

Ayia Kyriaki, Kato Paphos; St. Luke's Prodromi and St. Stephen's, Tala

A Parish in the DIOCESE OF CYPRUS AND THE GULF

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 30th December 2018
Christmas 1 - Year C

Parish Priest: The Reverend Andrew Burtt

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Readings for Sunday 30th December

First Reading: 1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26 -- Page 191

Psalm: Psalm 148 -- Page 448

Second Reading 0815

and St. Stephen's Acts 7: 51-60 -- Page 776 Second Reading 1800: Colossians 3: 12-17

Gospel: Luke 2: 41-52 -- Page 725

Organ Music for both services at Ayia Kyriaki

Before: Toccata in C major - J. Pachelbel

After: Trumpet Tune - M. Jones

Sunday 6th January - Epiphany

First Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6 -- Page 528

Psalm:Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 -- Page 414Second Reading:Ephesians 3: 1-12 -- Page 828Gospel:Matthew 2: 1-12 -- Page 681

COLLECT & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Collect: God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anglican Communion: Heavenly Father, we thank You for the year that has passed and the many blessings You have showered upon us. We beg your pardon in our many failings and trespasses, but also give thanks for every test of time that has brought us stronger in faith and trust in You. Bestow upon us the gift of the Holy Spirit, as we call upon our Lord Jesus Christ for His intercessions, His guidance and His light to shine our path.

Our Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East: We pray for our Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, for Bishop Michael and his wife Julia; for

Archdeacons John and Bill, and their wives Sue and Edith, and for all the congregations in our diocese.

Our Diocese: We pray for our Diocesan Synod 2019, for those who will attend and for wisdom and vision in all they plan and do. This week, we pray for St. Paul's Cathedral Nicosia, for the Dean, The Very Revd Jeremy Crocker and curate The Revd Justin Arnott; and for all who come through its doors, as worshippers and pilgrims, as visitors and sightseers, in communion and prayer.

In our own Parish of Paphos: Our prayer for the coming year; Gracious and Holy God, give us the wisdom to discover You, the intelligence to understand You, the diligence to seek after You, the patience to wait for You, eyes to behold You, a heart to meditate upon You, and a life to proclaim You; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY & THIS WEEK

Sunday 30th December - Christmas 1 - Ayia Kyriaki & St. Luke's

St. Stephen's Day - St. Stephen's

8.15am	Holy Eucharist -	Ayia Kyriaki
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9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) - St. Luke's

11.00am Holy Communion - St. Stephen's Patronal Festival

6.00pm Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki

Wednesday 2nd January

9.00am Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki

Friday 4th January

2.00pm Craft and Coffee - St. Stephen's

Sunday 6th January - Epiphany

8.15am Holy Eucharist - Ayia Kyriaki

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

THIS PARISH OF OURS

Duty Wardens for this week

Ayia Kyriaki - a.m. Gill P.; p.m. Jacquie H.; week - Trisha Payne

St. Stephen's - Chris Hoskins

St. Luke's - Jayne Preston

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. Please ask for a pen if you need one.

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.

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.

GENERAL NOTICES

Electoral Roll: I hope that by now you will have received information that will allow you to renew your membership of the Electoral Roll. Please look at it carefully and complete the form and return it as soon as possible. Please remember that we cannot assume that you are a member – you must actively re-apply. Yes, it's bureaucratic, but it helps us to keep our information up to date and ensures that we comply with Diocesan rules.

Sue Williams: It with sadness that I write to let you know that Sue died, peacefully at home, on Thursday 27th December. She was a warden and a stalwart member of the Ayia Kyriaki congregation. The date for her funeral will be notified. Meanwhile please remember her family in your prayers. Reverend Andrew.

Christmas Thanks: a very big thank you to all who decorated or who contributed to the decorating of our churches for Christmas and especially to those who contributed towards the flowers for Ayia Kyriaki and to Catherine for her wonderful arrangement. Despite a good number of our congregation returning to the UK for Christmas, attendances were good and it was lovely to welcome a good number of visitors to our Christmas services. Thank you for making these services very special and grateful thanks to those assisted at the services. Reverend Andrew.

Dave and Fran Griffiths: many of you will have met this couple who were on placement in the parish during the summer. They have emailed to say that they have been appointed as joint curates to a parish in Kirkholt, Rochdale in Manchester Diocese. Their new parish is rated as one of the most deprived parishes in England with numbers attending having declined significantly in recent years. They recognise that they have a big challenge and task ahead of them. They take up their new post as Deacons on 30th June. Please remember them both in your prayers. Reverend Andrew.

Pledged Givers: The Pledged Giving envelopes for 2019 are now available for collection at all three churches, if you have not yet received yours and are not given them on Sunday please do ask the Sidesmen or your Warden.

Craft Group: The craft group banked, for 2018, €3331.00 from items on sale in Saint Stephens; at the Christmas Fayre we sold €372.82 from craft and €38.40 from cards. The craft group would like to thank all the people who worked hard to make that possible.

We are having a Spring Fair on 6th April and we will be having bric a brac, books, plants, preserves and cakes, our own craft items and raffle. If anyone has unwanted presents please bring them to Mary for raffle prizes, all items can be brought to St. Stephen's from now on. Thanks. Mary Brown.

Diocesan Prayer Guides: After an absence of six months due to administrative problems to do with complying with the General Data Protection Regulations, the new Prayer Guide, for the next six months, is available. It contains information about all the parishes and chaplaincies in our Diocese along with prayer requests. Please take a copy.

NOTICES FOR TODAY, THIS WEEK & NEXT SUNDAY

The Reverend Ian Toombs: Father Ian's funeral will be held on Friday 4th January at 1.00pm in the UK. A short service of prayers will be held in Ayia Kyriaki at 11.00am on Friday 4th January to mark his funeral and to coincide with it. This is not a Memorial service but you are invited to join me at this time to remember Ian and to pray for his family. Reverend Andrew.

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# SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS

# Friends, Neighbours, Visitors - all are welcome PROPOSED FUTURE EVENTS FOR 2019

**19th January** - Meal & Quiz at the Fantasia Club. 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Cost €15. Tickets available from the usual ticket sellers.

**9th February** - Bowling in Paphos followed by a meal (tbc).

5th March - Beetle Drive

12th March - Nicosia Coach Trip

6th April - Spring Craft Fayre

21st April - Easter Lunch at the Kamares Club

22nd April - Sponsored Walk

**18th May** - mini Golf

20 July - Annual BBQ

15 August - Latchi Boat Trip

? September - Harvest Lunch

19th October - Beetle Drive

12th November - Nicosia Coach Trip

? November - Annual Dinner Dance

**Ticket Sellers:** 

Ayia Kyriaki: Morning: Carolyn Hart (97762371)

**Evening: Duty Warden** 

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

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

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