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This week at the Church of
St James the Greater
Leicester

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6th AUGUST 2023
TRINITY 9 - THE TRANSFIGURATION

Prayer for the Week

Father in heaven,
whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured
before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain,
and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem:
give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross
that in the world to come we may see him as he is;
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
David and Sarah Clark
in grateful memory of Kathleen & Bernard Clark and Anne & George Hayter*

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30

Holy Communion

Book of Common Prayer

President: The Reverend Canon Dr. Johannes Arens

Assisted by: Phil Jones

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

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

10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood

Assisted by: Mike Bull

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Sidesman: David Pugh

Servers: Charles Samuel, William Simpey and Michael Bull

Setting: Mass of St. Thomas - Thorne

HYMN 2

GLORIA

READING Daniel 7.9,10,13,14

⁹ As I watched,

thrones were set in place,

and an Ancient One took his throne;

his clothing was white as snow,

and the hair of his head like pure wool;

his throne was fiery flames,

and its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰ A stream of fire issued

and flowed out from his presence.

A thousand thousand served him,

and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.

The court sat in judgement,

and the books were opened. ¹³As I watched in the night visions,

I saw one like a human being

coming with the clouds of heaven.

And he came to the Ancient One

and was presented before him.

¹⁴ To him was given dominion

and glory and kingship,

that all peoples, nations, and languages

**Christ, whose glory fills the skies
Thorne**

read by Andrew Curry

should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

GRADUAL HYMN 400

Great and wonderful your deeds

GOSPEL Luke 9.28-36

28 Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

SERMON

The Rev'd Canon Philip Norwood

INTERCESSIONS

The Rev'd Canon Philip Norwood

OFFERTORY HYMN 269

Can we by searching find out God

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).

ANTHEM

Be still, for the presence of the Lord - *Shepherd*

POST COMMUNION HYMN 689

Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts

Post Communion Prayer

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 281

'Tis good, Lord, to be here

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

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

Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service.

The Vicar Writes

With the *Oppenheimer* film doing well in cinemas, this year August 6th, the date of the destruction of Hiroshima by an atom bomb, may have extra resonance. The church, however, in contrast to this horror of human ingenuity, celebrates the dazzling light of human possibility, revealed in Christ at the Transfiguration. Perhaps this year, with such stark choices before us, we will consider again the road we are on.



18.30 Evening Prayer with hymns

See order of service

Officiant: Angela Jagger

Churchwarden: Simon Edwards

Server: William Woolley

HYMN 16

CONFESSION

PRECES

PSALM 72

God, who madest earth and heaven

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Ferial

see music sheet

FIRST LESSON Exodus 34.29-35

read by Paul Jenkins

29 Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

HYMN 358

Be still, for the presence of the Lord

MAGNIFICAT

see music sheet

SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 3

read by Caroline Beardsmore

Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Surely we do not need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you or from you, do we? ²You yourselves are

our letter, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all; ³and you show that you are a letter of Christ, prepared by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

⁴ Such is the confidence that we have through Christ towards God. ⁵Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, ⁶who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of letter but of spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. ⁷ Now if the ministry of death, chiselled in letters on stone tablets, came in glory so that the people of Israel could not gaze at Moses' face because of the glory of his face, a glory now set aside, ⁸how much more will the ministry of the Spirit come in glory? ⁹For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, much more does the ministry of justification abound in glory! ¹⁰Indeed, what once had glory has lost its glory because of the greater glory; ¹¹for if what was set aside came through glory, much more has the permanent come in glory! ¹² Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

NUNC DIMITTIS

THE CREED

3RESPONSES

PRAYERS

HYMN 131

SERMON

HYMN 609

Hymn 397: Lord, now let your servant

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Ferial

Angela Jagger

O for a closer walk with God

Angela Jagger

Christ is the world's light

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The Week Ahead

Thursday: Laurence, Deacon at Rome, Martyr

10.30 Holy Communion Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

President: The Reverend Jane Sharp. Assisted by: Lin Mawer

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

19.30 St James Singers Rehearsal in Ashman Room

Sunday Next – TRINITY 10

08.30 Holy Communion

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

10.30 Sung Eucharist

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18.30 Choral Evensong

Readings: 1 Kings 19.9-18 and Matthew 14.22-33

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

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.

FREE ART EXHIBITION 'The Human One', by Welsh artist, Jeremy Thomas, will be at St Hugh's, Granville Street, Market Harborough, LE16 9HF, in August. It is an exhibition of originals and prints exploring the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, the Christ. It is open on Fridays 6-8 pm, Saturdays 12-3 pm and Sundays 2-4 pm. Refreshments will be available at these times.

For full information on open dates and times please visit the church website:
<https://www.harborough-anglican.org.uk/transfiguration>

FORTHCOMING CONCERT

Wednesday 23rd August at 6pm. 'Cantus Juvenum Karlsruhe' German Youth Choir. Directors: Jörg Wetzel, Tristan Meister, Peter Gortner.
Accompanist: Leon Tscholl.

Free of charge, donations for the organ.
No interval, refreshments after the concert.

A TAIZE-STYLE SERVICE will replace Evensong on Sunday 20th August. It will be led by the Vicar and Sheila Roberts. All are welcome to attend.

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

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 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.

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

THE SHELL

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

CHOIR ON TOUR

The Senior Choir are on tour to Bristol this weekend 4-6th August. They are meeting up with recent past choristers and singing three services today at St. Mary Redcliffe. Please pray for the choir in their singing in worship and their social time together.

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 1.15pm	BBC 1

Online at www.churchofengland.org and 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. ‘Songs of the Faith’ by Andy Wellman of the Salvation Army.
- 4. Chair Exercises.
- 5. Weekly C of E service.
- 6. Morning and Evening Prayer from Common Worship.
- 7. Prayer for the situation in 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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