



St. Alphege Church
This Week's News
5th May 2019
Easter 3

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.

TODAY

8.00am Said Eucharist

President & Preacher Revd Sam Gibson

9.15am The Junction in the Oliver Bird Hall

Gems (to 4yrs with parents), Pebbles (4-7) & Rock Solid (7-11)

9.15am Parish Eucharist

President & Preacher Revd Sam Gibson

Reader Lesley Day

Prayers Peter Rock

Offertory Fran & Andy Halstead

Music led by St Alphege Singers

Anthem Risen Lord Rose

Voluntary O Filii et Filiae - Dandrieu

Hymns

228

755

Screens

16

357

584

10.15am Coffee Squash in the Oliver Bird Hall

11.00am Choral Eucharist

President Revd Sam Gibson

Preacher Stephen Linstead

1st Reader Frances Rumball

2nd Reader John Meikle

Music led by the Girls' and Men's Choir

Setting Communion Service in B flat Stanford

Anthem Worthy is the Lamb (from 'Messiah') Handel

Voluntary Allegretto (Organ Sonata in G) - Elgar

Hymns

107

Ps 30

118

113

124

1.00pm Baptism

Revd Helen Greenham baptises Isabella Parr, Lara Hunt, Jacob Lane

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Officiant & Preacher Linda Hicks

NT Reader Susan Gomm

OT - Isaiah 38.9-20

NT - John 11.27-44

Music led by the Boys' and Men's Choir

Responses Clucas

Canticles Evening Service in G Jackson

Anthem Easter Vaughan Williams

Voluntary Easter Hymn - Richard Poplewell

Hymns

117

Ps 86

105

112

THIS WEEK Parish Office closed Bank Holiday Monday

Mon 6 ----- **No Monday eucharist**

Tues 7 9.30am Eucharist in St Antony's Chapel.

10.00am Prayer Group in upper Chapel

Wed 8 10.00am Eucharist at St Michael's Chapel, Bryanston Road.

1.30pm Lunchtime Recital - Daffodil Community Choir

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Thur 9 10.30am Eucharist in the Nave

Sat 11 2pm RSCM workshop

5pm RSCM Choral Evensong

COLLECT

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciple with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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.

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

NEXT SUNDAY

Readings: Acts 9. 36-end, Revelation 7. 9-end, John 10. 22-30

8am President & Preacher Revd John Bradford, 9.15am President & Preacher Revd Sam Gibson, 11am President Revd Jane Kenchington, Preacher Revd Sam Gibson, 6.30pm Choral Evensong Nick Partridge

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday	Those who are looking for work
Tuesday	Those who work in the Touchwood Centre
Wednesday	Writers and poets
Thursday	The staff of Solihull Railway Station
Friday	Those preparing to be admitted to First Communion
Saturday	Those who work at the Core in Solihull

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY IN NEED

Louise Butt, Margaret Evans, Olivia Spurrier, George Hutchinson, Trevor Jones, Caroline Herd, Michael Gates, Mavis Randall, Mandy, Gill Jones, Sarah, Diana Mitchell, Gloria, Evan Harris, Barbara Abbott, Pauline Newey.

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

Beryl Lavinia Bowman, Eric Sheehy, Margaret Hodgetts, Richard Routledge, Margaret Tennet, Millicent Winch.

Those Preparing for Marriage -2nd Reading of Banns

Matthew August Albrecht & Dawn Louise Gillard, Nicholas Dudley Spencer & Laura Ashleigh Rose, Daniel Leon Betts & Porscha Jaye McKeown.

Job Vacancies - Parish Office

The role of temporary Office Assistant has arisen to deal with workload demands on the Parish Office for the next few months, for up to 6 months. This will be in the region of 19 hours over four days. More information can be obtained from Vernon Adams by emailing v_adams2@sky.com

Previous administrative/secretarial experience etc is required.

BIBLE READING Acts 9. 1-6

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him.

He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.'

BIBLE READING Revelation 5.11-end

I, John, looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!' Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, 'To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!' And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' And the elders fell down and worshipped.

GOSPEL John 21.1-19

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God. After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

NOTICES

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK MAY 12 - 18 Can YOU help with street collections for Christian Aid week? Even sparing an hour to collect pre-delivered envelopes would help. Contact John Busst for details. Phone or text : 07899758545 or email : johnbusst@sky.com

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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May

Wed 8th, 1.10pm, Lunchtime Recital - Daffodil Community Choir.

Thurs 9th, 7.30pm, Room 1 OBH, 800th Anniversary Planning Group.

Thurs 9th, 7.30pm, Inbetweeners - Fish & Chips Night Pam Prices home. If you would like to come or know anyone who might like to join us please e-mail me lynne.groutage@sky.com. or give your details to the parish office and I will be in touch to take food orders.

Wed 15th, 1.10pm, Lunchtime Recital -Davina Brownrigg (mezzo-soprano). Refreshments from 12.30pm, performance at 1.10pm. Free admission, all welcome.

Fri 17th, 7.30pm, concert – joint concert with our church choirs and St Alphege School SongSquad which will include a performance of Carl Orff's Carmina Burana. All welcome. Tickets £10 adults, children free. Email isabelbaumber@btinternet.com or text 07730 981038.

Wed 22nd, 7.30pm, St. Alphege Church, Deanery Confirmation Service. Please pray for all 27 confirmation candidates.

NOTICES - cont

The Parish Office will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May.

At next Sunday's services there will be a Retiring Collection for the Citizens Advice Bureau 'Support our Service' appeal. The Service provides advice and practical help to over 6000 clients annually but is threatened with closure. If you are a UK tax payer please use our Gift Aid envelopes.

St Alphege Gin & Jazz Festival – Saturday 1st June – following the tremendous success of last year's event, we are delighted to announce this year's date for your diaries. If anyone is available to help during the day, please contact Isabel (details above).

Last Call: Walsingham National Pilgrimage, Monday 27th May. 15 or so of us are going from the parish this year. You are very welcome to join us for the day, especially if you've never been before. It is a lovely day, including Mass (preacher this year is the Archbishop of Canterbury), opportunities for prayer, picnic (subject to good weather) and a look around the shrine and town. Sam Gibson, our curate, will be leading the group. If you want to go please let him know by **Wednesday 8th May**. There are a few spaces on the minibus left, likely cost £15-20 per person: solihullcurate@gmail.com/0121_709_0668

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/civicism/event/info?id=1596>

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD - a group for parents and carers based on an approach developed in Solihull to help understand your child's behaviour. We will explore issues like having fun together, communication, development needs, parenting styles, behaviour difficulties, sleep. The group will be in Room 1 of the OBH and will run for six weeks starting on Thursday 6th June 2019 and finishing on Thursday 11th July 2019. Each session will start at 7:30pm and aim to finish at 9:30pm. The group is completely free of charge and places will be filled on a first come first served basis. If you are interested in joining the group contact Linda Hicks l.hicks@solihullparish.org.uk by Friday 17th May.

Tommy Godwin Cycle Challenge - Thank you to all those who made cakes. They were much appreciated by the riders. Donations for the cakes came to about £2500. The total amount raised for Marie Curie was £25,000.

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