



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS



St Stephen's
Tala



Ayia Kyriaki
Kato Paphos



St Luke's
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WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 29th October 2023

(Last after Trinity)

WELCOME

I hope this week's Newsletter finds you all well. I'm starting to prepare for Christmas Services and have watched a few Christmas films already to get me in the mood (that loud moaning in the background you can hear, is Wendy as she has to watch the films with me!). I can hear them faint sleigh bells getting louder ☺.

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 the week ahead for our Parish and Ourselves.

Heavenly Father, you make all things new, the Creator who is continually nurturing, renewing, and developing every aspect of our remarkable universe. As we face this new week ahead let us rest in your creative arms, let us dwell in the hope of our renewal, let us hope in the strength of your mighty hand. Take all that we are, all that we care for, and all that we love into your gentle arms. Come to touch and heal, mend and restore, release and minister. Lord thank you that you make all things new. Thank you that there is always a new start in you. Thank you that today and everyday lives are being being remade anew. Amen.

A Prayer for peace.

Heavenly Father, who would fold both heaven and earth in a single peace: let the design of your great love come upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows: and give peace to your Church, peace among nations, peace in our dwellings, and peace in our hearts: through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. 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>

Encouraging Words.

"The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him." (Psalm 28:7)

GOD SLOT

There are a lot of words that are similar to renewal, but they don't grasp the full meaning of **Biblical Renewal**:

1. Renovation...It is different from renovating, which means only to replace enough worn or old parts to put back into good condition. Though we need to have old or worn parts replaced, we really need more than a renovation.

2. Restoration...It means something different from restoring, which means to bring back to an original or unimpaired condition. We do many times need to be restored, brought back to an original or unimpaired condition, and the Lord does that frequently for us.

3. Refreshing...It means something more than refresh, which implies a restoring of depleted strength and vigour. We do need to be refreshed, to have our depleted strength and vigour restored.

4. Rejuvenation...It means something more than rejuvenate, which means to restore to a youthful appearance. We do need to be brought back to a place of youthful strength in the Lord.

Each of these words contains something which is contained in the word "renew." We as Christians when we fail or sin, and come to the Lord asking for forgiveness receive renewal. He renews us, makes us as if we are new again. Many times in our lives we will need to be renewed. The good news is that we have promises from God that this can happen in our lives. *"In Christ, we can be renewed."* (2 Cor 4:16). As we move into this new week ahead of us let us feel the renewal of Christ seeping through us and giving us the love, strength and grace to be a blessing to all whom we may meet on the journey.

God Bless,

Revd Ken

JOKE SPOT

Little Johnny was working at a hospital as a student nurse. He went into one of the side wards where he was told there was a patient waiting for discharge. He found an elderly gentleman already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he didn't need my help to leave the hospital. But Little Johnny stated that hospital regulations require a wheel chair for patients being discharged. After a chat about rules being rules, the old gentleman reluctantly let Little Johnny wheel him to the elevator. On the way down Little Johnny asked him if his wife was meeting him. 'I don't know,' he said. 'She's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown.'

SAVE THE DATES

7 th November	Nicosia Coach Trip
12 th November	Remembrance Day Services at all three churches
14 th November	Light up a Life Service at 6.00pm in Ayia Kyriaki (Latins)
23 rd November	Hot Pot Supper
24 th November	Annual Dinner & Dance (Latins)
9 th December	St Luke's Carols for Christmas
15 th December	Carols in the Mall
5 th January	Revd Ken's final service in the Parish to be held at AK (confirmed)
13 th February	Beetle Drive (Stephanie Restaurant)
5 th or 12 th March	Nicosia Coach Trip
8 th or 20 th April	Spring Fair
18 th May	Mini Golf
20 th June	Annual BBQ

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Always believe that something wonderful is about to happen." (Sukhraj S. Dhillon)

NOTICES

TIMELY REMINDER

Remember, the clocks 'go back' one hour this weekend.

NICOSIA COACH TRIP – IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to the higher cost of fuel, the tickets for this trip have had to be increased this year to €18.00. A 53-seater coach has been booked and the ACP are hoping that most seats will be taken. The timetable is: The coach leaves the old Homecare/Debenham's car park at 07.45. After a 'comfort break' it will arrive at IKEA/The Mall at around 10.00. Leaving for Ledra Street at 12.00. If you wish to visit the Turkish side of Northern Cyprus, please remember to bring your passport and yellow slip.

REMEMBRANCE POPPIES

Just a reminder that poppies are now on sale.

SERVICES

Sunday 29th October – Last Sunday after Trinity

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki	Revd Ken
11.00am Holy Communion St Luke's	Revd Ken
11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's	Revd William

Readings:

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12; Psalm 90: 1-6; 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8; Matthew 22: 34-46

Sunday 5th November – All Saints/All Souls

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki	Revd Ken (Incense at this service)
11.00am Morning Worship St Luke's	Graham Hare
11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's	Revd Ken
6.00pm Holy Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki	Revd Ken

Readings:

Revelation 7: 9-17; Psalm 34: 1-10; 1 John 3: 1-3; Matthew 5: 1-12

Sunday 12th November – Remembrance Day

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki	Revd Ken (includes act of remembrance)
10.50am Holy Communion St Luke's	Revd Ken (includes act of remembrance)
10.45am Holy Communion St Stephen's	Revd Andrew (includes act of remembrance)
6.00pm Remembrance Service Ayia Kyriaki	Revd Ken

Readings:

Amos 5: 18-24; Psalm 70: 1-6; 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18; Matthew 25: 1-13

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

QUESTIONING GOD

Are you an alien and we were duped?
Why Jesus – yet we are still the same?
 Why me?
 Why him or her?
 Why leave us?
Are you frightened to reveal yourself?
Omnipotent – I don't think so!
 Why are you silent?
 Why do I still believe?
 (Nek Sretaw)



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

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"Your call is very important to us. Please enjoy this 40-minute flute solo."