#### **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

27<sup>th</sup> January 6pm Holy Communion 10<sup>th</sup> February 6pm Holy Communion 24<sup>th</sup> February 6pm Holy Communion

# St Barnabas, Limassol

20<sup>th</sup> January 10am Holy Eucharist 27<sup>th</sup> January 10am Holy Eucharist 3<sup>rd</sup> February 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**



#### MAKE SOME PALM CROSSES – please!!

The Parish is asked to make 2000, we have 50 so far. An easy guide is found here: <a href="https://www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Palm-Frond-Cross">https://www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Palm-Frond-Cross</a>. Palms available from Fr Andrew upon request!



**BIBLE STUDY GROUP**: There will not be a meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday this month, so the next session will be on 13<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm. We continue our study of James.

For information about the group, please contact Denise at denise.weaver@wisenexus.com.

#### **OUR COMMITMENT IS TO...**

GLORIFY God
OPEN doors
SHARE faith
PROCLAIM the Good News
ENCOURAGE all
LOVF others



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The Baptism of Christ

# 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019 First Sunday after the Epiphany 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 13th January**

Sides Sue Music Mike

**Readings** Stanley Isaiah 43:1-7

+ Psalm 29

Denise Acts 8:14-17

Gospel Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

**Server** Denise

#### **Duties for 27<sup>th</sup> January**

Sides Ann Music Sue

**Readings** Beryl Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

+ Psalm 19

Ann 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Gospel Luke 4:14-21

Server Stanley

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

#### Hymn 70 - Be Thou my vision

#### **Collect for today**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen

#### First Reading – Isaiah 43:1-7

"Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth-- everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

#### Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

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 – Acts 8:14-17

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

#### Hymn 527 - On Jordan's bank the Baptist cry

#### Gospel - Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

# Offertory Hymn 609 - Songs of thankfulness and praise