



St Stephen's Tala



Ayia Kyriaki Kato Paphos



St Luke's Prodromi



Sunday 1st October 2023 (Trinity 17)

WELCOME

Here we are in October already, I'm sure it's only about two weeks that I was saying that summer was on it's way! Time is flying by and it will soon be Christmas season (Yea). In the meantime, enjoy this week's edition and *PLEASE* let me have something from you to put in the next few editions. Love you all.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect:

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of 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 week ahead for our Parish and Ourselves.

Heavenly Father, we choose to look to you as we begin this new week. We ask that you would reveal your love to us anew. Lord, we give you our friendships, our learning, our hopes and our troubles. Come help us to work together in love and forgiveness. Amen.

Our Diocese:

See the downloadable Prayer Calendar here: <u>https://www.cypgulf.org/prayer-diary/</u>

Daily Readings

For readings and the daily service of morning prayer, evening prayer and compline, please download <u>https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer/daily-prayer-app-and-podcast</u>

Encouraging Words.

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9)

GOD SLOT

True greatness is found not in what we have accomplished and gained for ourselves but in what we have done and given to "the least of these" (Matthew 25:40), the hungry, thirsty, naked, sick, and imprisoned. Think about a family member or a carer who bathes, changes, and cares for the elderly, the sick, the dying; she or he is a great one. Genuine greatness never puts itself in a position of superiority over another. It's not about me; my nation, my tribe, my people, my religion, my politics, my bank account, my house, my job, my accomplishments, my reputation, my status. Our greatness is revealed in our service and care of others regardless of her or his ability or willingness to pay, repay, or return the favour. When Jesus talked about loving others even when they don't love you (Luke 6:32-34), doing good to those who do not do good to you, lending without expectation of repayment, he was describing greatness. Greatness is not something to be achieved or earned. It is a quality that arises within us when our lives are in balance and we step into our better selves. That's the life Jesus offers us. That's the life I want to live. I want to be great, don't you?

Revd Ken

JOKE SPOT

Little Johnny was 5 years old came home after his first week at school and said to his mum that they were told by the teacher how to make babies. His surprised and very worried mum asked him to explain what the teacher said. 'Well', replied Little Johnny, 'if you take away the y and add ies you make babies!'

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

SAVE THE DATES

4 th October	Pet Blessing Service (in the grounds of Ayia Kyriaki)
7 th October	Annual BBQ
27 th October	Quiz Night at St Stephen's
7 th November	Nicosia Coach Trip
12 th November	Remembrance Day Services at all three churches
23 rd November	Hot Pot Supper
15 th December	Carols in the Mall
6 th January	Rev Ken's final service in the Parish

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"In real life, I assure you, there is no such thing as algebra." (Fran Lebowitz)

NOTICES

HARVEST THANK YOU.

A big thank you for all the wonderful donations for the Harvest services. It was a really great effort. Another big thank you to Chris and the team for an excellent Harvest Lunch and it was good to see so many of you attending.

PET SERVICE

Don't forget our Pet Service on Wednesday 4th October at 4.00pm in the grounds of Ayia Kyriaki (by St Paul's pillar). At least come and see Floki's new haircut.

BBQ

Also on the list of 'Don't Forget' is our BBQ on Saturday 7th October at 5.00pm at Pykni Forest Picnic Area. Tickets still available. (Bring your own drinks, crockery, cutlery and desserts).

MAJOR FUNDRAISING TEAM



Have you ever looked at the Social and Fundraising diary and thought "why don't they do this??" Well, here's your chance. The Major Fundraising Team are looking for suggestions of events to be held in 2024 that will raise money for the Anglican Church. Either give your suggestions to Chris Hoskins or email them to <u>churchsecretary04@gmail.com</u>. Come on, it's your chance to have your say!!!

SERVICES

Sunday 1st October – Trinity 17

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia Kyriaki 11.00am Morning Worship St Luke's 11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's 6.00pm Holy Communion Ayia Kyriaki **Readings**: Revd Ken Graham Hare Revd Ken Revd Ken

Exodus 17: 1-7; Psalm 78: 1-4, 12-16; Philippians 2: 1-13; Matthew 21: 23-32

Wednesday 4th October4.00pm Pet Blessing Service Grounds of Ayia KyriakiFr Jim & Revd Ken

Sunday 8th October – Trinity 18

8.15am Sung Eucharist Ayia KyriakiRevd Ken11.00am Holy Communion St Luke'sRevd Jill11.00am Morning Worship St Stephen'sRevd KenReadings:Exodus 20: 1-4,7-9,12-20; Psalm 19: 7-14; Philippians 3: 4b-14; Matthew 21: 33-46

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

Him

I tried to find Him on the Christian Cross, but He was not there; I went to the Temple of the Hindus and to the old pagodas, but I could not find a trace of Him anywhere. I searched on the mountains and in the valleys, but neither in the heights nor in the depths was I able to find Him. I went to the Caaba in Mecca, but He was not there either. I questioned the scholars and philosophers but He was beyond their understanding. I then looked in my heart and it was there where He dwelled that I saw Him; He was nowhere else to be found. (Jalaluddin Rumi)



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Always make sure your loved ones are buckled up.



It would be wonderful if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes, then come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller