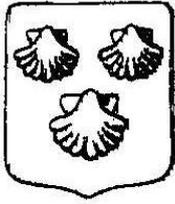
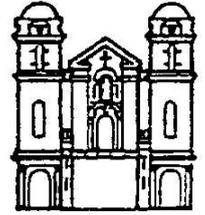


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This week at the **Church of
St James the Greater**
Leicester

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26th OCTOBER 2025
BIBLE SUNDAY

Prayer for the Week

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
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 : Nina French : Anthony Green :
Gillian Boorne

and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Mark Sadler : Nicola Shilton : Mandy Stephensen :
Mollie Drake : Michael Molloy : Chris Jones : Kathryn Haynes : Jean Warren :
Stephanie Crapper : Polly Taylor : Caroline Hough : Rex and Margo Woolhouse :
Anne Sylvester : Diane Allen : John Finn

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are sponsored by
Julia Walker in memory of her Mother.

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: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

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 Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Sidespeople: Sue Ingle and Rachel Pratt

Servers: Tony Chizema, Charles Samuel and David Kibert

Setting: Leighton in D

HYMN 810

GLORIA

Thou, whose almighty word

Bath and Wells Mass - Archer

READING Romans 15.1-6 *read by David Kibert*

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. ² Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. ³ For Christ did not please himself, but, as it is written, "The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me." ⁴ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵ May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶ so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL HYMN 658

Help us, O Lord, to learn

GOSPEL Luke 4.16-24

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' ²³ He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum."' ²⁴ And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

INTERCESSIONS

Mike Rule, Associate Minister

OFFERTORY HYMN 390 Thanks to God whose word was spoken

MOTET

The Lord is my shepherd - Goodall

POST COMMUNION HYMN 467 The Son of God proclaim

Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 507

We have a gospel to proclaim

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

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Sidespeople: Colin and Angela Stray

Servers: Hazel Carlin and Billy Murray

HYMN 753

PRECES

PSALM 119.1-16

O praise ye the Lord!

Forbes L'Estrange

(See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 36.9-32

read by Colin Stray

In the fifth year of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, in the ninth month, all the people in Jerusalem and all the people who came from the towns of Judah to Jerusalem proclaimed a fast before the Lord. ¹⁰ Then, in the hearing of all the people, Baruch read the words of Jeremiah from the scroll, in the house of the Lord, in the chamber of Gemariah son of Shaphan the secretary, which was in the upper court, at the entry of the New Gate of the Lord's house.

¹¹ When Micaiah son of Gemariah son of Shaphan heard all the words of the Lord from the scroll, ¹² he went down to the king's house, into the secretary's chamber; and all the officials were sitting there: Elishama the secretary, Delaiah son of Shemaiah, Elnathan son of Achbor, Gemariah son of Shaphan, Zedekiah son of Hananiah, and all the officials. ¹³ And Micaiah told them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the scroll in the hearing of the people. ¹⁴ Then all the officials sent Jehudi son of Nethaniah son of Shelemiah son of Cushi to say to Baruch, 'Bring the scroll that you read in the hearing of the people, and come.' So Baruch son of Neriah took the scroll in his hand and came to them. ¹⁵ And they said to him, 'Sit down and read it to us.' So Baruch read it to them. ¹⁶ When they heard all the words, they turned to one another in alarm, and said to Baruch, 'We certainly must report all these words to the king.' ¹⁷ Then they questioned Baruch, 'Tell us now, how did you write all these words? Was it at his dictation?' ¹⁸ Baruch answered them, 'He dictated all these words to me, and I wrote them with ink on the scroll.' ¹⁹ Then the officials said to Baruch, 'Go and hide, you and Jeremiah, and let no one know where you are.'

²⁰ Leaving the scroll in the chamber of Elishama the secretary, they went to the court of the king; and they reported all the words to the king. ²¹ Then the king sent Jehudi to get the scroll, and he took it from the chamber of Elishama the secretary; and Jehudi read it to the king and all the officials who stood beside the king. ²² Now the king was sitting in his winter apartment (it was the ninth month), and there was a fire burning in the brazier before him. ²³ As Jehudi read three or four columns, the king would cut them off with a penknife and throw them into the fire in the brazier, until the entire scroll was consumed in the fire that was in

the brazier. ²⁴ Yet neither the king, nor any of his servants who heard all these words, was alarmed, nor did they tear their garments. ²⁵ Even when Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah urged the king not to burn the scroll, he would not listen to them. ²⁶ And the king commanded Jerahmeel the king's son and Seraiah son of Azriel and Shelemiah son of Abdeel to arrest the secretary Baruch and the prophet Jeremiah. But the Lord hid them.

²⁷ Now, after the king had burned the scroll with the words that Baruch wrote at Jeremiah's dictation, the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah: ²⁸ Take another scroll and write on it all the former words that were in the first scroll, which King Jehoiakim of Judah has burned. ²⁹ And concerning King Jehoiakim of Judah you shall say: Thus says the Lord, You have dared to burn this scroll, saying, Why have you written in it that the king of Babylon will certainly come and destroy this land, and will cut off from it human beings and animals? ³⁰ Therefore thus says the Lord concerning King Jehoiakim of Judah: He shall have no one to sit upon the throne of David, and his dead body shall be cast out to the heat by day and the frost by night. ³¹ And I will punish him and his offspring and his servants for their iniquity; I will bring on them, and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and on the people of Judah, all the disasters with which I have threatened them—but they would not listen.

³² Then Jeremiah took another scroll and gave it to the secretary Baruch son of Neriah, who wrote on it at Jeremiah's dictation all the words of the scroll that King Jehoiakim of Judah had burned in the fire; and many similar words were added to them.

MAGNIFICAT

Brewer in D

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON Romans 10.5-17 *read by Angela Stray*

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' ⁶ But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say?

'The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart'

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹ The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵ And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!' ¹⁶ But not all have obeyed the good news; for Isaiah says, 'Lord, who has believed our message?' ¹⁷ So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Brewer in D

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RESPONSES

Forbes L'Estrange

ANTHEM

Litany of the Holy Spirit - Hurford

PRAYERS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 302 ii

How beautiful are their feet

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 379 (Tune 337) God has spoken – by his prophets

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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Sunday 2nd November

All Saints/All Souls

08:30 **BCP Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

10:30 **Choral Mattins** Officiant: Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Readings: Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18 and Ephesians 1.11-23

18:30 **Requiem Eucharist** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Readings: Ecclesiastes 3.1-13 and John 11.17-27, 32-35

The Vicar Writes

As we give thanks for the gift of scripture, we are reminded that the community formed around the Bible is not meant to enforce, police, beat-down or exclude, but to support and encourage, to heal and release. We must play our part in proclaiming the Lord's favour.



Church office opening hours:

Monday 27th October 1.15pm -4.14pm

Wednesday 29th October 1.15pm – 4.15pm

Friday 31st October 1.15pm – 4.15pm

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 29th

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: L6WRmc

Thursday 30th

12:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Assisted by: Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant

Friday 31st

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

Saturday 1st

10.30 Saturday Coffee Morning and Worship

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 2025 to 30th November 2026 can be provided, to save you filling out a Gift Aid envelope each time. If you would like to have a box, and complete a Gift Aid form if you pay tax, 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

ALL SOULS REQUIEM Please give names of those who have died in the last ten years to be remembered at this service on 2nd November to the Vicar or the church office by Sunday 26th October.

ST JAMES'S ZOOM HOUSE GROUP Ever since Covid a group has been meeting approximately once a fortnight online for discussion and fellowship. After a long 'summer' break, we started up again. Our next meeting will be on Monday 17th November at 2.30 p.m. We would love to see more people there, so if you would like to ask more about it and want the Zoom link, please contact Val Bailey or Angela Jagger (A.F.Jagger@dunelm.org.uk)

We are planning this autumn to look at some of the readings set for Evensong, but you don't need to be a regular Evensong person to enjoy this, and we are very open to future suggestions for topics. Do think about coming along.

THE SHELL The deadline for contributions to the next edition of 'The Shell' is Sunday 2nd November. Please send items for inclusion to the church office by post or E-mail or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

MONTHLY RECITAL SERIES HELPERS A sign-up sheet is at the back of church if you'd like to be a helper at our monthly concerts.

ORGAN OPEN DAY Saturday 22nd November 10.00am - 4.00pm.

Join us to hear and play our wonderful pipe organ - the King of Instruments. All are welcome to this event where our organist team and guests will be playing a variety of music and hymns throughout the day.

There will be opportunities to learn about and play the organ, as well as hear about the many musical activities at St. James the Greater. Donations to support our musical activities. Please invite your friends, especially young people who might be interested in learning the organ!

If you can help on the day or want a hymn or piece of organ music played, then please sign up on the sheets at the back of church.

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 – 0345 646 2206 charged at landline rate

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

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. Chair exercises
3. Hope in the everyday things of life
4. One minute sermons by J. John
5. Daily Prayers
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope

