### 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 54: At the name of Jesus

### Future Services St Lazarus, Pissouri

11 June 6pm Holy Communion 25 June 6pm Holy Communion

9 July 6pm Holy Communion

### St Barnabas, Limassol

4 June 10am Pentecost Family Eucharist

11 June 10am Holy Eucharist

18 June 10am Holy Eucharist

## St Georges, Troodos

18 June 4pm Evening Prayer (picnic before at 2pm)

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

## **Notices**

Saturday 3 June 9am-1pm Table Top Sale at St Barnabas. The last sale raised €284.

Wednesday 7 June 2.30pm Pissouri Bible Study Group. This will be the penultimate in this series and is entitled 'Barnabas: Believer'. All who have attended so far have found the course has given much to reflect upon. It is not too late to come as each study is a standalone. For more details please call either Denise on 97745286 or Linda on 99165142.

**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.

**29 September-9 October** SOMA Mission Derek, Sue and Nora are going to Thika diocese. Donations towards their mission to Nora please.

Thank you, Derek and Sue, for yet another memorable Ascension Day service and to Sue and Stanley for hosting it in their appropriate hilltop garden.

Good morning. This is God. Today I will be dealing with all your problems. Please remember that I do not need your help. If the devil happens to deliver a situation you cannot handle, DO NOT attempt to resolve it. Kindly put it in the 'SFJTD' (Something for Jesus to do) box. It will be addressed in MY time not YOURS.

Once the matter is placed into the box, do not hold onto it or attempt to remove it. Holding on or removal will delay the resolution of your problem. If it is a situation that you think you are capable of handling, please consult me in prayer to be sure that it is the proper resolution. 'Because I do not sleep, nor do I slumber, there is no need for you to lose any sleep. Rest my child. If you need to contact me, I am only a prayer away.'

## ISAIAH 58

All donations of dry food, toiletries and money are gratefully received and can be brought on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 28th May 2017
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday after Ascension
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: Sue
"Organist": Felita

Readings: Denise - Acts 1: 6-14

+ Psalm 68: 1-10

John – 1 Peter 4: 12-14 & 5: 6-11

Gospel – John 17: 1-11

Server: Denise

<u>Duties for 11 June</u> <u>Sides :</u> Ann "Organist": Linda

Readings: Stanley - Isaiah 40: 12-17 & 27-end

+ Psalm 8

Ann – 2 Corinthians 13: 11-end Gospel – Matthew 28: 16-end

**Server:** Stanley

#### **UK Visitors**

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# Hymn 644: The head that once was crowned with thorns

### Gloria 968 to the tune The Ash Grove

### 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 forever. Amen.

### First Reading - Acts 1 vv. 6-14

Then the apostles gathered round him and asked him, 'Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?'

He said to them: 'It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. 'Men of Galilee,' they said, 'why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.'

Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

### Psalm 68 vv. 1-10

- 1. May God arise, may his enemies be scattered; may his foes flee before him.
- 2. May you blow them away like smoke as wax melts before the fire, may the wicked perish before God.
- 3. But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful.
- 4. Sing to God, sing in praise of his name, extol him who rides on the clouds; rejoice before him his name is the Lord.
- 5. A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling.
- 6. God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.
- 7. When you, God, went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8. the earth shook, the heavens poured down rain, before God, the One of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.

- 9. You gave abundant showers, O God; you refreshed your weary inheritance.
- 10. Your people settled in it, and from your bounty, God, you provided for the poor.

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 4 vv. 12-14 & 5 vv. 6-11

Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

### Hymn 413: Lord of all hopefulness

### Gospel - John 17 vv. 1-11

After Jesus said this, he looked towards heaven and prayed:

Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

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. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. 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. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I 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.

Offertory Hymn 12: Alleluia, sing to Jesus