

Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to turn "a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law – a man's enemies will be the members of his own household."

Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.'

Offertory Hymn 19: All my hope on God is founded

Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 249: Great is thy faithfulness

Future Services St Lazarus, Pissouri

9 July 6pm Holy Communion

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

St Barnabas, Limassol

2 July 10am Holy Eucharist

9 July 10am Holy Eucharist

16 July 10am Holy Eucharist

St Georges, Troodos

2 July 4pm Evening Prayer (picnic before at 2pm)

Notices

Monday 26th June 6.30pm Church Learning Group in the Church Hall at St Barnabas.

Thursday 29 June 4-6pm Nicosia Cathedral. Conference by Hope for Children regarding foster care for unaccompanied minors/asylum seekers.

6.30pm Also an invitation from The Dean, The Very Reverend Jeremy Crocker, to Holy Eucharist and High Tea to celebrate 20 years of Ordination. Respond to both by Monday 26 June please.



Saturday 1 July 9am-1pm Table Top Sale at St Barnabas. This is the last one before September.

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

O Lord, you have given us your word for a light to shine upon our path, grant us so to meditate on that word, and follow its teaching, that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect day.

St Jerome



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

Website: <http://stlazaruspissouri.org>



Sunday 25th June 2017
Second 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 : John

"Organist": Sue

Readings: John – Genesis 21: 8-21

+ Psalm 86: 1-10

Felita – Romans 6: 1b-11

Gospel – Matthew 10: 24-39

Server: Linda

Duties for 9 July 4th Sunday after Trinity

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

UK Visitors

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Hymn 705: Walking in a garden

Gloria 968: to the tune The Ash Grove

Collect for today

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son 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 21 vv. 8-21

The child grew and was weaned, and on the day Isaac was weaned Abraham held a great feast. But Sarah saw that the son whom Hagar the Egyptian had borne to Abraham was mocking, and she said to Abraham, 'Get rid of that slave woman and her son, for that woman's son will never share in the inheritance with my son Isaac.'

The matter distressed Abraham greatly because it concerned his son. But God said to him, 'Do not be so distressed about the boy and your slave woman. Listen to whatever Sarah tells you, because it is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned. I will make the son of the slave into a nation also, because he is your offspring.'

Early the next morning Abraham took some food and a skin of water and gave them to Hagar. He set them on her shoulders and then sent her off with the boy. She went on her way and wandered in the Desert of Beersheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she put the boy under one of the bushes. Then she went off and sat down about a bow-shot away, for she thought, 'I cannot watch the boy die.' And as she sat there, she began to sob.

God heard the boy crying, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, 'What is the matter, Hagar? Do not be afraid; God has heard the boy crying as he lies there. Lift the boy up and take him by the hand, for I will make him into a great nation.'

Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. So she went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy as he grew up. He lived in the desert and became an archer. While he was living in the Desert of Paran, his mother got a wife for him from Egypt.

Psalms 86 vv. 1-10

1. Hear me, Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

2. Guard my life, for I am faithful to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God;

3. have mercy on me, Lord, for I call to you all day long.

4. Bring joy to your servant, Lord, for I put my trust in you.

5. You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you.

6. Hear my prayer, Lord; listen to my cry for mercy.

7. When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me.

8. Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.

9. All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name.

10. For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.

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 6 vv. 1b-11

Shall we go on sinning, so that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? Or don't you know that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin – because anyone who has died has been set free from sin.

Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Hymn 162: Father, I place into your hands

Gospel – Matthew 10 vv. 24-39

Jesus said, 'The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!

So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.