



**St. Stephen's
Tala**



**Ayia Kyriaki
Kato Paphos**



**St. Luke's
Prodromi**

WEEKLY NEWS

**Sunday 23rd October 2022
(Last Sunday after Trinity)**

WELCOME

Well, my comments last week about getting into jeans certainly came about with the change in weather. Not only jeans; but a fleece and raincoat have appeared as well as boots! Still, this is Cyprus, the sunshine will be back ☺. Welcome to this week's edition.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect:

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ 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 this week for our Parish and Ourselves.

Heavenly Father, in this coming week, bless the work we do, the words we say, the love we share, the grace we show, and the people we will meet, in our daily journey through this beautiful and precious world. Amen.

Early Morning Prayer

I come before you O Lord

As the sun rises may your hope rise up in me.

As the birds sing may your love flow out of me.

As the light floods into this new day,

May your joy shine through me.

I come before you, O Lord

And drink in this moment of peace,

That I may carry something of your hope, love and joy

Today in my heart.

Amen.

(prayer courtesy www.living-prayers.com)

Psalm 16: 5, 8. “Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure. ... I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.”

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

From time immemorial, human beings have experienced the glory of God in the beauty of his creation and especially when accepting the challenge of clambering up a steep and rocky slope toward the goal of a distant summit, to experience a breath taking view of the world spread out like a giant tapestry beneath your feet. There is something symbolic of our Christian journey in climbing a mountain. It can be tiring, difficult and we can often feel like giving up but the end is an encounter with God in all his glory. We shall see him with unveiled faces and be fully and gloriously transformed in his presence. Throughout our Christian journey, which begins at our Baptism, we are in the process of transformation *from one degree of glory to another*. For all of us, life has many twists and turns. Sometimes we are secure and comfortable. Sometimes life becomes risky, challenging and uncomfortable – rather like the sensation of ascending a steep and narrow mountain track or being caught in the eye of a storm as we had last Sunday with the rain, thunder and lightening. Throughout our Christian journey, the good times and the difficult are nurtured and sustained through regular worship and reaching out to God in prayer. I suspect it’s far more challenging to carve out time to be still and to listen, to be faithful in prayer and weave that pattern of ‘listening’ prayer into our daily lives. This pattern of prayer once established is utterly transformative and is essential to us as breathing is for life as we continue our Christian journey with all its challenges but also with those glimpses of God’s glory, which sustain us along the way. (*‘Borrowed’ from a colleague JH*).

God Bless

Revd Ken

JOKE SPOT

Little Johnny, the Vicar’s son, celebrated his birthday on crutches, so he couldn’t carry the cupcakes into school without help. His mum asked his brother, Noah, to help carry them in. “I could,” he said, “but I’d prefer not to.” Spotting a teaching moment, his father asked Noah, “What would Jesus do?” Noah answered, “Jesus would heal him so he could carry his own cupcakes!”

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NOTICES

ANNUAL SPONSORED WALK - a gentle reminder as it’s not too late.

The Annual Sponsored Walk is an enjoyable day out and, more importantly, raises several thousands of Euros for church funds. As most of you are aware, this year our walk is taking place on **Thursday 27th October**. We do not have many people registered!! There are three routes all starting and finishing at Sea Caves - 7Km, 12Km and 20Km to suit all capabilities - and a snack lunch included in the registration fee of €15. Why not join in along with your friends and family members and get sponsored. Your dog will enjoy the walk too. Full details are on the church web site www.paphosanglicanchurch.org or from Di Sylvester, Church Secretary on 99103976 [email:churchsecretary04@gmail.com](mailto:churchsecretary04@gmail.com)

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

We are in desperate need for volunteers to join the team. Would you please prayerfully consider giving up a little of your time to help others in our parish. For information on what the team does please contact Judith Perrett on 97682150 or see the Pastoral Care section on our website.

FIRST AID TRAINING

Due to the Covid period all our current first aider certificates are out of date so we are looking for volunteers, from each of the churches, to take an accredited First Aid Course so that we are compliant with our church policies. The course costs €65 per person (if you can donate towards the cost that would be excellent; but not mandatory). Please contact Chris Hoskins (97753973) if you are interested

EVENTS

27 th October	Annual Sponsored Walk.
8 th November	Nicosia Coach Trip
24 th November	Quiz Night
10 th December	Carols for Christmas at St Luke's
16 th December	Christmas Carols in the Kings Mall
January	Bowling
21 st February	Beetle Drive
March	Nicosia Coach Trip
20 th May	Mini Golf

SERVICES

Sunday 23rd October Last Sunday after Trinity

08.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki
11.00am Holy Communion St Luke's
11.00am Morning Worship St Stephen's

Readings:

Joel 2: 23-32; Psalm 65: 1-7; 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18; Luke 18: 9-14

Sunday 30th October All Saints

08.15am Sung Eucharist + Incense Ayia Kyriaki
11.00am Holy Communion St Luke's
11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's

Readings:

Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1: 11-22; Luke 6: 20-31

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

The Legacy

She could not give her children gold,
So she gave them faith to have and hold.

She could not give them royal birth...
A name renowned throughout the earth.
But she gave them seeds and garden spot
And shade trees when the sun was hot.

She could not give a silver spoon
Or servants waiting night and noon.
She gave them love and a listening ear
And told them God was always near.

She could not give them ocean trips
Aboard majestic sailing ships.
But she gave them books and quiet time,
Adventures found in prose and rhyme.

She could not give them worldly things
But what she gave was fit for kings.
For with her faith and books and sod,
She made each child aware of God.

(Alice Leedy Mason)



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

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