



**St. Alphege Church**  
**Sunday 27th April**  
**The Second Sunday of Easter**

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

Morning Readings: Acts 5.27-32, Revelation 12.7-12, John 20.19-end

**8.00am**      **Said Eucharist**  
President & Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall

**10:30am**      **Sung Eucharist** - St George's Day Parade Service  
President: Revd Nick Parker & Preacher: Revd Sue Chandler  
Reader(s): (OT) Mike Rumball (NT) Carol Southworth



**Hymns:**  
719  
555  
499  
9  
683

Gloria: Creation Mass - Marty Haugen  
Setting: Mass of John the Baptist - Chris Bell  
Voluntary: Allegro Marziale - Frank Bridge

**5.00pm**      **Congregational Evensong**  
Officiant: Stephen Linstead  
Readings: Jeremiah 15.15-end, Hebrew 11.32-12.2  
Reader: Ann Taylor

**Psalm**  
16

Voluntary: Carillon de Longpont - Vienne

**Hymns:**  
292  
103  
112

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

**THIS WEEK**

Mon 28	10.00am 7.30pm	Church open to visitors Annual Parochial Church Meeting - OBH
Tues 29	10.00am 7.30pm	St Alphege Prayer Group (in the church and OBH) Bellringers practice
Weds 30	9.15am 1.10pm 7.30pm	Federation Service Lunchtime Recital - Jill Crossland, Piano Bellringers practice
Thurs 1	9.00am 10.30am 2.00pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer Said Eucharist Bellringing workshop Bell handling
Fri 2	9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Service of Thanksgiving for the late Dorothy Sawle

**BIBLE READING:** Acts 5.27-32 (8am and 10.30am)

And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them, Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us. Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

**BIBLE READING:** Revelation 12.7-12 (10.30am only)

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

**GOSPEL:** John 20.19-end (8am and 10.30am)

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.  
And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.  
Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.  
And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:  
Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.  
But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.  
And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.  
Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.  
And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.  
Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.  
And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:  
But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

### **COLLECT (8am only)**

Almighty Father,  
you have given your only Son to die for our sins  
and to rise again for our justification:  
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness  
that we may always serve you  
in pureness of living and truth;  
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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 (8am only)**

Lord God our Father,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
you have assured your children of eternal life  
and in baptism have made us one with him:  
deliver us from the death of sin  
and raise us to new life in your love,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Collect and Post Communion Prayer for 10.30am - please see order of service**

### **THIS WEEK PRAY FOR**

Monday	The People of England
Tuesday	The See of Alexandria and all Christians in Egypt
Wednesday	Scripture translators and commentators
Thursday	That we may share our faith openly
Friday	Our Bishops Michael & Esther

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

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

### **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 and Hilary Thurlow.

### **PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED**

Elaine Parry, Peter Sheppard, Dorothy Sawle and Micheal Weale.

### **NEXT WEEK: Sunday 4th May**

<b>Services:</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist - President & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker
	9.15am	The Junction - OBH
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist - St Alphege Patronal Festival President: Revd Roy Murray & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

Morning Readings: Acts 9.1-6, Revelation 5.11-end, John 21.1-19

5.00pm Evensong - Officiant: Revd Nick Parker

Evening Readings: Isaiah 38.9-20, John 11.27- 44

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

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**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).

**District Schemes** - Proposals for amending the schemes which regulate the constitutions of the three districts in the Parish will be put to the APCM on 28th April. Details can be found on the parish website.

**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.

**Wednesday lunchtime recital** - 30th April - Jill Crossland, Piano. 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.

**Mothers' Union** - Thursday 1st May 1.30pm OBH. We welcome back the Ven Paul Taylor, this time his topic is Spirituality of Walking . All welcome, lifts may be arranged contact Elaine on 0121 705 3265.

**Wives' Fellowship Lunch Club** - Friday 2nd May 12 noon. Details from Carol Caldicott on 0121 705 3168.

**Patronal Festival** - Sunday 4th May - We will celebrate St. Alphege this year on Sunday 4th May (his Feast Day being transferred from the 19th April, due to the date of Easter). Our 10.30am Sung Eucharist and 5pm Choral Evensong services will feature music especially chosen for the occasion.

**Sponsored Cycle Ride** -In his role as Captain of Redditch Golf Club, the Venerable Paul Taylor is being sponsored to cycle to all 32 Worcestershire golf clubs in support of their annual charity. This year they are supporting Molly Olly's Wishes, a children's cancer charity based in Warwick which helps families across the country. If you would like to sponsor Fr Paul, please fill in the sponsor form at the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

**Donations:** To make a regular donation please contact the Stewardship Secretary, Frank Upton on 0121 705 2963. To make a one-off payment please use one of the two methods below:-

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