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

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22nd SEPTEMBER 2024
17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Prayer for the Week

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
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
Marilyn Dorum : 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
Rex Woolhouse : Penny Judge : Mark Sadler : Nicola Shilton : Mandy Stephensen :
Revd David Clark : Mollie Drake : Revd Jane Sharp : Michael Molloy

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Common Worship Order I (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Vicky Roe

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: David Kibert and Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Sidespeople: Sue Ingle and Rachel Pratt

Servers: David Kibert, William Woolley and William Simpey

Setting: Rawsthorne Festive Eucharist

HYMN 282

GLORIA

Come, ye thankful people, come

Rawsthorne Festive Eucharist

READING Joel 2.21-27 *read by David Kibert*

Do not fear, O soil;

be glad and rejoice,

for the Lord has done great things!

²² Do not fear, you animals of the field,

for the pastures of the wilderness are green;

the tree bears its fruit,

the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

²³ O children of Zion, be glad

and rejoice in the Lord your God;

for he has given the early rain for your vindication,

he has poured down for you abundant rain,

the early and the later rain, as before.

²⁴ The threshing-floors shall be full of grain,

the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

²⁵ I will repay you for the years

that the swarming locust has eaten,

the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,

my great army, which I sent against you.



²⁶ You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put
to shame.

²⁷ You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.
And my people shall never again
be put to shame.

GRADUAL HYMN 285

God, whose farm is all creation

GOSPEL Matthew 6.25-33

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

INTERCESSIONS

Sheila Roberts

OFFERTORY HYMN 290

We plough the fields, and scatter

MOTET

For the beauty of the earth - Rutter

POST COMMUNION HYMN 287

Praise and thanksgiving

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 284

For the fruits of all creation

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

Please stay for refreshments at the end of the service.

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

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

18:30

Festal Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Sidespeople: Colin and Angela Stray

Servers: Rod Eynon-Baldock, Sara King and Hilary Rees

HYMN 282

PRECES

PSALM 65

Come, ye thankful people, come

Forbes-L'Estrange

(See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Leviticus 19.9-10, 33-34 *read by Jennifer Smith*

When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. ¹⁰You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the Lord your God.

³³ When an alien resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress the alien. ³⁴The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.

HYMN 553 (Tune 287)

Touch the earth lightly

MAGNIFICAT

Bairstow in D

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 9.6-11 *read by April Rule*

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ⁹As it is written,

'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;

his righteousness endures for ever.'

¹⁰He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us;

NUNC DIMITTIS

Bairstow in D

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Forbes-L'Estrange

RESPONSES

ANTHEM

The heavens are telling - Haydn

PRAYERS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 283

Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

SERMON

Mike Rule, Associate Minister

HYMN 289

To thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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The Vicar Writes In Judaism there are effectively three harvest festivals – Passover, Pentecost and Sukkot – coinciding with the barley, wheat, and fruit harvests. Every Eucharist (literally “thanksgiving”) is a kind of harvest festival, when we give thanks for bread and wine. Most of us have never been hungry enough to be truly thankful for food, but rediscovering our gratitude for the harvest is a spiritual, ecological and justice issue.



The Week Ahead

Wednesday 25th

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

<https://zoom.us/j/91012643324?pwd=Uy9ENUlPeVlvWERoelMzWl9BSnpRUT09>

Meeting ID: 910 1264 3324

Passcode: Compline

Thursday 26th

10:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Assisted by: Janet Burton

11:00 **Coffee Drop-In**

19.00 'La Traviata' by Knighton Opera. Tickets £12 on the door.

Friday 27th

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

Saturday 28th

19.00 'La Traviata' by Knighton Opera. Tickets £15 on the door.

Sunday 29th September
18th Sunday after Trinity / Creationtide 5

08:30 Holy Communion

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Mark Batchelor

Readings: Isaiah 40.21-31 and Luke 7.1-10

18:30 Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Readings: Exodus 24 and Matthew 9.1-8

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 9TH SEPTEMBER TO 22ND SEPTEMBER

We invite you to choose Fairtrade products during this time as we do here at St. James with the tea and coffee served in church. Buying Fairtrade means farmers are better able to care for their families, communities and in this Creationtide they are more able to care for the environment.

DONATIONS FOR THE LEICESTER SOUTH FOOD BANK can be brought to church at our **Harvest Thanksgiving today**. The Foodbank will be grateful for tinned food (carrots, sweetcorn, tomatoes, potatoes), UHT milk, UHT juice, tinned fruit, curry sauce, custard, rice pudding, tinned sponge puddings, deodorants (spray and roll on), nappies (size 6 or above).

EVENSONG HOSPITALITY On 6th October we welcome the choir of St Mary Magdalene in Newark to sing Evensong at St James with our Junior and Senior Choir. We would like to serve refreshments for them in the hall, between the rehearsal and service. It would be great to have some volunteers to help with this between 4.30pmish-4.50pm. The service is at 5.00pm, we can clear up after the service, so no one has to miss out.

Similarly we will be welcoming 'Come and Sing-ers' on 13th October to sing Evensong (normal time of 6.30pm). It would be great to make people feel welcome by serving refreshments, this time in church after the service, so choir and congregation can enjoy them together.

Please speak to Emma if you are able to help service or provide refreshments for either or both of these occasions, or email dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

THE SHELL Print copies of the Autumn edition are available at the back of church. Please place donations in the box on the wall.

LEICESTER THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY meet on Friday October 11th at 7.30pm at The Frassati Centre (Holy Cross Priory) on Wellington Street to explore **Participation, missio Dei and contemporary ecclesiological controversies: A Missiologist dialogues with Andrew Davison's Participation in God** led by The Revd Canon Dr Nigel Rooms, Anglican Priest and Missiologist, followed by discussion.

COME AND SING EVENSONG - Sunday 13 October 2024 rehearsal 5:00pm, service 6.30pm-7:30pm as usual. All welcome to rehearse and sing Choral Evensong with the St James the Greater Choirs. Sheet music provided. Music to include: Stanford Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in C & I will sing with the spirit - Rutter. For more information, please speak to Emma or email dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk. Invite you friends to this joyful event, this could be a great opportunity to get interest in our choirs and to build our Evensong congregation as well. Please register so we know how many music copies are needed. <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DWHV>

Come and Sing Evensong

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London Road, Leicester**

All welcome, sheet music provided.

Music to include:

Stanford Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in C

I will sing with the spirit - Rutter

Sunday 13th October 2024

Rehearsal 5.00pm

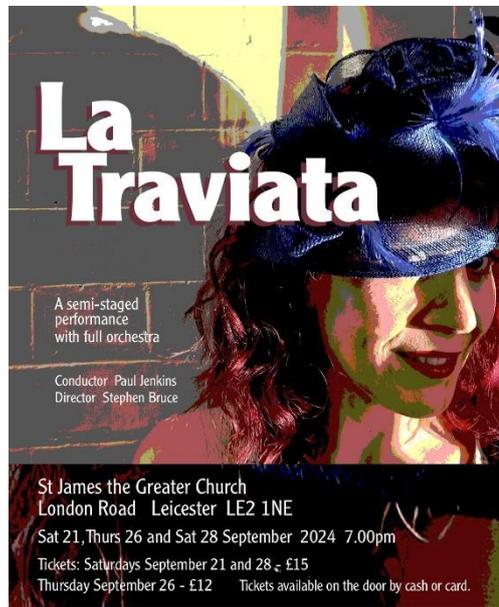
Service 6.30pm-7.30pm



To register:

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Resources for Home Worship

Broadcast Media

Daily Service Monday – Friday at 9.45am Radio 4 Extra on DAB
Freeview 708, Freesat 708, Sky 0126, Virgin Media 910 and online at
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006wzfs>

Sunday Worship Sunday at 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday at 1.15 pm BBC 1
Choral Evensong Sunday and Wednesday at 3 pm Radio 3

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE - Freephone 0800 804 8044

Funded by the charity 'Faith in Later Life', which welcomes donations for the service at: www.faithinlaterlife.org.uk/donate

The options available from a telephone keypad are:

It is helpful to have the telephone on speakerphone to avoid having to hold the handset.

1. Hymns we love – reflections on favourite hymns
2. How to support Daily Hope
3. Holiday at home on the phone
4. Morning and Evening Prayers
5. Weekly Church of England Service
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope

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