

St. Alphege Church This Week's News 2nd June 2019 **Sunday after Ascension**

A WARM WELCOME to St. Alphege. It's good to have you with us. Do join us for tea, coffee or squash at 10.15am.

8.00am	Said Eucharist			
	President & Preacher Revd Dr Sam Gibson			
9.15am	The Junction in the Oliver Bird Hall with Revd Jane Ketchington			
	Gems (to 4yrs with parents), Pebbles (4-7) & Rock Solid (7-11)			
9.15am	Parish Eucharist	Hymns		
	President & Preacher Revd Dr Sam Gibson			
	Reader Andy Halstead	458		
	Prayers Barbara Hughes Offertory St Alphege Council	screens		
	Music led by Full Choir	16		
	Setting Little Jazz Mass Chilcott	652		
	Anthem Every Time I Feel the Spirit Chilcott Voluntary Tuba Tune CS Lang			
10.15am	Coffee Squash in the Oliver Bird Hall			
11.00am				
	President & Preacher Canon Andrew Hutchinson			
	1st Reader Sally Herd 2nd Reader Ann Taylor			
	Music led by The Girls' Choir	Ps 97		
	Setting Missa Brevis Britten	134		
	Anthem Ascendit Deus Gallus	271 443		
	Voluntary Toccatina for the Flutes Pietro Yon			
1.00pm	Baptism			
	Revd Jane Ketchington baptises Harlow Slack			
6.30pm	Choral Evensong	Hymns 129		
	Officiant & Preacher Revd Jane Kenchington			
	NT Reader Ann Taylor	Ps 68		
	OT - Isaiah 44. 1-8 NT - Luke 24. 44-end	388		
	Music led by The Boys' and Men's Choir	leaflet		
	Responses Spicer Canticles Evening Service in E Murrill			
	Anthem God is Gone Up Hutchings			
	Voluntary Villanella John Ireland			
THIS WE	EK			

Mon 3	9.30am	Eucharist in St Antony's Chapel
Tues 4	9.30am	Eucharist in St Antony's Chapel.
	10.00am	Prayer Group in upper Chapel
Wed 5	10.00am	Eucharist at St Michael's Chapel, Bryanston Road.
	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recital - Nick Drew (tenor)
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong
Thur 6	10.30am	Eucharist in the Nave
	1.30pm	Memorial Service for Margaret Hodgetts

COLLECT

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NEXT SUNDAY

Readings: Acts 2. 1-21, Romans 8. 14-17, John 14. 8-17

8am President & Preacher Revd Jane Kenchington, 9.15am All Age Worship President & Preacher Revd Jane Kenchington, 11am President Revd Dr Sam Gibson, Preacher Ruth Ferguson, 6.30pm Choral Evensong Linda Hicks

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday Those persecuted for their faith

Tuesday Those travelling Wednesday The Church Army

Thursday Staff at Birmingham Diocesan Office

Friday Forget me not teas
Saturday For choirs and musicians

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY IN NEED

Louise Butt, Margaret Evans, Olivia Spurrier, George Hutchinson, Caroline Herd, Michael Gates, Mavis Randall, Mandy, Gill Jones, Sarah, Diana Mitchell, Gloria, Evan Harris, Barbara Abbott, Pauline Newey, Richard Harmon, Martin, Maureen Tallis, Rashi Somal, Sarah, Joulios, Martin H.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Anne Roberts, Stephen Foster, Debbie White, Henry Balthazor, Stephen John, Jonathan Mark, Jenny Williams, Jean Williams.

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Nicholas Johnson

Those Preparing for Marriage - 2nd Reading of Banns

Mark Andrew Powell & Sharon Maria Greenway, James Christian Sadler & Neola Elma Kelly, George David Hosier & Laura Catherine Jackson, Shaun Staff & Josephine Marrinan Lowe, Simon James Pitchford & Victoria Anne Epplestone

BIBLE READING Acts 16. 16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

BIBLE READING Revelation 22. 12-14, 16-17, 20-end

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.' The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

GOSPEL John 17, 20-end

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June

Wed 5th, 1.10pm, Lunchtime Recital - Nick Drew (tenor). Refreshments from 12.30pm, performance at 1.10pm. Free admission, all welcome.

Thurs 6th, 1.30pm, OBH, M.U. Strawberry Tea and time to talk. Bring a favourite trinket to show and talk about. All welcome. Lifts 7058761 and 2706132

Sat 8th, 10.00am - 1pm, Churchyard tidy up morning. Can you give an hour of your time please? Tasks suitable for all ages. Refreshments provided. Please bring gloves. Contact detail: 711 1726.

Wed 12th, 1.10pm, Lunchtime Recital - Dominic O'Sullivan and Rory Anderson (bassoon/piano). Refreshments from 12.30pm, performance at 1.10pm. Free admission, all welcome.

Fri 14, 6.15pm, Outside St Nicholas Church, B95 5GD, Christian Men Together in Solihull. Summer Walk with a Pub Meal. Walk in the area round Henley followed by meal in Nags Head, High Street, B95 5BA. Please forward your menu choices by Wednesday 12th to arwilliams@dial.pipex.com.

Saturday 15th, 3.00pm, Shirley Community Centre B90 1AA, Annual GideonsUK report Meeting. Tradiotional Afternoon Cream Tea. Programe will include praise, prayer, exciting stories of changed lives, local and national news updates.

Sat 22nd, 9 am - 10 am, Greville Arms, Men's Breakfast. Christian Men Together in Solihull - speaker Rev'd Chris Turner. £5 for full cooked breakfast with coffee/Tea.

NOTICES

In the Footsteps of the First British Christians: 7th-12th July a pilgrimage/ancient history tour led by Nick Partridge. Call Nick 07970 207377 or for more details see https://www.othonaessex.org.uk/civicrm/event/info?id=1596

Sparkhill Foodbank badly needs a double buggy, suitcase on wheels, babygros for 0-3 month baby boys, 3yr old girl's clothing, small boxes of fruit juice and milk, tins of fruit, rice pudding, small sugar. Thanks for recent gifts. Angela Cameron

Volunteer Drivers required Tuesdays for St Alphege luncheon club. Local pick-ups dropping off at the OBH for 12.30pm then collect at 2pm to take back home. Please contact Debbie at d.woodward@solihullparish.org.uk or 07805 480074.

Solihull Hospital monthly church service. **Today -** could you help in taking patients to the service? No experience necessary as you would be paired with an experienced volunteer. We meet at 10.00hrs. Details 711 1726 or e-mail mrumball@btinternet.com