

him with twenty thousand? If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

Offertory Hymn 88: Brother, sister, let me serve you

Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 753: Will your anchor hold

Future Sunday Services St Lazarus, Pissouri

11 September no service
25 September 6pm Holy Communion
9 October 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

11 September 10am Holy Eucharist
18 September 10am Holy Eucharist
25 September 10am Holy Eucharist

Notices

Friday 16 September 6.30pm BBQ and Quiz. €5 per person plus a contribution of salad or sweet if possible please. Bring your own drinks.

18 September – 9 October the Chaplaincy will be running a stewardship campaign.

Sunday 2 October Harvest Festival at St Barnabas followed by a shared lunch.

Monday 3 October Church Learning Group will resume.

Friday 18 November Barnabas the Musical will be performed in Limassol. It is not too late to join the choir. Rehearsals –

Saturday 1 October – sopranos & altos 3-5pm, tenors and basses 5-7pm

Tuesday 4 October – full choir

Roger Jones will lead a full rehearsal in November

Saturday 26 November Christmas Bazaar at St Barnabas.

Any offers of help to pamelacaulfield1940@gmail.com

Anyone interested in exploring or preparing for **Confirmation** in the next few months please contact :-

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Mazi Mas: Maeve & Edna invite you to submit articles for the next edition of our magazine: edna.gregory@btinternet.com or prenny@cytanet.com.cy

Please pray for the continued recovery of Paul Mulkern after his heart surgery and also for Ann and their family.

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All donations of dry food, toiletries and money are gratefully received and can be brought on the 4th Sunday of the month to the room below Pissouri Amphitheatre between 5.30 and 6 pm.



Pissouri amphitheatre

Our services are held here in the room under the amphitheatre on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month.

Please join us for refreshments afterwards.

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**Sunday 4th September 2016
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
4pm Holy Communion**

President: Rev. Canon Derek Smith

Those who receive Communion in their home Church are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table, or please ask for a blessing.

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Clergy days off – Derek on Fridays and Chris on Tuesdays

Duties for today

Sides Person: Stanley

“Organist”: Sue

Readings: Felita – Jeremiah 18: 1-11

+ Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-18

Peter – Philemon 1-21

Gospel – Luke 14: 25-33

Server: Stanley

Duties for 25th September 18th Sunday after Trinity

Sides Person: Felita

“Organist”: Sue

Readings: Linda – Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

+ Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16

Felita – 1 Timothy 6: 6-19

Gospel – Luke 9: 51-62

Server: Linda

UK Visitors

If you would like to Gift Aid your offertory, please ask for a blue envelope.

Hymn 551: O worship the King

Gloria 967: Glory to God

Collect for today

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

First Reading – Jeremiah 18 vv. 1-11

This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 'Go down to the potter's house, and there I will give you my message.' So I went down to the potter's house, and I saw him working at the wheel. But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me. He said, 'Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?' declares the Lord. 'Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel. If at any time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned. And if at another time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be built up and planted, and if it does evil in my sight and does not obey me, then I will reconsider the good I had intended to do for it. 'Now therefore say to the people of Judah and those living in Jerusalem, "This is what the Lord says: look! I am preparing a disaster for you and devising a plan against you. So turn from your evil ways, each one of you, and reform your ways and your actions."

Psalms 139 vv. 1-5, 12-18

1. You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.
- 2. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.**
3. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.
- 4. Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.**
5. You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.
- 12. Even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.**
13. For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 14. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.**
15. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.
- 16. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.**
17. How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!
- 18. Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand – when I awake, I am still with you.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever. Amen.

Second Reading – Philemon vv. 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and fellow worker – also to Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier – and to the church that meets in your home:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers, because I hear about your love for all his holy people and your faith in the Lord Jesus. I pray that your partnership with us in the faith may be effective in deepening your understanding of every good thing we share for the sake of Christ. Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the Lord's people.

Therefore, although in Christ I could be bold and order you to do what you ought to do, yet I prefer to appeal to you on the basis of love. It is as none other than Paul – an old man and now also a prisoner of Christ Jesus – that I appeal to you for my son Onesimus, who became my son while I was in chains. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he has become useful both to you and to me.

I am sending him – who is my very heart – back to you. I would have liked to keep him with me so that he could take your place in helping me while I am in chains for the gospel. But I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that any favour you do would not seem forced but would be voluntary. Perhaps the reason he was separated from you for a little while was that you might have him back for ever – no longer as a slave, but better than a slave, as a dear brother. He is very dear to me but even dearer to you, both as a fellow man and as a brother in the Lord.

So if you consider me a partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has done you any wrong or owes you anything, charge it to me. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand. I will pay it back – not to mention that you owe me your very self. I do wish, brother, that I may have some benefit from you in the Lord; refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

Hymn 752: Will you come and follow me

Gospel – Luke 14 vv. 25-33

Large crowds were travelling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: 'If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters – yes, even their own life – such a person cannot be my disciple. And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

'Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, saying, "This person began to build and wasn't able to finish."

'Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against