



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS

Ayia Kyriaki, Kato Paphos; St. Luke's Prodromi
and St. Stephen's, Tala

A Parish in the DIOCESE OF CYPRUS AND THE GULF

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We are committed, through Jesus, to sharing God's love
for all peoples and growing in our love for Him
and for one another.

Sunday 14th January 2018
Epiphany 2 - Year B

Parish Priest: The Reverend Andrew Burt

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Readings for Sunday 14th January

Page Numbers for St. Stephen's only

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3: 1-10 -- Page 192
Psalm: Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17 -- Page 444
Second Reading: Revelation 5: 1-10 -- Page 869
Gospel: John 1: 43-51 -- Page 751

Organ Music for both Services at Ayia Kyriaki

Before: Elegy - S. Archer Gibson
After: Canon (Sarabande) - L. Couperin

Choir Anthem at 6.00pm Eucharist

From the rising of the Sun - F. A. Gore Ouseley

Sunday 21st January

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 -- Page 143
Psalm: Psalm 128 -- Page 442
Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6: 11-16 -- Page 841
Gospel: Luke 10: 25-37 -- Page 735

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### *COLLECT & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK*

**COLLECT:** Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Anglican Communion:** After a year of many tragedies, not only in the UK, the following is the Archbishop of Canterbury's New Year message for 2018: "So often in 2017, the depth of suffering was matched by a depth of compassion as communities came together. Which stories will define us? The horror? Or the response? The darkness, or the light? It is a choice. But not one we have to make alone. Jesus Christ the light of

the world weeps for our struggles, works for our healing, and invites us to walk in his light. He is right there with us, in the midst of everything.

**The Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East of which our Diocese is a part:** We pray for the Diocese of Iran and the Vicar General, the Revd Dr Albert Sundararaj Walters and for the safety of all Christians living and working in this predominately Muslim country, especially when it is going through a time of political unrest.

**Our Diocese:** We pray for the Director of Finance, and others who have the oversight of the Diocese's finances; for responsibility, and imagination in the use of money and resources. This week we pray for St. Martin's Anglican Church, Sharjah UAE, and the Revd Drew Schmotzer ministering to this exciting church with congregations mainly comprised of Indians, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans and Africans, all loving and serving each other.

**In our own Parish of Paphos:** We pray for our Parish Priest Andrew, our Associate Priest Anthony having a well-earned break, and the members of our worship team; This week please pray for the joining together with the Latins and four fellowship groups for the Week of Prayer for Christians Unity Service at 6pm next Friday in Ayia Kyriaki.

**Please** keep in your prayers Charles Sweetlove, and Andrew Bates.

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WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY & THIS WEEK

Sunday 14th January

8.15am	Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki
9.30am	Morning Worship - St. Luke's
11.00am	Morning Worship - St. Stephen's
6.00pm	Sung Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki

Wednesday 17th January

9.00am	Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki
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Thursday 18th January

3.00pm	Women's Group Meeting - St. Stephen's
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Friday 19th January

2.00pm	Craft and Coffee - St. Stephen's
6.00pm	Service of Prayer for Christian Unity - Ayia Kyriaki

Sunday 21st January

8.15am	Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki
9.30am	Holy Communion - St. Luke's
11.00am	Holy Communion - St. Stephen's
6.00pm	Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki

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### **Treasurer's Overview:**

Christmas and the New Year have arrived and as with many families, it is now the time of year when we measure our finances. I will shortly start to prepare the Church annual accounts; however, I already have a good feel for how 2017 turned out. I must stress that these numbers are preliminary, may have slight changes and are still subject to independent financial examination. They are given in round thousands.

For 2017, I expect to report a modest €4K surplus, marginally better than the original budget. This is after the Wedding Ministry contributing €15K and a huge gift of €9.5K (after gift aid) that we received.

As you already know, for 2018 we are not anticipating a contribution from either of these sources.

Congregational giving (including €3K received from people using St

Stephens Church premises) in 2017 was €92K and Parish running costs were €127K. The Wedding Ministry received €71K and cost €56K to run.

The shortfalls between what congregations gave and spending was covered through the wedding ministry surplus and the gift mentioned previously together with fund raising, receipts from funerals, craft and Christmas card donations and other small sundry sources.

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THIS PARISH OF OURS

Duty Wardens for this week

Ayia Kyriaki - Jacquie Hammond

St. Stephen's - Chris Hoskins

St. Luke's - Jayne Preston

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**Gift Aid can boost Church finances:** If you pay UK income or capital gains tax please help the Church by using the blue Gift Aid envelopes for your Open Plate donations. This will add approximately 25% to any donations you make, as the Church can reclaim the basic rate of tax from your donations. If you are or intend to donate via the Pledge Giving Scheme, you can complete a one-off Gift Aid declaration. **Please ask for a pen if you need one.**

To make a Gift Aid declaration, you will need to pay UK Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in any tax year greater than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all your Gift Aid donations in that year, or you will be responsible for any difference. Income tax includes tax credits on UK dividend income. Boosting the Church income in this way will be a very welcome additional contribution to finances.

### **For our visitors and any residents eligible to Gift Aid:**

**PLEASE**, if you are putting your donation in a Gift Aid envelope, would

you make sure that the details on the front of the envelope are completed; if this is not done we are unable to claim the tax refund.

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GENERAL NOTICES

Our AGM - Saturday 10th March at 10.30am at St. Stephen's: it is not too soon to be thinking about your participation. The shortage of Wardens at Ayia Kyriaki and at St Stephen's has still not been resolved and you will have an opportunity to nominate those you wish to stand for election to Council and for wardens, in this coming year, at our Congregational meetings. These meetings must be held between now and the AGM so there will be opportunities for you to express your views at a local level. Please think and pray carefully about all of this. If you are not on the Parish Electoral Roll, and wish to be, please speak, as soon as possible, to a warden.

Giving Guide: In addition to the Common Sermon that will be preached on Sunday 21st January, a Giving Guide for 2018 will be distributed to all attending and will also be available to all parishioners. This guide, while noting the many positives things that are happening in the parish, also sets out our financial situation for 2018 and beyond and appeals for your help in filling significant positions in our parish. There will be an opportunity for you to respond accordingly. If you are not going to be in church, next Sunday, please would you request a copy of the guide from our Honorary Secretary, Di Sylvester at: churchsecretary04@gmail.com. This is an important document that is issued at your Council's request.

Parish Electoral Roll: to have voting rights at the forthcoming AGM, your name must be on the electoral roll and your application needs to be received by Friday 9th February so that it can be taken to the February Council meeting for approval. If you need an application form, please contact Di Sylvester, our honorary Parish secretary at

churchsecretary04@gmail.com. There are a number of parishioners who come regularly but who are not on our Roll – it would be nice to see you properly registered with us.

Lent 2018: Ash Wednesday (Wednesday 14th February) is just a month away! Services will be held, as usual, in our three churches: Ayia Kyriaki at 9.00am, St Stephen's at 11.00am and at St Luke's at 5.00pm. The season of Lent is a very significant period in our Christian year and Ash Wednesday, with the traditional Eucharist and 'ashing', is an important way to mark and begin this season.

Lent Courses and Lunches: As we have done in previous years, a series of three Lent Courses will run in the parish. Courses will be run by: Reverend Andrew on Tuesdays at 11.00am at the Chaplaincy House in Emba, beginning on Tuesday 20th February; by Canon Anthony on Thursdays at 11.00am at the Chaplaincy flat in Yeroskipou, beginning on Thursday 22nd February; and at St Luke's on a Saturday beginning on Saturday 17th February run by Reverend Andrew. An attractive course, which we will use, has been published by the Diocese and you can preview it at: <http://cypgulf.org/wp-content/uploads/Diocese-Lent-Course-2018-Doing-God-Doing-Good.pdf> Further details, including sign-up sheets, will follow.

Inspiration / Daily Meditation: In the spirit of sharing where you find good encouragement for your daily Christian walk, a parishioner has shared how she uses the following website to assist her daily prayers and Christian inspiration. It is a website that contains, for each day, music, a daily Bible reading, a short reflection and suggestions for prayer. Try it at: <https://www.pray-as-you-go.org>. or download the App. Let us know if you like it and if you have found a website or another source that nurtures your Christian faith, please share it. Reverend Andrew.

Follow in the footsteps of St Paul, in Cyprus: Father Carlos has alerted us to an exhibition that will be running in the Paphos Castle entitled

Following in the Footsteps of St Paul, in Cyprus, that will run from Friday 12th January to Wednesday 31st January.

Christmas Fayre: There is still time to get a copy of the quiz. These are available from Margaret Keeble or your church warden. The closing date for all quiz entries is 31st January 2018. Margaret Keeble 26 422380.

NOTICES FOR TODAY, THIS WEEK & NEXT SUNDAY

Women's Group Meeting - Topic: Retirement Village in Tsada
Speaker: Elysian Fields Properties: Date: 18th January 2018 @ 3 pm
Location: St Stephen's Church, Tala.

Situated in a popular village in the Paphos district, within a short drive to Latchi and Polis to the North and Coral Bay to the south, this is one of the first projects of its kind on the Island.

This is something that has long been needed in Cyprus and the Developers are giving a presentation on the project.

Ladies, please do make a note in your diaries of the above event. The above details together with details of the talks in February and March can be downloaded from our church website.

Service to mark The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: an important service to mark this week will be held in Ayia Kyriaki at 6.00pm on Friday 19th January. This will be a service that will be shared by the Latin clergy and congregation, and by the Christian Fellowship Churches in Paphos. The service, this year, has been written by Christians in the Caribbean. Please do mark this date in your diary and support us with your presence and prayer as we mark this significant week.

Sunday 21st January: Your Council has asked that prior to our AGM (Saturday, 10th March) a 'Common Sermon' be preached in the parish at all three churches setting out the state of the Anglican Church of Paphos. You will be aware that, as we begin the new year, there are

several key concerns that have not been fully addressed over the last year. The common sermon will seek to not only highlight and discuss such concerns but also to talk about the positive aspects of life in our parish. I commend this occasion to you and hope to see as many of you as possible on this Sunday. Reverend Andrew.

Recycled Cards: Dates for your Diary:

St. Valentine's Day - February 14th

Mothering Sunday - March 11th

Easter Sunday - April 1st

Orthodox Easter - April 8th

Cards for all these occasions will be available at Ayia Kyriaki 8.15 service and St. Stephen's 11am service next **Sunday 21st January** and again on Sunday 18th February 2018. Sorry, we are unable to sell in March.

If you need cards but can't make either of these two dates, please get in touch and something can be arranged.

Many thanks for your support in 2017. We were able to hand over €925 to the Christmas Fayre, the proceeds from which go to local charities. Sue and Lou.

ADVANCE NOTICES

Congregational Meetings: our three churches will hold congregational meetings prior to the AGM on Saturday 10th March. They will be held as follows: **St Stephen's, Monday 19th February** at 2.00pm; **Ayia Kyriaki, Wednesday 21st February** at 10.00am; and **St Luke's, Friday 23rd February** at 4.00pm. Please put these dates into your diary.

Social and Fundraising: Due to the February Council meeting being moved from Wednesday 14th (Ash Wednesday) to Tuesday 13th February, the Beetle Drive/Pancake supper will now be held on **Tuesday 20th February** at the Stephanie Restaurant.

Spirituality Day - Anglican Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf: Please join us for a morning of: FINDING GOD IN ORDINARY PLACES.

Date: 22 February 2018. Time: 10.00am till 1.00pm. Led by: Ellie Hart

Book by 19 February: retreats@cypgulf.org, 99-155092

Further details on Church notice boards.

Women's World Day of Prayer - will take place on **Friday 2 March 2018**, commencing 2pm at St Stephen's. All Christian Churches in Paphos will be contacted and invited to take part. If anyone would like to volunteer at this service from Ayia Kyriaki, St Stephen's and St Luke's, please contact Chris Hoskins as soon as possible either by e-mail: chrishoskins2016@gmail.com or call 97753973. The service has been prepared by Christian women of Suriname. Please encourage parishioners, friends, family and visitors, including gentlemen to attend.

Craft Group: The Craft Group will hold a Spring Fair on Saturday 17th March between 10.00am and 1.00pm at St Stephen's Church. Part of the Fair will focus on an Easter theme so, please could all sewers and knitters bend needle, thread and wool to make Easter chicks and bunnies etc. We are also looking for any unused/unwanted Christmas presents along with bric-a-brac, books and pot-plants, along with cakes and preserves, on the day. Non-perishable items can be left at St Stephen's. We will also need lots of helpers on the day. Please put the date in your diary and spread the word. Please, also, speak to Mary if you can help in any way. She can be contacted at St Stephen's or on 99863194.

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS 2018

Thursday 25th January - Chinese meal will take place at the Imperial Restaurant, Kato Paphos 7.00 for 7.30pm. Price €18 and drinks to be discounted off the bill.

Tuesday 20th February - Shrove Tuesday - Beetle Drive/Pancake supper (Stephanie Restaurant.)

Tuesday 13th March - Nicosia Coach Trip

Saturday 17th March - Spring Fair - St. Stephen's - 10am to 1pm.

Sunday 1st April - Easter Lunch

Monday 2nd April - Sponsored Walk

Friday 18th May - Mini Golf

Friday 22nd June - Fashion Show and afternoon tea

Saturday 21st July - Annual BBQ

News sheet items to Sarah Sait, please, by 10.00 a. m. on the Wednesday before publication. Tel: 26 272502; Mob: 99 437892; Email: sarahsait1995@gmail.com

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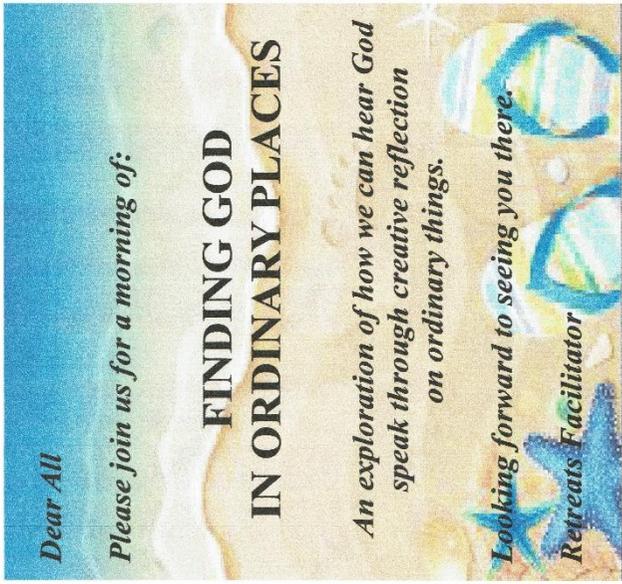
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POSTCARD

Spirituality Day
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St Helena Church,

Larnaca

22 February 2018

10.00 a.m. till 1.00 p.m.

Led by: Ellie Hart

(author of Postcards from Heaven)

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