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This week at the Church of
St James the Greater
Leicester

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7 January 2018 – Epiphany

If you wear a hearing-aid, please switch to T to benefit from the inductive loop

Large-print hymn books are available from sidesmen

The high altar may be approached via the side steps, which have handrails

*Please inform a Churchwarden if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer
or receive Communion in your seat.*

Prayer for the Week

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
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.

08.30

Holy Communion

Book of Common Prayer
Celebrant: The Reverend Rosie Woodall
Assisted by: Phil Jones
Churchwarden: Julia Walker

10.30

Sung Eucharist

Common Worship, Order I
see service sheet and music card
Celebrant: The Reverend Rachel Bennetts
Prior of the Community of the Tree of Life
Assisted by: David Kibert and Lucy Hutchinson
Churchwardens: Phil Jones and Simon Edwards
Sidesmen: David Pugh and Graham & Claire Prowse
Servers: Peter Ireson and Michael Bull
Setting: Mass of St Thomas - Thorne

HYMN 49 **O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness**
 READING Isaiah 60. 1-6 *read by Simon Edwards*
HYMN 52 (omit vs 2&3) **The people that in darkness sat**
 GOSPEL Matthew 2. 1-12
 SERMON The Reverend Rachel Bennetts
 INTERCESSIONS The Reverend Rachel Bennetts
HYMN 51 **As with gladness men of old**
 ANTHEM A New Year Carol *Britten*
COMMUNION HYMN 54 **Thou whom shepherds worshipped**
HYMN 47 (2nd tune) **Brightest and best of the sons**
 ORGAN VOLUNTARY – *please be aware of those remaining to listen*

Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after the service

18.30 Epiphany Carol Service

see order of service

Officiant: The Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole

Churchwardens: Julia Walker and April Rule

Sidesmen: Colin & Angela Stray

Servers: William Woolley, Valerie Bailey and Hazel Carlin

Thurifers: Ian Stapleton and Emma Sutton

The Rest of the Week

Thursday

10.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order I (traditional)

Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp

Assisted by: Lin Mawer

10.45 Coffee Drop-In in the Hall (access from the Church via the lift)

17.00 41st Leicester Scouts (boys *and* girls) meet in the Undercroft

Friday

18.00 Choir Practice

Saturday

11.00 Stop-by in the Undercroft

ADVANCED NOTICE

Jan 21st **Sunday in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

At the 10.30 Eucharist the preacher will be **Rob Thompson**, a Programme Manager at the Council of Christians and Jews and a Methodist Local Preacher in the West London Mission Circuit and at 6.30 it will be **Revd Anthony Thacker**, Baptist Minister in Burbage and former colleague of David Clark when in Oadby.

Sunday Next – Epiphany 3

- 08.30 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Very Rev'd Dr Derek Hole
10.30 Sunday Club meets in the Large Hall, starting off in Church
10.30 **Sung Eucharist and Baptism** Celebrant: Reverend Jane Sharp
Preacher: Reverend Jane Sharp
Readings: I Samuel 3. 1-10 & John 1. 43-end
18.30 **Evensong** Officiant: Reverend David Clark
Preacher: Reverend Lusa Ngoy

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week

Tom Skinner : Conceição Fernandes : John Goadby

Unwell

Edna Willett (William Woolley's Aunt) : Arthur Higginson

Ann Blanchard (Jane Sharp's sister) surgery

Augustino Ramadhani (Francis's Uncle) chemotherapy : Pat Ireson

Recovering

Freda Hughes (Caroline Beardsmore's Aunt) broken hip

Hope Sharp (Jane's daughter) appendicitis

Rest in Peace

Alan Tordoff (Tom Skinner's son-in-law)

COLLATION AND INDUCTION SERVICE There is a list at the back of the Church for congregation members to sign up for **reserved seating** for the service on the 30 January. Please indicate if you have any special dietary requirements (vegetarian food will be available).

CHURCH DEEP CLEAN On Saturday 13th January between 9am and noon we will be spring cleaning the Church. **Please sign up at the back of the Church and indicate if you can bring a vacuum cleaner.**

LEICESTER THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY 'The Gospel according to Mark: editor and eye witness' Speaker - The Revd William F Myers President of Leicester Theological Society. Jan 12th 7.30pm St Clement's Hall Holy Cross Wellington St. **For more information: www.leicestertheologicalsociety.org.uk**

LUNCH AT ST JAMES Our next lunch will take place on 25 January at midday. **Please sign up at the back of the Church or call the Church Office by midday on 23 January and indicate if you have any dietary requirements.**

VERGER/SACRISTAN REQUIRED for all services plus Caretaker/Cleaner for Hall & Church bookings. Please contact Julia Walker on 0116 271 9347 or email julia.wyn_gail@btinternet.com for more information and a full job description.

OXFAM On July 14th 2018 ex chorister Joseph Gurman will be running the Trailwalker challenge. This is a 100km endurance event, with an ascent of 2500m, across the length of the South Downs. He and four other university students are aiming to run this in under 20 hours, with a pledge to raise at least £1400. This will be split between Oxfam, who will use this money to provide live-saving hygiene kits to protect parents & children in Niger from waterborne disease and the Gurkha welfare trust, who provide financial, medical and development aid to Gurkha veterans, their families and communities. This event will push the runners to both their mental and physical limits, as they have to navigate, by map, the course during the height of summer by starting at 7am and hopefully finishing around 3am the next day after continuous running. ***If you would like to donate please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/joseph-gurman2017>*** ***There is also a donation form and box at the back of the church.***
Thank you for your support!

ONE ROOF LEICESTER Volunteers needed for the Night Shelter – open every night until 25 Feb. 2018. They provide 10 bed spaces to rough sleepers who have no other safe, dry and warm place to sleep. Shifts are: 6pm to 10 pm; 10pm to 7am (half night awake, half sleeping); 7am to 9am. Minibus driving: 7.30-9am or 6.15-7.15pm. Please see www.oneroof.org.uk/volunteer for more information.

PILGRIMAGE Canon Philip Norwood will be leading a group to the Holy Land next October. The itinerary can be found on the back table. ***For brochures and further information please contact Philip on 0116 241 0255.***

STAMPS Please remember to save used stamps - they can raise funds for charity. Please cut them with a little paper surrounding the stamp. We send them to Intercare, a charity who send medical aid to hospitals and clinics in sub Saharan Africa. ***A collection box is on the back table of the Church.***

GIVING TO ST JAMES THE GREATER YOUR GIFT is a vital contribution to the costs of ministry and maintenance of this fabulous place of worship. ***Please be as generous as your means allow.*** If you are a UK tax payer please use Gift Aid envelopes available in front of each seat. Gift Aid increases the value of your gift by 25%. ***Further information on Giving to St James and the Parish Giving Scheme is available at the back of the Church. Please ask a Church Warden or call the Church Office for further information.***

CONCERTS AT ST JAMES

KoolGigs Family Concert – Spacehop Take an intergalactic journey with our three time-travellers: Simon Chalk, Nick Stringfellow & Eleanor Hodgkinson. On Sunday 4th February, 2018 at 2.30pm. ***Tickets £6/4 from 0116 254 2111 or www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk***