



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPHOS



St. Stephen's
Tala



Ayia Kyriaki
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St. Luke's
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WEEKLY NEWS

**Sunday 5th March 2023
(Second Sunday of Lent)**

WELCOME

During this time of Lent I hope you are taking the time to review your relationship with God. Read, pray and live this period of time to grow ever stronger in your faith. Start by reading and sharing this Weekly News. And, never forget that you can actually submit articles too. Enjoy.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect:

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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 week ahead for our Parish and Ourselves.

May this new week be the beginning of countless memories and infinite happiness for us. May it bring new delights, new insights and new knowledge of Christ in our lives. May any troubles be small. May any blessings be large, and may we share with our neighbours. May we sleep well, rise full of joy and thank you for being a part of our lives. Amen

Encouraging Words.

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4: 6-7)

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>

GOD SLOT

Lent Opportunity. Many of us have had times in our lives where we feel alone and unlovable. But there is a person who is totally in love with you, right now. God created the earth, the heavens and everything we see, including you, and he loves his creation, his friend, his beloved. He loves you! No matter what you do, God will never stop loving you or caring for you. But there is a problem...

Sadly, we live a life separated from the great love of God because of something called sin. When you do something to hurt a friend, it damages your relationship. Sin is like this. We all sin when we ignore God, disobey him, mock him and hurt him. Sin can damage our relationships with friends and family, as well as stopping us from living a life in God's presence. So, what's the solution?

Thankfully there is a way that we can break the barrier that sin creates between us and God's love. The solution is the greatest act of love anyone will ever do for you. To die for you. We need to understand that sin leads to death. But God loves us so much that he sent Jesus to die for all our sins, so we can have eternal life. The barrier separating us from God's love can be broken! But now we have a choice...

So, what does your future hold? Right now, this very second, your life could be transformed. You have a choice. A decision. The perfect chance to restart your life, with all your mistakes wiped away. All you must do is accept that you have sinned, ask God to forgive you and decide to live your life in real relationship with God. So now is that time to decide. What is your choice?

Lent is the time to really think about that choice and start anew.

God Bless

Revd Ken

JOKE SPOT

Little Johnny and two friends were stranded on a deserted island when they find an old oil lamp. Little Johnny rubs the lamp and out pops a genie. He tells Little Johnny that he has three wishes. He tells the genie that his friends can have a wish each. They both ask for the same wish to go back home. Whoosh and they're gone. The genie looks at Little Johnny (who was not the brightest of chaps) and says that it's his turn. Little Johnny looks around and says, 'I'm awfully lonely, I wish my friends were back here.' Whoosh!

NOTICES

CHARITY COLLECTION

Sue & Lou's Charity Bottles. The last date for collection of bottles is **26th March**, please have yours ready to hand in by that date. Many thanks.

BIKE MAINTENANCE HELP

Have you got the skills to teach basic bike maintenance (changing inner tubes, etc.), then can you offer your time to help with a programme to teach the recipients of our bicycles to help them keep their bikes on the road and safe? Please contact Revd Ken.

LENT STUDY

We will be using a study called 'All Loves Excelling'. It consists of five sessions looking at Philippians. The first session will be on Monday 20th March at 10.30am at St Stephen's and will run weekly, except for 10th April, which is Easter Monday. Can you please email me (anglicanpriest.acp@cytanet.com.cy) to confirm your attendance and also send you out the study materials.

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

BARN DANCE

We are holding a Barn Dance on Saturday 25th March at Yiannis Taverna, Kathikas. Tickets are €18 including a meal. Please get your tickets from your Churchwarden. This is to raise much needed funds for our church.

SPRING FAYRE

The Spring Fayre is planned for Saturday 22nd April at St Stephen's in Tala. We are looking for bric-a-brac items, cakes, preserves, jewellery, plants and, of course, refreshments that will help raise money for the church. Any new stall ideas would be much appreciated. Contact Chris Hoskins on 97753973.

SAVE THE DATES

25 th March	Barn Dance
28 th March	Nicosia Coach Trip
9 th April	Easter Lunch (venue to be advised)
22 nd April	Spring Fayre
8 th May	Coronation Garden Party
27 th May	Variety Show
24 th June	Mini Golf
22 nd July	Annual BBQ

SERVICES

Sunday 5th March – Second Sunday of Lent

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:

Genesis 12: 1-4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17; John 3: 1-17

Sunday 12th March – Third Sunday of Lent

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki

11.00am Holy Communion St Luke's

11.00am Morning Worship St Stephen's

Readings:

Exodus 17: 1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5: 1-11; John 4: 5-42

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

Live, Love And Dream

(Lance Landall)

Look for the beauty in everything, that which will make your beating heart sing,
And let yourself dance to the rhythm of life, those adventures that life can bring.

Yes, see in every day an opportunity, a chance to kick your heels,
'Cause only those free of pointless restraining inhibitions know how such feels.

So soak up the sun, welcome caressing breezes, find treasure everywhere,
Skipping with creative energy - and where wholesome, don't be afraid to dare.
Live with hope and promise, laugh with gay abandon, and the bright side of life share,
Living and loving with firm intensity, and an individual flair.

Yes, tap your feet, move with verve, let your body pulse in harmony with your soul,
Allowing no one to cramp that freedom within that makes one feel well and whole.
Be nothing but yourself, moving to the tugs of your *own* strings, that voice within,
Which though governed by wisdom and right, will see that your world will joyously spin



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