

St. Alphege Church Sunday 19th January 2025 The Second Sunday of Epiphany

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

Morning Readings: Isaiah 62.1-5, 1 Corinthians 12.1-11, John 2.1-11

8.00am Said Eucharist

President and Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall

9.15am The Junction-OBH

10.30am	Sung Eucharist	Psalm:
	President: Revd Roy Murray and Preacher: Revd Simon Marshall	96

Reader(s):(OT) Ann Rock (NT) Elaine Diskin

Music led by Junior Choristers Senior Boys', and Men's Choirs	Hymns:
Gloria: Music for the Parish Communion - Martin How	306
Setting: Communion Service in F - Sumsion	589
Anthem: Listen Sweet Dove - Grayston Ives	761
Voluntary: Carillon - Bedford	144

5.00pm Service of Prayer for Week of Christian Unity-at St Helen's

Officiant: Revd Nick Parker and Preacher: Revd Stephen Faber

Music led by Worship Band, Senior Girls', Ladies' and Men's Choirs

Anthem: No small wonder - Paul Edwards

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

THIS WEEK

Mon 20	9.00am 10.00am	Morning Prayer Bellringing Workshop
Tues 21	10.00am	St Alphege Prayer Group (in the OBH)
	7.00pm	Bellringing
Wed 22	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recital - Luanah Lefebvre and Maria Linares - violin and piano
	6.30pm	Visiting Band Bellringing
	7.30pm	Bellringing 10 bell practice
Thurs 23	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Said Eucharist
	7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Fri 24	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	12.30pm	Interment of Ashes

BIBLE READING Isaiah 62.1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

BIBLE READING 1 Corinthians 12.1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

GOSPEL John 2.1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

COLLECT

Almighty God,

in Christ you make all things new:

transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory;

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

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

may shine in all the world.

Monday Members of religious communities

Tuesday Those who suffer for their faith in Christ

Wednesday Diocesan staff & members of Bishop's Council

Thursday Growth of relationships between faiths in our town

Friday The staff and pupils of the St Alphege schools

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY IN NEED

Michael Weale, Ella, Daisy, Mary, Andrew, Jonathan, Peter Sheppard, Kerrie, Hilary Thurlow, David Porter and Ken Hewitt.

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, Aaliyah Adeyemo, Ruth & Rae, Roger Loads, and Hazel Hewlett.

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Rachael Myall.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 26th January: The Third Sunday of Epiphany Services: 8.00am - Said Fucharist: President & Preacher: Revd Nick Parker

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10.00 am The Junction- St Helen's Church Sunday Club

10:30 am Sung Eucharist: President: Revd Anne Haselhurst & Preacher: Revd Roy

Morning Readings: Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10, 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a, Luke 4.14-21

6.30pm pm - Evensong at Solihull School Chapel: Officiant & Preacher: Revd Rachel Hill-Brown

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

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU), 18th**-25**th **January:** This year marks 1700 years since the ecumenical Council of Nicaea (from which the Nicene Creed derives). We are encouraged to pray for unity in our mission and witness that the world may come to know the full extent of God's love in Jesus Christ.

Churches Together in Central Solihull United Service, Today 5pm at St. Helen's Church: In this WPCU we come together as Christians in Solihull in worship and prayer. Our guest preacher is Revd Steve Faber, Moderator of the West Midlands Synod, United Reformed Church. All are warmly invited.

Church Opening. St Alphege Church is open to the public every weekday from 10am to 3pm and Saturday mornings from 10am to 12 noon. We are still looking for volunteers who can spare an hour or two every so often to act as welcomers. Can you help us out? Please contact Pam Price colandpam@ic24.net.

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

Wednesday lunchtime recital - Recitals start at 1.10pm - Luanah Lefebvre and Maria Linares - violin and piano 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.

Wassail Evening at St Helen's at 6.00 p.m. on Saturday, February 1st.

Members of St Michael's band and friends from St Helen's are holding a variety show to include musical items, a sketch, juggling, readings and community singing. Tickets are £5 each and can be bought in advance from Ruth and Roger Chamberlain or Pat Lyons. Ticket price includes mulled wine or non-alcoholic fruit punch and cake.

Please email patricial57@hotmail.com or call 07784738383.

Church tidy-up Saturday February 1st. 'Following all the windy weather, the chuchyard is looking very untidy. An extra tidy-up session is planned for Saturday Feb 1st from 10 o'clock, any help would be gratefully appreciated. Equipment will be provided, please come wearing gloves if you can.

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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