

Gospel – Matthew 5: 13-20

13 “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. 14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. 17 “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. 18 For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. 19 Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Offertory Hymn: 32 And can it be

Post Communion Prayer

God of truth, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life: strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn: 332 I the Lord of sea and sky

Future Services

St Lazarus, Pissouri

23rd February 6pm Holy Communion

8th March 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

16th February 10am Holy Eucharist

23rd February 10am Holy Eucharist



Remembering in Prayer:

All those known to us who are ill or recovering including: Yvonne, Karen, Lisa, Brian, Sue, Kay, Nanette, Fr Andrew.

Bible Study Group (2nd & 4th Wednesday of month) - The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12th February at 2.30pm. For more details please contact Denise at denise.weaver@wisenexus.com.

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Anglican Church Pissouri**
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the Diocese of Cyprus & the Gulf
Website: <https://stlazaruspissouri.org>

Glorify God
Open doors
Share faith
Proclaim Jesus
Encourage all
Love others

**Our services are held in the room under the
amphitheatre on the 2nd and 4th Sundays
of every month.**



YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH
YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

**9th February 2020
Third Sunday before Lent
6pm Holy Communion**

President: Fr Andrew Mayes

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 day off – Saturday

Duties for today 9th February

Sides	Stanley	
Music	Denise	
Readings	Stanley	Isaiah 58: 1-9a +Psalm 112: 1-9
	Beryl	1 Corinthians 2: 1-12
	Gospel	Matthew 5: 13-20
Server	Stanley	

Duties for 23rd February

Sides	Ann	
Music	Sue	
Readings	Beryl	Exodus 24: 12-18 +Psalm 2 or 99 tba
	Ann	2 Peter 1: 16-21
	Gospel	Matthew 17: 1-9
Server	Stanley	

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

**Please join us for refreshments
after the service in the Pissouriana**

Hymn: 304 I come with joy

The Collect

God of our salvation, help us to turn away from those habits which harm our bodies and poison our minds and to choose again your gift of life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading – Isaiah 58: 1-9a

1 “Shout it aloud, do not hold back. Raise your voice like a trumpet. Declare to my people their rebellion and to the descendants of Jacob their sins. 2 For day after day they seek me out; they seem eager to know my ways, as if they were a nation that does what is right and has not forsaken the commands of its God. They ask me for just decisions and seem eager for God to come near them. 3 ‘Why have we fasted,’ they say, ‘and you have not seen it? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you have not noticed?’ “Yet on the day of your fasting, you do as you please and exploit all your workers. 4 Your fasting ends in quarreling and strife, and in striking each other with wicked fists. You cannot fast as you do today and expect your voice to be heard on high. 5 Is this the kind of fast I have chosen, only a day for people to humble themselves? Is it only for bowing one’s head like a reed and for lying in sackcloth and ashes? Is that what you call a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? 6 “Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? 7 Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter— when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood? 8 Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard. 9 Then you will call, and the Lord will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I. “If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk.

Psalm 112: 1-9

1 Praise the Lord. Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who find great delight in his commands.

2 Their children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.

4 Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for those who are gracious and compassionate and righteous.

5 Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice.

6 Surely the righteous will never be shaken; they will be remembered forever.

7 They will have no fear of bad news; their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

8 Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

9 They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor, their righteousness endures forever; their horn will be lifted high in honour.

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 Corinthians 2: 1-12

1 And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. 2 For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. 3 I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. 4 My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit’s power, 5 so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God’s power. 6 We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. 7 No, we declare God’s wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. 8 None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 However, as it is written: “What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived”—the things God has prepared for those who love him—10 these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. 11 For who knows a person’s thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. 12 What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.

Hymn: 662 There’s a wideness in God’s mercy