

Hymn 54: At the name of Jesus

Gloria 968: to the tune 'The Ash Grove'

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Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord says to them: see, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you shove with flank and shoulder, butting all the weak sheep with your horns until you have driven them away, I will save my flock, and they will no longer be plundered. I will judge between one sheep and another. I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. I the Lord will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the Lord have spoken."

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6. Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;

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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 – Ephesians 1 vv. 15-end

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Hymn 104: Christ triumphant, ever reigning

Gospel – Matthew 25 vv. 31-end

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was ill and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison and go to visit you?"

The King will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was ill and in prison and you did not look after me."

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Offertory Hymn 736: When I needed a neighbour

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn 137: Crown him with many crowns

Future Services St Lazarus, Pissouri

10 December 6pm Carol Service at Pine Bay
24 December 6pm Christmas Night Holy Communion
14 January 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

3 December 10am Holy Eucharist
3 December 6pm Christingle Service
10 December 10am Holy Eucharist
17 December 10am Holy Eucharist
17 December 6pm Service of Nine Lessons & Carols

Notices



The Bible Study Group will continue with the spiritual renewal series in the new year. For details contact Denise on 97745286 or e-mail as per front page.



Monday 27 November 2pm at St Barnabas the first of four weeks - Advent Course "Living in the Light".



Saturday 2 December Table Top Sale at St Barnabas.



Tuesday 5 December 7pm at St Barnabas Phoenix Singers Festive concert. €5 from Bob Day bobsheday@live.co.uk



Thursday 7 December 10am to 1pm Psalms in Advent led by Rev Kent Middleton. Book by 4 December at retreats@cypgulf.org or 99155092



Please pray for our parish during the interregnum as interviews for applicants take place in December. Please also pray for Christine Goldsmith as she will be the interim minister from 13 December.

Come, Lord Jesus,
Come as King.
Rule in our hearts,
Come as Love,
Rule in our minds,
Come as Peace.
Rule in our actions,
Come as Power.
Rule in our days,
Come as Joy.
Rule in our darkness,
Come as Light.
Rule in our bodies,
Come as Health.
Rule in our labours,
Come as Hope.
Thy kingdom
Come Among us. *David Adam*



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 26th November 2017

Christ the King – the last Sunday before Advent

Stir up Sunday

6pm Holy Communion

President: Ven. Malcolm Squires

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 Friday

Duties for today

Sides : Linda

"Organist": Sue

Readings: John H – Ezekiel 34: 11-16 & 20-24

+ Psalm 95: 1-7

Felita – Ephesians 1: 15-end

Gospel – Matthew 25: 31-end

Server: Stanley

Duties for 24 December Christmas Night

Sides : Stanley -

"Organist": Sue

Readings: Stanley – Isaiah 52: 7-10

+ Psalm 98

Beryl – Hebrews 1: 1-14

Gospel – John 1: 1-14

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Don't forget the Carol Service at Pine Bay 10 December 6pm

UK Visitors

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