

Ayia Kyriaki, Kato Paphos; St. Luke's Prodrumi
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 1st September 2019

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Readings for Sunday 1st September

Page Numbers for St. Stephen's only

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 10: 12-18
First Reading St. S.: Proverbs 25: 6-7 - Page 466
Psalm: Psalm 112 - Page 434
Second Reading: Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16 - Page 853
Gospel: Luke 14: 1, 7-14 - Page 739

Organ Music for both services at Ayia Kyriaki

Before: Vater unser im Himmelreich - G. Böhm
After: Fantasia - C. P. E. Bach

Sunday 8th September

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30: 15-end -- Page 147
Psalm: Psalm 1 - Page 383
Second Reading: Philemon: 1-21 - Page 845
Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33 - Page 739

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***COLLECT & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK***

**Collect:** Glory of God, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**The World Council of Churches' Cycle of Prayer:** We pray for Benin, Cote d'Ivoire and Togo. We pray for those working to alleviate the poverty, illiteracy and hunger and for emotional and physical healing, and restoring hope in people who are victims of conflict, disease and human rights abuses.

**Our Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East:** We pray for the primate, The Most Reverend Suheil Dawani; the Provincial Administrator Joel Kelling ; Secretary Georgia Katsantonis and Treasurer Ehab Edward Khalil.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan The Most Revd Justin Badi Arama – Bishop of Juba and Archbishop of the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

**Our Diocese:** We pray for the Holy Spirit to keep leading the people of God, and for all in the diocese who teach and show the Spirit's ways both old and new. This week we pray for the life and work of those in St. Andrews church in Kyrenia and for the Assistant Interim Priest The Reverend Michael Graham.

**In our own Parish of Paphos:** We ask all to hold in prayer the Parish Priest Andrew, our Interim Associate Priest Canon Anthony, and readers Ann, Ray and Trevor. In particular we ask all to hold in your prayers our reader Trevor and his loving wife Sarah, and for all those who are suffering in mind, body or spirit. We pray for the bestowing of the merciful healing powers of Our Lord, and for strength and comfort for those providing support.

Please remember in your prayers the families and friends of **John Douglas Kalaher** whose funeral takes place tomorrow and for the repose of the soul of **Sheila Aghnides**.

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WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY AND THIS WEEK

Sunday 1st September

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

Wednesday 4th September

9.00am Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki

Friday 6th September

2.00pm Craft and Coffee - St. Stephen's

Sunday 8th September

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

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### *Duty Wardens for this week*

**Ayia Kyriaki - Trisha Payne**

**St. Stephen's - Bryn Jones**

**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.

GENERAL NOTICES

Robing for Clergy at Services: With temperatures rising noticeably, it has been decided to renew the advice to our parish priests allowing them to use their discretion about wearing robes over the hot summer months. When not robing, Clergy will wear their normal clerical attire plus an appropriate stole.

Personal Possessions: Please would you ensure that you have oversight, at all times, of your possessions during the service. Thank you.

Parish Sponsored Swim: Swimmers are already underway swimming to raise funds for our Church. They are working hard on our behalf. Have you sponsored someone, yet? In order to encourage you the following folk are swimming. Please take time to consider their efforts and encourage them by sponsoring one or more. The sponsored swim is part of the Major Fund Raising Team's work to meet a target of raising €10,000 for church funds, this year.

Our swimmers are from **Ayia Kyriaki:** Mary Ulldemolins, Pat Ambler, Keith Errington and Sarah Shenton.

From St Luke's: Jayne Preston and Peter Latham.

From St Stephen's: Judith Perrett, Dex Perrett, Kevin Townsend and Daniel.

A big thank you to our swimmers and to those who have already sponsored a swimmer(s). If I have missed someone's name off the list, please let me know. It's still not too late to start – you have the month of September. Sponsorship forms from your warden. Reverend Andrew.

Our new Archdeacon: The Venerable Christopher Futcher: Archdeacon Christopher and his wife The Reverend Anne Futcher have moved into their new home in Larnaca. Please remember them in your prayers during this week as they prepare for their licensing at St Helena's, Larnaca on Saturday 7th September at 2.00pm. All are welcome to attend this service. Reverend Andrew

Sarah Sait – Warden at Ayia Kyriaki and Vice-chair of Council: having regard for Trevor's illness and his recuperation, Sarah has indicated that she wishes to relinquish these two duties, for the next three months – duties that she has been faithfully exercising for some time. We trust that she will be able to resume these duties towards the end of November. In the meantime, we continue to pray for Trev's recovery and for Sarah. Reverend Andrew.

Christmas Card Project 2019

I would like to express my very grateful thanks to *all* of the artists and photographers who finally submitted designs for this year's cards. Many thanks also go to the selection committee (you know who you are!) for giving generously of your time. We eventually received some lovely contributions and it was quite a challenge to narrow down the choice of four. After much deliberation and some very careful consideration by the card selection committee and upon the advice of the graphic designer at the printing press, I am very pleased to announce that our beautiful cards are being printed this week and the flyers will be available on Sunday 1st September for the ordering process and your Christmas card shopping to begin. For those whose cards were not selected, thank you very much. I will be happy to return your originals or retain them for consideration next year. Please call or email after the release of the flyer on 1st of September. Card sales will begin on Sunday 15th September.

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Trevor Sait – Reader: Trev has decided that given his current illness he needs to relinquish his Readership duties with immediate effect. Trev was licensed as a Reader in 2004 and has completed 15 years of faithful service as a Reader in the Parish. Readers are, normally, licensed to their parish but, unusually, Trev has held a Diocesan-wide license – a special and treasured concession granted by Bishop Michael. We give thanks for Trev's long and dedicated service in this position and we pray for his speedy recovery and include his wife, Sarah, in our prayers. Reverend Andrew.

Legacy Giving - Have you thought of leaving a bequest in your Will to the Anglican Church of Paphos?

The Parish in Paphos receives no external funding. Our only income is from donations and collections from our regular congregation members, visitors and those attending Weddings, Funerals and other special services - so gifts from people like you make everything we do more possible. Gifts in Wills provide additional income to charities and organisations such as our Church. Depending on the size of the gift, payments to the beneficiary can be made in different ways - as a one-off payment, periodically via a trust fund, bank or invested on behalf of the beneficiary to provide future income.

You can specify the purpose to which your gift can be put - general running costs, purchase of new or special equipment, building construction and maintenance - the list is endless.

All donations and bequests will be gratefully received and treated in the strictest confidence.

If you would like to include the Anglican Church of Paphos in your Will and need advice or information on how to proceed, please take a Legacy leaflet from the dispenser on your way out or ask the sidesperson for one, or visit the 'Giving' section on our web-site at www.paphosanglicanchurch.org

Printer paper Available: for complicated reasons, the church office has a surplus of printer paper available for you to have for a suggested donation of €4.00 per ream. Your wardens should have a supply of this paper available in all three churches. Do avail yourselves of a bargain – the paper quality is good.

NOTICES FOR TODAY, THIS WEEK & NEXT SUNDAY

Lunchtime Organ recital: The last in our series of Summer lunchtime organ recitals will take place tomorrow **Monday 2nd September**, 12pm at Ayia Kyriaki Church. The recital will last for approximately 30 minutes and the organist will be Paul Timmins. Entry will be free but there will be a

retiring collection in aid of the Friends' Hospice and the St. Michael's Hospice so do please join us if you can and help support these worthy causes. Thank you. Please note that the recital will also feature a guest trumpeter, Dr. Paul Dawes.

ADVANCE NOTICES

A Date for your Diary: St. Luke's Church, Prodromi, will be hosting their annual **Songs of Praise** on Saturday **14th September** at 5.30 p.m. This will take place in Ayios Andronikos Park in Polis, a lovely setting, where we shall sing hymns and listen to poems and readings based on the theme of The Four Seasons.

We welcome parishioners and friends from other churches to join us, and plan to finish about 6.30pm. Afterwards, we will retire to a nearby taverna, called Moustakallis, for supper, you would be welcome to join us. Do come and enjoy the occasion. Enquiries to Di Sylvester 99103976.

Recycled Cards: Sue & Lou will next be selling their recycled cards on Sunday **15th September** after the 8.15am service at Ayia Kyriaki and after the 11.00am service at St. Stephen's. They make wonderful cards so do please have a browse, replenish your stocks and help local charities in the process.

Paphos Big Sing: The next Paphos Big Sing is on Friday **18th October**. **Please Note:** we now have our full quota of hymns for our big sing on October 18th. Thank you to all who contributed. Canon Anthony.

Craft Group - are holding an Autumn Bazaar on Saturday **26th October** from 10am until 2pm with the raffle being drawn at 1.30pm. Stalls will include plants, bric a brac, jewellery, cakes, preserves, craft items, Refreshments will be available at a minimal cost. If you have any unwanted gifts and would like to help man a stall, please contact Mary Brown or Chris Hoskins.at St Stephen's.

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Friends, Neighbours, Visitors - all are welcome

12th September - Latchi Boat Trip will take place on Thursday 12 September departing 3.30pm at a cost of €25 (providing there are 30 plus people).

28th September - Gala Party / Sponsored Swim. Details to follow.

29th September - Harvest Lunch at the Kamares Club

19th October - Beetle Drive

8th November - Annual Dinner Dance at the Kamares Club

12th November - Nicosia Coach Trip

Ticket Sellers:

Ayia Kyriaki: Morning: Carolyn Hart (97762371)
Evening: Duty Warden

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

St. Stephen's: Caroline & Ian Geddes (Tel: 99 417976)

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Further thinking on today's Gospel:

In reading around the Gospel passage, for this week, I came across this interesting passage from Will Willimon's *Pulpit Resource*, Vol 47 July, August, September 2019. We are all aware that we have 'lost' congregational members over the last little while – often as folk have moved back to the UK. We cannot afford to let our congregations decline. The following extract provides an interesting perspective on what we might do to address this situation. What do you think? Reverend Andrew

"I know a church that had fallen on hard times. Their membership had dwindled. They had attempted to attract new people to church, particularly young families. But with little response.

Then their young pastor challenged them. "Don't invite your neighbours or relatives to come with you to church. Invite someone whom you don't know that well. Invite someone who is having a rough time right now. Don't say to them, 'I want you to come to church with me and meet some people whom I think you will like.' Say to them, "We need you to help make us the church that Jesus intends us to be.' Say to them, "Your presence among us could make us a better group of followers of Jesus."

Then the pastor added, "Isn't there someone of your acquaintance who has just lost someone they love? How about someone who is without her job and is anxious about her future? Or do you know someone who has been hurt by someone else? Invite them. Tell them that we don't want them to go through their difficulties alone. Tell them that we want to hear their story and we want to walk with them and bear some of their burdens. Fortunately for us, there are a lot of hurting folks out there and there's a lot of loneliness in our town."

And their church grew. "We had been trying to reach people who already had too much to do and too little time. people who were over programmed and very busy. The key was to look for people who have nothing better to do on a Sunday morning than to be with us and with Jesus."



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS

SONGS OF PRAISE IN THE PARK



**Saturday 14 September 2019
at 5.30pm**

Ayios Andronikos Park, Polis

Hosted By:
**St Luke's Anglican Church,
Prodromi**

ALL ARE WELCOME

For more information, contact:
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