



**St. Alphege Church**  
**This Week's News**  
**26th May 2019**  
**Easter 6**

**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 Retiring collection for flowers**

**8.00am Said Eucharist**

President & Preacher Revd Jane Kenchington

**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 Helen Greenham

Reader Elaine Diskin

Prayers George Mullis                      Offertory      The Prayer Group

Voluntary Praeludium g-Moll (BuxWV 149) - Dieterich Buxtehude

**Hymns**

**120**

**467**

**Screens**

**663**

**240**

**10.15am Coffee Squash in the Oliver Bird Hall**

**11.00am Choral Eucharist**

President & Preacher Revd Helen Greenham

1st Reader Alan Kirkby                      2nd Reader Sheena Linstead

Voluntary Praeludium über B-A-C-H, Op. 46 - Max Reger

**Hymns**

**401**

**Ps 67**

**366**

**310**

**346**

**6.30pm Congregational Evensong**

Officiant & Preacher Linda Hicks

NT Reader Carol Southworth

OT - Zephaniah 3. 14-end                      NT - Matthew 28. 1-10, 16 - end

Voluntary Scherzo, Op. 2 - Maurice Duruflé

**Hymns**

**119**

**Ps 126**

**Ps 127**

**124**

**Leaflet**

**THIS WEEK**

Mon 27 ----- **No Morning Eucharist**

Tues 28 9.30am Eucharist in St Antony's Chapel.

10.00am Prayer Group in upper Chapel

Wed 29 10.00am Eucharist at St Michael's Chapel, Bryanston Road.

1.10 pm Lunchtime Recital - Anna Downes (Violin).

Thur 30 10.30am **Ascension Day - Eucharist**

7.30pm **Ascension Day - Choral Eucharist**

Sat 1 9.30am Requiem Eucharist in St Anthony's Chapel

## **COLLECT**

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

Readings: Acts 16. 16-34, Revelation 22. 12-14, 16-17, 20-end, John 17. 20-end  
8am President & Preacher Revd Dr Sam Gibson, 9.15am President & Preacher Revd Dr Sam Gibson, 11am Canon Andrew Hutchinson, 6.30pm Choral Evensong Revd Jane Kenchington.

## **THIS WEEK PRAY FOR**

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| Monday    | The People of St Michael's Church     |
| Tuesday   | Those who are in hospital             |
| Wednesday | The staff of our Diocesan offices     |
| Thursday  | Those who work in finance in our town |
| Friday    | Our part in God's mission to Solihull |
| Saturday  | Those awaiting the birth of a baby    |

## **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.

## **Those Preparing for Marriage - 1st 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. 9-15**

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

## **BIBLE READING Revelation 21. 10, 22 - end, 22. 1-5**

In the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

## **GOSPEL John 14. 23-29**

Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### May

**Wed 29th, 1.10pm, Lunchtime Recital** - Anna Downes (Violin). Refreshments from 12.30pm, performance at 1.10pm. Free admission, all welcome.

### June

**Sat 1st, 12 noon – 10.30pm, OBH. St Alphege Gin & Jazz Festival.** Range of gins, gin cocktails, food and live jazz music. Alternative drinks are available. Entry £5 for adults including souvenir glass. Please come along to support this event.

**Wed 5th, 1.10pm, Lunchtime Recital.** Refreshments from 12.30pm, performance at 1.10pm. Free admission, all welcome.

**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.

**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.

**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

**The Parish Office will be closed on bank holiday Monday 27th May**

**Today - Retiring collection** will be for the summer flower beds. Polyanthus available to anyone who would like to make a donation. Anne Kemp  
Special thanks to Alan Kerr for emptying beds ready for new plants.

**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. **Sunday 2nd June** 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](mailto:mrumball@btinternet.com)

**Today - Open Garden for M.S. Society, 2 -5.30pm, 37 Ladbroke Rd. B91 3RN**  
Entry £2, Tea & Cake £1.50, Raffle £1. Welcome to our cottage garden which is full of surprises. Jane Elmer

**SCAH Shoppers.** We would be grateful to meet anyone in the congregation who would like to help shop for items to give to people in housing need. The shoppers would need to use their own money for the shop but will be repaid almost immediately but our wonderful treasurer. Please do let either Louise Cox email [louise.cox100@gmail.com](mailto:louise.cox100@gmail.com) or me Rosemary Owens on [rno@btinternet.com](mailto:rno@btinternet.com) .know if you are interested.