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The biggest lie I tell myself is
"I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."

You drop something when you were younger, you just pick it up.

When you're older and you drop something, you stare at it for a bit contemplating if you actually need it anymore.



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS



St. Stephen's
Tala



Ayia Kyriaki
Kato Paphos



St. Luke's
Prodromi

WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 13th November 2022
Second before Advent
Remembrance Sunday

WELCOME

Welcome to this week's edition of the Weekly News, which is going to have to last you three weeks as Wendy and I are heading to the UK for a couple of weeks. If you need help with priestly matters while I'm away please contact your Churchwarden in the first instance who will then point you in the right direction. Please behave yourselves whilst I am away; but remember Jesus told us to live life abundantly.

COLLECT and PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect:

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Prayer for the weeks ahead for our Parish and Ourselves.

The best way to seek God in weeks ahead is with prayer. Let us pray:

Lord God, Creator of all things. Thank you for this time ahead of us that you have given. New weeks in which to start afresh. Thank you, that you have the ability and the desire to wipe our slate clean. Thank you that forgiveness is there for the asking and you are the God of restoration and new beginnings. Your Word says, "Anyone who belongs to Christ is a new person. The past is forgotten, and everything is new" (2 Corinthians 5:17 CEV). This means we can have a new beginning *every day*; every time that we see the need to start over. Every time we want to make it right with you again. Forgive us for our desire to control, for our lack of faith at times and for our sin that has grieved your heart. Lift us up to seek your forgiveness and receive your grace to live our lives as you want for us. Amen.

Psalm 139: 1-3. *"O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways."*

Our Diocese:

See the downloadable Prayer Calendar here:

<https://www.cypgulf.org/prayer-diary/>

Daily Readings: For readings and the daily service of morning prayer, evening prayer and compline, please download

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer/daily-prayer-app-and-podcast>

Some days skipped with nothing to dine
some nights slept with nothing to wine
yet more nourished than a royal cook
for I am best fed from the pages of the book.

When I lost focus and fell
drowning in the depths of the well
yet I was lifted by an unseen hook
as I flipped through the pages of the book.

What about you my dear friend
when the terrestrial race comes to an end
and death vomits all that it ever took
will your name be found on the pages of the book.

(Chukwuemeka Mbah)



Sunday 20th November – Christ the King

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki
11.00am Morning Worship St Luke's
11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's

Readings:

Jeremiah 23: 1-6; Psalm 46; Colossians 1: 11-20; Luke 23: 33-43

Sunday 27th November – Advent

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki
11.00am Holy Communion St Luke's
11.00am Morning Worship St Stephen's
6.00pm Advent Carol Service Ayia Kyriaki

Readings:

Isaiah 2: 1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13: 11-14; Matthew 24: 36-44

Sunday 4th December – Advent 2

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

Readings:

Isaiah 11: 1-10; Psalm 72: 1-7; Romans 15: 4-13; Matthew 3: 1-12

Mid-week Eucharist every Wednesday at 9.00am at Ayia Kyriaki

Pages of THE Book

On earth on a Mission
purpose redefined with singleness of vision
clarity came cause I sat to look
through the pages of the book.

GOD SLOT

"If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the Lord your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbour. You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, 'Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbour in your land.' (Deuteronomy 15: 7-8, 10-11) Christmas is coming and we have many blessings to share with our neighbours.

God Bless

Revd Ken

Joke Spot:

Little Johnny told the Church Selection Committee, "If I am selected as Vicar of this church, I will work hard to bring us into the 20th century." Someone spoke up, "Uh, Vicar, don't you mean the 21st century?" Little Johnny replied, "Let's take it one century at a time."

ST MARTIN, BISHOP OF TOURS

This week on 11th November, we celebrate The Feast of St. Martin; Martin was born around 316 AD in Pannonia (modern day Hungary). His father was a soldier in the Roman Army, who enlisted Martin in the army at the age of fifteen. The story goes that, one winter day he saw an ill-clad beggar. Martin had no money to give, but he cut his cloak in half and gave half to the beggar. In a dream that night, Martin saw Christ wearing the half-cloak "*whatever you do unto the least of these you do unto me*" (Matthew 25:40). The Feast of Martin, a soldier who fought bravely and faithfully in the service of an earthly sovereign and then enlisted in the service of Christ, is also the day of the Armistice, which marked the end of the World War I. On 11th November we remember those who have risked or lost their lives in the pursuit of justice and peace. Martin died a Bishop in the Church, in 397 AD.

Collect

God all powerful, who called Martin from the armies of this world to be a faithful soldier of Christ: give us grace to follow him in his love and compassion for the needy, and enable your Church to claim for all people their inheritance as children of God; through Jesus Christ, your son, our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

NOTICES

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Just a reminder that the Remembrance services at St Luke's and St Stephen's start at 10.50am.

FIRST AID TRAINING

Due to the Covid period all our current first aider certificates are out of date so we are looking for volunteers, from each of the churches, to take an accredited First Aid Course so that we are compliant with our church policies. The course costs €65 per person (if you can donate towards the cost that would be excellent; but not mandatory). Please contact Chris Hoskins (97753973) if you are interested

QUIZ NIGHT – 24th NOVEMBER

A fun Quiz Night is being held at St Stephen's Church on Thursday 24th November, which includes a 'bring and share' finger buffet. For all you bakers out there, a list of items required are displayed at each church. Come and join us as it will be a great 'get together' evening.

HYMNS FOR JANUARY

Do you have a favourite hymn? Well I'd like to fill January's services with hymns chosen by the congregation. So get emailing (or dropping a note) of your favourite hymns and we'll celebrate them in our services throughout January.

CONGRATULATIONS

We all extend our congratulations to Revd Andrew and Monica who were married (at last I here you all say) on 3rd November. We wish them all the best for their new life



together.

PLEDGE GIVING

The Hellenic Bank, which the church banks with, has increased their charges and are now charging us €3 every time we bank cash. This may not seem a lot; but if you count three churches four times a month, this soon adds up. Would you please consider changing from cash to paying through your bank on a monthly basis. If you need further details please contact Peter Latham (acp.treasurer@outlook.com) or Hilary Burge (pledgeacp@gmail.com) for the forms.

EVENTS

24 th November	Quiz Night
27 th November	Advent Carol Service Ayia Kyriaki (6.00pm)
10 th December	Carols for Christmas at St Luke's
16 th December	Christmas Carols in the Kings Mall
18 th December	Carol Service at St Stephen's (11.00am)
18 th December	Carol Service at Ayia Kyriaki (6.00pm)
January	Bowling
21 st February	Beetle Drive
March	Nicosia Coach Trip
March	Barn Dance
22 nd April	Spring Fair
8 th May	Coronation Garden Party
June	Mini Golf

SERVICES

Sunday 13th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent

- 8.15am Sung Eucharist including an Act of Remembrance - Ayia Kyriaki
- 10.50am Holy Communion including an Act of Remembrance St Luke's
- 10.45am Remembrance Service St Stephen's
- 6.00pm Remembrance Service Ayia Kyriaki

Readings:

Malachi 4: 1-2a; Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13; Luke 21: 5-19