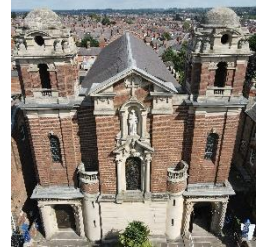


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This week at the Church of  
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**21st MAY 2023**  
**7th SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY**

**Prayer for the Week**

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Our Prayers are asked for:**

**All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering**

Gwen Leather : Marilyn Dorum :  
Margaret Norman : Mollie Drake : Anne Sylvester  
and all those currently unable to attend services.

**Those who are unwell and who are recovering**

Mark Sadler : Ann Blanchard : Anthony Green :  
Josephine Chizema : Gillian Boorne :  
Peter Relph : Nina French : Sara King

*The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by  
Philip & Paul Makepeace in memory of  
Doris, Terry and Nigel Makepeace*

# Welcome to St James the Greater

**08:30**

## Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Assisted by: Sheila Roberts

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

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**10:30**

## Sung Eucharist

*See special order of service*

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Margaret Sharman

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Sidesperson: David Sharman

Servers: William Woolley, William Simpey and Michael Bull

Setting: Darke in E

**OPENING HYMN 228**

**Hail the day that sees him rise**

**GLORIA**

*Jones*

**READING** Acts 1.6-14

*read by Jennifer Smith*

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' <sup>7</sup>He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

**GRADUAL HYMN 769****Rejoice! The Lord is King****GOSPEL** John 17.1-11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup> 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

**OFFERTORY HYMN 453****Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour**

ANTHEM

Come, Holy Ghost *Attwood***POST COMMUNION HYMN 358(i) Be still for the presence of the Lord****Post Communion Prayer**

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN 612****Christ triumphant, ever reigning**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY - Ricercare on Llanfair - David Briggs

***Please be aware of those remaining to listen.******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.******Everyone is invited for refreshments at the back of the church after the service.***

The Annual **VESTRY MEETING** takes place immediately after this service.

## VESTRY MEETING

1. Welcome and Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of last year's Vestry Meeting
3. Election of Church Wardens & Deputy Church Wardens

## The Vicar Writes

For many people in this country the story begins and ends at Christmas with a baby in a manger. For others it ends on Good Friday at the cross, or more hopefully on Easter day at the empty tomb. But the story does not even end with the Ascension – the book of Acts reminds us that the story continued, and in us it continues still.



**18:30**

## Choral Evensong

*See order of service*

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Preacher: Angela Jagger

Churchwarden: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Sidespersons: Colin and Angela Stray

Servers: Val Bailey and Phil Jones

**HYMN 221**

**CONFESSION**

PRECES

**PSALM 47**

FIRST LESSON 2 Samuel 23.1-5

**Ye choirs of new Jerusalem**

*see service card*

Forbes L'Estrange

**see music sheet**

*read by Colin Stray*

Now these are the last words of David:

The oracle of David, son of Jesse,  
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,  
the anointed of the God of Jacob,  
the favourite of the Strong One of Israel:

<sup>2</sup> The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,  
his word is upon my tongue.

<sup>3</sup> The God of Israel has spoken,  
the Rock of Israel has said to me:

One who rules over people justly,  
ruling in the fear of God,

<sup>4</sup> is like the light of morning,

like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,  
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.

<sup>5</sup> Is not my house like this with God?  
For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,  
ordered in all things and secure.  
Will he not cause to prosper  
all my help and my desire?

**HYMN 362**

**Come, let us join our cheerful song**

**MAGNIFICAT**

Sung by the choir - *Hylton Stewart in C*  
**Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria**

**SECOND LESSON** Ephesians 1.15-23

*read by Angela Stray*

<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup> I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup> so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup> God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup> And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

see separate music sheet - *Dyson in C minor*

**THE CREED**

**see service card, p 3**

**RESPONSES**

Forbes L'Estrange

**ANTHEM**

The Spirit of the Lord – *Elgar*

**PRAYERS**

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

**HYMN 796 (i)**

**The Lord is King! Lift up thy voice**

**SERMON**

Angela Jagger

**HYMN 232**

**The head that once was crowned with thorns**

**DISMISSAL** *Plainsong*

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY - Please be aware of those remaining to listen.**

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# The Week Ahead

## Tuesday - Friday

08.00 Morning Prayer in church

## Monday

14.30 House Group online. E-mail [A.F.Jagger@dunelm.org.uk](mailto:A.F.Jagger@dunelm.org.uk) for the link

## Wednesday

21.00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75984858232?pwd=sXK193zlo5Vj4WApP0aKUmTjrXEX00.1>

Meeting ID: 759 8485 8232    Passcode: L6WRmc

## Thursday

10.30 **Holy Communion**      Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley. Assisted by: Janet Burton

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

19.30 St James Singers Rehearsal in the Ashman Room

## Friday

16.30 Junior Choir

18.00 Choir Practice

## Sunday Next – PENTECOST

08.30 **Holy Communion**

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

10.30 **Sung Eucharist**

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Acts 2.1-21 and John 20.19-23

INCENSE WILL BE USED IN THIS SERVICE

18.30 **Festal Evensong**

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

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**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK** Envelopes for your gift are available on the table at the back of church. Please place your envelope in the collection basket. Please be as generous as your means allow.

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**THANK YOU** to the Knighton Chamber Orchestra and to Paul Jenkins for the £800 donation to church funds from their Beethoven concert on 29<sup>th</sup> April.

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**STAMPS FOR CHARITY** Please bring donations of stamps to help raise money for Inter Care and put them in the box provided.

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**COMMON CUP** Please **place a red token** into a small basket, which is on the large table at the back of church **before taking your seat**, if you wish to receive the wine, so appropriate quantities can be consecrated.

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**OFFERTORY** We have returned to blessing the offertory as part of our services. **Please place any envelopes or loose collection into the baskets at the back of the church before** taking your seat, so that it can be taken to the high altar and blessed during the service.

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## **CONCERT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

17<sup>th</sup> JUNE at 6 pm. Leicester Philharmonic Choir and St. James Choristers. 'Time for Summer'. Tickets £20 on the door and online at

<https://www.ticketor.com/thephil/tickets/time-for-summer-259571#buy>

24<sup>th</sup> JUNE at 7.30 pm: Charnwood Orchestra Concert. Tchaikovsky, Glazunov and Shostakovich. Tickets £14/£12 on the door and online at

<https://www.charnwoodorchestra.org.uk/concerts.php/>

1<sup>st</sup> JULY at 7.30 pm: Leicester Bach Choir. Tickets £18 on door or Eventbrite.

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## **JUNIOR CHOIR**

Our Junior Choir meets on Fridays 4.30 pm-5.30 pm and welcomes children of primary age. They will sing roughly once a month at Sunday services to begin with, for which they will even earn a bit of pocket money! The choir is free to join, there are no auditions and the boys and girls will sing in our supportive and inclusive church environment. Being a chorister means getting a free music education. From the moment they start school onwards children can be part of an organisation where they will improve their singing voice, learn to read music, develop their confidence, work as a team with other children, perform at a high level with teenagers and adults and make friends for life. If you know of a child of primary school age who might be interested, or are willing to help at the choir, please get in touch with Emma Trounson: [DoM@stjamesthegreater.org.uk](mailto:DoM@stjamesthegreater.org.uk).

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**ST. JAMES' YOUTH GROUP** Meeting alternate Wednesdays from 7:30-9pm. All young people in school years 8-13 are welcome to join us for games, food and a short discussion based on a Bible passage. See fliers on back tables at church. Next meeting is: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

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## **CONTACTING THE TEAM**

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# Resources for Home Worship

## Broadcast Media

Daily Service	Monday – Friday at 9.45am	Radio 4 LW
Choral Evensong	Wednesday at 4 pm and Sunday at 3 pm	Radio 3
Sunday Worship	Sunday at 8.10 am	Radio 4
Songs of Praise	Sunday at 13.15 pm	BBC 1

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

## DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE      Freephone 0800 804 8044

This offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services in mind. This is a Freephone number.

Some of the options have been changed and are detailed below:

- \* A special message from the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby.
- # Sleep Well – four reflections before bedtime.
- 1. Hymns we love – one each day with a spoken reflection based on it.
- 2. Hymn line – favourite hymns on a repeating loop.
- 3. Novena reflections in preparation for Pentecost.
- 4. Chair Exercises.
- 5. Weekly C of E service.
- 6. Morning and Evening Prayer from Common Worship.
- 7. Prayer for Ukraine
- 8. Address for written communications and donations.
- 0. Returns you to the main menu.

It is helpful to have the telephone on speakerphone to avoid having to hold the handset.

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