



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS



St. Stephen's
Tala



Ayia Kyriaki
Kato Paphos



St. Luke's
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WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 6th November 2022 (3rd Sunday before Advent)

WELCOME

Hey Ho, another week has flew by and I sit down in front of the computer to put together this week's edition of the Weekly News. I'm also looking at January's services and one point panicked because I thought I'd missed Christmas ☺. As the weather is cooling our dog is getting a lot more energy and our walks are getting longer again. Although I have one complaint in that she never adjusted her clock last weekend and she's now coming to wake us up at 5am! You can hear "to early" a lot in our house at the moment. Have a good week.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect:

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Prayer for this week for our Parish and Ourselves.

Heavenly Father, as a new week stretches before us, we look with wonder into the deep well of emotions you have given your children. We pray that we may withdraw enough compassion to heal another's broken heart; enough peace to quell another's fear; enough joy to celebrate another's victory; enough strength to share another's burdens, and enough faith to light a candle in another's darkness. Thank you for the assurance you have given us that our well will never run dry. Amen.

Psalm 16: 8. *"I am always aware of the Lord's presence; he is near, and nothing can shake me."*

A Prayer of Intercession based on Jeremiah 1:4-10 (lectionary reading for 21.08.22)

Father God, Help rid us of the lies we tell ourselves. "I am too young to speak effectively", "I am too inexperienced to lead", "I am too small to make a difference." Help us to see our usefulness through the eyes of the Kingdom, not the expectations of the world, recognising that you do not call the qualified, but qualify the called. Help us not only with the presumptions that hold us back in our own journey with you,

but open our eyes to the biases and presumptions we possess that hold back the potential of others. When, consciously or unconsciously, we don't recognise the skills, capabilities, and dignity of other people. When we place limits on what we think you can achieve through others. Prevent us from idolising the kinds of people we have traditionally given responsibility to. Do away with the assumption that people in global poverty need the solutions of westerners like me. Discourage us from thinking that someone's appearance or background disqualifies them from any role in your Kingdom. Amen.

Our Diocese:

See the downloadable Prayer Calendar here:

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

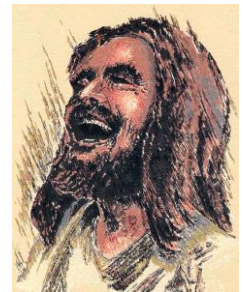
Daily Readings

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

Does God have a sense of humour? Does God laugh? Well ... "to everything there is a season." "a time to laugh." (Ecclesiastes 3: 4). Yes, God is a God of order and balance, which must include laughter and a sense of humour! After all, he gave me as your Priest ☺. I love this picture of Jesus laughing. During his travels with his disciples there would have been time to laugh as well as preach the gospel and all the healing. Laughter can help with all sorts of ailments and situations. So amongst our earnest task of spreading the good news of salvation through Jesus, let us also remember to stop sometimes and laugh, enjoy our life, enjoy this place we live in and the friends we have. As in Ecclesiastes 3: 4 there is a time. Let's remember that often. So no groaning at the joke that follows!



God Bless

Revd Ken

JOKE SPOT

Little Johnny went to confession and said, "I have stolen a fat goose from someone's yard!" The Priest said, "That is very wrong." Little Johnny said, "Would you like to accept it, Father?" The Priest said, "Certainly not. Return it to the man whom you stole it from. Little Johnny said, "But I have offered it to him and he won't have it." The Priest said, "In that case you may keep it yourself." Little Johnny said, "Thank you, Father." The Priest arrived home to find one of his geese had been stolen...

SPONSORED WALK

A total of 24 walkers took part in the Annual sponsored walk. The weather was fine and warm and most of the walkers returned to Sea Caves for a snack, refreshments and fellowship. So far we have banked €2190 from the registrations, raffle and walkers who have handed their sponsorship money in. Well done to all.

NOTICES

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 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.

EVENTS

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| 8 th November | Nicosia Coach Trip |
| 24 th November | Quiz Night |
| 27 th November | Advent Carol Service Ayia Kyriaki (6.00pm) |
| 10 th December | Carols for Christmas at St Luke's |
| 16 th December | Christmas Carols in the Kings Mall |
| 18 th December | Carol Service at St Stephen's (11.00am) |
| 18 th December | Carol Service at Ayia Kyriaki (6.00pm) |
| January | Bowling |
| 21 st February | Beetle Drive |
| March | Nicosia Coach Trip |
| March | Barn Dance |
| 22 nd April | Spring Fair |
| 20 th May | Mini Golf |

SERVICES

Sunday 6th November - 3rd Sunday before Advent

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

Readings:

Job 19: 23-27a; Psalm 17: 1-9; 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17; Luke 20: 27-38

Sunday 13th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent

8.15am Sung Eucharist including an Act of Remembrance - Ayia Kyriaki
11.00am Holy Communion including an Act of Remembrance St Luke's
10.50am Remembrance Service St Stephen's
6.00pm Remembrance Service Ayia Kyriaki

Readings:

Malachi 4: 1-2a; Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13; Luke 21: 5-19

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

Traveling On My Knees

Last night I took a journey
To a land across the seas.
I didn't go by ship or plane
I travelled on my knees.

I saw so many people there
In bondage to their sin,
And Jesus told me I should go,
That there were souls to win.

But I said "Jesus, I can't go
To lands across the seas."
He answered quickly, "Yes, you can
By traveling on your knees."

He said, "You pray, I'll meet the need.
You call, and I will hear.
It's up to you to be concerned
For lost souls far and near."

And so I did; knelt in prayer,
Gave up some hours of ease,
And with the Saviour by my side,
I travelled on my knees.

As I prayed on, I saw souls saved
And twisted persons healed,
I saw God's workers strength renewed
While labouring in the field.

I said, "Yes Lord, I'll take the job.
Your heart I want to please.
I'll heed Your call and swiftly go
By traveling on my knees."

(Sandra Goodwin)



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

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