



St Alphege Church
Sunday 21st June 2026
The Third Sunday After Trinity

A WARM WELCOME to St. Alphege.

Morning Readings: Jeremiah 20.7-13, Romans 6.1b-11, Matthew 10.24-39

8.00am Said Eucharist

President and Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall

9.30am Journey Service

Part 1 in Church: Eucharist – President: Revd Sue Chandler

Part 2 in OBH: Suzette Maguire and Ben Yates

10.15-11.00am – Refreshments in the OBH

11:00am Choral Eucharist



President: Revd Sue Chandler and Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

Reader(s): (OT) David Sturdee (NT) Deirdre Moll

Intercessor: Michael Smith

Music led by Senior Choristers and Back Row

Setting: Missa Dixit Maria - Hassler

Anthem: His Yoke is Easy - Handel

Voluntary: Praeludium in C - Buxtehude

Psalm
86 1-10, 16-17

Hymns:
440
119
74
76

5.00pm Taizé Evening Prayer

Officiant: Revd Nick Parker

Reading: Luke 14.12-24

Hymns:
Sheet
779
Sheet
766
758

THIS WEEK

Mon 22	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Tues 23	10.00am	St Alphege Prayer Group (OBH)
	11.15am	Funeral for Penelope Klein
	7.30pm	Bellringers practice
Weds 24	9.15am	Open The Book
	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recital – Himley Duo – Anna Downes and Tony Bridgewater, violin and piano
Thurs 25	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Said Eucharist
	3.00pm	Funeral for Roy Nash
Fri 26	9.00am	Morning Prayer

BIBLE READING: Jeremiah 20.7-13

O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me.

For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!'

For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.' But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

BIBLE READING: Romans 6.1b-11

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL: Matthew 10.24-39

A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
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.

SHORTER COLLECT

God our saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday For those who risk themselves for the safety of others
Tuesday For monastic communities and the Diocese of Ely
Wednesday For those finding it difficult to conceive
Thursday For Candidates preparing for Ordination
Friday For our spiritual renewal through prayer and fasting

THOSE IN NEED

Pearl Hampson, Duncan & Ruth, John Smith, Preshita Smiley, Kay Woodward, Jerrin Michell,
Nigel Vian, Alan Hobbs, Philip Tew, Ella, Mary Andrew, Leslie Dixon, Dorothy Newbery,
Ron Herd, Suzette Maguire, Stephen Foster, Jain Mathew, Malcolm Owens, Rosemary Owens,
Angela Maas, Gerald Blackburn, Abhinav Abrol, Jenny, Keith Suthern, Beryl Boulter, Haroon
Rafaqat, and Louis Jolly.

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Penny Klein, Velma Hands, Revd Paul Jones, Roy Nash, and David Jones.

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

June Hale.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 28th June – The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Morning readings: Jeremiah 28.5-9, Romans 6.12-end, Matthew 10.40-end

Services: 8.00am Said Eucharist - President and Preacher: Revd Nick Parker
9.30am Journey Service
Part 1 in Church: Eucharist – President: Revd Simon Marshall and Preacher:
Revd Sue Chandler
Part 2 in OBH: Revd Sue Chandler /Ben Yates
11.00am Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism – President: The Ven Paul Taylor and
Preacher: Revd Nick Parker
5.00pm Evensong – Officiant: Revd Nick Parker and Preacher: Revd Roy Murray

Evening Readings: Ezekiel 3.4-11, Galatians 1.13-2.8

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

Today: We will be providing drinks and nibbles after the 11am service at the back of church. Please do join us.

Prayer and Anointing for Healing - We aim to offer this ministry each week at the conclusion of the 11am service from St. Antony's Chapel. You may wish to share details of your concern with the priest but there is no obligation to do so. You are also welcome to ask for prayer on behalf of others.

Exploring faith - We are presently running the Alpha course and in September will run the 321 course. All are welcome to attend, and some may additionally wish to consider baptism and/or confirmation. We look forward to welcoming Bishop Esther as confirming bishop with the service on Sunday 18th October at 5pm. Please contact the parish office if you would like details about either course.

Lunchtime Recital – June 24th - Himley Duo – Anna Downes and Tony Bridgewater, violin and piano. Refreshments are available from 12.30pm with the performance at 1.10pm. All are welcome – admission free, retiring collection.

Grounded Church Saturday 27th June at 3pm, Oak Cottage, Bryanston Road B91 1BS. Come and celebrate the season of Mid-Summer. Worship God in the beauty of creation with outdoor activities, sharing food and stories. For more information please call Fr Simon on 07514373400.

Special General Meeting – Sunday 28th June. We were unable to appoint deputy church wardens for St. Alphege at our recent ADCM (annual meeting). There will be a short SGM to do this immediately after our 11am service on Sunday 28th June. All lay people recorded on the St. Alphege Electoral Roll are entitled to vote and we encourage everyone to stay and support these important appointments.

Wives' Fellowship Lunch Club – Friday July 3rd - at 12.00noon. Enquiries to Carol Caldicott on 0121 705 3168.

Away Day for All the Parish Family – Saturday 12th September. Plans are taking shape for our parish away day at Newlands Bishop Farm (Catherine de Barnes). Please save the date for what promises to be a fabulous and inspirational day with activities for every age and stage.

Donations: To make a regular donation please contact the Stewardship Secretary, Frank Upton on 0121 705 2963.

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