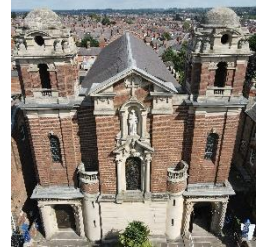


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This week at the Church of
St James the Greater
Leicester

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25th JUNE 2023
TRINITY 3

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
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.

Our Prayers are asked for:

Thanksgiving for childbirth:

Rowan William Judge, a son for Joseph and Emma, a grandson for Andy and Penny.

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

Rest in Peace

George Leather (62)

*The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by
Angela Stray in memory of her parents*

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30

Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Jane Sharp

Assisted by: Lin Mawer

Churchwarden: Julia Walker

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10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: David Kibert

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Servers: David Kibert, William Woolley and Tony Chizema

Setting: Missa L'Hora Passa - Viadana

OPENING HYMN 541 (t. 345)

Lord of beauty, thine the splendour

GLORIA

Jones

READING Jeremiah 20.7-13

read by David Kibert

⁷ O LORD, you have enticed me,
and I was enticed;

you have overpowered me,
and you have prevailed.

I have become a laughing-stock all day long;
everyone mocks me.

⁸ For whenever I speak, I must cry out,
I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!'

For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.

⁹ If I say, 'I will not mention him,
or speak any more in his name',

then within me there is something like a burning fire
shut up in my bones;

I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.

¹⁰ For I hear many whispering:
'Terror is all around!

Denounce him! Let us denounce him!'

All my close friends
are watching for me to stumble.

'Perhaps he can be enticed,

and we can prevail against him,
and take our revenge on him.'

¹¹ But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble,
and they will not prevail.

They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonour
will never be forgotten.

¹² O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous,
you see the heart and the mind;

let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

¹³ Sing to the LORD;
praise the LORD!

For he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hands of evildoers.

GRADUAL HYMN 116

Be thou my guardian and my guide

GOSPEL Matthew 10.24-39

²⁴ 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶ 'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³² 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. ³⁴ 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶ and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

OFFERTORY HYMN 621

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

ANTHEM

Greater Love - Ireland

Please remember that intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not permitted due to the infection risk. If you do not wish to drink from the chalice, please receive the bread only (which is still full and valid communion).

POST COMMUNION HYMN 140

All ye who seek for sure relief

Post Communion Prayer

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 748 (omit v.4)

O Jesus, I have promised

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

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Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service.

The Vicar Writes

Again we are offered a provoking mixture of the comforting and the challenging. We are told of God's infinite care and intimate knowledge of us, but also the challenges of discipleship, and God's absolute claim of priority in all things. This is a lot to take at one sitting, and perhaps the words of the post communion prayer offer the best approach to it.



18:30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Sidespersons: Colin and Angela Stray

Servers: Val Bailey and Michael Bull

HYMN 698 (i)

CONFESSION

PRECES

PSALM 46

King of glory, King of peace

see service card

Smith

see music sheet

When Saul returned from following the Philistines, he was told, 'David is in the wilderness of En-gedi.' ²Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and went to look for David and his men in the direction of the Rocks of the Wild Goats. ³He came to the sheepfolds beside the road, where there was a cave; and Saul went in to relieve himself. Now David and his men were sitting in the innermost parts of the cave. ⁴The men of David said to him, 'Here is the day of which the LORD said to you, "I will give your enemy into your hand, and you shall do to him as it seems good to you."' Then David went and stealthily cut off a corner of Saul's cloak. ⁵Afterwards David was stricken to the heart because he had cut off a corner of Saul's cloak. ⁶He said to his men, 'The LORD forbid that I should do this thing to my lord, the LORD's anointed, to raise my hand against him; for he is the LORD's anointed.' ⁷So David scolded his men severely and did not permit them to attack Saul. Then Saul got up and left the cave, and went on his way. ⁸Afterwards David also rose up and went out of the cave and called after Saul, 'My lord the king!' When Saul looked behind him, David bowed with his face to the ground, and did obeisance. ⁹David said to Saul, 'Why do you listen to the words of those who say, "David seeks to do you harm"? ¹⁰This very day your eyes have seen how the LORD gave you into my hand in the cave; and some urged me to kill you, but I spared you. I said, "I will not raise my hand against my lord; for he is the LORD's anointed." ¹¹See, my father, see the corner of your cloak in my hand; for by the fact that I cut off the corner of your cloak, and did not kill you, you may know for certain that there is no wrong or treason in my hands. I have not sinned against you, though you are hunting me to take my life. ¹²May the LORD judge between me and you! May the LORD avenge me on you; but my hand shall not be against you. ¹³As the ancient proverb says, "Out of the wicked comes forth wickedness"; but my hand shall not be against you. ¹⁴Against whom has the king of Israel come out? Whom do you pursue? A dead dog? A single flea? ¹⁵May the LORD therefore be judge, and give sentence between me and you. May he see to it, and plead my cause, and vindicate me against you.' ¹⁶When David had finished speaking these words to Saul, Saul said, 'Is that your voice, my son David?' Saul lifted up his voice and wept. ¹⁷He said to David, 'You are more righteous than I; for you have repaid me good, whereas I have repaid you evil.'

HYMN 119**MAGNIFICAT Chanted****SECOND LESSON Luke 14.12-24**

**Forgive our sins as we forgive
see music sheet**

read by Jennifer Clegg

¹² He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.' ¹⁵ One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, 'Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!' ¹⁶Then Jesus said to him, 'Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. ¹⁷At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, "Come; for everything is ready now." ¹⁸But they all alike began to make

excuses. The first said to him, "I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my apologies." ¹⁹ Another said, "I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my apologies." ²⁰ Another said, "I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come." ²¹ So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, "Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame." ²² And the slave said, "Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room." ²³ Then the master said to the slave, "Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. ²⁴ For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner."'

NUNC DIMITTIS

Sung by the choir - *Harwood in A flat*

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

see white service card, p 3

THE CREED

Smith

RESPONSES

Hail, gladdening light - *Wood*

ANTHEM

Sheila Roberts

PRAYERS

When all thy mercies, O my God

HYMN 820

Sheila Roberts

SERMON

HYMN 815

Thy kingdom come! On bended knee

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

Wednesday

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

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

Meeting ID: 759 8485 8232 Passcode: L6WRmc

Thursday – St. Peter and St. Paul

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

President: The Rev. Andrew Quigley. Assisted by: Sheila Roberts

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

19.30 St James Singers rehearsal in Ashman Room

Friday

16.30 Junior Choir

18.00 Choir Practice

19.00 Bible Discussion via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83054314360?pwd=RU4yUzhVSnpSajZHanBZYU93K3pOdz09>

Meeting ID: 830 5431 4360 Passcode: 922881

Saturday

19.30 Leicester Bach Choir Concert. (See details below)

Sunday Next – TRINITY 4

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| 08.30 Holy Communion (BCP) | President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley |
| 10.30 Sung Eucharist | President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley |
| | Readings: Jeremiah 28.5-9 and Matthew 10.40-end |
| 18.30 Choral Evensong | Officiant: Angela Jagger |

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.

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.

CAN YOU HELP? We need more **sidespeople** to welcome people to our services. The job is simple - handing people the service sheets and welcoming them as they arrive, but important, particularly for new people coming to church. Please speak to the Vicar or Charchwardens if you can help.

READING During the course of the 10.30 am Eucharist and 6.30 pm Evensong services members of the congregation read a passage from the Bible as part of our worship. If taking part in services in this way is something that may interest you, please have a chat with Mike Rule.

SINGING If you like to sing with and may wish to explore the possibility of joining St James Singers, please have a chat with Mike Rule. We rehearse every fortnight on a Thursday evening and sing one service each month and during school holidays. No audition is required, just a love of singing.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY! Singing, reading or welcoming not for you? Have you considered joining our serving team? Talk to one of us or E-mail servers@stjamesthegreater.org

ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC. St James is playing host to the RSCM Diocesan Choirs Festival on **Sunday 9th July at 5.00pm** (replacing Evensong that evening). The service, conducted by Emma Trounson, promises to be a wonderful celebration of music in worship, featuring music by Bainton, Brewer, Stanford, Joanna Forbes L'Estrange and Greta Tomlins. St James Senior and Junior Choir & St James Singers are looking forward to joining with choirs from The Cathedral, All Saints Loughborough, St Mary's Melton, St Mary Magdalen Knighton and more, as well as individual singers from around the diocese.

We would like to offer good hospitality after the service, and if you can bring cakes, biscuits, or help serve drinks, please sign up at the back of church.

FORTHCOMING CONCERTS

1st JULY at 7.30 pm: Leicester Bach Choir. Tickets £18 on door or Eventbrite. *Choir and Cello Meditations* is a textured concert which moves between accompanied choral works and instrumental works for cello, organ and viola.

8th JULY at 7.30 pm: 'Showstoppers' presented by Fosse Singers and Semper Singers conducted by Emma Trounson. Tickets £10 on the door or from Emma.

THE FRIENDS OF ST JAMES THE GREATER CHURCH will be holding an **Annual General Meeting after the morning service on Sunday 23rd July**, our Patronal Festival. We shall gather in the Lady Chapel and, after the business meeting, light refreshments will be served at the west end of the Church.

Everyone is welcome to attend our AGM, which will provide an opportunity to learn more about our founder's aims and ambitions; our current circumstances, as we regroup following the pandemic; and the discernment of our way forward.

If you are in touch with family, friends or former colleagues who are no longer active members of our congregation, but who have the best interests of our Church at heart, please make them aware of this AGM and assure them that the Trustees would be delighted to hear from them.

Tricia Dean. Chairman of Trustees.

Resources for Home Worship

Broadcast Media

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| 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 12.25 pm | BBC 1 |

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

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