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

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**12th JANUARY 2025
BAPTISM OF CHRIST**

Prayer for the Week

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;
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 :
Mollie Drake : Revd Jane Sharp : Michael Molloy : Chris Jones :
Revd David Clark

Rest in peace
Judith Smith

The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given
by Caroline Beardsmore in memory of her parents John & Pat Beardsmore.

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: Feby John

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Lucy Hutchinson and Vicky Roe

Churchwarden: April Rule

Sidesperson: Vacant

Servers: Lucy Hutchinson, Phil Jones and William Woolley

Setting: Rawsthorne Festive Eucharist

HYMN 103
GLORIA

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
Rawsthorne Festive Eucharist

READING Isaiah 43.1-7 *read by Jennifer Smith*

But now thus says the Lord,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

³ For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴ Because you are precious in my sight,
and honoured, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.

⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you;
⁶ I will say to the north, 'Give them up',
and to the south, 'Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
⁷ everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.'

GRADUAL HYMN 391 (Tune 51) The prophets spoke in days of old

GOSPEL Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

INTERCESSIONS

Chiara Steed

OFFERTORY HYMN 108

When Jesus came to Jordan

MOTET

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day - Gardner

POST COMMUNION HYMN 97 (Tune 210) Christ is our light!

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 609

Christ is the world's light

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

Epiphany Carol Service

See order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Sidesperson: Julia Warner

Servers: Charles Samuel, Hilary Rees, Val Bailey

Thurifers: William Woolley and Hazel Carlin

Please be aware that incense will be used as part of this service.

The Vicar Writes As we recall the Baptism of Christ we balance continuity against innovation: the continuity of God's promises of care, and the innovation of their fulfilment in Christ. Still in the early days of this year it is good to think about what must continue, and what must be made new.



The Week Ahead

Wednesday 15th

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

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75984858232?pwd=sXKl93zlo5Vj4WApP0aKUmTjrXEX0O.l>

Meeting ID: 759 8485 8232 Passcode: L6VWRmc

Thursday 16th

12:30

Holy Communion Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Lin Mawer

Friday 17th

16.30

Junior Choir. 18.30 Chorister Training. 19.00 Full Choir Rehearsal.

Sunday 19th January
2nd Sunday of Epiphany

08:30 **Holy Communion**

10:30 **Sung Eucharist**

18:30 **Choral Evensong**

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood

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Readings: Isaiah 62.1-5 and John 2.1-11

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Readings: 1 Samuel 3.1-20 and Ephesians 4.1-16

CHURCH HEATING COSTS As you can probably imagine, heating the church, even to modest temperatures, is a mammoth cost - over £1500 just keeping the building frost-free this week. In addition to the standing plea to consider your giving, we're making a special request for help with the heating bills. In the mean-time, please wrap up warm for church!

HOUSE GROUP ZOOM MEETING The next Zoom House Group Session will be on Monday 20th January at 2.30pm when we will be looking at some paintings depicting Epiphany. Everyone is welcome to join. We usually meet fortnightly (depending on availability) and discuss a variety of topics. For more information, please contact Angela Jaggar or just join using the log on details:
Meeting ID:404 935 5092
Passcode: 6Hyy6R

THE SHELL deadline is Sunday 2nd February for contributions to the next edition. Please send content to the church office by post or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

STEWARDS FOR SUNDAY CONCERTS Help is needed with providing stewards for forthcoming Sunday recitals to ensure the safety and enjoyment of those attending. Refreshments are served afterwards. If you can help on 12th January, 9th February or 9th March, please sign up on the list at the back of church.

THURSDAY HOLY COMMUNION Please note that this service now takes place at **12.30 pm**. The next Thursday Holy Communion will take place on Thursday 16th January at 12.30 pm. It will be followed by refreshments.

CHRISTMAS STAMPS FOR CHARITY Please save Christmas stamps by cutting them out surrounded by a border of paper and put them in the box provided to help raise money for Inter Care.

PLANNED GIVING St. James relies on donations for funding. The Parish Giving Scheme enables donations directly from your bank account and adds Gift Aid for the church, if you are a taxpayer. Information packs are on the table at the back of church. Alternatively, boxes of envelopes for cash donations for each Sunday from 1st December 2024 to 30th November 2025 can be provided. If you would like to have a box, please see Vicky Roe, leave a message for her at the church office (0116 2542111) or send an E-mail to:

pastoral.assistant@sthamesthegreater.org.uk

ARCHIVES The Church archives in the south tower are currently in a rather disorganised state. William Woolley is planning to sort and catalogue them and will be delighted to hear from anyone with surplus bookshelves, cupboards, filing cabinets etc which could be donated to the project.

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

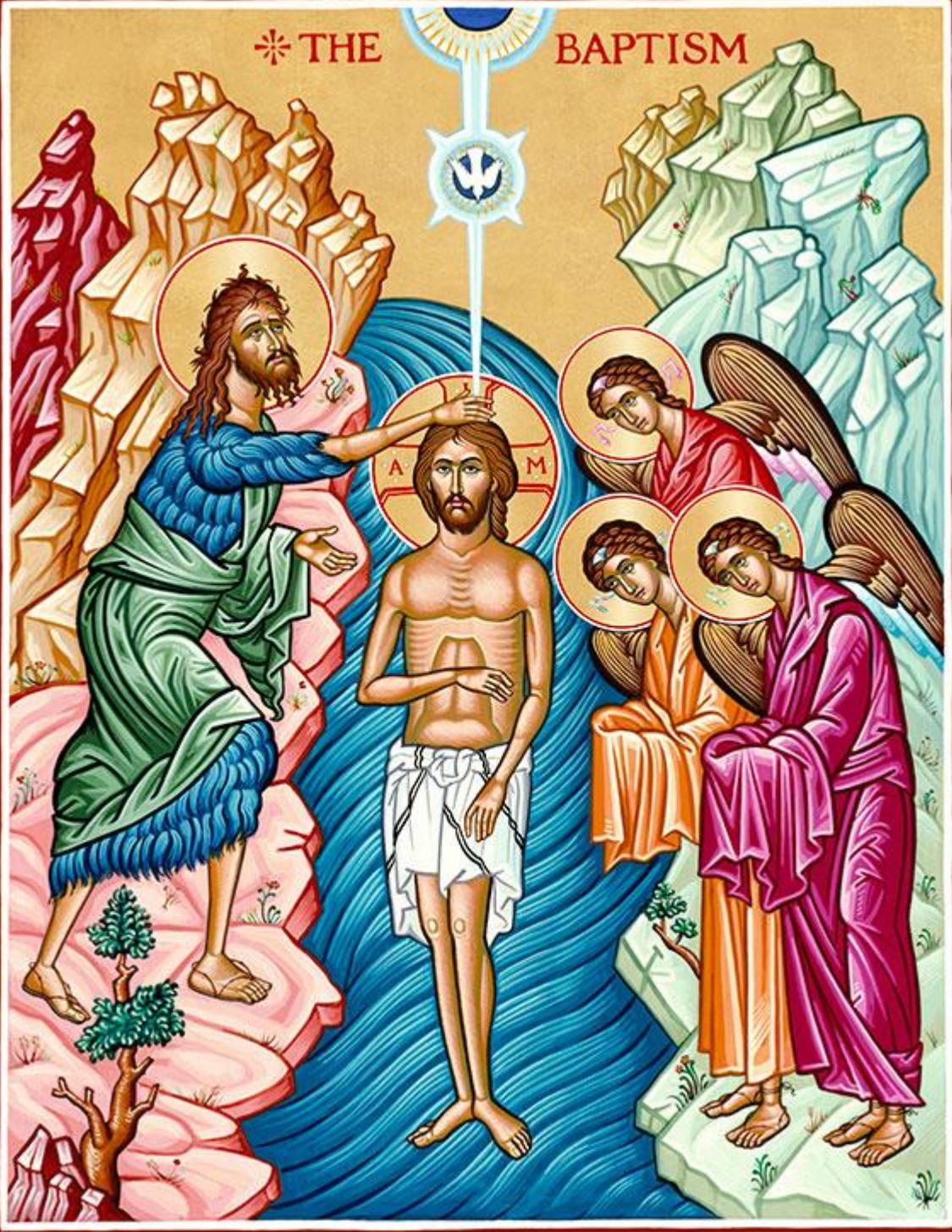
The options available from a telephone keypad are:

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

The options available from a telephone keypad are:

1. Hymns we love
2. How to support Daily Hope
3. Chair exercises
4. One-minute sermons by J. John
5. Weekly Church of England Service
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope
7. Daily Prayers

✱ THE BAPTISM



Recitals at St James

St James the Greater Church
London Rd, Leicester

Monthly concerts **Sundays 3.00pm**

Followed by refreshments

Free with retiring collection



12 Jan Mozart Flute Quartet
& Clarinet Quartet

**Knighton
Chamber Players**

9 Feb Organ & Piano duets

**Ian Orr
& Nikki Booth**



9 Mar Chamber Music

**University of
Leicester**

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CONTACTING THE TEAM

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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

The Church Office opening hours are generally Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
from 1.15pm until 4.15pm. These days/hours sometimes vary because our
Administrator is also a professional musician and organist, and sometimes has to
play for services elsewhere. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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