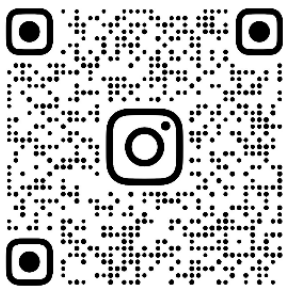


The Parish of ST ALPHEGE, Scottsville with
THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, Camperdown
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
28 DEC 2025 ✠ THE HOLY INNOCENTS



St Alphege's Statement on Inclusivity:

"There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:28)
At St Alphege's we rejoice in being a diverse community from many different backgrounds and cultures. We recognise that with diversity comes the possibility of misunderstanding and the potential for hurt. Therefore, we pledge ourselves to using care and discretion in the way we speak and act. In particular, we undertake not to use offensive language in respect of race, sex, gender, ethnic or social origin, nationality, sexual orientation, culture, or physical and mental disability, and not to behave in any way that might lead another member of the body of Christ to feel unwelcome or less valuable than any other. As St Benedict counselled the members of his community, we undertake to welcome each one as if they were Christ amongst us.



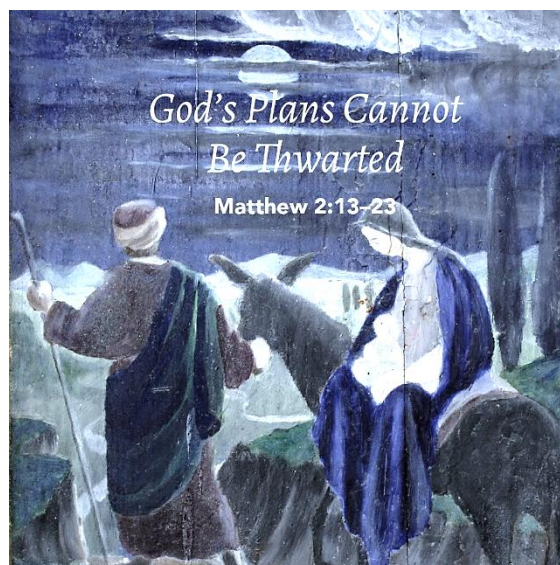
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*We welcome everyone to our Service of Worship,
especially those joining us for the first time.
May you be blessed as we worship together.*

ORDER OF SERVICE:

CELEBRANT: Revd. Vernon
PREACHER: Revd. Vernon
SYNAXIS: Peyton Marnies
PRAYERS: Uju Uzodike

INTROIT HYMN: We Three Kings

We continue our service with the welcome greetings

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

O God, our strength and refuge,
you sustained the holy family during
their exile:
give us grace to recognise Jesus in all
who suffer
and the courage to embrace them as our
own;
for he lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

**God bless Africa
Protect our Children
Transform our leaders
Heal our communities
Restore our dignity
And give us peace
For Jesus Christ's sake
Amen !**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD:

1st Reading from:	Isaiah 63:7-9	Obii Uzodike
Psalm:	148	APB pg 790
2nd Reading from:	Hebrews 2:10-18	Nyelum Uzodike
GRADUAL HYMN: NS 35 – Hark, the herald-angels sing		
GOSPEL:	Matthew 2:13-23	Revd. Vernon
SERMON:		Revd. Vernon
THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH		Uju Uzodike

PEACE

OFFERTORY HYMN: LP 47 - God is our Strength and Refuge

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

COMMUNION: What Child is this

RECESSIONAL HYMN: NS 199 - Immortal, Invisible



NOTICES:

Please be praying for: Carol Adams, Dianne Nisbet, Sharon Christian, Claude Breda, Rose Morrison, John Forbes, Esmeralda Dalais, William Nero, Danny Poirier, Errol Marcus, Elaine Naidoo, Ufo Okeke-Uzodike, Mayvis Zondi.

If you are ill, injured or being admitted to hospital, please contact the office and let us know, so we can pray for you and arrange a visit.

- Sidesperson duty: Claude Breda & Eric Thorpe
 - Tuesday 13th and 27th Jan - All welcome to Quiet Time, 09:00 - 10:30.
 - The 2026 Study Bibles have arrived, please contact Rebbie on 072 242 5464 to collect yours from the office if you've ordered one.
 - The office will be closed from 29th Dec to 2nd Jan (inclusive)
Bongwa will be on leave from 22nd Dec to 5th Jan (inclusive)
- VESTRY : 1st March 2026 – All Vestry Reports due by 22nd January.

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

We wish all Parishioners who are celebrating Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries this coming week, God's Grace and Blessings



29-Dec Hopewell Mngadi

01-Jan Alexander Nyackaal

DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

The parish office is closed and will reopen on Monday, 5th January, 08:30-12:30

Wednesday 31st Jan : 09.30am Eucharist - Revd Vernon



29th DEC – 3rd JAN

Readings for the week

29 MON	Morning Prayer: Psalms 87,88, 2 Samuel 23:13-17b, 2 John 1-13 Evening Prayer: Psalm 89:1-38, Isaiah 12:1-6, John 2:1-11
30 TUES	Morning Prayer: Psalm 89:39-53, 1 Kings 17:17-24, 3 John 1-15 Evening Prayer: Psalm 91, Isaiah 25:1-9, John 4:46-54
31 WED	Morning EUCHARIST: 1 John 2:18-21, Psalm 96:1-2,11-13, John 1:1-18
01 THUR	Morning Prayer: Psalm 103, Genesis 17:1-16, Colossians 2:6-12 Evening Prayer: Psalm 145, Isaiah 7:10-14, Philippians 2:5-11
02 FRI	Morning Prayer: Psalm 94, 1 Kings 19:1-8, Ephesians 4:1-16 Evening Prayer: Psalms (95),96,97, Genesis 12:1-7, John 6:1-14
03 SAT	Morning Prayer: Psalms 98,99,(100),101, 1 Kings 19:9-18, Ephesians 4: 17-32 Evening Prayer: Psalm 102, Genesis 28:10-22, John 6:15-27

NEXT Sunday 4th Jan Duties:

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

7:30am Eucharist Revd Vernon

Synax: Deidre Davids

Prayers: Carol Smith

Readings: Jeremiah 31:7-14 Christine
Ephesians 1:3-14 Pam

Sidesperson duty: Claude & James

Planned Giving or Plate Collection:

Please find the Church bank details below for ease of reference, if you cannot attend Church due to health reasons. Thank you to all those who have faithfully supported the Church during these difficult times.

(Kindly use your Pledge Number as your EFT reference, and include the month.)

Bank account: Parish of St Alphege,
First National Bank, Hayfields,
Account No: 626 306 30045
Branch Code: 221425

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<u>Parish Secretary:</u>	Rebbie Govender	072 242 5464