# **Future Services**

St Lazarus, Pissouri

26<sup>th</sup> May 6pm Holy Communion

30<sup>th</sup> May 8am Ascension Day, Hill View Restaurant

9<sup>th</sup> June 6pm Holy Communion 23<sup>rd</sup> June 6pm Holy Communion

#### St Barnabas, Limassol

19<sup>th</sup> May 10am Holy Eucharist 26<sup>th</sup> May 10am Holy Eucharist 2<sup>nd</sup> June 10am Holy Eucharist



# Remembering in Prayer:

All those known to us who are ill or recovering including: Gladys and Lisa, Brian, Sue, Kay, Nanette and Gordon.

# **Notices**

MAY FAIR: The sum of €3038.17 was raised. Huge thanks go to the coordinators and the many volunteers.



**BIBLE STUDY GROUP**: The next session will be on **22**<sup>nd</sup> **May** at **2.30pm.** The topic will be on different forms of prayer. For further information about the group, please contact Denise at

denise.weaver@wisenexus.com.



**ASCENSION DAY**: An open-air Eucharist service will be held at the Hill View Restaurant, Pissouri at **8am on 30<sup>th</sup> May**. Breakfast is available afterwards in the restaurant, (€10 for continental breakfast which can include eggs and bacon).

Please contact Denise by 24<sup>th</sup> May at the latest, to say if you will be attending the service and/or the breakfast. denise.weaver@wisenexus.com.

#### **Dates for your diary**

**9 June** - Pentecost & Book launch for Fr Andrew's 'Sensing the Divine'

**15 June** - Quiet Day led by Fr Andrew at St George's Troodos, (to book email <a href="mailto:RETREATS@cypgulf.org">RETREATS@cypgulf.org</a>)

21 June - Midsummer Barbecue, Limassol

# Did you know....?

Christ was often depicted as a shepherd in Christian art of the 3rd century. There are over 100 Good Shepherd images in the underground Christian burial grounds of ancient Rome, and in Chinese art, Christ the shepherd features too.

# Welcome to St Lazarus' Anglican Church Pissouri

Part of the Limassol Chaplaincy in the Diocese of Cyprus & the Gulf

OUR COMMITMENT IS TO..
GLORIFY God
OPEN doors
SHARE faith
PROCLAIM the Good News
ENCOURAGE all
LOVE others

Website: https://stlazaruspissouri.org

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



# 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019 Fourth Sunday of Easter 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.

Parish priest: Fr Andrew Mayes TSSF 96612371

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Secretary &

Treasurer: Denise Weaver 97745286

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Clergy day off - Saturday

**Duties for today 12th May** 

Sides Stanley Music Denise

**Readings** Beryl Acts 9: 36-43

Psalm 23

Mike Revelation 7: 9-17

Gospel John 10: 22-30

Server Denise

Duties for 26<sup>th</sup> May

Sides Sue Music Mike

**Readings** Denise Acts 16: 9-15

+ Psalm 67

Stanley Revelation 21: 10,22-22:5

Gospel John 14: 23-29

**Server** Stanley

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

#### Hymn 649 - The King of love

#### **Collect for today**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

# First Reading - Acts 9: 36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

#### Psalm 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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 – Revelation 7: 9-17**

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

# Hymn 156 - Faithful shepherd

#### Gospel - John 10: 22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

#### Offertory Hymn 434 - Loving Shepherd

# Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### Hymn 304 - I come with joy