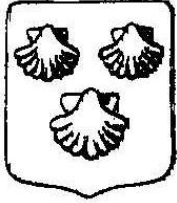
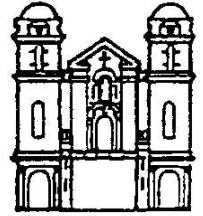


19/26



St James the Greater Leicester



10th MAY 2026
6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Prayer for the Week

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us
to eternal joy;
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 : Nina French : Anthony Green :
Gillian Boorne : Anne Sylvester and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Mark Sadler : Nicola Shilton : Mandy Stephensen :
Mollie Drake : Kathryn Haynes : Stephanie Crapper : Caroline Hough
Diane Allen : Neill Addison-Gutteridge : Revd Canon Philip Norwood

Rest in peace

We pray for the family and friends of Chris Jones (father of Phil Jones) who died
on 19th April.

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are sponsored by Janet Burton in
Remembrance of all past worshippers who are no longer with us.

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: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Lucy Hutchinson and Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Churchwarden: Serge Mozota

Sidesperson: Margaret Clarke

Servers: Tony Chizema, Lucy Hutchinson and Charles Samuel

Setting: Darke in E

HYMN 7 This is the day the Lord hath made

GLORIA Jones

READING Acts 17.22-31 read by Mark Trounson

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring."

²⁹ Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people

everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

GRADUAL HYMN 269 Can we by searching find out God

GOSPEL John 14.15-21

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸ 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

SERMON

Mike Rule, Associate Minister

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

OFFERTORY HYMN 507 We have a gospel to proclaim

MOTET If ye love me – *Tallis*

POST COMMUNION HYMN 434 ii Christ bids us break the bread

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 209 Love's redeeming work is done

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

Please stay for refreshments at the end of the service.

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

Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the Service.

18:30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Sidesperson: Julia Warner

Server: Hazel Carlin

HYMN 219

This joyful Eastertide

PRECES

Ferial

PSALM 36.5-10

See music sheet

FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 8.1-13

read by Colin Stray

The word of the Lord of hosts came to me, saying: ² Thus says the Lord of hosts: I am jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I am jealous for her with great wrath. ³ Thus says the Lord: I will return to Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem; Jerusalem shall be called the faithful city, and the mountain of the Lord of hosts shall be called the holy mountain. ⁴ Thus says the Lord of hosts: Old men and old women shall again sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each with staff in hand because of their great age. ⁵ And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in its streets. ⁶ Thus says the Lord of hosts: Even though it seems impossible to the remnant of this people in these days, should it also seem impossible to me, says the Lord of hosts? ⁷ Thus says the Lord of hosts: I will save my people from the east country and from the west country; ⁸ and I will bring them to live in Jerusalem. They shall be my people and I will be their God, in faithfulness and in righteousness.

⁹ Thus says the Lord of hosts: Let your hands be strong—you that have recently been hearing these words from the mouths of the prophets who were present when the foundation was laid for the rebuilding of the temple, the house of the Lord of hosts. ¹⁰ For before those days there were no wages for people or for animals, nor was there any safety from the foe for those who went out or came in, and I set them all against one another. ¹¹ But now I will not deal with the remnant of this people as in the former days, says the Lord of hosts. ¹² For there shall be a sowing of peace; the vine shall yield its fruit, the ground shall give its produce, and the skies shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these things. ¹³ Just as you have been a cursing among the nations, O house of Judah and house of Israel, so I will save you and you shall be a blessing. Do not be afraid, but let your hands be strong.

MAGNIFICAT

Chanted

SECOND LESSON Revelation 21.22-22.5 *read by Angela Stray*

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³ And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵ Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶ People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. ²⁷ But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

22 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴ they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Brewer in F

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

RESPONSES

Ferial

ANTHEM

Christians shout for joy and gladness – *J.S. Bach*

PRAYERS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 221

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 608

Christ is our corner-stone

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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

Sunday 17th May

7th Sunday of Easter

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

10:30 **Choral Mattins** Officiant: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister
Readings: Acts 2 Samuel 23.1-5 and Ephesians 1.15-23

18:30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Readings: Acts 1.6-14 and John 17.1-11

The Week Ahead

Monday 11th

10:30 **Small Sounds** in the Hall: Free drop-in music sessions for babies & preschoolers (and their grown-ups!)

Wednesday 13th

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 14th

12:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Assisted by: William Woolley

19.30 **Sung Eucharist for Ascension Day**
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Assisted by: David Kibert and Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister
Please note: incense will be used at this service

Friday 15th

16.30 **Junior Choir rehearsal**
19.00 **Senior Choir rehearsal**

Saturday 16th

19.00 **Ex Cathedra Concert**

Sunday 17th

13.30 The Laura Centre Memorial Service

The Vicar Writes Sometimes we try to know too much – unlike the Athenians we lack the humility to acknowledge an unknown God. The God we do know we try to shape and confine, so he is a cold and distant ruler. In truth, God is love, and we know him by His Spirit, filling us as breath fills our lungs.



CHORISTER RECITAL – THIS SUNDAY!

This month's 'Recitals at St James' features choral, solo and duet items by musicians from our Junior and Senior Choirs, with two of our young Organists/Pianists: Easher Austin (Organ Scholar) and Daniel MacDonald (Junior Choir Accompanist) who are also playing the organ for our services today!

The concert is 3.00pm-4.00pm, followed by refreshments. All Recitals at St James concerts are 'Pay as you feel' with donations raising money for the church.

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING will be held on Sunday 24th May after the morning service.

PCC MEMBERSHIP We are looking for new PCC members and Deputy Churchwardens. Perhaps you have served in the past or in another church, or perhaps it would be a brave new world! Either way, it is an important way of serving the church, and hopefully more rewarding than onerous - only 5 or 6 meetings a year – for 1, 2 or 3 years. Please consider and pray about this before new members are elected at the APCM. Nomination forms are available at the back of church. Please talk to the Vicar, Churchwardens or other members of the PCC if you'd like more information. As a Charity sponsoring work with children and young people, PCC members are required to have a DBS check and undertake Safeguarding Training provided by the Church of England.

Come and Sing Evensong

Our next event will be on Trinity Sunday (31st May 2026). Arrive in church for a 4.30pm rehearsal start.

The music will be: Preces & Responses: Reading; Psalm: 150 (Elgar); Canticles: Brewer in D; Anthem: Love divine – Goodall.

If you would like more information and to register, please visit:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GJYB>

Or scan the QR code:



EX CATHEDRA CONCERT STEWARDS Help is needed for the Rachmaninov Vespers Concert on 16th May, to check tickets, sell programmes, direct concert-goers and serve refreshments at the interval. Stewards will need to arrive by 6.15 pm as the concert starts at 7 pm. If you are able to help, please sign up on the list at the back of church. Thank you.

CONCERT DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

Saturday 16th May – 7.00 pm – Ex Cathedra Concert

A performance of the Rachmaninov Vespers.



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Inspiring singing

Rachmaninoff Vespers

Powerful, passionate, hypnotic – in a time of turmoil and amid the shock of war, Rachmaninoff turned to the choral heritage he held dear, and created one of the most awe-inspiring vocal masterpieces. Immerse yourself in its luminous choral tapestry, mesmeric melodies and some of the lowest notes you'll ever hear sung. No wonder it is beloved by audiences and singers alike.

EX CATHEDRA Choir

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Martha McLorinan mezzo soprano
James Robinson tenor
Simone Rebello bells

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Bachtrack

St James the Greater, Leicester
Sat 16 May 2026, 7pm

St Martin-in-the-Fields, London
Thu 28 May 2026, 7.30pm

Lichfield Festival
Fri 10 July 2026, 7.30pm

Three Choirs Festival, Gloucester
Sun 26 July 2026



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MAY FESTIVAL

Mass with procession in honour of Our Lady.

Celebrant and Preacher:

**The Right Revd Michael Igrave
Bishop of Lichfield**

11TH MAY | 7PM

**MASS &
PROCESSION**

**FOLLOWED BY
REFRESHMENTS**

MAY FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

- 6pm** **Children's Workshops**
in the Parish Room
- 6:30pm** **Dhol Drummers Start**
- 7pm** **Festival Mass with Procession**
Procession to start around 7:30pm
- 8:30pm** **Celebration in the Parish Hall**
Samosas, Bhajjis and Buffer Food
Dance and Musical Performances



**St Andrew's Church
Jarrom Street,
Leicester,
LE2 7DH.**

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES FROM 6PM

Rosary Workshop (Ages 4 - 10)
Make your own rosary! All materials provided.

Banner Workshop (All Ages)
Make our children's processional banner for
the May Festival and for the National Pilgrimage
to Walsingham on Monday 25th May.

Procession

Join the procession and scatter
rose petals in front of Our Lady.

Recitals at St James



Second Sundays at 3.00pm ²⁰²⁶

Pay as you feel, refreshments served

St James the Greater Church, London Rd, Leicester, LE2 1NE.

10th May 26 - Choristers of St James the Greater
Choral and solo items from our choristers and organists

14th June 26 - Nicholas Friedersdorff - Organ
Organ Scholar - St James the Greater

12th July 26 - The Titanic Jazz Band
Leicester based Jazz Ensemble

9th August 26 - Fr David Price - Organ
Thailand - part of his UK tour



30th August 26 - Castle Baroque Players (extra date)
Chamber ensemble led by Seb Carrington

13th September 26 - Ricardus Consort
Choir and instrumental ensemble led by Simon Mold



11th October 26 - Serenity Flutes
Flutes: Julie Dearden, Ann Wright; Piano: Fergus Black

8th November 26 - The Juliet Consort
*Soprano: Emma Trounson, Anna Jane Davies; Countertenor: Mark Trounson;
Tenor: Jeremy Goldsmith; Bass & Violoncello: David Bean; Lute: Chris Susans*



No recital in December due to carol services



CALLING FOR EVERYONE

How can I live out my faith more fully?

What could God be calling me to?

What opportunities are there for me to serve?

this day is open to anyone curious about these questions.

Saturday 25th April

St Andrew's Church

Hinckley Road, Leicester Forest East, LE3 3PF

Saturday 16th May

St Wilfrid's Church

Church Road, Kibworth, LE8 0NB

Saturday 6th June

Frisby Chapel

Main Street, Frisby on the Wreake, LE14 2NJ

all events from 10am to 3pm

with refreshments available from 9.30, bring a packed lunch



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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 Sundays 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday 1.20 pm BBC 1
Choral Evensong Sunday 6 pm Radio 3
Choral Evensong Sunday 6 pm Wednesday 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:

1. Hymns we love
2. Chair exercises
3. Spiritual Wellbeing Reflections with Pam Rhodes
4. One minute sermons by J. John
5. Prayers for the season
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope

CONTACTING THE TEAM

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or by telephoning 0116 2542111 and leaving a message. Please do not hesitate to get in touch. Further details are on our website: www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk

Church office opening hours this week:

Monday 11th May 1.15 pm – 4.15 pm
Wednesday 13th May 1.15 pm - 4.15 pm
Friday 15th May 1.15 pm - 4.15 pm

