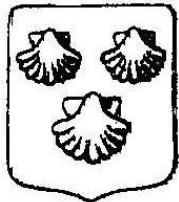
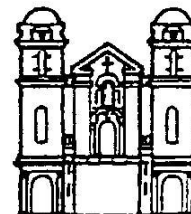


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St James the Greater Leicester



5th JULY 2026
5th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Prayer for the Week

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve you in holiness and truth
to the glory of your name;
through our Lord and 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 : Anne Sylvester and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Mark Sadler : Nicola Shilton : Mandy Stephensen :
Mollie Drake : Kathryn Haynes : Stephanie Crapper : Caroline Hough
Diane Allen : Heather Jones

On their Wedding Day: Abigail King and Oliver Abraham

Rest in Peace: Robin Clulow (a former server)

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are sponsored by
Peter Toft & Gillian Saunders in memory of Bernard & Dorothy Toft.

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Book of Common Prayer

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

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10:30 Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: William Woolley and Mike Rule, Associate Minister

Churchwarden: Serge Mozota

Sidesperson: David Pugh

Servers: William Woolley, Charles Samuel and Tony Chizema

Setting: Bath and Wells Service - Archer

HYMN 782 Songs of praise the angels sang

GLORIA Bath and Wells Service - Archer

READING Romans 7.15-25 *read by Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister*

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹ So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²² For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³ but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

GRADUAL HYMN 258 O thou who camest from above

GOSPEL Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

¹⁷ "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn."

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; ¹⁹ the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

INTERCESSIONS

Mike Rule, Associate Minister

OFFERTORY HYMN 781

Son of God, eternal Saviour

MOTET And I saw a new heaven - *Bainton*

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,
that all the world may acknowledge
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 584 (omit verse 2) All my hope on God is founded

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

Sidesperson: Andrew Curry

Servers: Val Bailey and Hazel Carlin

HYMN 649

God of mercy, God of grace

PRECES

Smith

PSALM 56

See music sheet

FIRST LESSON 2 Samuel 2. 1-11; 3.1 *read by William Woolley*

After this David inquired of the Lord, 'Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah?' The Lord said to him, 'Go up.' David said, 'To which shall I go up?' He said, 'To Hebron.' ² So David went up there, along with his two wives, Ahinoam of Jezreel, and Abigail the widow of Nabal of Carmel. ³ David brought up the men who were with him, every one with his household; and they settled in the towns of Hebron. ⁴ Then the people of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah.

When they told David, 'It was the people of Jabesh-gilead who buried Saul', ⁵ David sent messengers to the people of Jabesh-gilead, and said to them, 'May you be blessed by the Lord, because you showed this loyalty to Saul your lord, and buried him! ⁶ Now may the Lord show steadfast love and faithfulness to you! And I too will reward you because you have done this thing. ⁷ Therefore let your hands be strong, and be valiant; for Saul your lord is dead, and the house of Judah has anointed me king over them.'

⁸ But Abner son of Ner, commander of Saul's army, had taken Ishbaal son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim. ⁹ He made him king over Gilead, the Ashurites, Jezreel, Ephraim, Benjamin, and over all Israel. ¹⁰ Ishbaal, Saul's son, was forty years old when he began to reign over Israel, and he reigned for two years. But the house of Judah followed David. ¹¹ The time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years and six months.

3 There was a long war between the house of Saul and the house of David; David grew stronger and stronger, while the house of Saul became weaker and weaker.

MAGNIFICAT

Bairstow in D

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON Luke 18.31-19.10 *read by Barbara Paget*

Then he took the twelve aside and said to them, 'See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. ³² For he will be handed over to the Gentiles; and he will be mocked and insulted and spat upon. ³³ After they have flogged him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise again.' ³⁴ But they understood nothing about all these things; in fact, what he said was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

³⁵ As he approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. ³⁶ When he heard a crowd going by, he asked what was happening. ³⁷ They told him, 'Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.' ³⁸ Then he shouted, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' ³⁹ Those who were in front sternly ordered him to be quiet; but he shouted even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' ⁴⁰ Jesus stood still and ordered the man to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, ⁴¹ 'What do you want me to do for you?' He said, 'Lord, let me see again.' ⁴² Jesus said to him, 'Receive your sight; your faith has saved you.' ⁴³ Immediately he regained his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, praised God.

19 He entered Jericho and was passing through it. ² A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' ⁶ So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷ All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' ⁸ Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' ⁹ Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.'

NUNC DIMITTIS

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RESPONSES

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ANTHEM

The Secret of Christ - *Shephard*

PRAYERS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 824 (Tune 670 i) With joy we meditate the grace

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 586

All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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Sunday 12th July

6th Sunday after Trinity

08:30 Holy Communion President: The Reverend Angela Tarry

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Angela Tarry

Readings: Romans 8.1-11 and Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

18:30 Choral Evensong

Officiant: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

Readings: 2 Samuel 7.18-29 and Luke 19.41-20.8

The Vicar Writes From the confused impulse Paul describes to the whining childishness in the Gospel, we might get a rather negative view of human nature this week. But as Collect and Post-Communion prayer suggest, we are guided and sanctified by God's spirit, and He heals the broken.



WOULD YOU LIKE A DAY OUT IN CAMBRIDGE?

A day trip to Cambridge is being organised on **Saturday 1st August**. This is in conjunction with St James Choir singing Choral Evensong at Great St Mary's Church on that day. At this stage, likely numbers are needed so if you are interested, please sign the form at the back of church. Please think of joining us for this fellowship together. **Costs should be about £20 a head, including sandwiches – last few places remaining!**

The Week Ahead

Monday 6th

10:30

Small Sounds in the Church: Free drop-in music sessions for babies & preschoolers (and their grown-ups!)

Wednesday 8th

21:00

Compline via Zoom. To join, please use the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81259880030?pwd=TG9jbmJzUW56VmFrMmJxdDJBTHFNQT09>

Meeting ID: 812 5988 0030 Passcode: u7iqca

Thursday 9th

12:30

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

Friday 10th

16.30

Junior Choir rehearsal

19.00

Senior Choir rehearsal

Saturday 11th

14.00

Wedding of Abigail King and Oliver Abraham

Sunday 12th

15.00

Recitals at St James - The Titanic Jazz Band

THE SHELL deadline is Sunday 2nd August for contributions to the next edition. Please send content such as articles, book reviews or recommendations, recipes, notices, etc., to the church office by post or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING SURVEY 2026

INEQE Safeguarding Group has been appointed by the Archbishops' Council to conduct independent Safeguarding Audits of the Church of England diocese and cathedrals to make sure are doing all they can to create environments where everyone feels safe, valued and respected.

This process has now started in Leicester and people are invited to share their experiences through online surveys that are open until 5th August 2026. The more people who take part in the surveys, the clearer and fairer the picture will be, so please participate by completing one of the surveys online. You can scan the QR code on a postcard or one of the posters in church or through the website at www.leicester.anglican.org/safeguarding/audit

There are a number of different surveys, e.g., the Parish Workforce (clergy, staff, volunteers, adult chorister/choir members), the Parish Worshipping Community, Child or Young Person (under 18, but under 13s must be supported by an adult), Victims/Survivors, so select the one most appropriate for your situation and experience. The survey should only take 10-15 minutes and consists of multiple-choice answers to questions and some open-text boxes. The survey is only online, but if anyone is unable to access it, please contact the Parish Safeguarding Officer Victoria Roe (pastoral.assistant@stjamesthegreater.org.uk) to make arrangements to receive support to complete the survey.

Participation is completely confidential and anonymous, ensuring that all voices can be heard safely and honestly.

Safeguarding Survey 2026

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Take the survey:

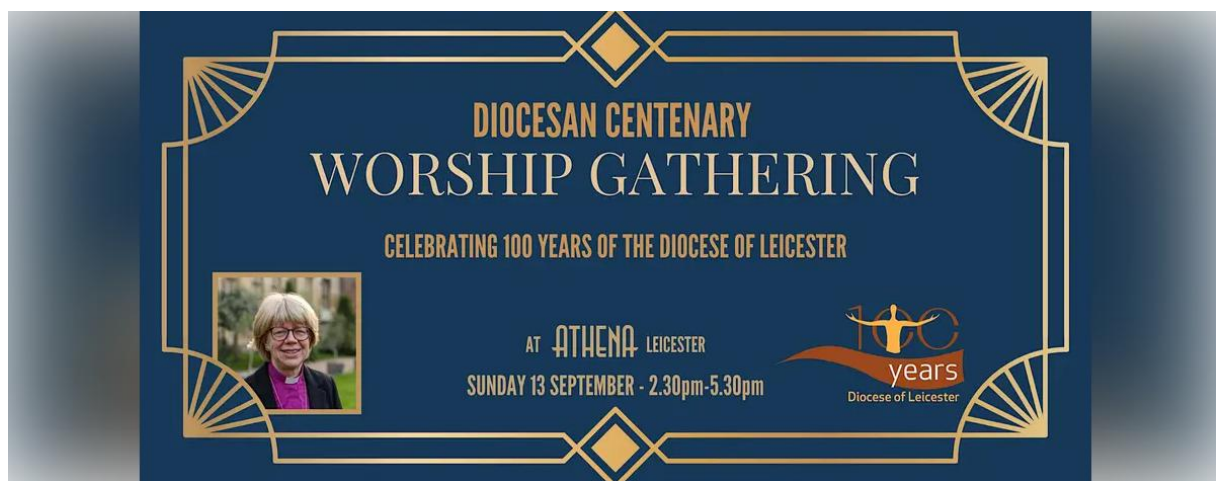


What's working well?

What could we do better?

Share your views on
safeguarding and help us
be a safer church
for everyone.

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Centenary Worship Gathering with the Archbishop of Canterbury

As the Diocese of Leicester prepares to mark a significant milestone in its history, we are delighted to bring you details of the Diocesan Centenary Celebration Worship Gathering with very special guest, the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The gathering, which takes place on Sunday 13 September at the Athena in Leicester, will celebrate 100 years since the establishment of our diocese, and bring together the people of our parishes, church schools, cathedral, chaplaincies and wider communities to give thanks to God for all that we are and will be – past, present and future.

Everyone is welcome to attend the afternoon worship event, tickets for

which are free and can be booked through [Eventbrite](#).

We would love as many people as possible to join us in celebrating the life of the diocese over its 100 years, in an afternoon of worship, prayer, music and liturgy, with food and drink, presentations, and more. All ages are welcome, but children must be supervised by an adult at all times.

We are incredibly honoured that we will be joined by the Archbishop of Canterbury, The Most Revd Dame Sarah Mullally, who will share in the celebrations.

Talking about her forthcoming visit, she said: *"The Diocese of Leicester's centenary year is a testament to God's steadfast and enduring love, and his faithfulness to*

all generations.

"Being invited to celebrate with Bishop Martyn and the people of Leicester and Leicestershire in September is a real privilege.

While we celebrate one hundred years of this diverse diocese, we also look forward with hope, giving thanks for the ways that God is at work across its parishes and rural churches, its church schools, interfaith projects and hospital chaplaincies."

To book tickets for this event, please click the link below:

[Diocesan Centenary Worship Gathering Tickets, Sunday, September 13 • 2:30 PM - 5:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Recitals at St James



Second Sundays at 3.00pm ²⁰²⁶

Pay as you feel, refreshments served

St James the Greater Church, London Rd, Leicester, LE2 1NE.

14th June 26 - Nicholas Friedersdorff - Organ

Organist - St James the Greater

12th July 26 - The Titanic Jazz Band

Leicester based Jazz Ensemble

9th August 26 - Fr David Price - Organ

Thailand - part of his UK tour



30th August 26 - Castle Baroque Players (extra date)

Chamber ensemble led by Seb Carrington

13th September 26 - Ricardus Consort

Choir and instrumental ensemble led by Simon Mold

11th October 26 - Serenity Flutes

Flutes: Julie Dearden, Ann Wright; Piano: Fergus Black



8th November 26 - The Juliet Consort

*Soprano: Emma Trounson, Anna Jane Davies; Countertenor: Mark Trounson;
Tenor: Jeremy Goldsmith; Bass & Violoncello: David Bean; Lute: Chris Susans*



No recital in December due to carol services

Pop, musical theatre & light classical
SPACE-themed choral music

SONGS OF SPACE



Musical Director: Emma Trounson | Accompanist: Josephine Markham

Saturday 4th July 2026

7.30pm-9.30pm

**St James the Greater Church,
London Road, Leicester. LE2 1NE**

Tickets: £10 on the door, under 16s free
Refreshments included

Raffle in aid of

LOROS

Hospice Care for Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland

Fosse Singers is a registered charity
No.: 1190155

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 Sundays 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday 11.45 am BBC 1
Choral Evensong Sunday 6 pm Wednesday 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. Spiritual Wellbeing Reflections with Pam Rhodes
4. One minute sermons by J. John
5. Prayers for the season
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope

CONTACTING THE TEAM

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Church office opening hours this week:

Monday 6th July 1.15 pm - 4.15 pm
Wednesday 8th July 1.15 pm – 4.15 pm
Friday 10th July 1.15 pm – 4.15 pm

