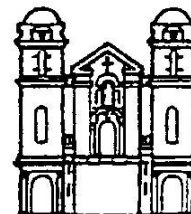


St James the Greater Leicester



30th AUGUST 2026
13TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
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
Heather Jones : Patricia Thistlewood

Rest in peace

Diane Allen

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are sponsored by
Andy Judge in memory of Penny Judge.

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Common Worship Order I (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Canon Matthew Bradbury

Assisted by: William Woolley

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30

Sung Eucharist

See separate Order of Service

President: The Reverend Canon Matthew Bradbury

Assisted by: Charles Samuel and Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

Sidesperson: Lin Mawer

Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Servers: Charles Samuel, Lucy Hutchinson and Tony Chizema

Setting: Darke in E

HYMN 366 (Tune 337) Living God, your word has called us

GLORIA Jones

READING Romans 12.9-21 *read by Mark Trounson*

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' ²⁰No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

GRADUAL HYMN 658 Help us, O Lord, to learn

GOSPEL Matthew 16.21-28

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷ 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

SERMON

The Reverend Canon Matthew Bradbury

INTERCESSIONS

Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister

OFFERTORY HYMN 238 i Come down, O Love divine

MOTET Ave Verum Corpus - Byrd

POST COMMUNION HYMN 455 My God, and is thy table spread

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,
you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 477 (Tune 394) Go forth and tell!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

Everyone is invited for refreshments after 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: Angela Jagger, Reader

Churchwarden: Serge Mozota

Sidesperson: Vacant

Server: William Woolley

HYMN 362

Come, let us join our cheerful songs

PRECES

Reading

PSALM 105.1-15 See music sheet

FIRST LESSON 2 Kings 6.24-25; 7.3-20 *read by William Woolley*

Some time later King Ben-hadad of Aram mustered his entire army; he marched against Samaria and laid siege to it. ²⁵ As the siege continued, famine in Samaria became so great that a donkey's head was sold for eighty shekels of silver, and one-fourth of a kab of dove's dung for five shekels of silver.

³ Now there were four leprous men outside the city gate, who said to one another, 'Why should we sit here until we die? ⁴ If we say, "Let us enter the city", the famine is in the city, and we shall die there; but if we sit here, we shall also die. Therefore, let us desert to the Aramean camp; if they spare our lives, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die.' ⁵ So they arose at twilight to go to the Aramean camp; but when they came to the edge of the Aramean camp, there was no one there at all. ⁶ For the Lord had caused the Aramean army to hear the sound of chariots and of horses, the sound of a great army, so that they said to one another, 'The king of Israel has hired the kings of the Hittites and the kings of Egypt to fight against us.' ⁷ So they fled away in the twilight and abandoned their tents, their horses, and their donkeys, leaving the camp just as it was, and fled for their lives. ⁸ When these leprous men had come to the edge of the camp, they went into a tent, ate and drank, carried off silver, gold, and clothing, and went and hid them. Then they came back, entered another tent, carried off things from it, and went and hid them.

⁹ Then they said to one another, 'What we are doing is wrong. This is a day of good news; if we are silent and wait until the morning light, we will be found guilty; therefore let us go and tell the king's household.' ¹⁰ So they came and called to the gatekeepers of the city, and told them, 'We went to the Aramean camp, but there was no one to be seen or heard there, nothing but the horses tied, the donkeys

...tied, and the tents as they were.’ ¹¹ Then the gatekeepers called out and proclaimed it to the king’s household. ¹² The king got up in the night, and said to his servants, ‘I will tell you what the Arameans have prepared against us. They know that we are starving; so they have left the camp to hide themselves in the open country, thinking, “When they come out of the city, we shall take them alive and get into the city.”’ ¹³ One of his servants said, ‘Let some men take five of the remaining horses, since those left here will suffer the fate of the whole multitude of Israel that have perished already; let us send and find out.’ ¹⁴ So they took two mounted men, and the king sent them after the Aramean army, saying, ‘Go and find out.’ ¹⁵ So they went after them as far as the Jordan; the whole way was littered with garments and equipment that the Arameans had thrown away in their haste. So the messengers returned, and told the king.

¹⁶ Then the people went out, and plundered the camp of the Arameans. So a measure of choice meal was sold for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, according to the word of the Lord. ¹⁷ Now the king had appointed the captain on whose hand he leaned to have charge of the gate; the people trampled him to death in the gate, just as the man of God had said when the king came down to him. ¹⁸ For when the man of God had said to the king, ‘Two measures of barley shall be sold for a shekel, and a measure of choice meal for a shekel, about this time tomorrow in the gate of Samaria’, ¹⁹ the captain had answered the man of God, ‘Even if the Lord were to make windows in the sky, could such a thing happen?’ And he had answered, ‘You shall see it with your own eyes, but you shall not eat from it.’ ²⁰ It did indeed happen to him; the people trampled him to death in the gate.

MAGNIFICAT

Stanford in B flat

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON Acts 18.1-16 *read by Jennifer Clegg*

After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. ² There he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, who had recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had ordered all Jews to leave Rome. Paul went to see them, ³ and, because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them, and they worked together—by trade they were tentmakers. ⁴ Every sabbath he would argue in the synagogue and would try to convince Jews and Greeks.

⁵ When Silas and Timothy arrived from Macedonia, Paul was occupied with proclaiming the word, testifying to the Jews that the Messiah was Jesus. ⁶ When they opposed and reviled him, in protest he shook the dust from his clothes and said to them, ‘Your blood be on your own heads! I am innocent. From now on I will go to the Gentiles.’ ⁷ Then he left the synagogue and went to the house of a man named Titius Justus, a worshipper of God; his house was next door to the synagogue. ⁸ Crispus, the official of the synagogue, became a believer in the Lord,

together with all his household; and many of the Corinthians who heard Paul became believers and were baptized. ⁹ One night the Lord said to Paul in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, but speak and do not be silent; ¹⁰ for I am with you, and no one will lay a hand on you to harm you, for there are many in this city who are my people.' ¹¹ He stayed there for a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

¹² But when Gallio was proconsul of Achaia, the Jews made a united attack on Paul and brought him before the tribunal. ¹³ They said, 'This man is persuading people to worship God in ways that are contrary to the law.' ¹⁴ Just as Paul was about to speak, Gallio said to the Jews, 'If it were a matter of crime or serious villainy, I would be justified in accepting the complaint of you Jews; ¹⁵ but since it is a matter of questions about words and names and your own law, see to it yourselves; I do not wish to be a judge of these matters.' ¹⁶ And he dismissed them from the tribunal.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Stanford in B flat

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

RESPONSES

Reading

ANTHEM

Evening Hymn – *Balfour Gardiner*

*Te lucis ante terminum,
Rerum Creator poscimus,
Ut pro tua Clementia
Sis præsul et custodia.
Procul recedant somnia,
Et noctium phantasmata;
Hostemque nostrum comprime,
Ne polluantur corpora.
Præsta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito
Regnans per omne sæculum.
Amen.*

Before the end of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That with Thy wonted favour Thou
Wouldst be our Guard and Keeper now.
From all ill dreams defend our eyes,
From nightly fears and fantasies;
Tread under foot our ghostly foe,
That no pollution we may know.
O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,
Doth live and reign eternally.
Amen.

PRAYERS

Angela Jagger, Reader

HYMN 744 i

O God of Bethel, by whose hand

SERMON

Angela Jagger, Reader

HYMN 627 (Tune 609) Father most holy, merciful and loving

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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Sunday 6th September

14th Sunday after Trinity / Creationtide I

08:30 **BCP Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood

10:30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood
Readings: Job 37.14-24 and Matthew 8.23-27

18:30 **Choral Evensong** Officiant: Mike Rule, Associate Minister
Readings: Ezekiel 12.21-13.16 and Acts 19.1-20

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 2nd

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81259880030?pwd=TG9jbmJzUWV56VmFrMmJxdDJBTHFNQT09>

Meeting ID: 812 5988 0030 Passcode: u7iqca

Thursday 3rd

12:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood

Friday 4th

16.30 **Junior Choir rehearsal**
19.00 **Senior Choir rehearsal**

THE SHELL Printed copies of the latest edition are available at the back of church. Please put donations in the box on the back wall.



OFFICE HOURS Please note that from next week, the Church Office opening hours are changing. These will now be 9.15 am until 12.15 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays (unless otherwise specified). Please always check the back page of the Bulletin for Office opening hours.

RIDE AND STRIDE

This takes place on Saturday 12th September. If you would like to take part in this year's sponsored event, forms are on the back table. For further information, go to <https://www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>

If you can volunteer on the day for an hour or two to help welcome people coming to St. James, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

For security reasons, two people are needed for each hour. You can be sponsored for your church-sitting slot, too, so take a form if you want to earn extra money for the church.

RECITALS AT ST JAMES This Sunday 3.00pm - Castle Baroque Players present 'Il fior de lino' with music by Monteverdi, Zanetti, Caccini & Finetti. Pay as you feel, suggested donation £10 pp, followed by refreshments.

FAMILY MUSIC DAY

We are holding a Family Music Day on **Saturday 26th September 2026**

1.00pm-3.30pm in church. Sing in harmony with other voices, make junk instruments and create some beats with our 'Junk Orchestra' and learn about and hear the St James the Greater organ – the afternoon finishes with a singalong with the organ. Please encourage anyone you know to come and take part, there's no need to register, people can just drop in when they like!

If you're available to help steward, serve refreshments or support the activities, please contact Emma

dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk. If you have any clean items you're no longer using which might make good instruments for the craft table, please bring them in and leave them in the box at the back of church (these will not be returned but anything unused will be recycled.)



FAMILY MUSIC DAY

FREE MUSIC WORKSHOPS FOR ALL AGES

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2026
1.00PM - 3.30PM
ST JAMES THE GREATER CHURCH
LONDON ROAD, LEICESTER. LE2 1NE.

1.00PM MAKE AN INSTRUMENT CRAFT
(TO TAKE HOME AFTERWARDS)

1.30PM JUNK ORCHESTRA JAM

1.45PM REFRESHMENTS SERVED

2.00PM HARMONY SINGING WORKSHOP

2.45PM ORGAN WORKSHOP - HAVE A GO!

3.15PM-3.30PM SING HYMNS/SONGS BY REQUEST

UNDER 16'S MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT
NO NEED TO BOOK, JUST DROP IN!
STJAMESTHEGREATER.ORG.UK



Recitals at St James



Second Sundays at 3.00pm

Pay as you feel (suggested donation £10) - Refreshments

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

30th August 26 - Castle Baroque Players

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

10th January 27 - Mariko Terashi - Piano

14th February 27 - Jude Richardson - Piano



An alternative to a coffee morning
Saturday October 3rd 2026

Come and Perform
at Braunstone Civic Centre
and raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support

Performance commences 7.30 pm

(Tea, Coffee, cakes and biscuits till 10pm) Licensed bar available.

**An informal performance opportunity for people
(of any age) from the local community and beyond.**

Or just come along and be entertained, and perhaps join in
with some community singing!

Supporting

**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

If you sing (either as a group or solo) play piano or keyboard or any other instrument, here is an opportunity to perform in a no pressure atmosphere to include and to entertain the local community.

All we ask is each performer/member of the audience donates (an amount of their choice) towards Macmillan cancer support.

A piano (or good quality keyboard) will be provided on the night. Performers can provide their own accompanist, or a professional pianist will be available.

For more information and to book a place, please contact either
Nigel 07730308701 or **Barbara 07896910222** as soon as possible, to allow us to put a program together.

This is a new venture for us and for the community, and an opportunity to raise vital funds. Children will be very welcome to show off their musical talent but must be accompanied at all times by a parent or guardian.

Knighton *Opera*

Andrew Robinson *The Dutchman*

Debbie Dubberley *Senta*

Stephen Bruce *Director*

Paul Jenkins *Music Director*

Knighton Chamber Orchestra

Richard Wagner

The Flying Dutchman

*A semi-staged production accompanied by Leicester's
acclaimed Knighton Chamber Orchestra*

St James the Greater Church, Leicester LE2 1NE
12th | 16th | 19th September 2026 at 7pm

Tickets from £16 online | from £20 on the door (available by cash and card)
book tickets online at knightonchamberorchestra.co.uk

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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 Sundays 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday 1.15 pm 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. Holiday at home reflections
4. One minute sermons by J. John
5. Prayers
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope
7. Psalm 23 read by Alexandra Huggins
8. Get in touch with Daily Hope

CONTACTING THE TEAM

Please note that the Reverend Andrew Quigley is currently away on sabbatical.

For pastoral concerns, please contact Vicky Roe on

pastoral.assistant@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

The Church Office can be contacted by E-mail at: office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk
or by telephoning 0116 2542111 and leaving a message. Please do not hesitate to
get in touch. Further details are on our website: www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk

Church office opening hours this week:

Wednesday 2nd September 9.15 am – 12.15 pm

Thursday 3rd September 9.15 am – 12.15 pm