

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH of PAPHOS

DIOCESE OF CYPRUS and THE GULF

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem

and the Middle East

(a Province of the Anglican Communion)

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

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 15th March 2015 - 4th Sunday of Lent - Year B

Mothering Sunday



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS
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Readings for Sunday 15th March - Mothering Sunday

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Psalm: Psalm 34: 11-20... Page 397
Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7... Page 816
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Sunday 22nd March - Passiontide begins

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Psalm: Psalm 51: 1-12... Page 405
Second Reading: Hebrews 5: 5-10... Page 848
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Choral Evensong 6.00pm at Ayia Kyriaki

Psalm: Psalm 51: 1-12
First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 31-34
Second Reading: John 12: 20-33

Prayers for this Week

This week we pray for the Church of Christ worldwide and especially for the ministry of Readers with our Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, and for their public lay ministry as they lead, preach and teach. On this island of Cyprus, we pray for Christ Church Ayia Napa serving the local English speaking community from the coastal areas of Ayia Napa, Protaras and surrounding villages. This includes an active Migrant Worker group and throughout the year holiday makers of many different nationalities. We pray for the continuing development of a healthy leadership team in a time of transition, and for God to call a new Priest to Christ Church. Loving God, send them your Holy Spirit to guide, strengthen and convict them as they travel together in a time of change; a time to be responsive to each other's needs and to prepare for a new shared ministry in Christ. In our own Parish of Paphos, we pray for God's guidance, through the

oversight of Bishop Michael and Archdeacon John, to the Wardens, the Church Council and the worship team looking to the future Spiritual growth of our church family. Please also keep in your prayers Rev'd Nic, Rev'd Julia, Hannah and Joshua as they prepare for pastures new.

For further prayers during the week please go to our Diocesan Prayer Guide Booklet and also the Anglican Communion website: www.anglicancommunion.org/acp

What's going on today and this week

Sunday 15th March - Mothering Sunday

8.15am Holy Eucharist (Rev'd Nic) - Ayia Kyriaki
 9.30am Holy Eucharist - (Rev'd Marian) - St. Luke's
 11.00am Holy Eucharist - (Rev'd Nic) - St. Stephen's
 6.00pm Sung Eucharist - (Rev'd Nic) - Ayia Kyriaki

Tuesday 17th March

7.45am Nicosia Coach Trip - departing Municipal Car Park
 10.00am Taking Steps in Faith Course - St. Stephen's

Wednesday 18th March

9.00am Holy Eucharist (Rev'd Nic) - Ayia Kyriaki
 10.00am Ayia Kyriaki Congregational Meeting - Church Office
 Kitchen Area
 3.00pm St. Luke's Congregational Meeting - St. Luke's

Thursday 19th March

10.00am Ecumenical Bible Study - phone 26652057 for details.
 3.00pm Women's Group Meeting - St. Stephen's

Friday 20th March

2.00pm Coffee, Company, Craft and Chat - St. Stephen's

Saturday 21st March

10.00am Palm Cross Making - Church Office Kitchen Area
12.45pm Taking Steps in Faith Course- St. Luke's
 Change of time due to palm cross making in church office area.

Sunday 22nd March - Passiontide begins

8.15am Holy Eucharist (Rev'd Andrew) - Ayia Kyriaki
 9.30am Holy Eucharist - (Rev'd Nic) - St. Luke's
 11.00am Morning Worship - (Reader Trev Sait) - St. Stephen's
 6.00pm Choral Evensong - (Rev'd Nic) - Ayia Kyriaki

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### **For the work of the Church - w/e 8th March 2015**

**Ayia Kyriaki:** €322.12                      **Pledges:** €100.00  
**St. Stephen's:** €286.50            **Pledges:** €392.00  
**St. Stephen's Lent Collection:** €90.00  
**St. Luke's:** €128.00    **Pledges:** €20.00  
**St. Luke's Lent Collection:** €26.40

**Open Plate Total : €736.62**

**Pledges Total: €512.00**

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THIS PARISH OF OURS

Duty Wardens for week

Ayia Kyriaki - 8.15 a.m. Margaret Keeble + week

Ayia Kyriaki - 6.00 p.m. Margaret Keeble

St. Stephen's - Bob Cross

St. Luke's - Catherine Elliott

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**A Notice for our U.K. Visitors**

**Gift Aid** - The Anglican Church of Paphos, through the Jerusalem and East Mission Trust UK Endowment Fund, is recognised by the UK tax authorities as a registered UK charity. Any donations made by UK Taxpayers are eligible for Gift Aid. In order to participate, a Gift Aid envelope must be completed and submitted to the Church. **So that we can claim back any tax, it is vitally important that the information required on the front of the blue Gift Aid envelope is completed IN FULL. If this is not done we are unable to make a valid claim.**

Your participation in the Gift Aid Scheme is much appreciated as the church is totally self-supporting. Thank you.

Gift Aid envelopes are provided with the Weekly Notice Sheet for your convenience.

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GENERAL NOTICES

Lent Giving: Our Lent Giving, this year, is in aid of the General and Eye Clinics run by Christ Church, Aden which is a part of our Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf: baskets and Lent Offering envelopes are available near the entrances of all three of our Worship Centres. Please do give as generously as you can to this worthy cause.

Tenebrae – A note of explanation from Rev’d Nic: Julia and I will lead this Holy Week service at St. Stephen’s (refer to Holy Week programme in this News Sheet), lasting approx. 45-50 minutes, with music but no hymns or sermon. From the Latin word for shadows, Tenebrae is a service for Holy Week begun in full light, with a series of short Scripture readings, prayers and quiet moments for reflection. Each reading relates to an aspect of God’s love and provision for humanity, contrasted with humanity’s responses, and after each reading one or more lights is switched off until the church

is in almost total darkness – apart from a candle light representing Christ. We depart in silence when it is over (there will be enough light for you to find your way out). It ends in hope, and is a moving lead-in to the events commemorated on the Thursday and Friday of Holy Week.

The service has early Church sources, and in its modern format was revived initially in the Presbyterian Church but is well-known and widely used in all churches worldwide including the Anglican Church. It surprised us to learn that almost nobody in the parish has ever heard of it, since it has been so well-received, and we invite you to come and experience it.

Café Direct: This month’s round of sales at Ayia Kyriaki and St. Stephen’s resulted in 23 items being sold and a profit to the Church of €21.10.

Colin has had his surgery cancelled for the planned date so he will be there on the 5th April as normal.

Help!! ‘Would anyone be prepared to help me distribute posters for our Easter services around the hotels. I would very much appreciate help with the legwork. Thank you.
Margaret Keeble 26422380/99533704.’

Help the Church Survey: Many thanks to all those who have completed and returned their “Help the Church Survey” forms; Rev’d Andrew, Jacquie and Sarah will shortly be passing on the names of the volunteers to the various group leaders. If you haven’t yet completed your form please would you do so and hand it in as soon as possible and, if you haven’t received a copy for some reason, please ask the sidesman or Duty Warden for a copy. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Coffee, Company, Craft and Chat: There will be **NO** Friday afternoon meeting on **April 3rd** which is Good Friday.

Otherwise it is business as usual on Friday afternoons from 2p.m. at St. Stephen's and a warm welcome and delicious cakes are always on offer. If you have any left over craft resources or books etc. that you have no further use for, we would welcome those as we are planning another craft and coffee sale as soon as the weather warms up a bit more.

More information is available from **Mary Brown 99 863194** or email **maryb42@hotmail .co.uk**

NOTICES FOR THIS WEEK and NEXT SUNDAY

Congregational Meetings which will include the election of a Constituent Church Council member for ratification at the A.G.M. are being held as follows:

Ayia Kyriaki will be holding their Congregational Meeting on **Wednesday 18th March**, 10am in the Church Office kitchen area.

St. Luke's will also be holding their Congregational Meeting on **Wednesday 18th March** but at 3.00pm. at St. Luke's

All members of the Constituent Churches are encouraged to attend these meetings where they can put forward any ideas or ask any questions they may have and also to elect the person they wish to represent them on the Church Parish Council for the next year.

'From Guitarist to Priest'

That is the life journey that the Revd Rod Price has taken and will talk to the **Women's Group** about at St. Stephen's on Thursday 19th March from 3 - 5 pm, hosted by Ayia Kyriaki. Tea will be provided by AK so please tell Julia DD if you wish to attend to facilitate catering: 26 652 281.

Palm Cross Making: We will be meeting at 10am on **Saturday 21st March** in the church office kitchen area to make palm crosses for our three worship centres; all are welcome to join us whether

resident or on holiday, if you have never made palm crosses before don't worry there will always be someone there to show you how, so do join us for a morning of fun and laughter - refreshments provided.

Recycled Cards: We shall be selling recycled cards at Ayia Kyriaki and St. Stephen's Churches on **Sunday 22nd March** and Sunday 3rd May 2015 after the 8.15 am service and after the 11 am service. We shall have Easter Cards for sale on 22nd March. We look forward to your support. Many thanks, Sue and Lou.

ADVANCE NOTICES

An Invitation to Explore Intercessory Prayer in our Sunday

Services: We need additional people to lead intercessions at our services. Whilst you might feel you haven't the skills, we would encourage you to join a Workshop at which we will explore prayer, or rather how to prepare intercessions for a service. We hope that those who currently lead prayer will be present to give insights and help.

To attend the workshop will not mean you have to commit yourself to join the team of people who currently pray in services, but we hope you will come with an openness to learn and to ask whether this is a way you can serve God and the church. We hope that following the Workshop you will stay to enjoy a simple buffet lunch..

The 'Exploring Prayer' Workshop will be held on Friday 27th March from 11.00am at St. Stephen's Church, Tala. For further information, or to confirm that you wish to attend, contact Rev'd Andrew, Ann Bailey or Trevor Sait.

A Fellowship lunch has been arranged for the Anglican Church at Gustoso Restaurant on Tombs of the Kings Road at 1pm on **Easter**

Sunday April 5th. It is a three course buffet style lunch, cost is €15 per person drinks extra.

If you would like to join in this special occasion in the Church calendar please let Norma know by March 30th by telephone 26 654392 / 99 077124 or email: normar@primehome.com

SOCIAL EVENTS

Nicosia Coach Trip - Tuesday 17th March 2015, €12 providing there are enough people to pay the cost of the coach. Depart Municipality car park at 7.45 am prompt. Travel to IKEA and Mall, departing 12 noon for those wishing to go to the Old Town (passports required for those wishing to go across the border), departing Old Town at 4.30pm, picking up at IKEA, arriving in Paphos approx. 6.45pm.

Chinese Meal - Chloe's, Tomb of the Kings, on April 24th or 25th (date tbc).

Mini Golf - 23rd May (buffet included)

Argaka Fun Afternoon - 13th June

Annual BBQ - 18th July

Ticket Sellers:

Ayia Kyriaki: Morning: Gerald & Trisha Payne (96 620721)
Evening: Liz & Bob Pearce (26 934174)

St. Luke's: Jayne Preston (96 511321)

St. Stephen's: Gordon & Norma Redpath (26 654392)

CONTACTS

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Holy Week and Easter 2015

We welcome you to participate in any of the following services, with the prayer that they encourage you in pilgrimage with Jesus through Holy Week and into our celebration of his Resurrection!

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### SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Ayia Kyriaki, Kato Paphos at 6.00 p.m.**

Stations of the Cross arranged by Reader Trev Sait

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Ayia Kyriaki, Kato Paphos at 9.00 a.m.**

Holy Eucharist with devotions for Holy Week led by Rev'd Andrew

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April – St. Stephen's, Tala at 7.00 p.m.**

Tenebrae Service led by Rev'd Nic:

**A note explaining the Tenebrae service is published in the Weekly Notice Sheet, unfortunately, it is too long to add here.**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Maundy Thursday**

**Ayia Kyriaki, Kato Paphos at 5.00 p.m.**

Maundy Thursday Service led by Rev'd Andrew including Stripping of the Altar

**St. Luke's Church, Prodromi at 6.00 p.m.**

Maundy Thursday Service led by Rev'd Nic with 'hand' washing and Stripping of the Altar

## Passover Meal at Carob Tree Retreat at 7.00 p.m.

A symbolic re-enactment of a Jewish Passover Meal which became known as "The Last Supper". The 'meal' uses the elements of a Passover Meal and a Liturgy which is still in use by Jewish families as they celebrate their history as told in the Old Testament. This celebration is then transformed by Jesus into the first Eucharist: "On the night before he died, at supper with his friends, he took bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them saying, take, eat, do this in remembrance of me...." The meal will last about an hour and a quarter. There is no charge, booking is not necessary but please let Rev'd Marian know if you will be attending (for catering purposes) as they will have supper at the end of the Seder.

For directions to the Retreat at Nata (past Ayia Varvara, 15 minutes from Konia Circle) and to confirm attendance, please ring Rev'd Marian Morgan (26 422 428 or 99 242 539).

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Good Friday**

**St. Stephen's Church, Tala at 11.00 a.m.**

A Service for Good Friday led by Rev'd Nic

**St. Luke's Church, Prodromi at 12 noon and 2.00 p.m.**

St. Luke's will open the church at 12 noon for silent prayer and from 2 – 3 p.m. there will be the procession with the cross into the church for meditations led by Rev'd Marian.

**Ayia Kyriaki Church, Kato Paphos at 2.00 p.m.**

There will be a Last Hour Service between 2 & 3 p.m. led by Rev'd Andrew.

**Services for Palm Sunday and Easter Day will be held at the normal times and in the normal places – do please join us you will be very welcome.**