Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn 691: Thy kingdom come O God

Future Services

St Lazarus, Pissouri

27th May 6pm Holy Communion 10th June 6pm Holy Communion 24th May 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

3rd June 10am Holy Eucharist 10th June 10am Holy Eucharist 17th June 10am Holy Eucharist

Notices

We welcome Fr Andrew to his first **Sunday service at St Lazarus**

Bible study group - The next meeting will be on Wednesday 16th May at 2.30pm, and we will be starting the Church of England course entitled 'Pilgrim'. For more details please contact Denise on 97745286 or email denise.weaver@wisenexus.com.

The May Fair raised nearly €3500 for the ongoing work of our church. Thank you to everyone who helped.

There are many lighthouses That shine now as before. They've guided many ships Safely into the shores.

They remind me of our Saviour, Who is a Light to all mankind. For when He guides us each day, Peace and safety we will find.

Let your Light shine before men, That your good works they will see. May they praise your heavenly Father And find safety in eternity.

by Deborah Smith Plemmons



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

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13th May 2018 **Seventh Sunday of Easter 6pm Holy Communion**

President: Fr Andrew Mayes TSSF

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 -Fr Andrew on Saturday, Rev. Chris on Friday

Duties for today 13th May

Sides Linda Sue 'Organist'

Readings Carole L Acts 1: 15-17, 21-end

+ Psalm 1

1 John 5: 9-13 John L John 17: 6-19 Gospel

Linda Server

Duties for 27th May Sides

Ann 'Organist' Mike G

Readings Beryl Isaiah 6: 1-8

Psalm 29

Romans 8: 12-17 Ann John 3: 1-17 Gospel

Stanley Server

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

Collect for today

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.. Amen

First Reading - Acts 1: 15-17, 21-end

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) 16 and said, "Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. 17 He was one of our number and shared in our ministry." ²¹Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, 22 beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection." ²³ So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. 24 Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs." ²⁶Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

Psalm 1

- 1 Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,
- 2 but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night.
- 3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.
- 4 Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

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 - 1 John 5: 9-13

⁹ We accept human testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. ¹⁰ Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony. Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Hymn 288: Holy Spirit, come, confirm us

Gospel – John 17: 6-19

⁶"I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. 7 Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. 8 For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. 9 I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. 10 All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. 12 While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. 13 "I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. 14 I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. ¹⁵ My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. 17 Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. 18 As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. 19 For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

Offertory Hymn 12: Alleluia, sing to Jesus