

Offertory Hymn: 614 Spirit of the living God

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn: 752 Will you come and follow me

Future Services

St Lazarus, Pissouri

26th January 6pm Evening Prayer

9th February 6pm Holy Communion

23rd February 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

12th January 10am Holy Eucharist

19th January 10am Holy Eucharist

26th January 10am Holy Eucharist



Remembering in Prayer:

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

Bible Study Group - The next meeting will be on Wednesday 22nd January at 2.30pm. For more details please contact Denise at denise.weaver@wisenexus.com.

The Baptism Of Jesus

*Behold, the Lamb of God whose face did shine,
John saw approaching; in apprehension
Trembled with joy seeing the Son Divine
Conceived by God's holiest intention.
'I need to be baptised by You, the Lord.'
Jesus said: 'Suffer it to be so now...'
HE came to the Jordan, His feet would ford,
John immersed Jesus and would his head bow.
The masses on the bank saw His glory
The Heavens parted, pearly light streaming
No man like this One lived in history,
Could they in the day be simply dreaming?
HE surfaced, Son of God, Teacher of Love
Descending on Him Spirit from Above.*

By Barry Blander

**Welcome to St Lazarus'
Anglican Church Pissouri**
Part of the Limassol Chaplaincy in
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.



**12th January 2020
The Baptism of Christ
6pm Holy Communion**

President: Revd Rod Price

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 12th January

Sides	Denise	
Music	Sue	
Readings	Beryl	Isaiah 49: 1-7 +Psalm 40: 1-12
	Denise	1 Corinthians 1: 1-9
	Gospel	John 1: 29-42
Server	Denise	

Duties for 26th January Evening prayer

Sides	Ann	
Music	Mike	
Readings	tbc	Psalm 36: 5-10 +1 Kings 17: 8-16
	Ann	1 Corinthians 1: 18-31
	Gospel	John 2: 1-11

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

Hymn: 70 Be thou my vision

The Collect

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

First Reading – Isaiah 49: 1-7

1 Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the Lord called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name. **2** He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. **3** He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendour." **4** But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing at all. Yet what is due me is in the Lord's hand, and my reward is with my God." **5** And now the Lord says—he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honoured in the eyes of the Lord and my God has been my strength—**6** he says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." **7** This is what the Lord says—the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel—to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: "Kings will see you and stand up, princes will see and bow down, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Psalm 40: 1-12

1 I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry.

2 He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

3 He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in him.

4 Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

5 Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us. None can compare with you; were I to speak and tell of your deeds, they would be too many to declare.

6 Sacrifice and offering you did not desire—but my ears you have opened—burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not require.

7 Then I said, "Here I am, I have come—it is written about me in the scroll.

8 I desire to do your will, my God; your law is within my heart."

9 I proclaim your saving acts in the great assembly; I do not seal my lips, Lord, as you know.

10 I do not hide your righteousness in my heart; I speak of your faithfulness and your saving help. I do not conceal your love and your faithfulness from the great assembly.

11 Do not withhold your mercy from me, Lord; may your love and faithfulness always protect me.

12 For troubles without number surround me; my sins have overtaken me, and I cannot see. They are more than the hairs of my head, and my heart fails within me.

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 1: 1-9

1 Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, **2** To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours: **3** Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **4** I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. **5** For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge— **6** God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. **7** Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. **8** He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. **9** God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymn: 527 On Jordan's bank

Gospel – John 1: 29-42

(see separate sheet)