



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS



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WEEKLY NEWS

**Sunday 11th September 2022
(Trinity 13)**

QUEEN ELIZABETH II – 1926-2022

It was with shock and great sadness that we learned of the death of Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday 8th September. She has been Queen for most of our lifetimes and an anchor through all the changes of the past 70 years, and there was no better example of someone who put their duty above all else. A committed Christian who was happy to speak about her faith and she has now found peace safe in the hands of God. Long live the King.



We are now in a period of mourning for 10 days until the state funeral takes place. I have cancelled the Songs of Praise on Saturday (so please spread that news). Each church will have a Book of Condolence in place for people who wish to comment. There will be a Commemorative Service in the Parish organised and details will be published once known.

WELCOME

Here we are again with another week over and a new week ahead of us. As we leave the summer behind and we start to think of those cosy (read freezing) winter nights ahead of us, let's use the long dark nights to think about what we can send to the Vicar to put into the Weekly News ☺.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect:

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, 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, bless the week ahead. We know we will encounter challenges and pressures, but do not allow it get to us. Do not allow the bustle of the week become an issue of bad circumstance for us. Bless the people we meet on our way oh Lord. On the road, in the restaurant, even on our way to the toilets. Let them see us and rejoice in you. Let our lives be a point of contact with you.

Let them appreciate you in our lives such that they would want to be a part of our happiness. Let us bring them closer to you, our source of joy. We know you have taken care of the week already. Thank you Lord. Cover us with the blood of Jesus and help us with the desire to stay motivated. Remember us through this journey of life and bring us back home safely. Amen

Psalm 19: 14

“May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.”

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

My goodness! It's September! Wasn't it just April a few days ago? I knew I shouldn't have blinked – three quarters of the year has just passed me by like an express train. Isn't life fun in the fast lane? So much to do - yet so little time to do it. I'm full of good intentions of what I'm going to do; and then suddenly the time has slipped away. Does it feel like that for you too? I must admit the only time I feel that time goes back to how it used to be when an hour was really an hour and that is when I'm in church. I really have a sense of peace and tranquillity as I sit or stand there with the family of our church, singing hymns (some of which I know and a lot that I don't), listening to the readings tell us how relevant God's word is today – and by golly it's right when you listen. I love this time because I can leave our mad, bustling, busy life where I am at the beck and call of the phone, e-mail and visitors – why do we have to be in constant contact with everyone now? Was it really that bad when only a few people had a telephone and the only urgent contact was either through a letter and an odd telegram? I can sit in a peaceful building with friendly people (mostly ☺) and wonder at the glory of God and his creation. Back to “isn't life fun”. Yes it is as long as there is a balance. There is a time to be busy but there is also a need for time to relax and enjoy the world about us. To think about our loved ones and to be thankful for the life we have. I find that balance in our church. Where is your place?

God Bless

Revd Ken

JOKE SPOT:

Little Johnny started at a new convent school and after a week he was hauled up in front of the Head Teacher. He was asked why he was being creepy and following the same girl around the school all week. Little Johnny looked at the Head Teacher and said my teacher, Sister Moria told me on the first day that, “I'm supposed to walk by Faith!”

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

EMERGENCY CONTACT/NEXT OF KIN - HELPING US TO HELP YOU.

If something serious happens to you, who will know who to inform, or indeed, who will act on your behalf? Does the church know who you wish to be contacted? And what about those people, perhaps friends or neighbours of yours who live alone?

Would you know what to do on their behalf in case of an emergency? Emergency contact/next of kin forms are available at church solely for this purpose - to make life easy for you and yours. After completing the form (detailing your contacts and wishes) the information is stored securely in the church office. For your security and peace of mind why not complete the form which is available from your Church Warden - you know it makes sense.

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You could have put an article or two in here! ☺

NOTICES

Supple & Savvy

Julia is restarting Supple and Savvy classes on 15th September. It is every Thursday at St.Stephen's at 10.30-11.30am. We would welcome new members. We have good fun, and make our bodies more supple, whilst also keeping our brain active with word games. Please let me know if you would like to join us on 96541639.

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Hi everyone, For those who need to know :-)
Next week Monday 12th Sept class venue + schedule – unchanged. Tuesday 13th Sept - class cancelled (PAWS quiz has been moved forward a week)
HOWEVER !! Wednesday 14th September - 'Tuesday class' will be held instead on the Wednesday at the *PCFi Church Hall* (opposite Tower Electrics) same charge - P3A members €2 others €3, same times - 5.30 pm - newbies/beginners/improvers intro bit. 6.00 - 8.00pm general dancing.

EVENTS

25 th September	Harvest Festival Lunch – Yannis, Kathikas
4 th October	Pet Blessing Service, outside Ayia Kyriaki
11 th October	Big Sing (Fr Jim), Ayia Kyriaki
27 th October	Annual Sponsored Walk.
8 th November	Nicosia Coach Trip
26 th November	Barn Dance
10 th December	Carols for Christmas at St Luke's
16 th December	Christmas Carols in the Kings Mall

CHRISTMAS CAROLS IN THE KINGS MALL

At long last we have permission to sing Carols again in the Mall. If you are interested in singing (don't have to be a good singer) please let me know you are interested so we get an idea of numbers. (**I've only had ONE RESPONSE**). We **need** a large group of singers. Let me know on anglicanpriest.acp@cytanet.com.cy

SERVICES

Sunday 11th September

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

Readings:

Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14; 1 Timothy 1: 12-17; Luke 15: 1-10

Sunday 18th September

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

Readings:

Jeremiah 8: 18 – 19: 1; Psalm 79: 1-9; 1 Timothy 2: 1-7; Luke 16: 1-13

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

You Can Count On It

God's got a plan
So don't be sad
And, don't be bad
Just be glad.

When you are blue
Know that God is true
Trust Him each day
It will all be okay.

Don't worry or be sappy
Live your life and be happy.
He loves you, no matter what
You can count on that!

(Alexa AM Hebert)



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

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