

Worship in Advent

Sunday 8 December

08.30 Holy Communion
10.30 Sung Eucharist
18.30 Choral Evensong & Sermon

Advent 2

Sunday 15 December

08.30 Holy Communion
10.30 Sung Eucharist
18.30 Choral Evensong & Sermon

Advent 3

Worship at Christmas

Sunday 22 December

08.30 Holy Communion
10.30 Sung Eucharist
18.30 Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Advent 4

Tuesday 24 December

16.00 Family Crib Service
23.00 Choral Prelude
23.30 Midnight Eucharist of the Nativity
(Communicants are asked to abstain from food and drink for at least two hours before the service.)

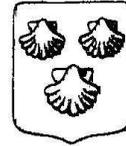
Christmas Eve

Wednesday 25 December Christmas Day

08.30 Holy Communion
10.30 Christmas Family Service
Followed by Holy Communion (optional)

Anyone who may be interested in joining one of the choirs is encouraged to contact the Director of Music via the Church Office:
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Welcome to
The Church of St James the Greater
Leicester



Advent Procession

Sunday 1st December 2019

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION by the Reverend Andrew Quigley

The congregation is seated in silence

ORGAN Prelude on Veni Emmanuel Flor Peeters

CHOIR Matin Responsory Rule

A COLLECT FOR ADVENT

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people: that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

During the service, the congregation remains seated for the readings and choir items, standing for the hymns

Hymn 45 Choir only verses 1&4 O come, O come Emmanuel

The procession moves to the Chancel steps

FIRST LESSON The prophet speaks of the Judge Isaiah 11 verses 1-5

CHOIR A Spotless Rose Howells

SECOND LESSON The call to be vigilant I Thessalonians 5 verses 1-11

CHOIR E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come Manz

THIRD LESSON The prophet's vision Micah 4 verses 1-4

Hymn 75 omit verse 4 Long ago, prophets knew

FOURTH LESSON The words of the Prophet Luke 4 verses 14-21

CHOIR The spirit of the Lord Elgar

Hymn 30 **Come, thou long-expected Jesus**
The procession moves to the choir stalls

FIFTH LESSON The day of God's appearing Malachi 3 verses 1-7

CHOIR This is the record of John Gibbons

SIXTH LESSON John the Baptist Matthew 3 verses 1-11

Hymn 46 **On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry**

SEVENTH LESSON Mary shares her joyful news Luke 1 verses 39-49

CHOIR The Angel Gabriel Traditional Basque

Hymn 36 **Hark the glad sound! the Saviour comes**

SILENCE IS KEPT

CHOIR Let all mortal flesh keep silence Bairstow

EIGHTH LESSON Jesus speaks with Nicodemus John 3 verses 1-8

Hymn - Separate sheet Choir only verse 1
Of the Father's love begotten

During the hymn a collection is taken
Please be as generous as your means allow
The procession moves to the Sanctuary

After the hymn, the congregation kneels or sits

As we await the fulfilment of the promise of glory, let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom in the words our Saviour taught us, saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever and ever.
Amen.

Priest We wait for thy loving kindness, O Lord.
Choir In the midst of thy temple

SILENCE IS KEPT

CHOIR Vesper Responsory Rule

THE COLLECT FOR ADVENT SUNDAY

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now and in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever.

CHOIR Amen Finzi

The congregation now stands for the remainder of the service

NINTH LESSON The vision of heaven Revelation 5. 11-12

CHOIR Gloria Stanford in C

BLESSING

The Lord is at hand.

Be careful for nothing:

but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made know unto God.

And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Hymn 41 **Lo, he comes with clouds descending**
Please note Verse 2 third line All not Those who set at nought and sold him

Following the hymn the procession departs

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fantasy on Helmsley by Leighton