



**St. Alphege Church**  
**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024**  
**Twentieth Sunday after Trinity - Harvest**

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

Morning Readings: Joel 2:21-27, 1 Timothy 6.6-10, Matthew 6.25-33

**8.00am      Said Eucharist**

President and Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall

**9.15am      All Age Holy Communion**

President: Revd Nick Parker & Preacher: Revd Sue Chandler

Music led by Junior Choristers and Worship Band, with Children's Orchestra

Anthem: Seek ye first the kingdom of God - Karen Lafferty

**Hymns:**

705

478

662

screens

**11.00am      Choral Eucharist**

President: Revd Nick Parker & Preacher: Revd Anne Haselhurst

Reader(s): (OT) Ann Taylor (NT) David Sturdee

Music led by Senior Choristers and Men's Choirs

Setting: Missa Dixit Maria - Hassler

Anthem: For the Beauty of the Earth by John Rutter.

Voluntary: Festival March on "St George" – Fletcher

**Psalm**

90.12-end

**Hymns:**

259

296

407

413

**5.00pm      Evensong**

Officiant: Stephen Linstead & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

Readings: Joshua 3.7-end, Matthew 10.1-22

Reader: Ann Taylor

Music led by Men's Choir

Harris Responses

Canticles: Fauxbourdons Service - Morley

Anthem: The mercy, Jehovah - Marcello

Voluntary: Allegro from Symphonie No.2 - Vierne

**Psalms**

127

128

**Hymns:**

63

376

248

**THIS WEEK**

Mon 14	09.00am	Morning Prayer (enter via choir vestry please)
Tues 15	10.00am	St Alphege Prayer Group (in the OBH)
	7.30pm	Bellringers practice
Weds 16	1.10pm	Lunchtime recital- Emilija Karaliute, kankies (Lithuanian harp)
Thurs 17	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Said Eucharist
Fri 18	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Sat 19	2.00pm	Come and Sing Faure Requiem

**BIBLE READING** Joel 2:21-27

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things!  
Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green;  
the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield.  
O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God;  
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,  
he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before.  
The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.  
I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten,  
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you.  
You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God,  
who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.  
You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.  
And my people shall never again be put to shame.

**BIBLE READING** 1 Timothy 6.6-10

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

**GOSPEL** Matthew 6.25-33

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

**COLLECT**

Eternal God,  
you crown the year with your goodness  
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:  
grant that we may use them to your glory,  
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;  
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**

Lord of the harvest,  
with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation  
and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom:  
by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us  
and make us generous and wise stewards  
of the good things we enjoy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **THIS WEEK PRAY FOR**

Monday	Those who are seeking employment
Tuesday	Growth of Religious Life
Wednesday	People Persecuted For Their Faith Today
Thursday	The King and Queen
Friday	Health Care Workers

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

Daisy, E and family, Mary, Andrew, Jonathan, Peter Sheppard, and Kerrie.

## **CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR**

Wendy Meikle, Henry Balthazor, Stephen Foster, Jenny Williams, Evelyn Berry, Ron Herd, Dan and Ruth, Margaret Evans, Nicola Beale, Peter, Anne Kemp, Elizabeth Kershaw, John Russell, Malcolm Owens, Ellen, Aaliyah Adeyemo, Ruth & Rae, Roger Loads, Hazel Hewlett, Faye.

## **PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED**

Michael Curran, John Hughes, and Richard Cann.

## **NEXT WEEK: Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October: Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity**

**Services:** 8.00am - Said Eucharist: President & Preacher: Revd Canon Andrew Hutchinson

9.15am - The Junction OBH

10.30am - Sung Eucharist: President: Revd Simon Marshall & Preacher: Revd Canon Andrew Hutchinson

Morning Readings: Isaiah 53.4-end, Hebrews 5.1-10, Mark 10.35-45

5.00pm Evensong: Officiant: Revd Sue Chandler & Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall

Evening Readings: Joshua 14.6-14, Matthew 12.1-21

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

**Harvest Bring and Share Lunch. Today,** Oliver Bird Hall, 12.30pm to eat at 1pm. All Welcome. Just bring a savoury or dessert to add to the buffet table. There will be entertainment too! Offers of help to set up or clear up to Pam Price [colandpam@ic24.net](mailto:colandpam@ic24.net) or 0121 704 3104

**Curacy News** - We are delighted to share that Karen Marlow-Tipple, currently studying at Queen's Theological Foundation, will join us in July following ordination. Karen will not live in the parish as she is self-supporting but will be full time. She has written a short piece introducing herself which will be published in November's Parish News and on our social media.

**Project Turnaround:** The plans are on display at the back of church and can be downloaded from the parish website. Everyone is encouraged to give feedback. What do you like, and is there anything you are less keen on? Please email [turnaround@solihullparish.org.uk](mailto:turnaround@solihullparish.org.uk)

**Wednesday lunchtime recital - 16th October** - Emilija Karaliute, kankies (Lithuanian harp) 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.

**Sat 19 October, 2pm to 6pm – Come and Sing Fauré's Requiem** – an opportunity for adults to experience the wellbeing benefits of singing in a choir, whilst learning Fauré's beautiful Requiem, ready for an informal concert performance at 5pm. Cost £5 to include refreshments and music. Please register at <https://forms.office.com/e/rwd0WRYVzh> email [c.thomas@solihullparish.org.uk](mailto:c.thomas@solihullparish.org.uk) for the link.

### **Church Volunteering Fair: Next Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at Oliver Bird Hall**

Are you looking to recruit members or volunteers for a church group or activity? Do you have a heart for volunteering, seeking to contribute your gifts and make a difference but not sure where? The fair, being run after services, is a good opportunity to explore. Please plan to come and if you wish to book a display table please contact the parish office.

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November- Great Churchyard Tidy up.** From 10am-1pm to collect leaves up, suitable for all ages including children, followed by refreshments. For more details please call 0121 711 1726.

### **Community Tree Planting Day – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – 11.30am**

The National Woodland Trust have donated 105 tree saplings to the parish which will be planted around the current forest school site and the main hall of the OBH. We are hosting a community tree planting event as above with tea and cakes provided. To register your interest, please contact Ben at [Chair@stalphege-preschool.org.uk](mailto:Chair@stalphege-preschool.org.uk). We hope to see you there!"

**Church Welcomers.** We will soon be opening St Alphege Church to the public, Monday to Friday 10am -3pm and Saturday mornings. Could you spare some time to be in church and welcome people who visit? Any offers from as little as an hour would be most welcome, and this does not have to be every week. Please contact Pam Price if you can help in any way.

**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 following two methods:

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