



St Stephen's Tala



Ayia Kyriaki Kato Paphos



St Luke's Prodromi

WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 2nd July 2023 (Trinity 4)

WELCOME

Well, we make plans and God just smiles. Wendy and my plans for our few days off disintegrated from the night before they were due to start when Floki's ear developed a lump, which she had scratched until it bled. A trip to the Vet and told no food for her and bring her back the next morning. Anti-inflamatories and anti-biotics, my wallet emptied and dog-sitting duties were how our few days off were spent. At least I got the chance to catch up on some reading. The moral of the story is when planning always allow for God smiling down on you. Enjoy this week's edition.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect:

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, 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.

Heavenly Father, in the week ahead of us, we dwell in your house, drink in your presence and find peace and rest in your arms. We believe in your name, ask for your healing and believe and trust in your love. We thank you for your sacrifice, receive all you have for us and pray and ask for restoration. We need your touch. We wait on you. You are our Saviour, our friend, and our hope. Amen.

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

Encouraging Words.

"I can do all things through him who strengthens me." Philippians 4: 13

GOD SLOT

Our Father which art in Heaven...... just a minute... Dear God, each time I settle down to say my prayers I am either thanking You for all You have done or asking You for even more help. I was just wondering, is there anything I can do for You? Of course I can't do the big wonderful thing You do but maybe help out with some of the little things? I am quite a good listener, perhaps if I stop and listen to the old lady on the corner that goes on and on about her woes instead of sneaking past and perhaps pick up my neighbours shopping list and chat while she thinks about it instead of phoning and catching her on the hop so she forgets most of it. I could even stay for a cuppa when I drop in my sisters medicine and tablets instead of rushing off saying I am 'too busy right now' every time. Just a few ideas, have a think about it and just point me in the right direction, I am here for you... so bye for now...... er... Amen. God smiled...... just like my father smiled so long ago when I vowed to clean my new shoes every day. (Just a thought I had, I wanted to share. Linda Crawshaw.)

God Bless.

Revd Ken

JOKE SPOT

Little Johnny was at school and the Teacher said, "If I gave you two cats and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?" Little Johnny shouted out, "Seven." The Teacher said, "No, listen carefully... If I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?" Little Johnny again said "Seven." Quite frustrated the Teacher said, "Let me put it to you differently. If I gave you two apples, and another two apples and another two, how many would you have?" Little Johnny said "Six." Hurray thought the Teacher and said, "Good. Now if I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?" Little Johnny said, "Seven!" The Teacher stifled a scream and said, "Little Johnny, where on earth do you get seven from?!" Little Johnny replied with a smile, "Because I've already got a cat!"

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Don't worry about the world coming to an end today. It's already tomorrow in Australia." (Charles M. Schulz.)

NOTICES

LEGACY GIVING

Have you thought about leaving a donation to the church in your Will? Would you like to? If so, full details of how to include a Legacy gift to the church can be found on the church website or take one of the Legacy leaflets, which are on display in each church. Failing this, ask your warden for information. Legacy donations can be made for specific use as prescribed by you, or added to the general income. Any amount of financial assistance is always welcomed and appreciated

COME ON FOLKS, NOT A SINGLE **RESPONSE SO FAR. IT'S YOUR** CHURCH AND WE NEED HELP



The Major Fundraising Team organise events to raise funds for the Anglican Church and we need more people to help. We regularly meet, via Zoom, to exchange and discuss ideas for forthcoming events but we need more people, especially those who are willing to be 'hands on'. Are you able to give some of your time to aid your Church? If so, please contact Chris Hoskins on 97 753973.

The Pastoral Care Team look after those who need help in our Church Family. Our dedicated team is currently keeping an eye on 16 people in our community who need varying degrees of help, care and advice. Each Church has a pastoral representative, and we meet as a team each month to discuss the issues as well as keeping very much in touch whenever a problem arises. Where necessary we liaise with families in UK when the care needed is beyond what we can offer. We need Volunteers to join the team.

MINI GOLF

We had a good turnout for the Mini Golf and it was a very enjoyable afternoon and successful fundraiser, with €260 raised. Chrissie Peach won the Ladies Trophy and Jim Preston the Gents Trophy. Full reports and photos can be found on our website and our Facebook page

ANNUAL BBQ

Our Annual BBQ is on Saturday 22^{nd} July and tickets will be on sale from this week. Come along and watch the entertainment of Revd Ken managing to keep Floki away from the beef burgers and sausages. Bets will be taken with all proceeds going to the Floki Diet Fund.

SAVE THE DATES

22nd July Annual BBQ

16th September Songs of Praise in the Park
September Boat Trip from Latchi Harbour
24th September Harvest Lunch – venue to be advised

November Hot Pot Supper 25th December Christmas Day

SERVICES

Sunday 2nd July – Trinity 4

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

Readings:

Genesis 22: 1-14; Psalm 13; Romans 6: 12-23; Matthew 10: 40-42

Sunday 9th July - Trinity 5

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki Revd Andrew 11.00am Holy Communion St Luke's Revd Andrew

11.00am Morning Worship St Stephen's Ann

Readings:

Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45: 10-17; Romans 7: 15-25a; Matthew 11: 16-19,25-30

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

Doctor & Vicar

For years I've considered my vicar and my doctor each as a caring friend, each dedicated to my welfare, and each I warmly recommend.

My doctor, as far as he can tell, predicts my end will be a calm affair.

My vicar's opinion I won't here share because, frankly, it sounds like hell.

(Maurice Rigoler)



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