



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS



St Stephen's
Tala



Ayia Kyriaki
Kato Paphos



St Luke's
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WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 19th March 2023 (Mothering Sunday)

WELCOME

Good day to all our readers. I hope this Newsletter finds you well. Happy Mothering Sunday to all you mothers out there.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect:

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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.

A Prayer for the week ahead for our Parish and Ourselves.

Heavenly Father, in the week ahead, let us run into your loving arms. May each day be a celebration, filled with thankfulness, where we connect with the presence of Heaven, seek your beauty and goodness, and cherish special time together. Come fill our hearts afresh with your love. May it overflow with Heaven's bounty, moving through the week ahead and let us share every blessing with those we come in contact with. Amen.

Encouraging Words.

Jesus said, "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." (John 16: 33)

Our Diocese:

See the downloadable Prayer Calendar here:

<https://www.cypgulf.org/prayer-diary/>

Daily Readings

For readings and the daily service of morning prayer, evening prayer and compline, please download

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer/daily-prayer-app-and-podcast>

GOD SLOT

Mothering Sunday teaches us something very important, it teaches us about the nature of love in its purest and unblemished form. Motherly love, given unconditionally and unselfishly, a love that shows us here on earth, the nature of the love that our Father in heaven has for each and every one of us, his errant children. God's love, just like a mother's love is given freely and unconditionally. God is no 'helicopter parent', he showers us with love and leaves us to make our own decisions and our own mistakes and boy do we make some mistakes. But none of those blunders makes any difference to the nature of that unending love. As we prepare to acknowledge the love of our God at Easter during this time of Lent, we're presented with Mothering Sunday, a reminder of unselfish love, the perfect and undemanding love of a mother for their child, the symbol of the love of God for each and every one of us.

God Bless
Revd Ken

JOKE SPOT

Little Johnny is watching his dad assemble some Ikea furniture. His dad says to him, "Little Johnny, can you to bring me a screwdriver. 'Do you want a 'Daddy' screwdriver or a 'Mummy' screwdriver?' Little Johnny politely inquired. Confused and intrigued by the question, his dad responded with, 'Bring me a 'Mummy' screwdriver.' Little Johnny returned and handed him a butter knife.

NOTICES

CHARITY COLLECTION

Sue & Lou's Charity Bottles. The last date for collection of bottles is **26th March**, please have yours ready to hand in by that date. Many thanks.

BIKE MAINTENANCE HELP

Have you got the skills to teach basic bike maintenance (changing inner tubes, etc.), then can you offer your time to help with a programme to teach the recipients of our bicycles to help them keep their bikes on the road and safe? Please contact Revd Ken.

LENT STUDY

We will be using a study called 'All Loves Excelling'. It consists of five sessions looking at Philippians. The first session will be on Monday 20th March at 10.30am at St Stephen's and will run weekly, except for 10th April, which is Easter Monday. Can you please email me (anglicanpriest.acp@cytanet.com.cy) to confirm your attendance and also send you out the study materials.

BARN DANCE

We are holding a Barn Dance on Saturday 25th March at Yiannis Taverna, Kathikas starting at 7.00pm. Tickets are €18 including a meal. Please get your tickets from your Churchwarden. This is to raise much needed funds for our church.

NICOSIA COACH TRIP

Don't forget to book your place on the bus for the Nicosia trip (including Ikea) on 28th March. Tickets available from your friendly Churchwarden.

SPRING FAYRE

The Spring Fayre is planned for Saturday 22nd April at St Stephen's in Tala. We are looking for bric-a-brac items, cakes, preserves, jewellery, plants and, of course, refreshments that will help raise money for the church. Any new stall ideas would be much appreciated. Contact Chris Hoskins on 97753973.

SAVE THE DATES

25 th March	Barn Dance
28 th March	Nicosia Coach Trip
9 th April	Easter Lunch (venue to be advised)

22 nd April	Spring Fayre
8 th May	Coronation Garden Party
27 th May	Variety Show
24 th June	Mini Golf
22 nd July	Annual BBQ

SERVICES

Sunday 19th March – Mothering Sunday

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki
 11.00am Morning Worship St Luke's
 11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's

Readings:

Samuel 1: 20-28; Psalm 34: 11-20; 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7; Luke 2: 33-35

Sunday 26th March – Third Sunday of Lent

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki
 11.00am Holy Communion St Luke's
 11.00am Morning Worship St Stephen's

Readings:

Samuel 1: 20-28; Psalm 34: 11-20; 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7; Luke 2: 33-35

Mid-week Holy Eucharist every Wednesday at 9.00am at Ayia Kyriaki

EASTER SERVICES

For your diaries here is the list of Easter Services in our Parish:

Sunday 2nd April – Palm Sunday

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki
 11.00am Morning Worship St Luke's
 11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's
 6.00pm Holy Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki

Monday 3rd April – The Way of the Cross

6.00pm Ayia Kyriaki

Tuesday 4th April – Tenebrae Service

6.00pm St Stephen's

Thursday 6th April – Maundy Thursday

11.00am Holy Communion + Stripping of Altar St Luke's
 6.00pm Holy Communion + Stripping of Altar St Stephen's

Friday 7th April – Good Friday

11.00am Service of Reflection St Stephen's
 12.00pm Service of Reflection Ayia Kyriaki
 2.00pm Service of Reflection St Luke's

Sunday 9th April – Easter Sunday

8.15am Sung Eucharist + Incense Ayia Kyriaki
 11.00am Holy Communion St Luke's
 11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's

MILLENIUM

Two thousand years have been and gone
Since Christ this earth he trod
Born, crucified and rose again
His soul returned to God.

He died that we might live again
Can this be really true?
That all his suffering and pain
Was done for me and you?

Then why has man forgotten this
Turning Jesus from the door
With light consumed by evil mists
And obscenities of war

So in this new millennium
A chance to start again
For us to love our fellow man
And thank Christ for his pain
(Roy Hollingsworth)



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(Don't forget Friday is my day off (most weeks☺))

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