



St. Alphege Church
This Week's News
16th January 2022
Epiphany 2

A WARM WELCOME to St. Alphege. It's good to have you with us.

8.00am Said Eucharist

President & Preacher The Revd Sue Chandler

9.15am Junction in OBH

10.30am Sung Eucharist

President & Preacher The Rev Canon Andrew Hutchinson

Music led by Senior Choristers and Men

Setting: Music for the Parish Communion – Martin How

Missa Dixit Maria – Hassler

Anthem: Bethlehem Down – Warlock

Voluntary: Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne in C major – Buxtehude

Hymns

306

566

766

144

5.00pm Choral Evensong

President & Preacher The Revd Simon Marshall

OT - 1 Samuel 3.1-20 NT - Ephesians. 4. 1-16

Music led by Senior Girls

Archer Responses Psalm 96

Canticles: Evening Service in F – Long

Anthem: Lift thine eyes – Mendelssohn

Voluntary: Adagio (Sonata 1) – Mendelssohn

Hymns

394

252

443

THIS WEEK

Mon 17	10 - 12 noon	Private Prayers
Tues 18	10am	St Alphege Prayer Group
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing practice
Wed 19	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recitals - Darach Ensemble
Thurs 20	10 -1 2 noon	Private Prayers

BIBLE READING Isaiah 62. 1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

BIBLE READING 1 Corinthians 12. 1-11

Concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Gospel John 2. 1-11

There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

COLLECT

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

NEXT WEEK

Readings: Nehemiah 8. 1-3, 5-6, 8-10, 1 Corinthians 12. 12-31a, Luke 4. 14-21

Services:- 8.00am President & Preacher: The Revd Simon Marshall, 9.15am Junction on Zoom, 10.30am - President & Preacher: The Rev Canon Andrew Hutchinson, 5.00pm - President & Preacher: Linda Hicks

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday	Contemplative religious
Tuesday	Christians in India
Wednesday	The Diocese of Worcester
Thursday	Christian writers
Friday	Those persecuted for their faith
Saturday	The Church in Spain

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY IN NEED

Lucy Adeyemo, Anne Lawrence, Kerrie, Pat Dudley, Wendy Meikle, Ron, Peggy Monkhouse, Martin Tunnicliffe, Tina, Chris Weale, Mark Adams, Suzie, Iona.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Henry Balthazor, Stephen Foster, Jenny Williams, Jonathan Mark, Stephen John, George Hutchinson, Helen Greenham, Anne Roberts, Katie, Evelyn Berry, Anne Kemp, Peter Gregory, Mandy Watts, Rashi Somal, Gordon Rowledge, Tess Salmon.

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Basil Turner, Nigel Cameron, Sue Lander, Michael Adams, Eric Hale, Richard Hedgecox, John Toogood, The Revd John Bradford.

NOTICES

It is now a legal requirement to wear a face-covering in a place of worship, inclusive of congregations at Funeral and Baptism services unless there are genuine reasons for exemption. We strongly suggest all attending our services to take a lateral flow test before coming into church. Thank-you for your continued support.

Parish Of Solihull – Sunday Services

St Alphege - 8.00am Said Eucharist; 10.30am Sung Eucharist except: Second Sunday - 9.15am All Age Eucharist and 11.00am Sung Eucharist
5.00pm Sung Evensong

Junction

9.15 am - First and Third Sunday in the OBH, Fourth Sunday on zoom
Second Sunday - join All Age Eucharist in St Alphege

St Helen - 10.00am Eucharist

St Michael - 10.30am Eucharist

Book of Condolence in St Alphege Church - There will be an opportunity to leave messages and memories for the family of the late Fr John Bradford from this week. Church is open on a Monday and Thursday between 10am to 12 noon and on Sunday for our usual service pattern, full details of which can be found on our website at: <https://www.solihullparish.org.uk>

Admission and Licensing Service into Reader Ministry - Ruth Marshall will be licensed on Saturday 22 January at 11am in Birmingham Cathedral. Attendance numbers are restricted but the service will be live streamed, full details to follow. For the three Sunday's following Ruth's Admission she will be preaching at each of the three parish churches. Please hold Ruth in your thoughts and prayers as she reaches this wonderful milestone.

Eric Hale - It is with great sadness that we have to announce that our father, Eric Hale passed away after a short illness on 3rd January. There will a short committal service at Robin Hood at 12.00 on 25th January for the family. This will be followed by a memorial service at St Alphege at 1.00, following which the wake will be held at Olton Golf Club Mirfield Road, Solihull, B91 1JH. All are more than welcome to join us to celebrate Dad's long and happy life both at St Alphege and the Golf Club. Family flowers only. If anyone would like to make a donation, it was dad's wish that this would be sent to the British Heart Foundation. Regards Moyra and Ian

Recognising Jesus - A quiet morning of reflection, prayer and activities for Candlemas facilitated by Suzette Maguire*. Saturday 5th February 2022, St Alphege Church. Hopefully Tea and Coffee from 9.00am to start at 9.30am. Finishing at 12 noon or bring your own lunch and stay for a chat. Book online at: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-alphege-church-solihull/t-gnxgne> Or contact Suzette Maguire 0121 709 0884 or Pam Price 0121 704 3104.

*We know Suzette as our Pioneer Minister but, what we may not know, is that she is a trained and experienced Spiritual Director who has led numerous Quiet mornings in other posts. She adds: "If the experience of a quiet morning is a new one to you, do come along and give it a try, and/or speak to Pam (Price) or me about it beforehand for more information. See you on February 5th" Suzette. 😊

Lunchtime Recitals - on Wednesdays at 1.10pm. Refreshments from 12.30pm. Booking is not required but please could we ask you to continue to wear a mask inside church. Tea/coffee and cake are available before the recital. Admission is free of charge and a retiring collection is held in aid of The Friends of St Alphege Music.

Wednesday 19th January - Darach Ensemble

Wednesday 26th January - Yugen Saxophone Quartet

Joe Minall - Sadly for us, Joe Minall has handed in his resignation as Youth Worker, as he is to be congratulated on taking up a position with the Police. So we will have to start to behave in his presence! He has done great work for us and it has been very difficult to keep things going during the past nearly 2 years. Joe's will be a hard act to follow. His last day in employment will be 19th February. Joe has kindly said he should be able to do some youth work for us on a voluntary basis for a few months.

Readers and Intercessors. We are hoping to recommence having members of the congregation reading the lesson and leading our prayers, from January. This seems like a good opportunity to make a completely new list. If you would like to help out with either or both of these, please let me know. Help and guidance is available. Please contact Pam Price on 0121 704 3104 or colandpam@ic24.net

Public Consultation on Admission Arrangements for 2023-24

In accordance with the School Admissions Code 2021, **St Alphege CE Federation of Schools** is required to consult on its arrangements at least every 7 years or where changes to the arrangements are proposed. Our draft Admissions Policy for the academic year 2023-24 is available to view on our website at <https://www.stalphege.solihull.sch.uk/admissions/> and a copy is available from the school office.