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

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**26th NOVEMBER 2023
CHRIST THE KING**

Prayer for the Week

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
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
Marilyn Dorum : Mollie Drake : Anne Sylvester : Nina French
Anthony Green : Gillian Boorne : Josephine Chizema : Ann Blanchard
and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering
Mark Sadler : Nicola Shilton
Mandy Stephensen : Jean Warren : Revd David Clark

Rest in Peace
Rosemary Freer (92)
David Brunning (80)
Margaret Norman (98)
Gwen Leather

*The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by Toby Simpson in
memory of Geoffrey & Hilary Simpson.*

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Common Worship Order One (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood

Assisted by: Lin Mawer

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Assisted by: Mike Rule and David Kibert

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Servers: David Kibert, Tony Chizema and Hazel Carlin

Sidesperson: Sue Ingle

Setting: Sumsion in F

HYMN 227

Crown him with many crowns

GLORIA

Lécot

READING Ephesians 1.15-23 *read by Phil Jones*

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I 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, ¹⁸so 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, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God 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, ²¹far 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. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

GRADUAL HYMN 698 i King of glory, King of peace

GOSPEL Matthew 25.31-46

‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he

will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³ and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴ Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵ for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸ And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹ And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" ⁴⁰ And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." ⁴¹ Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴² for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

INTERCESSIONS

Cherry Fulloway

OFFERTORY HYMN 489

From heaven you came, helpless babe

Communion Motet

Let all the world in every corner sing - Tomlins

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 358 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,

the wills of your faithful people;

that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 612

Christ triumphant, ever reigning

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.*

18:30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Preacher: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Servers: Lydia Doughty and William Woolley

Sidespeople: Vacant

HYMN 769

CONFESSION

PRECES

PSALM 93

Rejoice! The Lord is King

see white service card

Leighton

(see music sheet)

FIRST LESSON 2 Samuel 23.1-7 *read by Paul Jenkins*

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:

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

³ 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,

⁴ is like the light of morning,
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.

⁵ 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?

⁶ But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away;

for they cannot be picked up with the hand;
7 to touch them one uses an iron bar
or the shaft of a spear.
And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

HYMN 691 i
MAGNIFICAT

Remain sitting then stand for the Gloria

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Sumsion in A

SECOND LESSON Matthew 28.16-20 *read by Lydia Lopez*

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

NUNC DIMITTIS

Dyson in C minor (see sheet)

THE CREED

see white service card, p. 3

RESPONSES

Leighton

ANTHEM

O thou, the central orb - Wood

O thou, the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the Most High, eternal light
Of this our wintry world; thy radiance bright
Awakes new joy in faith: hope soars above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine;
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine.

Thy saints with holy lustre round thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
Of God's ordaining counsel, as thy sight
Gives measured grace to each, thy power to prove.

Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin:
Our nature all shall feel eternal day
In fellowship with thee, transforming ray
To souls, erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

PRAYERS
HYMN 586
SERMON
HYMN 663

The Reverend Andrew Quigley
All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine
Sheila Roberts
How shall I sing that majesty

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

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The Vicar Writes I'm afraid that with each passing year the importance of this festival seems greater to me. As our earthly rulers display their feet of clay, it is vital to be reminded that we are subjects of another king, citizens of another kingdom. The child whose birth we will celebrate in a month's time is our eternal King.



The Week Ahead

Tuesday 28th to Friday 1st December

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

Monday 27th

14.30 House Group online. E-mail A.F.jagger@dunelm.org.uk for the link

Wednesday 29th

19.30 **Youth Group** in the Undercroft

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81259880030?pwd=TG9JbmJzUW56VmFrMmJxdDJBTjBTHFNQT09>

Meeting ID: 812 5988 0030 Passcode: u7iqca

Thursday 30th

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

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley Assisted by: Janet Burton

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

Friday 1st

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

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

ANNIVERSARY On Advent Sunday 1963, six young men stood in front of the then Vicar to be admitted as Servers at the Altar. Despite sojourns elsewhere two of them are rostered to serve next Sunday and hope that many of you will be here to celebrate with them.



Sunday 3rd December

Advent Sunday

08:30 **Holy Communion**

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood

10:30 **Sung Eucharist**

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

18:30 **Advent Procession**

Readings: Isaiah 64.1-9 and Mark 13.24-end

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

'CARING AT CHRISTMAS' CAROL SERVICE On Sunday 10th 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. 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, or you can scan the QR code (above) on your smart phone to find this page.

PARISH LEAFLETS The Advent and Christmas leaflets are ready in labelled packs at the back of church to be delivered to every home in the Parish. If you can help with this task, please take one or more bundles, so they can all be distributed by Advent Sunday 3rd December. Many hands make light work.

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 29th November**.

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

FORTHCOMING CONCERTS

Saturday 2nd December at 7.30 pm. Ex Cathedra perform Christmas Music by Candlelight. Booking is via the Curve box office

<https://www.curveonline.co.uk/whats-on/shows/christmas-music-by-candlelight-3/book/272601>

Saturday 9th December at 7.30 pm. Leicester Bach Choir perform Handel's 'Messiah'. Tickets from Eventbrite or choir members. Tickets are cheaper if purchased in advance.

Wednesday 13th December at 7.30 pm. Ratby Cooperative Band – ‘Christmas Brass & Voices’. Tickets £10 from www.ratbyband.com or on the door.

Thursday 14th December at 7.30 pm. Leicester Philharmonic Choir Carol Concert. Tickets £15 or £10 (to include wine and mince pies) available on the door or <https://thephil.org.uk/concerts/>

Saturday 16th December at 7.00 pm. City of Leicester Singers Carol Concert. Supporting Parkinson UK. Tickets £12, under 16s free. Tickets from choir members, at the door or www.cityofleicestersingers.co.uk

Sunday 17th December at 3.00 pm. BabyGigs: The Three and a Half Kings. Tickets: Adults £7, Children over 12 months: £5 (Babies under 1 year are free). Tickets are available here: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/babygigs>

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:

1. Hymns we love
2. Reflections on hearing God’s Voice by Alex Dew
3. Weekly C of E Service
4. Morning and Evening Prayers
5. Sleep well with Daily Hope
6. Details of how to write to the Daily Hope Team

CONTACTING THE TEAM

Andrew can be contacted by E-mail at: revdaquigley@gmail.com or 0116 2544113. The Church Office can be contacted by E-mail at: office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk or by telephoning 0116 2542111 and leaving a message. Simon Edwards can be contacted at fabric@stjamesthegreater.org.uk Please do not hesitate to get in touch. Further details are on our website: www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk

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