



St Alphege Church
Sunday 11th October
The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

A WARM WELCOME to St. Alphege.

Morning readings: Isaiah 25.1-9, Philippians 4.1-9, Matthew 22.1-14

8.00am Said Eucharist

President and Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

9.30am

All Age Pet Service – President: Revd Nick Parker and

Preacher: Revd Sue Chandler

Music led by Junior Choristers, Minims and Worship Band

Anthem: Make me a Channel of Your peace - Sebastian

Hymns:

477

435

158

26 (t2)



10.15-11.00am – Refreshments IN CHURCH

11.00am

Sung Eucharist

President: Revd Sue Chandler & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

Readers(s): (OT) Deirdre Moll (NT) Ann Taylor

Intercessor: John Emmett

Music led by Ladies and Back Row

Gloria: Mass of Creation – Marty Haugen

Setting: Communion Service in F - Darke

Anthem: The Lord is my Shepherd – Howard Goodall

Voluntary: Alleluyas – Preston

Hymns:

337

634

238

300

383



5.00pm

Evensong

Officiant: Revd Nick Parker & Preacher: Revd Anne Haselhurst

Readings: Proverbs 3.1-18, 1 John 3.1-15

Reader: Ann Taylor

Music led by Senior Choristers

Aston Responses

Canticles: Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in G – Sumsion

Anthem: Panis Angelicus – Franck

Voluntary: Petite Prelude – Jongen

Psalm:

139: 1-11

Hymns:

64

200

420

THIS WEEK

Mon 12	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Tues 13	10.00am	St Alphege Prayer Group (OBH)
	12.30pm	Funeral for Merrill Golby
	7.30pm	Bellringing Practice
Weds 14	9.30am	Open The Book
	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recital – Musicians from Solihull School
Thurs 15	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Said Eucharist – Mothers' Union
Fri 16	9.00am	Morning Prayer

BIBLE READING: Isaiah 25.1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

BIBLE READING: Philippians 4.1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL: Matthew 22.1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

COLLECT

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday	Those who work in prisons and prison chaplains
Tuesday	The MPs for Solihull Borough
Wednesday	Those who maintain our church buildings
Thursday	Staff and pupils of St Alphege Infant and Junior Schools
Friday	Those imprisoned or tortured for their faith

THOSE IN NEED

Pearl Hampson, Duncan & Ruth, Kay Woodward, Nigel Vian, Philip Tew, Leslie Dixon,
Dorothy Newbery, Suzette Maguire, Stephen Foster, Malcolm Owens, Rosemary Owens,
Gerald Blackburn, Louis Jolly, Jonathan Chandler, Anne Lawrence, Pauline Davitt, Alan Hobbs,
Ronald Herd, Beryl Boulter, June Cobbett, John Smith, Ella, David Roots, Dorothy Barnsley, and
Sue Lee.

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Mary Copsey, Maureen Taylor, Michael Harman Goodwin, Marion Gunn, Irene Bristow, Derek Casey,
and Gwendoline Bayliss.

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

Christopher Robin Collenette, Margaret Fenwick, John Daniel Mee, and John Roberts.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 18th October – Luke the Evangelist

Morning readings: Acts 16.6-12a, 2 Timothy 4.5-17, Luke 10.1-9

Services:	8.00am	Said Eucharist and Anointing
		President and Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall
	9.30am	Journey Service
		Part 1: Eucharist - President: Revd Nick Parker
		Part 2: Ben Yates
	11.00am	Choral Eucharist and Anointing – President: Revd Roy Murray and Preacher: Revd Nick Parker
	5.00pm	Confirmation (and Baptism) Service – Officiant: Bishop Esther

Evening Readings: Isaiah 61.1-6, Colossians 4.7-end

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

Today Pet Service - 9.30am. Come along and join us for our pet service at St Alphege and feel free to bring your pets with you. All are welcome.

The Parish Christmas card is now available from the Bookstall in church, from the Parish Office or by contacting Fran Halstead (07710 329030, fran.halstead@gmail.com) The packs are £5 for 10 cards. Payment by cash or by cheque payable to St Alphege Church Bookstall or by Bank Transfer (Sort Code 30-97-78, Account number 00211890 Ref CCARD) or by card on the contactless Giving Station by the North Door. The picture this year is a scene of St Alphege Church in the snow from a watercolour by Alan Fairbairn.

Wednesday Lunchtime Recital 14th October – Musicians from Solihull School - Refreshments are available from 12.30pm with the performance at 1.10pm. All are welcome – admission free, retiring collection.

A Quizzical evening - an evening of music and quizzing. Saturday 17th October. St Helen's Church Hall. Bring your own drinks and snacks. Desserts provided. Adults £5 Children £2. See Pam Price for details. Tickets available online at <https://tinyurl.com/quizzicaleve>

Confirmation (and Baptism) Service Sunday 18th October 5pm - We look forward to welcoming Bishop Esther for this special service where candidates publicly take this important step of faith. We are all encouraged to attend in support. Are you available to help with refreshments and willing to donate a cake? Please contact Pam Price on songmeister20@gmail.com or Ben Yates on b.yates@solihullparish.org.uk

Volunteer Thanksgiving - Save the Date

We are looking to hold a thanksgiving service for volunteers across the parish on Sunday 22nd November 2026 at 5pm. Please save the date. More information to follow.

Parish Welcome. For five years, every Monday afternoon English conversation sessions have been held in the OBH. They are now mostly attended by people from Hong Kong. Could you come and help? Conversation is based around worksheets and no teaching experience is needed. However, without more people to help, we will be unable to continue beyond the end of October. Please contact me for more details. Deirdre Moll 07751572046 d.moll@usa.net

Parish Prayer Parcels - We are looking for 25 volunteers to be video recorded for 4-5 minutes each to share their favourite prayer and a short reflection as part of our Advent social media strategy. If you would be interested, please contact Ben at b.yates@solihullparish.org.uk for further details.

Could you help with Collective Worship - We're looking for volunteers to help support our infant school children during Collective Worship in church on Wednesday mornings in term time. If you could help occasionally or regularly, we'd love to hear from you. Please speak to Ben Yates.

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

To make a one-off payment please use one of the methods below: -

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