

THE PARISH OF ST ALPHEGE, EDMONTON
Sunday 14th September, 2025

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.
Jesus' victory on the cross also brought about his glorious bodily resurrection to new unending life and his ascension to the right hand of the Father in heaven, where he now rules and intercedes for us.



Entrance Hymn

721: There is a green hill far away.

Offertory Hymn

363: Lift high the cross.

Procession

59: At the name of Jesus.

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DAILY OFFICES:

Monday – Saturday: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer at 07:10 (via Zoom).

Tuesday – Saturday: Morning and Evening Prayer 9am & 5pm, in Church.

THIS WEEK:

Monday 15th: Our Lady of Sorrows - memorial.

Tuesday 16th: Sts Cornelius & Cyprian - martyrs.

Wednesday 17th: St Robert Bellarmine, bishop.

Wednesday 17th Sept: Mass at 7pm, followed by PCC

Thursday 18th: Weekday Feria.

Friday 19th: St Theodore of Canterbury.

Saturday 20th: St Andrew Kim Tae-gon.

Saturday 20th September: Open House, 11am-3pm

NEXT WEEK:

Sun 21st September: 25th Sunday in Ordinary time
Mass with Fr Angus.

FUTURE DATES:

Wed 24th September: Our lady of Walsingham
Festival, St Andrew's Holborn at 7pm.

Sat 25th October: International Evening at 5pm.
Everyone is invited to this evening. It is a great way to share the special foods, music, clothes and our home cultures. Tickets available soon please see, Carol, Maxcine or Mary F for more information.

CONFESSION: (by appointment). Speak to Fr Angus.

Would you like to join our Social & Fundraising group? Speak to Maxcine; Mary F or Carol Saul to find out more.

SPECIAL BLESSINGS: Please let one of the sidespeople know before mass begins if you would like a special blessing.

THE WHATSAPP GROUP: If you'd like to join this group, speak to Fr Angus or send a text to Stephen Heath on 07752 685021.

If you would like to sponsor the EUCHARISTIC GIFTS, SACRAMENT CANDLE OF CANDLE FOR OUR LADY at a cost of £5 each, please speak to Sue.

ST ALPHEGE PRAYER GROUP aims to pray every day at 9.00am. Prayers are offered during the Sunday service, just come to the side chapel during Communion. Rules of confidentiality apply. Please see Mary Findlow for more information.

PARISH SICK LISTS

Long term: Abigail Balmer; Gillian Balmer; Margaret Turnbull; Lloyd Russell; Pearline Rennis; Deborah Hall; David Kelly; Pearl Hall; Suzanne Persad; Aniyah Shine; Evelyn Williams; Samantha Balmer; Sharon Baldwin; Albert Turner; Jean Foster & Family; Charles Laird.

Short term: Lauren Hughes; Patsy Fell; Gloria Thomas; Leslie Griffiths; Beverley Miller; Louise Dalley; Mike Faulkner; Cherry Francis. (Please let Fr Angus know of any names for the sick lists.)

RECENTLY DEPARTED:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Henry Squires; Kevin Fowler; Nellie Oakley; Elizabeth Johnson; Noel Palmer; Jack Stevens; Jean Savage.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Clement Addai; Stephen Heath; Trudy Prior; Leslie Griffiths; Maxcine Beattie; Maria DeRoche.

YOUTH MINISTRY; All children are welcome to join and we'll celebrate the children's work after mass...

FINANCIAL POSITION: The Church and Hall Gas Bill for 2024 was £18,667.69 and the Electric Bill was £1,476.07. Please consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme or the Stewardship Envelope Scheme.

TAP TO DONATE! Contactless donations may be made to our General Fund or the Roof Fund. Not in church, no problem! Use the QR code to make your donation.



NORTH ENFIELD FOODBANK: The foodbank is in urgent need of many items. There is a list of items at the back of church and a box to place items in.

JOIN US IN THE HOSPITALITY ZONE AFTER MASS FOR TEA AND COFFEE, AND BISCUITS OR CAKE!

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection,
through whom we are saved and delivered.*

COLLECT

O God, who willed that your Only Begotten Son should undergo the Cross to save the human race, grant, we pray, that we, who have known his mystery on earth, may merit the grace of his redemption in heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Numbers 21:4b-9

A reading from the Book of Numbers.

In those days: The people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.' Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.' So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 78(77):1-2. 34-35. 36-37. 38. R. cf. 7b

R: *Never forget the deeds of the Lord!*

1. Give ear, my people, to my teaching;
incline your ear to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable
and utter hidden lessons of the past. **R.**
2. When he slew them, then they sought him,
repented and earnestly sought God.
They would remember that God was their rock,
God the Most High their redeemer. **R.**
3. Yet they deceived him with their mouths;
they lied to him with their tongues.
For their hearts were not steadfast towards him;
they were not faithful to his covenant. **R.**
4. Yet he who is full of compassion
forgave them their sin and spared them.
So often he held back his anger,
and did not stir up all his rage. **R.**

SECOND READING Philippians 2:6-11

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

R: *Alleluia, alleluia.*

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,
because by your Cross you have redeemed the world.

R: *Alleluia.*

GOSPEL John 3:13-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

At that time: Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this oblation, O Lord,
which on the altar of the Cross
cancelled the offence of the whole world,
cleanse us, we pray, of all our sins.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*When I am lifted up from the earth,
I will draw everyone to myself, says the Lord.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having been nourished by your holy banquet,
we beseech you, Lord Jesus Christ,
to bring those you have redeemed
by the wood of your life-giving Cross
to the glory of the resurrection.

Who live and reign for ever and ever.

Amen.