

St. Alphege Church **Sunday 1st June The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

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

Morning Readings: Acts 16.16-34, Revelation 22.12-14, 16-17, 20-end, John 17.20-end

8.00am Said Eucharist

President & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

9.15am The Junction - OBH

10.30am **Sung Eucharist Psalm** President & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker 97 ((LIVE

Reader(s): (OT) Carol Southworth (NT) Andy Halstead

Music **Hymns:** Gloria: Mass of Creation - Marty Haugen 15 (omit*) Setting: Mass of John the Baptist - Chris Bell 565 Voluntary: Hymne au Soleil - Vierne 408 523 (omit v3)

5.00pm Congregational Evensong Psalm: Officiant: Revd Nick Parker & Preacher: Stephen Linstead 68

Readings: Isaiah 44.18, Ephesians 4.7-16

Morning Prayer

Reader: Ann Taylor

Voluntary: Psalm Prelude - Set 2 No.3 'Sing unto him a new song: **Hymns:** 345 play skillfully with a loud noise' Ps. 33 v.3 - Howells 130 388

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

THIS WEEK

9 00am

Mon 2

11011 2	1.30pm	Funeral for the late Vivien Wheatley
Tues 3	10.00am 10.00am 7.30pm	St Alphege Prayer Group Bell handling Bellringers practice
Weds 4	9.15am 1.10pm	Open the Book - St Alphege Infants Lunchtime recital - Christopher Churcher
Thurs 5	9.00am 10.30am 2.00pm	Morning Prayer Said Eucharist with Prayers of Healing and Anointing Bellringing workshop
Fri 6	9.00am 2.00pm	Morning Prayer Wedding of George Ingram and Emily Collinson
Sat 7	11.00am	St Alphege Eco Fun Day

BIBLE READING: Acts 16.16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

BIBLE READING: Revelation 22.12-14, 16-17, 20 -end

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

GOSPEL: John 17.20 -end

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

COLLECT

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday For a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit

Tuesday For all facing persecution because of their loyalty to Christ

Wednesday For the mission of Truro Diocese to its residents and visitors

Thursday For the ecumenical work of the Diocese in Europe

Friday For an end to racism in the Church

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY IN NEED

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

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

Audrey Ranger, Diana Barnes (nee Marston), Vivien Anne Wheatley, Jeanne Bargery, Iris Stirling, and Peter McDonald Clark.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 8th June - Day of Pentecost

Services: 8.00am Said Eucharist - President & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

9.15am All Age Holy Communion - President: Revd Sue Chandler &

Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

11.00am Choral Eucharist - President: Anne Haselhurst & Preacher: Revd Nick

Parker

Morning Readings: Acts 2.1-21, Romans 8.14-17, John 14.8-17

5.00pm Evensong - Officiant: Linda Hicks & Preacher: Revd Sue Chandler

Evening Readings: Exodus 33.7-20, 2 Corinthians 3.4 - end

NOTICES (send any notices to pewslip@solihullparish.org.uk by 10am on Wednesdays)

Wednesday lunchtime recital - 4th June with Christopher Churcher performing – Christopher has been working in the parish office this year, so please do come to support his performance if you're free. Recitals start at 1.10pm with tea/coffee and cake available from 12.30pm. Entry is free with a retiring collection, in aid of the Friends of St Alphege Music. All welcome.

Said Eucharist with Prayers of Healing and Anointing - Thursday 5th June at 10.30am.

MU Strawberry Tea - 5th June, 1.30pm OBH. Enjoy a strawberry tea whilst listening to Wendy Westley introduce her recently published book. If you will not be attending the strawberry tea and you would like to come on the July trip please ring Nikki on 07970 682748.

St Alphege Eco Fun Day - **Saturday 7th June 2025 11am-2pm**. Fun activities for all ages including making bird nesting boxes and bug hotels, decorating prayer stones, bug hunt and nature hunt, plant swap and sale. For more information contact ecogroup@solihullparish.org.uk.

St Alphege Wives' Fellowship Lunch - Friday 6th June at 12 noon. Please call at 705 3168 Carol Caldicott for details.

Archaeological Investigation towards Project Turnaround

The church will be closed to visitors the week commencing 9th June. Alternative arrangements will be made for the Wednesday Recital. The Thursday 10.30am Eucharist will proceed as usual.

The Guardians of St Alphege - Members Drinks Party. Tuesday 10th June, 6-8pm, kindly hosted by Ann Taylor. Drinks, bites, raffle. To book please contact rogershinton@outlook.com by the end of Sunday 8th June.

You're invited to Alpha. - Alpha is a series of excellent videos followed by group conversations that explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. Everyone's welcome, whatever your background or beliefs. Starts Tuesday 10th June at 7.30pm and then Tuesdays after at St Michaels Chapel, email: alpha@solihullparish.org.uk or ring Parish Office 0121 705 5350 or visit our website www.solihullparish.org.uk to sign up or find out more.

Service for Healing and Wholeness We look forward to the next service on Sunday 15th June, 6.30pm at St Helen's.

Cheese and Wine Evening with talk by Carol Southworth - Mothers' Union are hosting a cheese and wine evening on Monday 16th June, 7pm at St Alphege. There will be a talk on the history of St Alphege Church, featuring the Church model. Also a tour of the church for those who would like it. Cost of the evening to include cheese, wine and soft drinks £10. This is a Parish wide event and all are welcome.

Director of Children's and Families Ministry - Please mark Sunday 13th July in your diary as the day of our parish picnic (12.30pm @ St. Helen's) with a farewell and thank you to Linda Hicks as she retires after many years of fruitful ministry. We are now advertising for a new director and ask your prayers that God will call the right person to this important role. Application details on Parish website. The closing date is the 13th June.

The late Peter McDonald Clark. On Monday 30th June at 11am a service of remembrance and thanksgiving will be held at St Mary's, Lapworth, B94 5NX.

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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