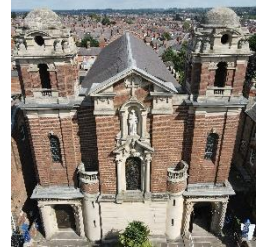


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This week at the Church of
St James the Greater
Leicester

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16th JULY 2023
TRINITY 6

Prayer for the Week

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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:

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 : Rachel Bentley

*The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by
Margaret Damant & family
in memory of George Isaac Damant, a wonderful husband and father.*

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30

Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One (Traditional)
President: The Rev'd. Canon Philip Norwood
Assisted by: Janet Burton
Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

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10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Rev'd. Canon Emma Davies
Assisted by: Angela Jagger
Preacher: Angela Jagger
Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton
Sidesperson: David Sharman
Servers: Michael Bull, William Simpey and William Woolley
Setting: Mass of the Quiet Hour - *Oldroyd*

OPENING HYMN 630

GLORIA

READING Isaiah 55.10-13

**Father, Lord of all creation
Jones**

read by William Woolley

¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,

giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹² For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

GRADUAL HYMN 387**Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking**

GOSPEL Matthew 13.1-9,18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. ²Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹Let anyone with ears listen!'

18 'Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

SERMON

Angela Jagger

INTERCESSIONS

Angela Jagger

OFFERTORY HYMN 740**O changeless Christ, for ever new**

ANTHEM

Thou visitest the earth - *Greene*

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 825**Word of God, come down on earth****Post Communion Prayer**

God of our pilgrimage,
 you have led us to the living water:
 refresh and sustain us
 as we go forward on our journey,
 in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 652**Guide me, O thou great Redeemer**

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

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Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service.

18.30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Servers: Tony Chizema and Hazel Carlin

HYMN 753

O praise ye the Lord!

CONFESSION

see service card

PRECES

Smith

PSALM 60

see music sheet

FIRST LESSON 2 Samuel 7.18-29

read by Mike Bull

18 Then King David went in and sat before the LORD, and said, 'Who am I, O Lord GOD, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far? ¹⁹And yet this was a small thing in your eyes, O Lord GOD; you have spoken also of your servant's house for a great while to come. May this be instruction for the people, O Lord GOD! ²⁰And what more can David say to you? For you know your servant, O Lord GOD! ²¹Because of your promise, and according to your own heart, you have wrought all this greatness, so that your servant may know it. ²²Therefore you are great, O LORD God; for there is no one like you, and there is no God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears. ²³Who is like your people, like Israel? Is there another nation on earth whose God went to redeem it as a people, and to make a name for himself, doing great and awesome things for them, by driving out before his people nations and their gods? ²⁴And you established your people Israel for yourself to be your people for ever; and you, O LORD, became their God. ²⁵And now, O LORD God, as for the word that you have spoken concerning your servant and concerning his house, confirm it for ever; do as you have promised. ²⁶Thus your name will be magnified for ever in the saying, "The LORD of hosts is God over Israel"; and the house of your servant David will be established before you. ²⁷For you, O LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, have made this revelation to your servant, saying, "I will build you a house"; therefore your servant has found courage to pray this prayer to you. ²⁸And now, O Lord GOD, you are God, and your words are true, and you have promised this good thing to your servant; ²⁹now therefore may it please you to bless the house of your servant, so that it may continue for ever before you; for you, O Lord GOD, have spoken, and with your blessing shall the house of your servant be blessed for ever.'

HYMN 783**MAGNIFICAT Chanted**

SECOND LESSON Luke 19.41 – 20.8

**Stand up, and bless the Lord
see music sheet***read by Brenda Thompson*

41 As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it, ⁴²saying, 'If you, even you, had only recognized on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³Indeed, the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up ramparts around you and surround you, and hem you in on every side. ⁴⁴They will crush you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave within you one stone upon another; because you did not recognize the time of your visitation from God.'

45 Then he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling things there; ⁴⁶and he said, 'It is written, "My house shall be a house of prayer"; but you have made it a den of robbers.'

47 Every day he was teaching in the temple. The chief priests, the scribes, and the leaders of the people kept looking for a way to kill him; ⁴⁸but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were spellbound by what they heard.

20 One day, as he was teaching the people in the temple and telling the good news, the chief priests and the scribes came with the elders ²and said to him, 'Tell us, by what authority are you doing these things? Who is it who gave you this authority?' ³He answered them, 'I will also ask you a question, and you tell me: ⁴Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' ⁵They discussed it with one another, saying, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say, "Why did you not believe him?"' ⁶But if we say, "Of human origin", all the people will stone us; for they are convinced that John was a prophet.' ⁷So they answered that they did not know where it came from. ⁸Then Jesus said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.'

NUNC DIMITTISSung by the choir - *Stanford in B flat****Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria******see white service card, p 3*****THE CREED**

Smith

RESPONSESO God of hosts - *Mold***ANTHEM**

Sheila Roberts

PRAYERS**Can we by searching find out God****HYMN 269**

Sheila Roberts

SERMON**Judge eternal, throned in splendour****HYMN 580****ORGAN VOLUNTARY – *Please be aware of those remaining to listen.******A card reader donation machine is available at the back of church.***

The Week Ahead

Wednesday

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81259880030?pwd=TG9JbmJzUW56VmFrMmJxdDJBTHFNQT09>

Meeting ID: 812 5988 0030 Passcode: u7iqca

Thursday : Margaret of Antioch

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

President: The Rev'd Canon Philip Norwood. Assisted by: Janet Burton

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

Friday

16.30 Junior Choir

18.00 Choir Practice

Sunday Next – TRINITY 7 & St. James the Apostle

08.30 **Holy Communion**

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

10.30 **Sung Eucharist**

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Acts 11.27-12.2 and Matthew 20.20-28

18.30 **Festal Evensong**

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Preacher: Angela Jagger

(Please note: Incense will be used in this service)

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?

WELCOMING 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 Churchwardens 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.

SERVING 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

PATRONAL FESTIVAL:

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.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL EVENSONG. Calling all St. James the Greater choir alumni! Former choristers of St James the Greater are invited to come and sing with the current choir for the Patronal Festival Evensong on **Sunday 23rd July 2023**. Featuring Howells St Paul's canticles, Bairstow Let all mortal flesh keep silence & Balfour-Gardiner's Evening Hymn. Rehearsal is 5.00pm and service at 6.30pm. Please spread the word! For more information or to register: dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

PATRONAL FESTIVAL EUCHARIST. Tuesday 25th July at 19.00
Officiant: Reverend Andrew Quigley. Preacher: Reverend Canon Rosie Woodall, Canon for Worship and Spirituality at Chester Cathedral (formerly Chaplain to the Bishop of Leicester). This special extra patronal celebration with the Diocesan Catholic Fellowship falls on the actual date of St James' day. All are welcome to join – refreshments are served after the service!

CHOIR ON TOUR

The Senior Choir are going on tour to Bristol over the weekend 4-6th August. They are travelling down by minibus, staying in a hotel and meeting up with recent past choristers to sing a recital in Clifton on the Saturday 5th August and three

services on Sunday 6th August at St Mary Redcliffe. If you'd like to come and support the choir in the audience/congregation, or you have family or friends in the area, please contact Emma for more precise details of when and where the choir will be singing over the weekend. E-mail: dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

THE SHELL

The deadline for contributions to the next edition of 'The Shell' is Sunday 6th of August. Please send items for inclusion to the church office by post or E-mail or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

RIDE AND STRIDE

This takes place on Saturday 9th 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 **or sign up on the sheet at the back of church.**

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 1pm	BBC 1

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

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE Freephone 0800 804 8044

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