



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS



Saint Stephen's, Tala



Ayia Kyriaki, Kato Paphos



Saint Luke's, Prodfromi, near Polis

16 JUNE 2024

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
SUNDAY SERVICES

8.15 am	Ayia Kyriaki
Sung Eucharist	Revd Paul
11.00 am	Saint Luke's
Morning Worship	Jayne Preston
11.00 am	Saint Stephen's
Holy Communion	Revd Paul

BIBLE READINGS

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13
Psalm 20:1-9
2 Corinthians 5:6-17
Mark 4:26-34

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. AMEN.

23 JUNE 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
SUNDAY SERVICES

8.15 am	Ayia Kyriaki
Sung Eucharist	Revd William
11.00 am	Saint Luke's
Holy Communion	Revd Paul
11.00 am	Saint Stephen's
Morning Worship	Revd William

BIBLE READINGS

1 Samuel 17:32-49
Psalm 9:9-20
2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Mark 4:35-41

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. AMEN.

WELCOME We give you a warm welcome to the Anglican Church of Paphos - especially if you are a visitor. If you are visiting, please introduce yourself to Paul or one of our churchwardens or one of our service leaders - we'd love to get to know you. Be sure to sign your name in the visitors book. Refreshments are served after all of our services - you are very welcome to join with us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO AMANDA AND GEORGE McCUSKER Amanda is the ACP wedding coordinator and she and George were married at Ayia Kyriaki on **Friday 14 June**. We wish them, and their families, God's richest blessing on their new life together.

MIDWEEK HOLY EUCHARIST Takes place at Ayia Kyriaki **every Wednesday** at 9.00 am. This is a said service and lasts around 30 mins.

BISHOP SEAN'S ENTHRONEMENT SERVICE Takes place at Saint Paul's Cathedral, Nicosia on **Saturday 22 June** at 5.00 pm. It would be good to have representation from all three churches. Please let Chris Hoskins know ASAP on 97753973 if you are interested in attending. This service will be livestreamed - details will be published nearer the time.

JOINT COMMUNION SERVICE There will be a joint service for the parish on **Sunday 30 June** at Saint Stephen's at 11.00 am. The 8.15 am service at Ayia Kyriaki will continue as normal.

SUNDAY EVENING HOLY EUCHARIST Takes place at Ayia Kyriaki on **Sunday 7 July** at 6.00 pm, which will be led by Revd William.

CONGRATULATIONS TO REVD GEORGE VIDIAKIN Bishop Sean and the council of Christ Church Ayia Napa are pleased to announce the selection of Fr George as the new house-for-duty parish priest. Currently Associate Priest at Saint Helena Larnaca, Fr George began his ministry in the Russian Orthodox Church and is active in ecumenical and interfaith relations. He is married to Regina, and they have two children. Fr George will be licensed on **Saturday 27 July**.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP In response to a number of requests, Revd Paul is planning to start a Bible Study Group. This will involve worship, teaching and group discussions and will probably take place every two weeks on either a Sunday or Wednesday evening. Please let Revd Paul know if you are interested and what evening would work best for you.

LEGACY GIVING Have you thought about leaving a donation to the church in your Will? Would you like to? If so, full details of how to include a Legacy Gift to the church can be found on the church website <https://www.paphosanglicanchurch.org/legacy-giving.html> or take one of the Legacy leaflets which are on display in each church. Failing this, ask your warden for information. Legacy donations can be made for specific use as prescribed by you, or added to the general income. Any amount of financial assistance is always welcomed and appreciated.

PRAYERS FOR THE ARMOUR OF GOD In Ephesians 6:10-20 the Apostle Paul explains how each of us are involved in a spiritual battle between the forces of good (God) and evil (the devil) and to put on God's armour of protection on a daily basis. You can read/download *Prayers for the Armour of God* here <https://revpacman.com/2018/07/04/prayers-for-the-armour-of-god/>

WEEKLY EMAIL If you'd like to receive a weekly email with details of church activities and notices please email churchsecretary04@gmail.com and Di will add your name to the list.

SOCIAL MEDIA Don't forget to browse the ACP website. Revd Paul posts regularly on his Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/revpacman/> and posts his sermons on revpacman.com for those who want to catch up on a talk they've missed or those who may wish to read through again what they've heard! Revd Paul also posts several articles a month which are well worth reading! These will soon be added to the ACP website. **NB.** If you follow Revd Paul on Facebook please be sure to share his posts with your followers!

For Your Diary

	Weekly	Parish Prayers on Zoom, Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9.00 am
	Weekly	Alpha Course, Parish House, Wednesday's from 1.30 for 2.00 pm
22	June	Bishop Sean's Enthronement, Saint Paul's, Nicosia at 5.00 pm
29	June	Armed Forces Day
30	June	A Joint ACP Service, Saint Stephen's at 11.00 am (AK at 8.15 am)
4	July	Garden Party at Dex and Judith's. Fundraiser for ACP (see poster)
27	July	Licensing of Fr George Vidiakin at Christ Church, Ayia Napa
5	September	Sunset Cruise Boat Trip - Fundraiser for ACP
29	September	A Joint ACP Service, Saint Stephen's followed by a Harvest Lunch

For Your Prayers

THE DIOCESE OF CYPRUS AND THE GULF View/download the Diocesan Prayer Diary here <https://www.cypgulf.org/prayer-diary> Do pray for Archbishop Hosam, Bishop Sean, Father Drew and the congregation of Saint Martin's, Sharjah and the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf. Pray too for Archdeacon Christopher & Anne and Fr George & Regina. Continue to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, Gaza, the Middle East and for conflicts in Ukraine and around the world.

A PRAYER FOR BISHOP SEAN *Heavenly Father, in every age you raise up pastors and leaders for your Church to reflect the light of Christ and to lead us in the way of holiness. We thank you for the enthronement and consecration of your servant Sean in Bahrain and we look forward to his service in Nicosia. Grant to him and his family every grace of your Spirit as they begin a new life in the Diocese. Bless Sean's future ministry that together with the priests, deacons and laypeople of Cyprus and the Gulf the light of Christ may be seen and the love of Christ experienced by the people we serve. We ask this through the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.*

THE PARISH For our Clergy, Lay Ministers and Worship Leaders. For our Churchwardens, Church Council and all who serve the needs of the Parish. Do pray for all the services, events and activities that take place in all three churches and for all those who visit us week by week. Pray for our Wedding Ministry - for Amanda, Vergers, Revd Paul & Andrew and especially for the couples who are being married or renewing their wedding vows in the coming months. Do pray for unity and the mission/ministry of all Christian churches in Paphos and Polis.

WILD FIRES Pray for those caught up in the wild fires this week, for those that have lost their homes and possibly their livelihoods. Pray also that the fire doesn't restart as temperatures continue to rise. It is going to be a long hot summer and probably a very risky and tiring one for the fire fighters, emergency services and volunteers - so be sure to pray for them too.

THOSE WHO ARE UNWELL Please remember in your prayers: Geoff S, Jim, Heidi W, Beth, Dan, Jaxon (3 yr old boy), Di, Julia (Bishop Michael's wife), Annette, Richard, Amanda B, Sylvia, Ian F, Paul N, Amanda G, Ann & Roger, Elizabeth, Alexander, John, Mary, Paul T, Brenda, Geoffrey, Bruce & Margaret, Maureen, David, Jenny, Dex, Pat, Laura, Bob D, Hugh, Bob W, Ann F and all those who weigh heavy on your heart.

THOSE WHO ARE BEREAVED Please pray for those who have been bereaved, especially the family and friends of John Merritt, Pauline Wynn, Beryl Price, Dennis Burrow and Brian Moss.

ZOOM PRAYERS We meet for Morning Prayer on Zoom each **Tuesday and Thursday** at 9.00 am for 20 mins. This an opportunity for members of all three ACP churches to pray together on. You can obtain the Zoom link from Revd Paul, Di, Sarah or Pat.



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CALLING THOSE WITH A HEART FOR PRAYER

Henri Nouwen said: *“Through prayer we enter into God’s compassionate heart.”* He goes on to say: *“Prayer is far from sweet and easy. Being the expression of our greatest love, it does not keep pain away from us. Instead it makes us suffer more since our love for God is a love for a suffering God and our entering into God’s intimacy is entering into the intimacy where all human suffering is embraced in divine compassion. To the degree that our prayer has become the prayer of our heart we will love more and suffer more, we will see more light and more darkness, more grace and more sin, more of God and more of humanity. To the degree that we have descended into our heart and reached out to God from there, solitude can speak to solitude, deep to deep and heart to heart. It is there where love and pain are found together.”*

We have set up a WhatsApp Prayer Request Group. Members of the different congregations can ask for prayer on WhatsApp and members of the group will pray for them. But you do not have to be a member of the group to request prayer. As prayer is answered, you can also update the group.

In a small community, where many of us know each other, it is so important to remember that these requests are private and may be very personal. They are confidential. We need to treat them sensitively and not discuss them with each other. It often takes great courage to even admit to needing prayer or telling anyone that there is something wrong in our life. It is a privilege that we are entrusted with. You will not be required to post your prayers online.

This is a really important ministry and may suit those of you who, for whatever reason, cannot serve more actively. Most important is a heart like His for those afraid, anxious, suffering or in any kind of pain. My hope and prayer is that God might eventually allow this group to develop into a Healing Prayer Ministry but that is for Him to decide.

If you are interested in being part of this group, please would you email me with your name and WhatsApp contact details?

Soli Deo Gloria (Glory to God Alone)

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“These I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations.” Isaiah 56:7

REVD PAUL WRITES This is a much needed ministry to, and for, one another. Events in my own family in recent weeks have shown Paula and I the need to be able to ask for prayer ‘in an emergency.’ We don’t need to know every last detail of your requests for prayer, God knows all things and we can commit you, and those you pray for, into his care. I commend Caroline for taking this initiative and for those who have joined already and to the church council for supporting this venture. Why not give it a try?

NB. WhatsApp is a FREE and accessible smart phone APP that can be downloaded from your service phone provider. It can also be downloaded onto your Computer, Laptop or Tablet and is an effective platform for messaging multiple recipients at once. It’s perfect for a prayer chain.