

THE PARISH OF ST ALPHEGE, EDMONTON

Sunday 26th April 2026

Fourth_Sunday of Easter.

Today is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. The Scriptures describe God as a shepherd who brings security and peace to his people. *"The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore."*

We welcome Fr Stephen this Sunday as he covers for Fr Angus.



Entrance Hymn

706: The Lord's my shepherd.

Offertory Hymn

745: To God be the glory.

Procession

398: Love divine all loves excelling.

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THIS WEEK:

Monday 27th: weekday of Easter.

Tuesday 28th: St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr.

Wednesday 29th: St Catherine of Siena - No Mass.

Thursday 30th: St Pius V, pope.

Friday 1st May: St Joseph the worker - Noon Mass in the Lady chapel.

Saturday 2nd: St Athanasius, bishop, doctor.

NEXT WEEK:

Sunday 3rd: Parish Mass 10am: with Fr Angus.

FUTURE DATES:

Sunday 17th May: Parish Mass followed by APCM

Sunday 24th May: Parish Mass with Confirmations with +Jonathan.

Over 16 and worship regularly at St Alphege? If yes, are you on our ELECTORAL ROLL? Please check at the back of church and complete a form if you are not.

SPECIAL BLESSINGS:

Please let one of the sides-people know before mass begins if you would like a special blessing.

PARISH OFFICE CONTACT NUMBERS

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CONFESSION: Please contact Fr Angus to arrange an appointment for this.

CANDLE FOR OUR LADY: Chiara Joseph

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. We also offer prayers 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.

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

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Adults sign sheet at back. Fr Angus will be starting zoom classes this week.

PARISH SICK LISTS

Long term: Gillian; Margaret; Lloyd; Brian; Ann; Carl; Jean & Family; Astley; Mary; Stephen; Pearline; Lorraine.

Short term: JC; Gloria; Lauren; Judy; Patsy; Albert.

RECENTLY DEPARTED:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Emily Peacock; Alfred Curness; Ada Aldridge; Caroline Nash; Ann Molyneux; Lucy Foster; Ernest Brown (priest).

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Patsy Fell; Jeremiah Kolawole; Chiara Joseph.

The NORTH ENFIELD FOODBANK: Donations always welcome.

FINANCIAL POSITION: From 26th Feb to 25th March our income was £3,754.77 and our outgoings were £2,966.41

PARISH GIVING SCHEME: A great way to make your regular donation to support St Alphege! Scan the QR code to sign up!



REFRESHMENTS served after Mass at the back of church.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.*

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,
so that the humble flock may reach
where the brave Shepherd has gone before.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 2:14a, 36-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

On the day of Pentecost Peter, standing with the Eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: 'Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, 'Brothers, what shall we do?' And Peter said to them, 'Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.' And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this crooked generation.' So those who received his word were baptised, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 23(22):1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6. R. 1

R: The LORD is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Or **Alleluia.**

1. The LORD is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me;
he revives my soul. **R.**
2. He guides me along the right path,
for the sake of his name.
Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death,
no evil would I fear, for you are with me.
Your crook and your staff will give me comfort. **R.**
3. You have prepared a table before me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**
4. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the LORD's own house shall I dwell
for length of days unending. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2:20b-25

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Peter.

Beloved: If when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL John 10:14

R: Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord.

I know my sheep and my own know me.

R: Alleluia.

GOSPEL John 10:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

At that time: Jesus said, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.' This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So Jesus again said to them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, we pray, O Lord,
that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries,
so that the renewal constantly at work within us
may be the cause of our unending joy.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd,
and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures
the sheep you have redeemed
by the Precious Blood of your Son.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**