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This week at the Church of  
**St James the Greater**  
Leicester

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**5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**  
**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**  
**ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS**

**Prayer for the Week**

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship  
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:  
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints  
in all virtuous and godly living  
that we may come to those inexpressible joys  
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;  
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**

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

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

Mark Sadler : Ann Blanchard : Josephine Chizema : Gillian Boorne :  
Rachel Bentley : Nicola Shilton : Mandy Stephensen  
Jean Warren : Michael Bull : Revd David Clark

**Rest in Peace**

David Brunning (80)

# Welcome to St James the Greater

## 08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Book of Common Prayer

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Mike Rule

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

*A card reader donation machine is available.*

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## 10.30 Choral Mattins

*See order of service*

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Assisted by: Mike Rule

Sidesperson: David Pugh

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Servers: Tony Chizema, William Simpey, William Woolley, Charles Samuel and Vicky Roe

*Please note that incense will be used at this service.*

**HYMN 308**

**Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!**

**CONFESSION**

*see service card*

**PRECES**

*Ferial*

**VENITE**

*see music sheet*

**PSALM 84**

*see music sheet*

**FIRST LESSON** Revelation 7.9-17

*read by William Woolley*

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

<sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, <sup>12</sup>singing,

'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom

and thanksgiving and honour

and power and might

be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' <sup>14</sup>I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

<sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

TE DEUM

Sung by the Choir *Stanford in B flat*

SECOND LESSON Matthew 5.1-12

*read by Andy Judge*

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup> 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup> 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup> 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup> 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup> 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> 'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

JUBILATE DEO

Sung by the Choir - *Britten in C*

***Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria.***

**THE CREED**

RESPONSES

ANTHEM

PRAYERS

**HYMN 300 (T. 147)**

SERMON

**HYMN 296**

DISMISSAL *Plainsong*

*see service card*

Forbe L'Estrange

Give us the wings of faith - *Bullock*

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

**Glory to you, O God**

Mike Rule

**For all the saints**

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

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

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – Karg Elert: Nun Danket alle Gott

*Please be aware of those remaining to listen.*

*Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service.*

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

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**18.30**

**All Souls Requiem**

*See special order of service*

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Assisted by: Sheila Roberts and Phil Jones

Preacher: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Prayers: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Servers: Phil Jones, Val Bailey and William Woolley

Music: Requiem: M. Duruflé

**Collect for the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed**

Eternal God, our Maker and Redeemer,  
grant us, with all the faithful departed  
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion  
and glorious resurrection  
that, in the last day,  
when you gather up all things in Christ,  
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises,  
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.

- <sup>17</sup> My soul is bereft of peace;  
I have forgotten what happiness is;
- <sup>18</sup> so I say, 'Gone is my glory,  
and all that I had hoped for from the LORD.'
- <sup>19</sup> The thought of my affliction and my homelessness  
is wormwood and gall!
- <sup>20</sup> My soul continually thinks of it  
and is bowed down within me.
- <sup>21</sup> But this I call to mind,  
and therefore I have hope:
- <sup>22</sup> The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;
- <sup>23</sup> they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.
- <sup>24</sup> 'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul,  
'therefore I will hope in him.'
- <sup>25</sup> The LORD is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.
- <sup>26</sup> It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.
- <sup>31</sup> For the Lord will not  
reject for ever.
- <sup>32</sup> Although he causes grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
- <sup>33</sup> for he does not willingly afflict  
or grieve anyone.

GOSPEL John 6.37-40

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; <sup>38</sup>for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. <sup>40</sup>This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of love,  
may the death and resurrection of Christ,  
which we have celebrated in this Eucharist  
bring us, with all the faithful departed,  
into the peace of your eternal home.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,  
our rock and our salvation,  
to whom be glory for time and for eternity.

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**The Vicar Writes** Amidst the darkness, the fracture and the sorrow of the world we see around us, today we are reminded that beyond this life, in God's order, there is radiance, healing and consolation. We are called to be among the blessed, and to be a blessing to those around us.



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## The Week Ahead

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> to Friday 10<sup>th</sup>**

08:00 **Morning Prayer** - Lady Chapel

**Monday**

14.30 **House Group** via Zoom. To join, please use the link

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4049355092?pwd=ZU5aZ2JaTWlBK0V3aHZUTlp4bGVGUT09>

Meeting ID: 404 935 5092      Passcode: 6Hyy6R

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>**

21:00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75984858232?pwd=sXKl93zlo5Vj4WVApP0aKUmTjrXEX0O.l>

Meeting ID: 759 8485 8232      Passcode: L6WRmc

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>**

10:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley      Assisted by: Lin Mawer

11:00 **Coffee Drop-In** - back of Church

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>**

16.30 Junior Choir. 18.15 Chorister Training. 18.45 Full Choir Rehearsal.

19.30 Leicester Theological Society – Women in the early Church –  
Holy Cross priory/Zoom

## Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent / Remembrance Sunday

- 08.30 **Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Philip Norwood  
10.45 **Service of Remembrance** Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley  
Readings: Romans 8. 31-39 and John 15.9-17  
18.30 **Choral Eucharist (BCP)** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley  
Readings: I Thessalonians 4.13-18 and Matthew 25.1-13
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**FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE CONCERT** - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023, 7.30pm - tickets £10, under 12's free. Ratby Brass Band are joining forces with our Senior and Junior Choirs, and young singers from the choir of Hazel Primary School who are taking part through our 'St James Choral Project'. There will be a variety of music, from familiar wartime songs to more reflective classical pieces."

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**'CARING AT CHRISTMAS' CAROL SERVICE** On Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023, from 7.30pm-9.00pm, we are hosting a community carol service in collaboration with Dave Andrews DL and in the presence of the Lord-Lieutenant of Leicestershire, the Lord Mayor of Leicester and the High Sheriff of Leicestershire. With choirs, brass band, handbell ringers, soloists and celebrity readers, we will hear the Christmas story through the theme of Caring in the Community. There's something for everyone with a variety of styles of music and well-known carols to sing along with, so invite your family, friends and neighbours! This year, our chosen charity is LOROS and there will be festive refreshments after the service, supported by the Co-op. Free tickets are available from [trybooking.co.uk/CUSY](http://trybooking.co.uk/CUSY), or you can scan the QR code (above) on your smart phone to find this page.



**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES** Named boxes of envelopes for Planned Giving from December 2023 to November 2024 are on the tables at the back of church for collection by those using this scheme.

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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. The next Youth Group will meet in the Undercroft on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November**.

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**STEWARDS FOR CONCERTS** Help is needed with providing stewards for forthcoming concerts in December, to ensure the safety of those attending. In particular, volunteers are required for:

Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> December	7.30 pm	Ex-Cathedra (stewards required 6.30-10pm)
Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup> December	7.30 pm	Community Carols (stewards required 6.30-10pm)
Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup> December	3.00 pm	BabyGigs Concert (stewards required 2.30-4.30pm)

**PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE FORM AT THE BACK OF CHURCH – THANK YOU**

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

### **Resources for Home Worship - Broadcast Media**

Daily Service	Monday – Friday at 9.45am	Radio 4 LW
Choral Evensong	Sunday at 3 pm and Wednesday at 4 pm	Radio 3
Sunday Worship	Sunday at 8.10 am	Radio 4
Songs of Praise	Sunday at 1.30 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.

### **CONTACTING THE TEAM**

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