



St. Alphege Church
This Week's News
26th June 2022
Trinity 2

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

8.00am Said Eucharist

President & Preacher The Revd Simon Marshall

9.15am Junction on Zoom

10.30am Choral Eucharist

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Reader Julia Hanson

Music led by the Senior Choristers and Men's Choir

Setting: Communion Service 'Collegium Regale' – Howells

Anthem: Like as the Hart – Howells

Voluntary: Carillon - Vierne

Hymns

555

671

772

740

1.00pm Baptism with The Revd Simon Marshall

5.00pm Evensong

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OT - Genesis 27. 1-40 NT - Mark 6. 1-6

Reader Isabel Baumber

Music led by the Boys, Girls and Men's Choir

Preces & Responses - Smith

Canticles: Fauxbourdons Service - Andreas

Anthem: Do not be afraid – Philip Stopford

Voluntary: Prelude and Fugue in C (BWV 545) - J. S. Bach

Hymns

Ps 60

244

239

352

THIS WEEK

Mon 27	10 - 12 noon	Private Prayers
Tues 28	10 am	St Alphege Prayer Group
	1.30 pm	Memorial service for James Bumstead
	7.30 pm	Bell Ringing practice
Wed 29	1.10 pm	Lunchtime Recitals - The Ink Quart, string quartet.
Thurs 30	10.30 am	Eucharist in Church

BIBLE READING 1 Kings 19. 15-16

Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

BIBLE READING Galatians 5. 1 & 13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

GOSPEL Luke 9. 51-end

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

THOSE PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE 1st Reading

Benjamin Habberley Meadows & Lucy Fiona Angus, Jonathan Ian Martin & Harriet Rebecca Hands, Jonathan Jeremy Perks & Hayley Patricia Boswell, Nathan George Hogg & Elizabeth Amy Stapley.

NEXT WEEK

Readings: Isaiah 66. 10-14, Galatians 6. 7-16, Luke 10. 1-11, 16-20.

Services:- 8.00am President & Preacher: The Revd Sue Chandler, 9.15 am Junction in OBH, 10.30am President & Preacher: The Revd Simon Marshall, 5pm President & Preacher: Stephen Linstead

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday	Staff and residents of local care homes
Tuesday	The staff of Queen's Theological Foundation in Birmingham
Wednesday	The Readers of our Parish
Thursday	Local Mental Health support services
Friday	The people of Ukraine
Saturday	Our Parish Office

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY IN NEED

Penny, Lucy Adeyemo, Kerrie, Pat Dudley, Wendy Meikle, Ron, Peggy Monkhouse, Tina, Chris Weale, Iona, Ann Brooks, Michael Palmer, Judy Potter, Isagani Olipas, David, April, Sue Chandler, Andrew Hutchinson, Anthony Emery.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

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

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED

James Bumstead, Robert Jones, Ron Mills

NOTICES

Reinstatement of the chalice

Following the agreement of the parish and deputy wardens, and the parish staff team, I am delighted to announce that the chalice will be reinstated at all services of the Holy Eucharist in the parish from Sunday 3rd July. Thus, it will be possible to receive both the bread and the wine of communion. This decision has been taken in line with the current advice of the Church of England. I understand that some people may still want to receive only the bread at communion, and that is absolutely fine - the receiving of wine will be a choice for each individual. The wine will be offered in the traditional way by a 'chalice assistant', as it was before the Covid-19 pandemic. We will keep this step under review to ensure that our congregations continue to feel safe, and that our worship is enriched. If you have any questions about this step, please contact me or one of the Churchwardens. Fr Simon.

Church Guides - We want to go back to St Alphege Church being open for longer so it is more welcoming to passers-by. To enable this to happen, we need more guides. If you think you would be able to help, please phone Martin Ayers 0121 704 3753 to find out more about what is involved.

Work on St Alphege Church - Phase 1 will be scaffolding around the North Porch will be removed by early part of w/c 27th June and the Bell tower early July; the wrought iron gates will be removed shortly for refurbishment work. Scaffolding for Phase 2 will be around the choir vestry until August, and finally Phase 3: the East Window from August until November. Entry to the church will still be through the North Door, albeit this will be temporarily closed during removal and reinstatement of the Gates. We are extremely grateful to the Guardians for agreeing to fund most of this work.

Lunchtime Recitals - on Wednesdays at 1.10pm. Refreshments from 12.30pm. 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.

Wed 29th June The Ink Quart, string quartet.

Friday 1st July, Wives' Fellowship Lunch Club, 12 noon. Details from Carol Caldicott..

Sunday 3rd July - Guardians Afternoon Tea. To be held at Sheila Payne's home, 110 Grange Road, Olton, B91 1DA, 3 - 5 p.m. Tickets are required (to enable catering) and will cost £10 per head. Numbers are restricted to about 30. They will be sold in church by Bridget Wright and Margaret Oswald or by contacting Sheila on 0121 706 0520. Please pray for good weather.

Second Saturday Bible Study - This month on 9th July Second Saturday bible study group will meet in Room 1 of the OBH, due to a wedding in the church at 11.15am. We are working our way through Acts. The group enjoys considering scripture in a friendly and supportive atmosphere; every meeting is sure to generate enlightening and thought-provoking discussions. Feel free to email Alistair Welch on alistair.g.welch@gmail.com if you have any questions. Looking forward to seeing you. Avril and Alistair Welch

Debbie Woodward - You may know that following a difficult illness, Debbie has resigned from her work as Youth Work Administrator and she will no longer be able to organise Luncheon Club. Debbie has made a great contribution to our Parish over many years in both capacities and we will much miss her work for us. We will be making a presentation to Debbie to thank her for her work for the Parish. Pam and Andrew

Donation request from SCAH - Solihull Churches Action on Homelessness are in desperate need of good quality and clean double and single bedding (no duvets or pillows please unless new and in the original packaging), blankets and throws for the cold times ahead, bath and hand towels and face flannels as well as tea towels. If you can help contact Louise Cox on her email: secretary@scah.org.uk or David Roots on his email charitydevelopment@scah.org.uk to arrange delivery of a donation.

Nature and Wellbeing Sessions in August - The Warwickshire Wildlife Trust will be running free sessions during August (11, 13, 16, 18) from their Hams Hall Environmental Centre, B46 1GA. Guided walks, mindfulness sessions, beginners conservation and much more for those who are experiencing loneliness or social isolation. Learn about wildlife and use nature as a tool for positive wellbeing, making new friends along the way. For more information contact Emily Reilly on 01675 470917 or enquiries@tamevalleywetlands.co.uk