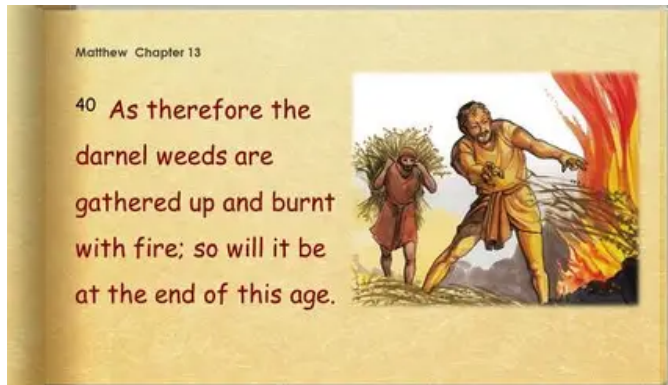


THE PARISH OF ST ALPHEGE, EDMONTON
Sunday 19th July 2026: 16th Sunday in Ordinary
Time.

Just as nature teaches us patience, so God's
patience also teaches us to guard the seed of his
word which he has planted in our hearts and to
beware of the destructive force of sin and evil that
can destroy it.



Entrance Hymn

143: Dear Lord and Father of all Mankind.

Offertory Hymn

72: Be still for the presence of the Lord.

Procession

684: Tell out my soul the greatness of the Lord.

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THIS WEEK:

Monday 20th: St Apollinaris, bishop, martyr.

Tuesday 21st: St Lawrence of Brindisi, priest, doctor.

Wednesday 22nd: Mary Magdalene, feast.

Mass of thanksgiving in Chapel at 7pm also

Mass St Andrew's Holborn 7pm.

Thursday 23rd: St Bridget, patron of Europe.

Friday 24th: St Sharnel Makhuf, priest.

Mass at 12 noon in Chapel.

Saturday 25th: St James, apostle, feast.

NEXT WEEK:

Sunday 26th July: 17th Sunday in ordinary time - Parish
Mass at 10am with Fr Angus. .

FUNERALS:

Mon 20th: Margaret Turnbull: St Alphege 1pm, 3pm
Enfield Crematorium.

SPECIAL BLESSINGS:

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

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

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CHURCH WARDENS: Jackie Forrest & Joe Nortey; please
speak to them if you need any assistance.

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

PARISH SICK LISTS

Long term: Gillian; Lloyd; Brian; Ann; Carl; Mary;
Pearline; Lorraine; Correll; Deborah; Natalie.

Short term: JC; Gloria; Lauren; Judy; Patsy; Albert;
Pearl; Shakira; Leslie; Fr Luke;

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Jean Foster; Mary White;
Margaret Turnbull and Ken Foster.

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Rose Draper; Gladys
Tame; George Dyer; Doris Gates; Pauline Barber;
Paula Cowell; Muriel Grimmond.

CONDUCT DURING MASS: This is a gentle reminder
That after receiving Holy Communion; it is the custom
to return to your seat in silence whilst in a state of
grace. There should be no conversation until the post
communion prayer has been said by the priest.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Esther Nkem; Jenny Kyriacou;
Joshua Kamara.

The NORTH ENFIELD FOODBANK: Donations always
welcome.

ANGELUS BELL

It is wonderful to hear our Angelus Bell ring out
once more after many years of being silent. The cost
of the repair was £3720.00 We are grateful to The
Society of Mary for contributing £500.00 towards
the repair. If you would like to make a donation
towards the repair, cash donations can be given to
Sue, or by card via our contactless machine.

REFRESHMENTS served after Mass at the back of
church.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.*

COLLECT

Show favour, O Lord, to your servants
and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace,
that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity,
they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.
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 Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

A reading from the Book of Wisdom.

There is not any God besides you, whose care is for all,
to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly.
For your strength is the source of righteousness,
and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all.
For you show your strength
when men doubt the completeness of your power,
and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it.
You are sovereign in strength but you judge with mildness,
and with great forbearance you govern us;
for you have power to act whenever you choose.
Through such works you have taught your people
that the one who is righteous must be kind,
and you have filled your sons with good hope,
because you give repentance for sins.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 86(85):5-6. 9-10. 15-16a. R. 5a

R: O Lord, you are good and forgiving.

1. O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of mercy to all who call to you.
Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer,
and attend to my voice in supplication. **R.**
2. All the nations you have made shall come;
they will bow down before you, O Lord,
and glorify your name,
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone are God. **R.**
3. You, O God, are compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abundant in mercy and fidelity;
turn and take pity on me. **R.**

SECOND READING Romans 8:26-27

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

Brothers and sisters: The Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we
do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself
intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who
searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the
Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL cf. Matthew 11:25

R: Alleluia, alleluia.

I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children.

R: Alleluia.

GOSPEL Matthew 13:24-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

(for shorter form read between > <)

> At that time: Jesus put another parable before the crowd, saying,
'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed
good seed in his field, but while his men were sleeping, his enemy
came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. So
when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared
also. And the servants of the master of the house came and said
to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How
then does it have weeds?" He said to them, "An enemy has done
this." So the servants said to him, "Then do you want us to go and
gather them?" But he said, "No, lest in gathering the weeds you
root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until
the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, 'Gather the
weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the
wheat into my barn.'"
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He put another parable before them, saying, 'The kingdom of
heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed
in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it
is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the
birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

He told them another parable. 'The kingdom of heaven is like
leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, till it
was all leavened.'

All these things Jesus said to the crowds in parables; indeed,
he said nothing to them without a parable. This was to fulfil what
was spoken by the prophet: 'I will open my mouth in parables; I
will utter what has been hidden since the foundation of the world.'

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his
disciples came to him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the
weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good
seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed
is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil
one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is
the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds
are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the
age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out
of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, and throw
them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and
gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the
kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice
brought to completion varied offerings of the law,
accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants
and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel,
so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty
may benefit the salvation of all.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.*

Or

*Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me,
I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord,
and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries
to pass from former ways to newness of life.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.