,  
the majesty of our God.

<sup>3</sup> Strengthen the weak hands,  
and make firm the feeble knees.

<sup>4</sup> Say to those who are of a fearful heart,  
'Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,  
with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.'

<sup>5</sup> Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

<sup>6</sup> then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;

<sup>7</sup> the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water;  
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,  
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

<sup>8</sup> A highway shall be there,  
and it shall be called the Holy Way;  
the unclean shall not travel on it,  
but it shall be for God's people;

no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray.  
<sup>9</sup> No lion shall be there,  
nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;  
they shall not be found there,  
but the redeemed shall walk there.  
<sup>10</sup> And the ransomed of the Lord shall return,  
and come to Zion with singing;  
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;  
they shall obtain joy and gladness,  
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

## **SECOND LESSON** John 15.10-17

read by Jennifer Clegg

If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup> 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup> I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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## **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August**

### **11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**08:30 Holy Communion**

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

**10:30 Sung Eucharist**

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Readings: Hebrews 13.1-8, 15, 16 and Luke 14.1, 7-14

**18:30 Choral Evensong**

Officiant: Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Readings: Isaiah 33.13-22 and John 3.22-36

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# The Week Ahead

## Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>

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

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75984858232?pwd=sXKl93zlo5Vj4WApP0aKUmTjrXEX0O.l>

Meeting ID: 759 8485 8232 Passcode: L6WRmc

## Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>

12:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant

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**RIDE AND STRIDE** This takes place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> 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.

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**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 13<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am-12.30pm at St. Martin's House. For further information please contact Liz Rawlings:

[LizRawlings@LeicesterCofE.org](mailto:LizRawlings@LeicesterCofE.org)

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**CONCERT** This Sunday (24<sup>th</sup>), there is an extra recital here in St James.

The Castle Baroque Players are performing at 3.00 pm.

The ensemble is led by Sebastian Carrington, former chorister at St James. All are welcome.



# 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 Wednesday at 3 pm Radio 3

Online at [www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org) and [www.leicestercathedral.org](http://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](http://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:

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

Church office opening hours:

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August Closed for Bank Holiday

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 1.15-4.15pm

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August 1.15-4.15pm

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 1.15-4.15pm

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A photograph of a person's legs and feet walking on a sandy beach. The person is wearing a light-colored skirt and dark shoes. The sand is in the foreground, and the background is a blurred view of the ocean and sky. The text "Who is the Greatest?" is overlaid on the image in a white, cursive font.

*Who is the Greatest?*

Luke 22:24-30