Post Communion Prayer

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

Hymn 667: The strife is o'er

Future Services St Lazarus, Pissouri

14 May 6pm Holy Communion

25 May Ascension Day Service at Stanley & Sue's

28 May 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

30 April 10am Holy Eucharist followed by the AGM 7 May 10am Holy Eucharist 14 May 10am Holy Eucharist

Notices

Wednesday 26 April 2.30pm venue to be confirmed. The topic wil be 'Barnabas: Worshipper'. For more details please call either Denise on 97745286 or Linda on 99165142.

Friday 28-Sunday 30th April Flower Festival at St Helena's Larnaca.

AGM Next Sunday 30 April after the 10am service Nominations are called for election of the People's Warden (for one year with no limit to the number of times an individual can be re-elected) and for the election of three Members of the Council (for a term of two years with the option to stand for a second term of two years). Each nomination must be proposed and seconded. Anyone on the electoral roll may vote.

Saturday 6 May Table Top Sale at St Barnabas.

Monday 1 May A week to go: Thank you to the many who are giving time, talents and support. Store in the shed books, toys, white elephant, nearly new clothes, shoes, handbags, DVDs and bric-a-brac items which can be sold for 50c. Labels help clarify items. Place bottles, tombola prizes, secret parcels for children in the boxes outside. Jewellery & scarves to Lynda, raffle prizes to Christine T, paintings to Mike & Sandy. Also needed are baked goodies and home produce. Raffle tickets are on sale for you to sell to friends and neighbours. Posters and flyers also available. Charles needs a work party on Saturday. Please help him if you are able. Further info from Pam 99455172.

Please pray for the family of Anne Estdale who died on 18 April. The funeral will take place in the UK.

ISAIAH 58

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 23rd April 2017 The Second Sunday of Easter 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 : Ann

"Organist": Sue

Readings: Linda – Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

+ Psalm 16

Ann – 1 Peter 1: 3-9 Gospel – John 20: 19-end

Server: Linda

Duties for 14 May

Sides: Stanley "Organist": Drew

Readings: Michael – Acts 7: 55-end

+ Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16

Andrea – 1 Peter 2: 2-10 Gospel – John 14: 1-14

Server: Stanley

UK Visitors

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

Hymn 637: The day of Resurrection Gloria 968 to the tune The Ash Grove

Collect for today

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification; grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading - Acts 2 vv. 14a, 22-32

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: 'Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. David said about him:

"I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence."

Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

Psalm 16

- 1. Keep me safe, my God, for in you I take refuge.
- 2. I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing.'
- 3. I say of the holy people who are in the land, 'They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.'
- 4. Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more. I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods or take up their names on my lips.
- 5. Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure.
- 6. The boundary lines have fallen for me to pleasant places; surely, I have a delightful inheritance.
- 7. I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.
- 8. I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- 9. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

- 10. because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay.
- 11. You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

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 Peter 1 vv. 3-9

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith - of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire - may result in praise, glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Hymn 8: Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord

Gospel - John 20 vv. 19-end

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.'

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord!'

But he said to them, 'Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.'

Thomas said to him 'My Lord and my God!'

Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Offertory Hymn 433: Love's redeeming work is done