

Gospel – Matthew 14 vv. 22-33

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. 'It's a ghost,' they said, and cried out in fear.

But Jesus immediately said to them: 'Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid.' 'Lord, if it's you,' Peter replied, 'tell me to come to you on the water.' 'Come,' he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came towards Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. 'You of little faith,' he said, 'why did you doubt?'

And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

Offertory Hymn 150: Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you

Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God; in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 511: O Lord, my God

Future Services St Lazarus, Pissouri

27 August 6pm Holy Communion
10 September 6pm Holy Communion
24 September 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

20 August 10am Holy Eucharist
27 August 10am Holy Eucharist
3 September 10am Holy Eucharist

Notices

Tuesday 15 August Public holiday - Dormition of the 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 retreats@cypgulf.org

Saturday 2 September 0900-1300 Table Top Sale in aid of Kinkizi.

Wednesday 13 September 1430-1630 at St Barnabas Afternoon Tea in aid of SOMA.

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



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.

Welcome to St Lazarus' Anglican Church Pissouri

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

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**Sunday 13th August 2017
Ninth Sunday after Trinity
6pm Holy Communion**

President: Christine

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 – Chris on Tuesdays

Duties for today

Sides : Denise

"Organist": Sue

Readings: Michael – Genesis 37: 1-4 & 12-28
+ Psalm 105: 1-6, 16-22 & 45b

Andrea – Romans 10: 5-15

Gospel – Matthew 14: 22-33

Server: Denise

Duties for 27 August The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Sides : Sue

"Organist": Felita

Readings: Stanley – Exodus 1: 8 – 2: 10
+ Psalm 124

John – Romans 12: 1-8

Gospel – Matthew 16: 13-20

Server: Stanley

UK Visitors

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Loving God, as I pray, take my words, my silence and all that I feel.
Hear my prayer, and speak to me today. Amen

Hymn 144: Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Gloria 968: to the tune 'The Ash Grove'

Collect for today

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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 – Genesis 37 vv. 1-4 & 12-28

Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan. This is the account of Jacob's family line.

Joseph, a young man of seventeen, was tending the flocks with his brothers, the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives, and he brought their father a bad report about them.

Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him. When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

Now his brothers had gone to graze their father's flocks near Shechem, and Israel said to Joseph, 'As you know, your brothers are grazing the flocks near Shechem. Come, I am going to send you to them.' 'Very well,' he replied. So he said to him, 'Go and see if all is well with your brothers and with the flocks, and bring word back to me.' Then he sent him off from the Valley of Hebron. When Joseph arrived at Shechem, a man found him wandering around in the fields and asked him, 'What are you looking for?' He replied, 'I'm looking for my brothers. Can you tell me where they are grazing their flocks?' 'They have moved on from here,' the man answered. 'I heard them say, "Let's go to Dothan."'

So Joseph went after his brothers and found them near Dothan.¹⁸ But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

'Here comes that dreamer!' they said to each other. 'Come now, let's kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we'll see what comes of his dreams.'

When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue him from their hands. 'Let's not take his life,' he said. 'Don't shed any blood. Throw him into this cistern here in the wilderness, but don't lay a hand on him.' Reuben said this to rescue him from them and take him back to his father.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe – the ornate robe he was wearing – and they took him and threw him into the cistern. The cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to Egypt.

Judah said to his brothers, 'What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood? Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood.' His brothers agreed. So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.

Psalm 105 vv. 1-6, 16-22 & 45b

1. Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

2. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

3. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

4. Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

5. Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,

6. you his servants, the descendants of Abraham, his chosen ones, the children of Jacob.

16. He called down famine on the land and destroyed all their supplies of food;

17. and he sent a man before them – Joseph, sold as a slave.

18. They bruised his feet with shackles, his neck was put in irons,

19. till what he foretold came to pass, till the word of the Lord proved him true.

20 The king sent and released him, the ruler of peoples set him free.

21. He made him master of his household, ruler over all he possessed,

22. to instruct his princes as he pleased and teach his elders wisdom.

45b. Praise the Lord.

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 10 vv. 5-15

Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: 'The person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that is by faith says: 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the deep?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,' that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: if you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, 'Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.' For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile – the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

Hymn 352: Jesus is Lord!