



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 28th January 2018 - Epiphany 4 - Year B

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Parish Priest: The Reverend Andrew Burt

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Readings for Sunday 28th Jan. - Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Page Numbers for St. Stephen's only

First Reading: Malachi 3: 1-5 -- Page 676
Psalm: Psalm 24: 1-10 -- Page 392
Second Reading: Hebrews 2: 14-18 -- Page 847
Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40 -- Page 725

Organ Music for both Services at Ayia Kyriaki

Before: Pange Lingua - P. Macdonald
After: Prelude - G. Pierne

Choir piece at 6.00pm Eucharist

Ave Verum Corpus - Elgar

Ave, verum corpus
natum de Maria Virgine,
Vere passum immolatum
in Cruce pro homine,
Cujus latus perforatum
unda fluxit et sanguine,
Esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.

Hail, true body
born of the Virgin Mary,
Who truly suffered, sacrificed
on the Cross for man,
Whose pierced side overflowed
with water and blood,
Be for us a foretaste
In the test of death.

Sunday 4th February

First Reading: Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31 -- Page 454
Psalm: Psalm 104: 25-37 -- Page 429
Second Reading: Colossians 1: 15-20 -- Page 833
Gospel: Mark 1: 29-39 -- Page 707
Gospel for St. Luke's: John 1: 1-14

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## COLLECT & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

**COLLECT:** God of heaven, you send the Gospel to the ends of the earth and your messengers to every nation: send your Holy Spirit to transform us by the good news of everlasting life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Anglican Communion:** Pray for all the dioceses that make up the Anglican Communion worldwide; their Primates, bishops, clergy and congregations, as we celebrate the Presentation of Christ in the Temple and remember the patience and faithful service of Simeon and Anna.

**The Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East of which our Diocese is a part:** We pray for the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, Bishop Michael, and the Diocesan Director of Ordinands the Ven. Dr John Holdsworth, and for all involved in discerning and encouraging vocations.

**Our Diocese:** We pray for the Parish of Paphos with its 3 places of worship; Ayia Kyriaki Chrysopolitissa, Church of St. Stephen in Tala and the Church of St. Luke in Prodromi which serves the town of Polis, the resort of Latchi and surrounding villages.

**In our own Parish of Paphos:** We pray for our Parish Priest the Reverend Andrew, our Associate Priest the Reverend Canon Anthony, Readers Ann, Ray and Trev; for a renewed responsiveness in the parish concerning the filling of posts of Wardens and Council members. We also pray that people will be moved to respond to clear needs and be willing to share the burden of those who faithfully serve and have served.

**Please** keep in your prayers Charles Sweetlove, Vivienne Latham and Revd Ian Toombs.

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WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY & THIS WEEK

Sunday 28th January - Presentation of Christ in the Temple

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

Wednesday 31st January

9.00am Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki

Friday 2nd February

2.00pm Craft and Coffee - St. Stephen's

Sunday 4th February

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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### **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 - a.m. Gerald Payne; **p.m. + week** Sarah Sait

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

PLEASE NOTE: Due to Synod next week's Weekly Notice Sheet will cover two weeks - Sundays the 4th and 11th February. If you have anything for either of these editions, please let me have it by 10am on Wednesday 31st January. Thank you. Sarah Sait

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.

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: The Lent Courses begin as follows:

Reverend Andrew on Tuesdays at 11.00am at the Parish House in Emba, beginning on Tuesday 20th February,

Canon Anthony on Thursdays at 11.00am at the Chaplaincy flat in Geroskipou, beginning on Thursday 22nd February,

Reverend Andrew on Saturdays at 11.00am at **St Luke's** beginning on Saturday 17th February.

SIGN-UP SHEETS: these will be available from this Sunday – please sign-up and leave your email address (or a phone number) so that we can contact you if necessary.

COURSE MATERIAL: you will need to download the course from: <http://cypgulf.org/wp-content/uploads/Diocese-Lent-Course-2018-Doing-God-Doing-Good.pdf> It runs to thirteen double-sided pages (remember, you don't have to print in colour). If you cannot do this, please indicate on the sheets that you would like the material provided.

Giving Guide – RESPONSE FORMS: It is hoped that you will be able to complete BOTH Response Forms that are contained in the Giving Guide that was issued last Sunday and emailed to parishioners last Monday. Please would you either return these electronically to Sarah Sait at sarahsait1995@gmail.com or in an envelope and handed to a warden who will pass them on to Sarah. It is very important that you respond, where possible, (the planned giving response forms will be treated in strict confidence). Please do get in touch if you need any help with this matter. Reverend Andrew.

Choir: It's a new year and how lovely it would be to recruit a few more members to our choir. Might you be interested and spread the word to others? Choir sing on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 6pm, Ayia Kyriaki. Rehearsal takes place on Wednesday at 2pm. All music would be sent out in advance. Paul Timmins - Organist at Ayia Kyriaki.

A request for magazines: Do you have any magazines etc. that you no longer need? If so, the Hospital and Clinic Visitors Team would be very grateful to receive them to take to those in hospital and to help brighten their day.

Please do help if you can by contacting Joy Collins on 99 772755.

A request for raffle prizes for the Sponsored walk, on April 2nd:

Ann Bailey and Joy Shefford, will be collecting any donations, left either at St. Stephen's or in the office at Ayia Kyriaki before the 2nd April. Anyone can call Joy on the following number 99 496153.

ADVANCE NOTICES

Lunchtime Organ Recital: Please come and join Paul Timmins who will be giving a lunchtime organ recital on Monday 5th February, 12 noon at Ayia Kyriaki (St. Paul's Pillar). Works to include: Bach, Vierne, Couperin and Handel. There will be a retiring collection to be donated to the St. Michael's Hospice.

Following on from the sell-out success of the musical Barnabas in 2016, Roger Jones will again tour Cyprus in November 2018 with the musical ROCK, the story of Simon Peter. We are hoping that one of the six productions will be in Paphos.

Roger Jones has agreed to introduce the musical in Paphos at an event entitled "ROCK, the musical - A Taster" on the **12th February** at the Paphos Christian Fellowship Church International at 14.30. It is open to all who are interested and is free. It will be an opportunity to listen to the recording and hear Roger's thoughts and vision for its use in the

autumn. If you have any questions, please contact Terry Dirienzo on terry@dirienzo.co.uk or on 95 540354"

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 8.15a.m. service and St. Stephen's 11am service on Sunday 18th February 2018. Sorry, we are unable to sell in March.

If you need cards but can't make the above date, please get in touch and something can be arranged. Sue and Lou.

Women's Group Meeting: The next meeting will be on Thursday 15th February 3pm at St. Luke's. The speaker will be Ray Elliott and his talk will be on his Journey to Readership. Details of this and the March meeting can be downloaded from our website.

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

Tuesday 20th February - Beetle Drive/Pancake supper. 7.00 for 7.30pm
(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.
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Spirituality Day
Anglican Diocese
of Cyprus and
the Gulf

POSTCARD

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)

Dear All
Please join us for a morning of:

**FINDING GOD
IN ORDINARY PLACES**

*An exploration of how we can hear God
speak through creative reflection
on ordinary things.*

Looking forward to seeing you there.
Retreats Facilitator

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