

THE PARISH OF ST ALPHEGE, EDMONTON

Sunday 26th October 2025

30th Sunday in Ordinary time.

How can we expect God to hear our prayers if we do not approach him with humility and with a contrite heart that seeks mercy and forgiveness?



Entrance Hymn

547: O praise ye the Lord.

Offertory Hymn

730: This is my body, broken for you.

Procession

602: Praise my soul the king of heaven.

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THIS WEEK: DAILY OFFICES: Morning and Evening Prayer: Tues – Fri: 9am & 4pm in the Lady Chapel.

Monday 27th: Weekday Feria.

Tuesday 28th: Sts Simon & Jude, apostles.

Wednesday 29th: Weekday Feria.

Thursday: 30th: Weekday Feria.

Friday 31st: Weekday Feria.

Friday 31st: 5-6.30pm Light Party in church.

Saturday 1st Nov: Weekday Feria.

NEXT WEEK:

Sunday 2nd November: All Saints (transferred), Solemnity, Mass at 10am with Fr Angus.

FUTURE DATES:

Monday 3rd Nov: All Souls – Requiem Mass 7pm; Please give the names of any loved ones departed to Stephen Heath, for inclusion at this service.

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.

Please see Sue if you would like to sponsor the EUCHARISTIC GIFTS, CANDLE FOR OUR LADY or SACRAMENT CANDLE

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. We are bound by rules of confidentiality. Please see Mary Findlow for more information.

PARISH SICK LISTS

Long term: Abigail; Gillian; Margaret; Lloyd; Pearline; Deborah; David; Pearl; Suzanne; Aniyah; Evelyn; Samantha; Sharon; Albert; Jean & Family.

Short term: Lauren; Patsy; Gloria; Leslie; Louise; Mike; Yolanda; Patsy; Correll; Andrew; Charles. (Please let Fr Angus know of any names for the sick lists.)

RECENTLY DEPARTED:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Valeta Edwards; John Savage; Doris Newman; Doris Sadler; Louise Bartrip; Violet Buncher; Gladys Cantwell.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Carl Nichols

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

SERVING TEAM: If you would like to join our serving team or would like to know more about it then please speak to Fr Angus.

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

*Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.*

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
increase our faith, hope and charity,
and make us love what you command,
so that we may merit what you promise.
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 Sirach 35:15b-17. 20-22b

A reading from the Book of Sirach.

The LORD is the judge,
and with him is no partiality.
He will not show partiality in the case of a poor man;
and he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged.
He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan
or the widow when she pours out her story.
He whose service is pleasing to the Lord will be accepted,
and his prayer will reach to the clouds.
The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds,
and he will not be consoled until it reaches the Lord;
he will not desist until the Most High visits him
and does justice for the righteous and executes judgement.
The Lord will not delay.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 34(33):2-3. 17-18. 19, 23. R. 7a

R: The lowly one called; the LORD heard him.

1. I will bless the LORD at all times,
praise of him is always in my mouth.
In the LORD my soul shall make its boast;
the humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**
2. The LORD turns his face against the wicked
to cut off their remembrance from the earth.
When the just one cries out, the LORD hears,
and rescues him in all his distress. **R.**
3. The LORD is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
The LORD ransoms the souls of his servants.
All who trust in him shall not be condemned. **R.**

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 4:6-8. 16-18

A reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy.

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and
the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight,
I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there
is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the
righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me,
but also to all who have loved his appearing.

At my first defence no one came to stand by me, but all deserted
me. May it not be charged against them! But the Lord stood by
me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might
be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was
rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every
evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him
be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL 2 Corinthians 5:19

R: Alleluia, alleluia.

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself,
and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

R: Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 18:9-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

At that time: Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in
themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with
contempt: 'Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a
Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by
himself, prayed thus: "God, I thank you that I am not like other men,
extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast
twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get." But the tax collector,
standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat
his breast, saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you,
this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other.
For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who
humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look, we pray, O Lord,
on the offerings we make to your majesty,
that whatever is done by us in your service
may be directed above all to your glory.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God.*

Or

*Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,
as a fragrant offering to God.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray,
perfect in us what lies within them,
that what we now celebrate in signs
we may one day possess in truth.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.