

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH of PAPHOS

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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 8th January 2017

Baptism of Christ - Year A



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Readings for Sunday 8th January - Baptism of Christ

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First Reading: Isaiah 42: 1-9 -- Page 513
Psalm: Psalm 29 -- Page 394
Second Reading: Acts 10: 34-43 -- Page 779
Gospel: Matthew 3: 13-17 -- Page 682

Sunday 15th January

First Reading: Isaiah 49: 1-7 -- Page 520
Psalm: Psalm 40: 1-11 -- Page 400
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 -- Page 806
Gospel: John 1: 29-42 -- Page 750

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### *PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK*

**In the desert prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the wilderness a highway for the Lord. (Is.40:3)**

**Anglican Communion:** Pray for the Anglican Communion worldwide and Archbishop Justin, for the Church congregations in South East Asia; in Kuching Bishop, The Rt. Revd Bolly Lapok and the assistant Bishop the Rt. Revd Solomon Cheong Sung Voon.

**The Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East:** Pray for the Central Synod of The Episcopal Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East; for its President, The Most Revd Dr Mouneer Anis and all Christians in its four Dioceses, Jerusalem, Iran, Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa, and Cyprus and the Gulf.

**Our Diocese:** Pray for the Church of St. Martin's Sharjah, the cultural capital of the United Arab Emirates, and part of the Chaplaincy of Dubai, Sharjah and the Northern Emirates. The majority of members

are from India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Africa, with some from other parts of the world.

**In our own Parish of Paphos:** We pray for our Parish Priest the Rev'd Andrew and his safe return this week from New Zealand, renewed and refreshed to resume his role of leading us forward on our spiritual journey. We pray for the Wardens, and Church Council members as they prepare for the first Council meeting of this New Year. Lord Jesus Christ who said; My peace I leave you, my peace I give you, please give us your peace and make us instruments of love and reconciliation amongst Christians and non- Christians. Amen.

**For further prayers during the week** see our Diocesan Prayer Guide and also the Anglican Communion website

[www.anglicancommunion.org](http://www.anglicancommunion.org)

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WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY & THIS WEEK

Sunday 8th January - Baptism of Christ

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

Wednesday 11th January

9.00am Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki
10.00am Church Council Meeting - St. Stephen's

Friday 13th January

2.00pm Craft and Coffee - St. Stephen's

Sunday 15th January

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

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## *THIS PARISH OF OURS*

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

**Ayia Kyriaki - 8.15 a.m.** - Margaret Keeble

**Ayia Kyriaki - 6.00 p.m.** - Margaret Keeble + week

**St. Stephen's** - Bob Cross

**St. Luke's** - Catherine Elliott

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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.

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.

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## *GENERAL NOTICES*

**The Reverend Andrew will be on leave until Friday 13th January.**

**GIFT AID: 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.

**For your information:** Our Reader in Training, Ray Elliott, has been appointed as “observer” to JEMT (Jerusalem and East Mission Trust).

**Don't Forget:** The Christmas Quiz is still ongoing and doesn't have to be handed in until the end of January. If anyone hasn't got a copy and would like one, or would be prepared to take copies to sell at any clubs or events they may be attending, please contact Margaret Keeble 26422380 / 99533704, email: keeble@cytanet.com.cy or send a message via your Church Warden. All proceeds are for charity. Thank you.

**Alan Ward** sends his best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year to all those who remember him.

### *NOTICES FOR TODAY, THIS WEEK & NEXT SUNDAY*

**Palm Cross Making:** Volunteers needed to help make palm crosses on Saturday 14th January at 10a.m. in the office kitchen - refreshments provided as usual! Also on Monday 16th January at 1p.m. at St. Stephen's when a video is being taken for Synod, showing the activities of various Parishes in the Diocese.

We have been asked this year to make the crosses from the date palm leaves (if we can get them) as in the second picture (right hand one) rather than the ones which resemble a hand (picture on the left). If anyone has any of these palms and can cut them for us we can collect.

Date palms are usually taller than the other type, so we may have to continue to use the hand palms if that is all we can get. But offers of either type of palm branches would be gratefully accepted. Please contact Margaret Keeble on 26 422380 or 99 533704 or [keeble@cytanet.com.cy](mailto:keeble@cytanet.com.cy) Many thanks.



## *ADVANCE NOTICES*

**A Service to mark The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:** Advance notice that this yearly service will be held on **Friday 20th January** at Ayia Kyriaki at 6.00pm. This is an important service that we share with all Christians in Paphos and in particular our Latin friends. It will be an attractive and engaging service and I urge you to consider attending.

**Recycled Cards:** Sue and Lou will next be selling their recycled cards on **Sunday 19th February** after the 8.15am service at Ayia Kyriaki and after the 11.00am service at St. Stephen's. Sue & Lou make some wonderful cards so do have a look, replenish your stocks, and help to support local charities.

**Women's World Day of Prayer:** The Women's World Day of Prayer will be held on 3rd March, 3p.m. at St. Stephen's Church. Further details to follow nearer the time.

## *SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS*

**Saturday 28th January** - 5.00pm - Bowling at Polis - 2 games of bowls followed by a meze in a local taverna. Price €20. Tickets available from today (Sunday 8th).

**Tuesday 28th February - Shrove Tuesday** - 7.00 for 7.30pm - Beetle Drive / Meal at Stephanie Tavern, Tala. Price €15.

**Tuesday 14th March** - Nicosia Coach Trip, departing 7.45am. Cost €13.

**Sunday 16th April** - 1.00 for 1.30pm - Easter Lunch at Kamares Club. Price €15.

**Monday 17th April** - Sponsored Walk - details to follow (Major Fundraising)

**Friday 18th May** - 4.00pm - Mini Golf / Buffet. (price tbc)

**Friday 23rd June** - Latchi Boat Trip. (date and time tbc)

**Friday 24th November** - Dinner Dance at the Kamares Club - details to follow (Major Fundraising).

### **Ticket Sellers:**

**Ayia Kyriaki:** Morning: Carolyn Hart (97 762371)  
Evening: Duty Warden

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

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

**News sheet items to Sarah Sait, please, by 10.00 a. m. on the Wednesday before publication. Mob: 99 437892; Email: [sarahsait1995@gmail.com](mailto:sarahsait1995@gmail.com)**

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