

St. Alphege Church This Week's News 7th July 2019 **Trinity 3/Music Festival**

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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

The Junction in the Oliver Bird Hall 9.15am

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

9.15am **Parish Eucharist**

> 6 omit President: Revd Dr. Sam Gibson Preacher: Charlotte Gibson Reader: Hazel Smith vv 2,3,6 Prayers: George Mullis Offertory: Wives Fellowship 81 Music led by St Alphege Singers 740 Anthem: I am going up a-yonder, Hawkins 566

Voluntary: Praeludium in G, BuxWV 147, Buxtehude

10.15am Coffee Squash in the Oliver Bird Hall

11.00am Choral Eucharist

Hymns President: Revd Dr Sam Gibson Preacher: Charlotte Gibson 263 omit vv 1st Reader: Michele Herbert 5,6 2nd Reader: Pam Price Ps 66 v

Music led by Full Choirs Setting: Mass in G, Schubert

Leaflet Anthem: Jesu, joy of man's desiring, J S Bach 294 Voluntary: Allegro from Symphonie II Vierne Leaflet

3.30pm Choral Evensong

Hymns Officiant & Preacher: Linda Hicks 345

NT Reader: Susan Gomm Ps 65 OT: Genesis 29 1-20 NT: Mark 6. 7-29 486 235

Music led by Full Choirs Clucas Responses

Canticles: Evening Service in A, Stanford Anthem: For Lo, I Raise up, Stanford

Voluntary: Allegro molto e con fuoco Saint-Saëns

THIS WEEK

Mon	9.30am	Eucharist in St Antony's Chapel CANCELLED
Tues	9.30am	Eucharist in St Antony's Chapel
	10.00am	Prayer Group in Upper Chapel
Wed	10.00am	Eucharist at St Michael's Chapel, Bryanston Road
	12.30pm	Lunchtime Recital - Paula Downes (Soprano)
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong
Thur	10.30am	Eucharist in the Nave
Fri	11.30am	Funeral of Eric Sheehy
	2.00pm	Wedding of James Christian Sadler and Neola Elma Kelly
Sat	10.00am	Breakfast and Bible Study in the Nave

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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.

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

NEXT SUNDAY

Readings: Deuteronomy 30. 9-14, Colossians 1. 1-14, Luke 10. 25-37

8am President & Preacher: Revd John Bradford, 9.15am All Age Worship President & Preacher: Jane Kenchington, 11am: Revd Dr Sam Gibson, 6.30pm Choral Evensong: Revd Jane Kenchington

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday Young people taking exams

Tuesday Those in care homes, hospitals and hospices

Wednesday Jane, Rector of Solihull

Thursday All people in Europe, for renewed faith and life Friday New callings to ordained ministry in our parish

Saturday The Diocesan People & Places project

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY IN NEED

Louise Butt, Rebecca, Sarah, Michael Gates, Mavis Randall, Mandy, Gloria, Rashi Somal, Sarah, Michael, George Hutchinson, Margaret Evans, Jean Williams, Martin H, Dan Abbey, Jonathan, Stephen, Maia Vundum

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Stephen Foster, Jenny Williams, Debbie White, Joulios, Richard Harmon, Ann Roberts, Martin Pashley, Gill Jones, Diana Mitchell, Henry Balthazor, Maureen Tallis

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Shirley Rodway, Nicolas Johnson, Eric Sheehy, Robin Hurley www.anaturalundertaking.co.uk/shirleyrodway/

Those Preparing for Marriage - 3rd Reading of Banns

Jobe Jesurun Swingler & Natasha Bethany Jackson, Craig Taylor & Charlotte Elizabeth Ackers, Thomas Richard Wood & Gemma Susan Quinton, Joshua Matthew Edward Smith & Victoria-Fae Bosvik-Howarth, Adam James Rathbone & Jennifer Catherine Twine, Dean Timothy Stevens & Amy Hollyoake.

BIBLE READING Isaiah 66, 10-14

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her — that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

BIBLE READING Galatians 6, 7-16

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

GOSPEL Luke 10. 1-11 16-20

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near." 'Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.' The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.'

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Today - Bring and share lunch in the infant school hall - all welcome 12 noon to 3pm **Wed 10th July 1.10pm, lunchtime recital** - **Paula Downes (Soprano)** New music by Midlands composers Andrew Downes and Tony Bridgewater as well as songs by Schumann. Refreshments from 12.30pm, free admission, all welcome.

Sat 13th July, 10am-11am, Second Saturday Bible Study will resume in Church. We share breakfast and continue our study of Mark's Gospel. All are welcome. We will then take a break in August and return on 14th September.

Wed 17th July, 1.10pm, lunchtime recital - Ex Urbe Chamber Choir - Ex Urbe will be singing a selection from their recent "Love & Loss" concerts, including Parry's Songs of Farewell and a special commission "Songs of the Soul". Refreshments from 12.30pm, free admission, all welcome.

NOTICES

North door flowerbeds - Did you notice that the Geraniums have been planted for Summer? This has been done by our volunteers. If you would like to be involved with this in the future or on a watering rota please let the Parish Office know on 0121 705 5350

The Church and Churchyard committee regularly check the stability of gravestones and memorials. We note that many of the graves from the 1980's and early 1990's are starting to become unstable as the stones are becoming unbonded from the bases. If you find that a gravestone for any of your relatives has been laid down please contact the Parish Office.

Event Organisers: We are in desperate need of some people who have experience of events organising and getting sponsorship. We need this expertise if we are to move forward with the 800th celebrations. Please would you pray and think of who might be suitable. Thank you, Jane K.

Cancer Research - Our office administrator, Lilley, is raising money by doing a 5k Mud Run Race for Life. Lilley received the "all clear" earlier this year so would like to give something back. **Donations welcomed at the parish office** by cash and cheque or visit www.fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/elizabeths-race-for-life-21230

Church Guides - A number of Church Guides have had to give up recently due to illness. If we are to keep the Church open as much we do at the moment for quiet prayer, tours, advice and visits to the bookstall, fresh volunteers are needed! If you can offer $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours once or twice a month between 10.30am and 3.00pm please get in touch with Martin Ayers on 0121 704 3753. Thank you.

Robin Hurley who sang in the St Alphege Church Choir from 1989 to 2003 and was for several years a keen chairman of the Friends of the Music, died recently at his home in Stourport-on-Severn. His funeral will take place at St Anne's Church, Bewdley on Friday 12th July at 12.30pm

Sparkhill Clothing Bank: Has any lady a dressing gown and/or flat pair of shoes, size 4-5 for a lady about to go into hospital? **NARTHEX** is looking for a playpen and a stairgate plus any toys suitable for 2/3 year olds. **Many thanks** for your recent donations of young girls' clothing. **Donations welcomed at the Parish Office.**