



**St Alphege Church**  
**Sunday 27th July**  
**Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

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

Morning Readings: Genesis 12,15, Colossians 2.6-15, Luke 11.1-13

**8.00am Said Eucharist**

President and Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall

**10.30am Sung Eucharist for the whole church family**

**Psalm**

President: Revd Roy Murray & Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall

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Reader(s): (OT) Young Person (NT) David Sturdee

Setting: Mass of John the Baptist – Chris Bell

**Hymns:**

Voluntary: Prelude and Fugue in G Major BWV 541 -Bach

373

155

683

408

680

**5.00pm Evening Prayer**

**Psalm**

Officiant: Revd Nick Parker & Preacher: Revd Roy Murray

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Reading: Genesis 42.1-25, 1 Corinthians 10.1-24

Reader: Pam Price

Voluntary: Allegro from Symphonie No.6 - Widor

**Hymns:**

365

468

368

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

**THIS WEEK**

Mon 28	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	9.45am	Bell Ringing Workshop
Tues 29	10.00am	St Alphege Prayer Group in OBH
	7.30pm	Bellringers practice
Weds 30	11.00am	Interment of Ashes for Tony Monk
	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recitals will resume on 10 <sup>th</sup> September
Thurs 31	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	Funeral for Mrs Ray William
Fri 1	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	12.30pm	Funeral for Raymond McCoy

**BIBLE STORY** (from My Big Story Bible by Tom Wright): Genesis 12,15

A long time after the flood, when the tower of Babel was just a distant memory, a man called Abram lived in a place called Haran. God said to Abram, "Leave this place, and I will show you where to go. I will lead you to a new land and make you the father of a great nation. I will bless you, and through you I will bless all the families in the whole world."

Abram wasn't sure what this meant, but he and his wife decided to obey God's call. They got their servants to pack everything up for their journey, and then they went on their way. Many long days later, and hundreds of miles from where they started, they reached the land of Canaan, "This is it!" said God. "This is the land I have promised to give you. This is the Promised Land."

Abram found a good place to stop and make camp. Then he found some large stones and piled them up to mark the places where he would pray and worship God. The piles of stones were called altars.

One day, as Abram looked out over the land, God himself appeared to him. God told Abram that everything he could see would be for his family and for all the families that came after them. Then, one night, God told him to look up at the sky. Abram looked up and saw that the sky was sparkling with millions and millions of stars. "Look at all the stars," said God. "That's how many children you will have."

Abram believed what God had promised. He had faith that God would keep his promise. God had made Abram his partner.

**BIBLE READING:** Colossians 2.6-15

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

**GOSPEL:** Luke 11.1-13

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

## **COLLECT**

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
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 our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **THIS WEEK PRAY FOR**

Monday	Chris Thomas, St Alphege Director of Music
Tuesday	The staff of funeral directors in our town
Wednesday	Those seeking refuge from conflict
Thursday	Those in prison and their families
Friday	Community groups which use our church premises

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

David Patterson, Gill Taylor, Gerald Blackburn, and Pearl Hampson.

## **CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR**

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

Peter McDonald Clark, Gráinne Buggy, Eileen Keeley, Betty Bonehill, Ray Williams, Pamela Walters, and Raymond McCoy.

## **NEXT WEEK: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August – Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

Morning readings: Genesis 17,18, 21 Colossians 3.1-11, Luke 12.13-21

Services:	8.00am	Said Eucharist – President: Revd Nick Parker & Preacher: Suzette Maguire
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist for the whole church family – President & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer - Officiant & Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall

Evening Readings: Genesis 50.4-end, 1 Corinthians 14.1-19

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

### **Summer Services for All the Church Family**

From this Sunday and throughout the summer our 10.30am services will feature a Bible Story for all ages activities and craft at the back of church, and an invitation for young people to take an active part in the liturgy. The Junction and Messy Church will resume in September.

**CAMRA Beer Festival** will be taking place this weekend in the Oliver Bird Hall between 11.00am to 11.00pm. Please be aware that the OBH and car park will be busy.

**Wednesday lunchtime recital** – There will be a break in recitals until 10 September. Thank you to all who have supported the recitals over the year, and particular thanks to the team of volunteers who help run these popular musical outreach events each week.

**Wives' Fellowship Lunch Club** – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August at 12 noon. Please contact Carol Caldicott at 0121 705 3168.

**321 Course:** 6pm – 7.30pm on Sundays 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> September. A course inviting you to see life the way Jesus does. Inspired by Jesus' vision of reality, 321 is designed to help you think about God, the world and yourself through immersive videos and thoughtful illustrations. Please contact the parish office to register your interest.

### **Confirmation (and Baptism) Service** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October 5pm

We look forward to welcoming Bishop Esther for this special service where candidates publicly take this important step of faith. Prospective candidates may prepare by attending Alpha or 321 with two combined sessions on 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October. Please speak to a member of the clergy or contact the parish office for more details.

**Parish Welcome** – We meet on a Monday afternoon 2.00pm - 3.30pm in Room 6 at the OBH, to help those newly arrived in the country with their English. We had over 30 students this week. As it is the holiday season, we expect to be especially short of volunteers over the next few weeks. If you enjoy chatting with people from different backgrounds who are keen to learn and appreciative of what we offer, this is for you! Most of us are not trained teachers. Please just come or speak to Deirdre Moll (07751572046) or Frances Rumball if you would like to know more.

**Solihull Pride** - SMBC are planning a pride event over the weekend 6th - 7th September. Whilst we are not officially taking part there is an invitation from Shirley Methodist for individuals to join their contingent on the Saturday march. We will also be ensuring that St. Alphege is a welcoming space for everyone. Please contact the office for more details.

**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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