



**St. Alphege Church**  
**Sunday 13th April**  
**Palm Sunday (Jesus on the Cross)**

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

Morning Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a, Philippians 2.5-11, Passion Gospel Luke 22.14-end of 23

- 8.00am**      **Said Eucharist**  
President & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker
- 9.15am**      **The Junction** - OBH
- 10.00am**     **Procession** - High Street - Palm Gospel: Luke 19.28-40
- 10.30am**     **Sung Eucharist** **Psalm**  
President: Revd Nick Parker 32  
Reader(s): (OT) David Sturdee (NT) Deirdre Moll  
Dramatised reading of Passion Gospel by Parish Youth  
  
Music led by Senior Choristers and Back Row **Hymns:**  
Setting: Communion Service in F - Darke 13  
Anthem: Hosanna to the Son of David - Weelkes 175  
Voluntary: Valet will ich dir Geben - J S Bach 750  
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- 5.00pm**      **Evensong** **Psalm**  
Officiant: Stephen Linstead & Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall 69.1-20  
Evening Readings: Isaiah 5.1-7, Luke 20.9-19  
Reader: Sherwood Burge  
  
Music led by Back Row **Hymns:**  
Harris Responses 90  
Canticles: Evening Service in G - Sumsion 62  
Anthem: O remember not - Purcell 439  
Voluntary: Con Moto Maestoso from Sonata 3 - Mendelssohn

**St Alphege Church is now open 10.00am to 3.00pm on Weekdays**  
**& 10.00am to 12.00pm on Saturdays**

**THIS WEEK—Holy Week**

Mon 14	9.00am 7.30pm	Morning Prayer Said Eucharist
Tues 15	10.00am 7.30pm	St Alphege Prayer Group (in the OBH) Stations of the Cross
Weds 16	1.10pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	No Lunchtime Recital Taize Service Bell ringing lessons
Thurs 17	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Maundy Thursday	10.30am 7.30pm	Said Eucharist Sung Eucharist followed by the Watch
Fri 18	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Good Friday	9.45am 11.00am 2.00pm	Exploring the Easter Story Walk of Witness (starting at St Augustine's Church) Devotions at the foot of the cross (see notices)
Sat 19	7.30pm	Easter Vigil

**BIBLE READING:** Isaiah 50.4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards.

I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

**BIBLE READING:** Philippians 2.5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**GOSPEL:** Luke 22.14-end of 23 (on Screen)



## **COLLECT**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who in your tender love towards the human race  
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
to take upon him our flesh  
and to suffer death upon the cross:  
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,  
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;  
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**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,  
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:  
give us the mind to follow you  
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Maundy Thursday

## **THIS WEEK PRAY FOR**

Monday	Our Director of Music and all our choirs
Tuesday	For our staff team and their families
Wednesday	All church volunteers
Thursday	That we may be called to serve one another
Friday	For all who suffer or who are in despair

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

Ella, Daisy, Mary, Andrew, Jonathan, , Kerrie, Nigel Vian, Dorothy Newbery, Emma, Amy, Dean, David and Suzette, and Gary Sheppard.

## **CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR**

Wendy Meikle, Henry Balthazor, Stephen Foster, Jenny Williams, Evelyn Berry, Ron Herd, Dan and Ruth, Margaret Evans, Nicola Beale, Peter, John Russell, Malcolm Owens, Aaliyah Adeyemo, Ruth & Rae, Roger Loads, Hazel Hewlet, Michael Weale, and Hilary Thurlow.

## **PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED**

Elaine Parry, Peter Sheppard, and Dorothy Sawle.

## **NEXT WEEK: Sunday 20th April - Easter Sunday**

**Services:** 8.00am Said Eucharist: President & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker  
9.15am All Age Holy Communion  
11.00am Choral Eucharist - President: Revd Roy Murray & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

Morning Readings: Acts 10.34-43, 1 Corinthians 15.19-26, Luke 24.1-12

No evening service

**NOTICES** (send any notices to [pewslip@solihullparish.org.uk](mailto:pewslip@solihullparish.org.uk) by 10am on Wednesdays)

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**Volunteers needed for Holy Week services** - Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to read a lesson at one of our Holy Week services, by email if possible ([admin@solihullparish.org.uk](mailto:admin@solihullparish.org.uk)). We particularly encourage new readers. You will then be sent the reading. We also need one or more volunteers to have their feet washed at the 7.30pm Eucharist on Maundy Thursday – again, please let the office know if you are willing.

**Easter Flowers** - Saturday 19th April from 10am in church. Help needed with Easter flowers and offers of greenery very much needed. Contact Pat Marshall 01217058761.

**Director of Children's and Families Ministry.** After many years of fruitful ministry, Linda Hicks will be retiring at the end of this academic year. We will share details about our plans for properly saying goodbye and thank you in due course. Please be assured of our determination for a smooth transition so that we can build upon the legacy of wonderful work that Linda has directed and personally undertaken.

**Stewardship Update:** Following our recent appeal we have now received 30 responses with 22 people increasing their giving of whom two are new givers. A big thank you all who have responded and an encouragement to all of us to do so (whether or not we are able to increase). There are unaddressed stewardship packs at the back of church for those not currently part of planned giving, and please note, there is no minimum amount required for people to join this.

**Wednesday lunchtime recital** - there are no recitals on 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> April, but recitals will resume as normal on 30<sup>th</sup> April. Recitals start at 1.10pm with tea/coffee and cake available from 12.30pm. Entry is free with a retiring collection, held in aid of The Friends of St Alphege Music. All welcome.

**Walk of Witness** – Good Friday 18th April, 11am. Please join us as we come together as the churches of central Solihull to witness to the love of God and wish our town a very Happy Easter. We gather outside St. Augustine's Church, Herbert Road, walking from there along Station Road and the High Street to Mell Square for a short service. The walk concludes at St. Alphege, after which all are warmly invited for Coffee and Hot Cross Buns in the Oliver Bird Hall (approx).

**Exploring the Easter Story** - Friday 18th April at 9.45am—An interactive service for all ages with activities relating to each part of the story beginning from Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday) up until his resurrection (Easter Day).

**Good Friday Devotions at the foot of the cross** - 2pm - A choral service which includes a reading of the passion Gospel, short reflections on the text of Sanders' Reproaches (sung by the choir), the Veneration of the Cross, and giving of the Reserved Sacrament. The service is expected to conclude at around 3.30pm.

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2025** – Monday 28th April at Oliver Bird Hall. Anyone who is registered on the Parish Electoral Roll is welcome to attend. The meeting will report on the life of our parish over the past year and vote to elect lay representatives (direct and from district churches) and members of the Deanery Synod to the Parochial Church Council. If you would like to know more about the PCC or are interesting in joining please contact Julia Hanson at [pccsecretary@solihullparish.org.uk](mailto:pccsecretary@solihullparish.org.uk)

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