

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 26th January 2020

Epiphany 3 - Year A

Parish Priest: The Reverend Andrew Burt

Interim Assoc. Priest: The Revd Canon Anthony Stidolph

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Readings for Sunday 26th January - Epiphany 3

Page Numbers for St. Stephen's only

First Reading: Isaiah 9: 1-4 - Page 489
Psalm: Psalm 27: 1-11 - Page 393
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 - Page 807
Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23 - Page 683

Organ Music for both services at Ayia Kyriaki

Before: Meditation - M. Reger
After: Marche Pontificale - O Lattry

Sunday 2nd February - Presentation of Christ

First Reading: Malachi 3: 1-5 - Page 676
Psalm: Psalm 24: 1-10 - Page 392
Second Reading: Hebrews 2: 14-end - Page 847
Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40 - Page 723

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

**Collect:** God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

**The World Council of Churches' Cycle of Prayer:** We pray for the countries of Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Western Sahara and Tunisia. We pray for all the people of these countries: Muslims, the tiny remnant of Christians, those of other faiths who continue to bear witness to their faiths and for all people of good will.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** We pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brazil; the Most Reverend Naudal Alves Gomes – Primate of Brazil & Bishop of Curitiba.

**Our Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East:** We pray for Archbishop Michael, President Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East and his staff. We pray for all those caught up in the recent unrest in both Iraq and Beirut and that wisdom will prevail in the settlement of the ongoing disputes.

**Our Diocese:** We pray today for The Reverend Canon Doctor John Holdsworth, Honorary Director of Ministry, as he with others promotes a culture of learning, vocation and discernment in the diocese. This week we pray for our own parish of Paphos, the Reverend Andrew Burt and the churches of Ayia Kyriaki Chrysopolitissa in Paphos, St. Stephen in Tala, and St. Luke in Prodromi.

**In our own Parish of Paphos:** We ask all to hold in prayer our Parish Priest Reverend Andrew, our Interim Associate Priest Reverend Canon Anthony as he nears the end of his time with us, and readers Ann and Ray. We give thanks for the resolution of outstanding issues sufficient to enable the church to move forward in the appointment of a new Associate Priest.

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WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY AND THIS WEEK

Sunday 26th January

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

Wednesday 29th January

9.00am Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki
10.15am Pastoral Care Team Meeting - St. Stephen's
11.15am Hospital & Clinic Visitors' Team Meeting - St. Stephen's

Friday 31st January

2.00pm Craft and Coffee - St. Stephen's

Sunday 2nd February - Presentation of Christ in the Temple

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

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### **Duty Wardens for this week**

**Ayia Kyriaki** - Sarah Sait

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

**St. Luke's** - Jayne Preston

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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*

**Archbishop Michael:** a warm welcome to Archbishop Michael and to Julia as they visit Ayia Kyriaki and St Stephen's, today. We are grateful to Archbishop Michael for his time in being with us, today, for he will return in two weeks' time to lead our farewells to Canon Anthony at 6.00pm at Ayia Kyriaki on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February. He will look forward to seeing you, once more, for this important occasion. Reverend Andrew.

**Please note:** Due to Synod next Sunday's Weekly Notice Sheet will cover two weeks; the week commencing Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> and the week commencing Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February. If you have anything you would wish to go into the WNS over those two weeks, please let me have it by 10am on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January. Thank you. Sarah Sait

**The Electoral Roll:** the parish is required to maintain an Electoral Roll and all members of the parish, who are not on the Roll, are entitled to apply for inclusion on it. If you are new to the parish or have been with us for some time, and have not previously enrolled, please would you consider taking this step. Apart from formalising your relationship with us, it will also allow you to vote at the Annual General meeting to be held in March. Applications are approved by the Parish Council and new applications will need to be received by Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February in order to be considered by the Council meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February. I do encourage you to take this step. An application form will be available from your Warden. Reverend Andrew.

**Farewell to Eric Dickinson MBE:** around forty parishioners and friends gathered at Café Nero, in the Old Town, last Wednesday to bid Eric a fond farewell as he leaves Paphos to return to be closer to his family in England. It was a wonderful occasion with many reminiscences shared, over coffee and cake, concerning Eric's long involvement with the parish. As someone remarked, he has served the parish in just about every capacity that a lay person can, and this is a wonderful testimony to Eric's willingness to be involved and his determination to make a difference to the life of the parish. Eric leaves with our prayers, best wishes and

heartfelt thanks for all that he has done for us. If you would like to send Eric a card to welcome him to his new home, please be in touch with Carole McCandlish on 97630246. Reverend Andrew.

**Birthday Greetings:** Ivy Gibson celebrates a very significant birthday on Monday when she turns ninety! Warmest birthday greeting, Ivy, from all in the parish. We hope that you are able to celebrate well with your friends and that there are many birthdays still to come. Much love to you from all in the parish – greetings and best wishes. Reverend Andrew.

**An Old Idea Recycled:** It has been said that one measure of a healthy parish is its level of giving to charitable causes outside of the parish. By any measure, we have done well with the success of recent Christmas Fayres. With the demise of the Fayre, we need to look for new ways to continue this. With this in mind, please would you take time to read the letter that accompanies this issue of the Weekly Newsheet. If you would like to become part of the charitable pot scheme, please sign up with your Warden and let him or her know that you would like a pot. I really encourage you to take part and join me as we contribute our spare euros. I really hope we can find 'homes' for fifty pots or more! Specially designed pots, bearing the ACP logo, will be available from Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. In the meantime, please would you put your name down with your warden, who will 'order' your pot from Sue and Lou. Reverend Andrew.

**A Senior's Exercise Class – a new innovation:** Julia Stevenson from St. Stephens, is going to run a Seniors' exercise class from **6<sup>th</sup> February 2020** on Thursday mornings 10.30am-11.30am at St. Stephens Tala.

For most of the class, you will be sitting on chairs and we will, also, do exercises and games for memory and mental agility. €3 per session. Money to go to church funds. Please ring me if you are interested. I can only take 12 to start with. We will have tea/coffee after the class and a chat. Please wear comfortable clothes. My number is 96 541639, or contact me at: [juliaannstevenson@icloud.com](mailto:juliaannstevenson@icloud.com)

**Women's Group:** I am sad to say that due to falling numbers and lack of interest, we have decided not to continue with our monthly meetings for this year.

I am happy to take your comments if you would like something different or any other ideas. Any changes to this decision will be published.

Rema Lawson

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ADVANCE NOTICES

Canon Anthony's Farewell: Canon Anthony's final service with us, in his capacity as Associate Priest, will be on **Sunday 9th February at 6.00pm at Ayia Kyriaki**. Archbishop Michael, and Bishop (Retired) Dominic Walker (our preacher at this service and the 11.00am service) will be with us along with Archdeacon Christopher. Following the Eucharist there will be a reception at St Paul's Tavern where a finger buffet will be served. Tickets for the reception are available. Envelopes are also available, from your Warden, if you would like to make a contribution to a farewell present for Canon Anthony. As we give thanks for Canon Anthony's four years of ministry with us, so we also use this important occasion to thank him for all that he has done, for us, and to wish him well as he retires. Please mark the date in your diary and join us.

Reverend Andrew.

Lent 2020: Ash Wednesday is just around a month away and falls on Wednesday 26th February. There will be the usual services celebrated, on this day, in the parish and two Lent Courses will begin on or around this date. More details to follow but there's nothing like advance planning! Get your diary out. Reverend Andrew.

World Day of Prayer will take place on **Friday 6th March 2020** commencing 2pm at St. Stephen's, Tala. All Christian churches in Paphos will be contacted and invited to take part.

If anyone would like to volunteer, including gentlemen, at this service from Ayia Kyriaki, St Luke's and St Stephen's, please contact Chris Hoskins either by email: chrishoskins2016@gmail.com or call 97753973. This year's service has been prepared by Christian women of Zimbabwe. Please encourage parishioners, friends, family and visitors, including gentlemen to attend.

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Friends, Neighbours, Visitors - all are welcome

Tuesday 25 February - Chinese Meal at the Phuket restaurant, Kato Paphos at a cost of €18. 7.00 for 7.30pm.

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)

Proposed Social Events for 2020

10 March - Nicosia Coach Trip
12 April - Easter Lunch
13 April - Sponsored Walk (MF)
Apr/May - Spring Fayre (MF)
16 or 23 May - Mini Golf
June - Boat Trip or Lavender Festival
18 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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AN ARABIC PROVERB

**Be gracious like the tree:
when a rock is thrown at it,
it returns fruit.**