

At that time Jesus said, 'I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

'All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.'

**Offertory Hymn 171: Fill Thou my life, O Lord my God**

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

**Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Hymn 305: I danced in the morning**

#### **Future Services St Lazarus, Pissouri**

23 July 6pm Holy Communion Bishop Michael will be presiding and there will be a supper afterwards – details from Stanley. This is also Derek's last service at St. Lazarus.

13 August 6pm Holy Communion

27 August 6pm Holy Communion

#### **St Barnabas, Limassol**

16 July 10am Holy Eucharist

23 July 10am Holy Eucharist

30 July 10am Holy Eucharist

#### **Notices**

**Monday 10 July** 1830 Church Learning Group in the Church Hall at St Barnabas (Chapters 7 & 8).

**Tuesday 11 July** 1000 Len Baker's funeral at Erimi British Cemetery.

**Monday 31 July** 1215 Passchendaele Centenary Service, St Barnabas' (in conjunction with RBL & others)

**Tuesday 15 August** Public holiday - Dormition of Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Friday 18 August** Arrival of Canon Pat Mossop as locum, with wife Helen.

**Saturday 26 August** 1000-1530 Retreat at St George's Troodos. Bookings via Maggie Leroy by 23 August

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**29 September - 9 October** SOMA Mission Derek, Sue and Nora are going to Thika diocese. Donations towards their mission would be very welcome.

**Diocesan Prayer Booklets available today.**

For water-ices, cheap but good,  
that find us in a thirsty mood;  
for ices made of milk and cream  
that slip down smoothly as a dream;  
for cornets, sandwiches and pies  
that make the gastric juices rise;  
for ices bought in little shops  
or at the kerb from him who stops;  
for chanting of the sweet refrain:  
'chocolate, strawberry or plain?'  
we thank thee, Lord, who sends with  
the heat this cool deliciousness to eat.



Pissouri amphitheatre

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

**Please join us for refreshments afterwards.**

## **Welcome to St Lazarus' Anglican Church Pissouri**

**Part of the Limassol Chaplaincy in the Diocese  
of Cyprus & the Gulf**

**Website: <http://stlazaruspissouri.org>**



**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

**Fourth Sunday after Trinity**

**6pm Holy Communion**

**President: Derek**

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 :** Stanley

**"Organist":** Felita

**Readings:** Linda – Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-end  
+ Psalm 45: 10-end

Denise – Romans 7: 15-25a

Gospel – Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-end

**Server:** Denise

#### **Duties for 23 July The Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

**Sides :** Felita

**"Organist":** Linda

**Readings:** Felita – Genesis 28: 10-19a  
+ Psalm 139: 1-12

Beryl – Romans 8: 12-25

Gospel – Matthew 13: 24-30 & 36-43

**Server:** Stanley

#### **UK Visitors**

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**Hymn 359: Jesus shall reign where'er the sun**

**Gloria 967: to the tune 'In an English Country Garden'**

**Collect for today**

**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.**

**First Reading – Genesis 24 vv. 34-38, 42-49, 58-end**

So Laban said, 'I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has blessed my master abundantly, and he has become wealthy. He has given him sheep and cattle, silver and gold, male and female servants, and camels and donkeys. My master's wife Sarah has borne him a son in her old age, and he has given him everything he owns. And my master made me swear an oath, and said, "You must not get a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live, but go to my father's family and to my own clan, and get a wife for my son."

'When I came to the spring today, I said, "Lord, God of my master Abraham, if you will, please grant success to the journey on which I have come. See, I am standing beside this spring. If a young woman comes out to draw water and I say to her, "Please let me drink a little water from your jar," and if she says to me, "Drink, and I'll draw water for your camels too," let her be the one the Lord has chosen for my master's son.'

'Before I finished praying in my heart, Rebekah came out, with her jar on her shoulder. She went down to the spring and drew water, and I said to her, "Please give me a drink."

'She quickly lowered her jar from her shoulder and said, "Drink, and I'll water your camels too." So I drank, and she watered the camels also. 'I asked her, "Whose daughter are you?"

'She said, "The daughter of Bethuel son of Nahor, whom Milkah bore to him."

Then I put the ring in her nose and the bracelets on her arms, and I bowed down and worshipped the Lord. I praised the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me on the right road to get the granddaughter of my master's brother for his son. Now if you will show kindness and faithfulness to my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so I may know which way to turn.'

So they sent their sister Rebekah on her way, along with her nurse and Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, 'Our sister, may you increase to thousands upon thousands; may your offspring possess the cities of their enemies.'

Then Rebekah and her attendants got ready and mounted the camels and went back with the man. So the servant took Rebekah and left.

Now Isaac had come from Beer Lahai Roi, for he was living in the Negev. He went out to the field one evening to meditate, and as he looked up, he saw camels approaching. Rebekah also looked up and saw Isaac. She got down from her camel and asked the servant, 'Who is that man in the field coming to meet us?'

'He is my master,' the servant answered. So she took her veil and covered herself.

Then the servant told Isaac all he had done. Isaac brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah, and he married Rebekah. So she became his wife, and he loved her; and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

**Psalm 45 vv. 10-end**

10. Listen, daughter, and pay careful attention: forget your people and your father's house.

**11. Let the king be enthralled by your beauty; honour him, for he is your lord.**

12. The city of Tyre will come with a gift, people of wealth will seek your favour.

**13. All glorious is the princess within her chamber; her gown is interwoven with gold.**

14. In embroidered garments she is led to the king; her virgin companions follow her – those brought to be with her.

**15. Led in with joy and gladness, they enter the palace of the king.**

16. Your sons will take the place of your fathers; you will make them princes throughout the land.

**17. I will perpetuate your memory through all generations; therefore the nations will praise you for ever and ever.**

**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 – Romans 7 vv. 15-25a**

I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do – this I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it. So I find this law at work: although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. For in my inner being I delight in God's law; but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**Hymn 314: Immortal, invisible**

**Gospel – Matthew 11 vv. 16-19, 25-end**

'To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the market-places and calling out to others: "We played the pipe for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn."

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon." The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners." But wisdom is proved right by her deeds.'