



Our vision is to be an open Christian community where people feel loved, respected, and free to be fully themselves.



4th August 2024 **10th Sunday after Trinity**

Welcome to you all



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St James



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Our Services this week
Service type is subject to change due to illness or other unforeseen circumstances

St James:

Sunday 4th

8:30am Morning Prayer
10.00am All Together Service

Thursday 8th

9:30am Holy Communion

Our Lady & St Nicholas:

Sunday 4th

6pm Holy Communion

What else is happening this week

Tuesday 6th

12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James

Wednesday 7th

2.00-4:30pm Welcome Space St James
3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer
Our Lady & St Nicholas

Thursday 8th

10:30am Bible Book Club St James

Saturday 10th

9:30-10:15am Visiting Bell Ringers St James
10am-12noon Open Church St James
10:30-11:15am Visiting bell Ringers
Our Lady & St Nicholas

What's happening next week

Sunday 11th

8:30am Morning Prayer St James
10am Holy Communion with Healing/M.U service St James
4pm Faith, Friendship & Fun Hallam Fields Church
6pm Evensong Our Lady & St Nicholas

Monday 12th

2:30-4:30pm Monday Group St James

Tuesday 13th

12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space St James

Wednesday 14th

2-4:30pm Welcome Space St James
3-4pm Open Church & Private Prayer Our Lady & St Nicholas

Thursday 15th

9:30am Morning Prayer St James
2:30-3:30pm Visiting Bellringers - Quarter Peal Our Lady & St Nicholas
4-5pm Visiting bellringers St James

Saturday 17th

10am-12noon Open Church St James

Notices

Please feel free to contact Amanda or one of the Churchwardens at any time

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Church parking

The Royal British Legion have kindly agreed that we can park in their car park on Sunday mornings until they open at midday.

Summer Fete - Monday 26th August

Please, we would be most grateful for donations of:

- Cakes for the Refreshment Stall
- Cakes for the Cake Stall
- Bottles for the Bottle Tombola
- Books for the Book Stall
- Donations of items for our Food Hamper Raffle Prize (there is a list of items to sign your name against at the back of the church).
- Volunteers on the day to enable our stallholders to have a break and look around the fete themselves - thank you

We would really appreciate any help you can give. Thank you very much for your support

Summer Fete - 26th August: 12 noon - 3.30pm

Raffle tickets are at the back of the church for the Summer Fete - please take and sell as many as you can to friends, family and acquaintances.

Surprise Parcel Stall, Church Fete - 26th August.

We are once again hoping to run this stall. We would be most grateful for any items from tins to toiletries, purses to pearls or anything new or nearly new, including books but please nothing HUGE, thank you. Items for children are very welcome. There is a box at the back of the Church for the parcels, or these can be given to Joan or delivered to Jane at 458 Loughborough Road. Many thanks, *Joan Folland, Jane Scott.*

Time in nature at Mill Field Forest Garden, Thurmaston - 9th 16th, 23rd & 30th August

On Friday mornings in August (10am-12:30pm) we are hosting sessions especially for older people without easy access to nature, or a garden, or who may be experiencing loneliness, or living with dementia. You are welcome to bring a partner or companion. Sessions are FREE and delivered by experienced and qualified facilitators, in our forest garden. Activities may include crafts, games, relaxing, exploring the garden, making friends, gentle gardening – you can choose. Refreshments are free - tea & coffee, plus an opportunity to see, pick, smell and taste herbs, fresh vegetables and wild foods. Access to Nature is a lottery funded project. [How to find us](#). We are close to Watermead Country Park, just off the Melton Road at Mill Lane, Thurmaston, LE4 8AF. There is FREE Public Car Parking. For more information and to book please call Louise on 07300793288 or email: welcometomillfield@gmail.com.

The Collect for the 10th Sunday of Trinity

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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**

The Post Communion Prayer for the 10th Sunday of Trinity

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

BCP Collect for the 10th Sunday of Trinity

Let thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayer Chain

If you have an urgent prayer request, please contact Doreen Wilson (2674680) or Gill Pope (2675086) it will be passed round the prayer chain as quickly as possible in strictest confidence

Volunteer vacancies!

We are looking for the following volunteers for church - if you might be interested, please speak to whoever is named next to the role ASAP. Thank you!

- Eco Church - are you passionate about the environment? If so, could you help us work towards Eco Church Awards? There is a list of goals online, and we need someone just to keep an eye on what needs to be included in our church life and tick off what we have achieved. I think we are already at bronze level, so you could do lots of ticking straight away! There is an information day on Saturday, September 14, from 10am-2pm, at Holy Trinity Church in Leicester, which you would not have to attend but might wish to! (Amanda)
- Light cleaning duties - roughly once every 7 weeks, less often the more volunteers we have! It's the "old church" only - the dusting you can easily reach; vacuuming the carpets; and whatever you think needs doing. (Tony Luxton)
- Ride & Stride - Saturday 14th September - we need people to church sit for 1-2 hours (you will be in pairs) and to welcome and give drinks to visitors. (John Borrajo - Birstall; Debbie Shepard - Wanlip)
- Flower arranging - lessons provided, if needed! (Sylvia)
- Someone to accompany Rachael on Parish visits to introduce her to people (Rachael)
- Readers - Contact Alan & Cynthia Chapman
- Intercessors (Contact Alan & Cynthia Chapman) or Amanda)

Bible Book Club – 8th August

The next Bible Book Club will be on Thursday 8th August, after the Communion Service at about 10:30am. The book we will be studying is Malachi.

Strawberry Teas

Many thanks for your wonderful support for the Strawberry Cream Teas from far and wide. In all I have banked £826 made up of ticket sales, donations and raffle from the two sessions. You have all been so generous. *Josephine*

Monthly tip for a less-plastic life - August

Make your own ice lollies in reusable freezer moulds.

Lectionary & Theme Readings

Sun 4th **10th Sunday after Trinity**

Readings used

Reading 1: **Isaiah 32:14-20**

Reading 2 **Philippians 4: 4-9**

Gospel : **Luke 9.28.36**

Lectionary readings: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15,

Ephesians 4:1-16, John 6:24-35

Mon 5th **Theme: Isaiah 32:14-20**

Psalm: 71

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 24

Reading 2: Acts 3:11-end

Tue 6th **Theme: 1 John 3:19 - 4:6**

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Psalm: 27

Reading 1: 1 Kings 19:1-16

Reading 2: 1 John 3:1-3

Wed 7th **Theme: Philippians 4:2-9**

Psalm: 77

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 28:3-end

Reading 2: Acts 4:13-31

Thu 8th **Theme: Romans 8:26-27**

Psalm: 78:1-39

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 31

Reading 2: Acts 4:32 - 5:11

Holy Communion Readings

Reading 1: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-23

Fri 9th **Theme: 1 John 5:1-12**

Psalm: 55

Reading 1: 2 Samuel 1

Reading 2: Acts 5:12-26

Sat 10th **Theme: 1 Corinthians 2:6-16**

Psalm: 76

Reading 1: 2 Samuel 1-11

Reading 2: Acts 5:27-end

Sun 11th **11th Sunday after Trinity**

Readings used

Reading 1: **Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8**

Reading 2 **James 4: 13-17**

Gospel : **Luke 12: 35-40**

Lectionary readings: 1 Kings 19:4-8, Ephesians

4:25 - 5:2, John 6:35, 41-51

BCP Evensong readings

Reading 1: **Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

Reading 2: **Mark 6:30-35, 39-47.**

Psalm: **90**

Theme: **Acts 9:1-9**

For our Prayers

Theme for the week - Consciousness

Everything is clamouring to become a part of you. You must carefully choose the things & thoughts you will allow to get inside. Ask God to begin to cleanse your consciousness.

Then determine in prayer that you will guard the threshold of your mind.

For the persecuted church - Brunei

Dear God, we pray for Christians in Brunei who struggle with discrimination & persecution because they worship You. Please bless them & give them a sense of Your peace today. Strengthen & encourage Christians in the country, along with their churches. Bring courage to Your people to stand for You despite the pressure. And please grant more freedom to our brothers & sisters in Brunei. We ask this in Jesus' holy name, Amen.

For our Churches, this week especially for:

Old Nick's Coffee Shop

Our Children: Charley-Ann & Tom

What are we thankful for this week:

The first fruit pickings from the garden

For our Community, this week especially for:

Old peoples homes and St James' Day Centre

For those in need or unwell:

Nicky Hardy, David Bark, Dorothy Barsby, John Walton, Michael Webb, Tricia Emmett, Ray Folland, Sheila Alcock & all who care for them.

For those who have Holy Communion at home:

Sheila Skidmore, Monica Lucas, Freda Sowards, Margery Orton & Pat Wilby

For those who have recently died

Russell Clark, Rowena (Betty) Tredell, Janet Scott

For 1st anniversary of death this week:

Every day - 9pm (or another time!)

Praying for peace in Ukraine & Israel / Palestine. And a different area each day.

Sun: For an end to internal conflict in Bangladesh.

Mon: For an end to conflict in the Niger Delta in Nigeria and Cameroon ongoing since 2003.

Tues: For an end to the South Thailand insurgency ongoing since 2004.

Wed: For an end to the insurgency in Paraguay ongoing since 2005.

Thurs: For an end to the armed conflict for control of the favelas in Greater Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, ongoing since 2006.

Fri: For an end to the Insurgency in Egypt ongoing since 2013.

Sat: For an end to the ISIL insurgency in the North Caucasus ongoing since 2017.