

THE PARISH OF ST ALPHEGE, EDMONTON
Sunday 2nd August 2026: 18th Sunday in Ordinary
Time.

“Jesus' feeding of the five thousand is the only miracle recorded in all four Gospel accounts (Luke 9:10-17, Mark 6:34-44, John 6:51-58, Matthew 14:13-21). What is the significance of this miracle? The miraculous feeding of such a great multitude recalled the miraculous provision of manna in the wilderness under Moses' leadership and intercession for his people (Exodus 16)”



Entrance Hymn

301: Immortal invisible God only wise.

Offertory Hymn

355: Let all mortal flesh keep silence.

Procession

272: I am the bread of life.

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THIS WEEK:

Monday 3rd: Feria.

Tuesday 4th: St John Vianney, priest, memorial.

Wednesday 5th: Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Mayor.

Thursday 6th: The Transfiguration of the Lord.

Friday 7th: St Sixtus II, pope and companions.

Saturday 8th: St Dominic, priest.

*Please note there are no midweek Masses
Fr Angus is away on the Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage.

NEXT WEEK:

Sunday 9th August: 19th Sunday in ordinary time -
Parish Mass at 10am with Fr Angus.

SUMMER COMMUNITY FAYRE

Saturday 29th August: 12noon – 4pm.

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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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 note we are conducting a survey on the Church WhatsApp group – please complete the short questionnaire and return to Stephen. Thank you.

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

KEY AMNESTY: If you are in possession of a set of keys for the Church, would you please return them to either Jackie or Joe. Thank you.

PARISH SICK LISTS

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

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

RECENTLY DEPARTED:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: June Warner; Noel Thomas; Joyce Coterio; Edward Gallings.

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: Christine Shaw; Jean McKnight; John Mensah.

The NORTH ENFIELD FOODBANK: Donations always welcome.

REFRESHMENTS served after Mass at the back of church.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.*

COLLECT

Draw near to your servants, O Lord,
and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness,
that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide,
you may restore what you have created
and keep safe what you have restored.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 55:1-3

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord:

'Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145(144):8-9. 15-16. 17-18. R. cf. 16

R: You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord.

1. The LORD is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.
How good is the LORD to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**
2. The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand and satisfy
the desire of every living thing. **R.**
3. The LORD is just in all his ways,
and holy in all his deeds.
The LORD is close to all who call him,
who call on him in truth. **R.**

SECOND READING Romans 8:35, 37-39

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

Brothers and sisters: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things

present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL Matthew 4:4b

R: Alleluia, alleluia.

One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

R: Alleluia.

GOSPEL Matthew 14:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

At that time: When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' But Jesus said, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They said to him, 'We have only five loaves here and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Graciously sanctify these gifts, O Lord, we pray,
and, accepting the oblation of this spiritual sacrifice,
make of us an eternal offering to you.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.*

Or

*I am the bread of life, says the Lord;
whoever comes to me will not hunger
and whoever believes in me will not thirst.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Accompany with constant protection, O Lord,
those you renew with these heavenly gifts
and, in your never-failing care for them,
make them worthy of eternal redemption.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.