



**St. Alphege Church**  
**This Week's News**  
**3rd November 2019**  
**All Saints' Day**

**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 winter flowers for Northdoor beds**

**8.00am Said Eucharist**

President & Preacher Revd John Bradford

**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 Jane Kenchington

Reader Elaine Diskin

Prayers Philip Tew

Offertory Friends of the Music

Music led St Alphege Singers

Anthem: Oh When the Saints arr. Jones

Voluntary: Nun Danket Alle Gott Karg-Elert

**Hymns**

**161**

**Omit**

**v 3, 5-7**

**69**

**Screens**

**562**

**60**

**535**

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

**11.00am Choral Eucharist**

President & Preacher Revd Jane Kenchington

1st Reader David Sturdee

2nd Reader Sheena Linstead

Music led by the Girls' and Men's Choir

Setting: Missa «O Quam Gloriosum» Victoria

Anthem: O Quam Gloriosum Victoria

Voluntary: Placare Christus Servulis Dupré

**Hymns**

**197**

**Omit**

**V 3, 5-7**

**Ps 149**

**341**

**381**

**418**

**1.00pm Baptism**

Revd John Bradford baptises Lucy Shakles, Oscar Darnley, Owen Gissey-Walsh, Lillian Ansell-Williams

**6.30pm 'New Door' Bereavement Service**

Officiant & Preacher Revd Jane Kenchington

Music led by the Boys' and Men's Choir

Excerpts from Requiem, Fauré

Voluntary: Fantasia and Fugue in C minor, BWV 537

J S Bach

**Hymns**

**Booklet**

**436**

**459**

**252**

**THIS WEEK**

- Tues 5 9.30am Eucharist in St Antony's Chapel.  
10.00am Prayer Group in Room 5  
12 noon Funeral of Cowley Bowman
- Wed 6 10.00am Eucharist at St Michael's Chapel, Bryanston Road.  
1.10pm Lunchtime Recital - Chris Roberts (guitar)  
6.30pm Choral Evensong
- Thur 7 10.30am Eucharist in the Nave  
1.30pm Funeral of Barbara Chambers
- Sat 9 10.00am Breakfast & Bible study in the nave

## **COLLECT**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love 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.

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

Readings: Job 19. 23-27a, 2 Thessalonians 2. 1-5, 13-end, Luke 20. 27-38  
8am President & Preacher Revd Simon Marshall, 9.15am All Age Worship President Revd Dr Sam Gibson, Preacher Linda Hicks, 11am Civic Service President Revd Jane Kenchington, Preacher Sue Ashton, 6.30pm Choral Evensong Revd Jane Kenchington.

## **THIS WEEK PRAY FOR**

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| Monday    | Staff, patients and volunteers of the Marie Curie hospice |
| Tuesday   | Those who lead children's group in our three churches     |
| Wednesday | Those in prison and their families                        |
| Thursday  | Those participating in the parish 'Just Explore' course   |
| Friday    | Those suffering for their faith                           |
| Saturday  | Members of religious communities                          |

## **PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY IN NEED**

Rashi Somal, Sarah, Michael, George Hutchinson, Margaret Evans, Jean Williams, Martin H, Mandy, Barbara Abbott, Ellie Mitchell, Verity Munslow, Kate, Joy, Ruth, Alec Powell, Margaret & Colin James, Helen Greenham, Valerie Powell, Lydia Hunt, Bertie Spooner

## **CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR**

Joulios, Richard Harmon, Ann Roberts, Martin Pashley, Diana Mitchell, Henry Balthazor, Maureen Tallis, Louise Butt, Stephen Foster, Jenny Williams, Jonathan Mark, Stephen John

## **PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED**

Malcolm Crowder, Barbara Chambers, Cowley Bowman

## **BIBLE READING Daniel 7. 1-3, 15-18**

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: 'As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever.'

## **BIBLE READING Ephesians 1. 11-end**

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

## **GOSPEL Luke 6. 20-31**

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. 'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

## **Notices**

**Just Explore:** a course on Thursday evenings to **explore the key aspects of Christian Faith.** Many have benefitted from this course, which is good for those who are exploring Christianity, for those who would like to refresh their faith and for those who are considering confirmation. Lots of opportunity to discuss and raise questions. This year the course starts on Thursday 7th November at 7.30pm in the OBH. More details on [www.solihullparish.org.uk](http://www.solihullparish.org.uk) or contact Andrew Williams - [arwilliams@gmail.com](mailto:arwilliams@gmail.com)

**Parking permits** - Regular worshippers parking permits are up for renewal from September 2019. These are available to purchase at the Parish Office. £10 per permit.

**Yesterday** - was the last churchyard tidy up session this year (to prepare for the Remembrance Day services). Thanks are due to church members of all ages who turned out to help in the afternoon. Did you notice their efforts? All the leaves which were collected and bagged will be collected by local allotment owners. Bags are referred to each year as the 'annual winter holy bonus!' Dates for the next year's tidy up mornings are 21st March, 6th June, 5th September and 31st October 2020. Thank you.

**Sparkhill Food Bank** would like following items: Ryvitas, small bags of sugar and tins of meat soup, instant mash, dried milk. Warm school tights for girls, 3 warm hats for 3 cold ladies, please : men's shoes or trainers size 9, hair shampoo, picture books for preschool children, clean double duvet covers. Nappies sizes 2 and 6, small boxes of washing powder. Thank you.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## October

**Mon 4th, 8.30pm, OBH, Guardians AGM.** All members are most welcome to attend.

**Tues 5th, 7pm - 7.30pm, Youth Office, Prayer for youth ministry in the parish.** Everyone welcome.

**Wed 6th, 1.10pm -St Alphege Church, Lunchtime Recital,** Chris Roberts (guitar). Chris Roberts performs works from his debut album 'Adra' on Ty Cerdd records, including Welsh folk song, West African music and contemporary classical composition. Refreshments available. Free admission, all welcome.

**Thurs 7th. 10.30am - 12 noon, Packington Hall Coffee Morning.** £6 per person for St James' Church funds.

**Thurs 7th, 1.30pm, OBH, M.U.** A talk by local historian Joy Woodall on Revd Charles Evans. All very welcome. Lifts 705 8761 or 270 6132.

**Wed 13th, 1.10pm -St Alphege Church, Lunchtime Recital,** Peter Mallinson and Lynn Arnold (viola/piano). "The Composer Performer" - Rebecca Clarke and Lillian Fuchs were highly regarded composers, but as equally acclaimed viola soloists they also had many works written for them. Works by Friskin, Leigh, Shatin and Martinu for viola and piano. Refreshments available. Free admission, all welcome.

**Sat 23rd, 11 - 2.30pm, St Helens Christmas Fayre.** We require donations of new or good condition items for the follow stalls over the next few weeks: raffle prizes, tombola, chocolate tombola, books, puzzles, crafts. Home made cakes can be brought to the Fayre on the day. Any queries speak to Phil, Vicci, Paula or Jean. Thank you for your support.

## NOTICES

**A new Honorary Canon and a new Lay Canon of Birmingham Cathedral.** Jane Kenchington and Andy Halstead received a very pleasant surprise recently when they each received a letter from Bishop David inviting them to be an Honorary Canon (Jane) and a Lay Canon (Andy) of Birmingham Cathedral. Lay Canons and Honorary Canons are "Non Residentiary" – they remain in the posts they already hold and are seen as a bridge between the Cathedral and the Diocese. They will be installed at a service of Evensong in the Cathedral on **Sunday 24 November at 3.30pm.** We would love you to come and join us at that service. The cathedral does need to be told how many people are coming so they can print the correct number of Orders of Service. So If you would like to come, please contact the Parish Office on 0121 705 5350 or email: [office@solihullparish.org.uk](mailto:office@solihullparish.org.uk) by **TUESDAY 19 November.** Thank you.

**New Cookbook.** As part of the 800th Anniversary celebrations, a new edition of the parish Cookbook is being prepared. We want lots of new recipes – savouries and sweets, traditional and international - which are family favourites of yours. They need to have a list of ingredients, and the method of preparation and cooking, and the number it serves. Please send them, preferably by email, to the Parish Office ([office@solihullparish.org.uk](mailto:office@solihullparish.org.uk)) or to Susan Leach ([esleach@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:esleach@blueyonder.co.uk)) in the next few weeks.

**A HUGE** St Alphege congratulations goes out to our own Isabel Baumber! On Monday 14th October, her outstanding contribution to the choirs of St Alphege Church was recognised at the ninth annual Solihull Civic Honours Awards ceremony where Isabel picked up the Creative Arts Award sponsored by the NEC Group.

**Change into Action Scheme.** An alternative giving scheme is now up & running. Members of the public can make donations online or at particular points in the town centre. The funds are held by SCAH then applied for by organisations who work with the homeless and those at risk. To donate by card, find out more or to find a current list of donation points, see [changeintoaction.org.uk/solihull](http://changeintoaction.org.uk/solihull). In the meantime, Sporting Barbers (High St, opposite Carluccio's) is the closest donation point to St Alphege. Cash donations can also be made at Specsavers in Solihull and ASDA in Shirley.