

Offertory Hymn: 551 O Worship the King

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn: 212 God forgave my sin

Future Services

St Lazarus, Pissouri

13th October 6pm Holy Communion
27th October 6pm Holy Communion
10th November 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

29th September 10am Holy Eucharist
6th October 10am All Age Service
13th October 10am Holy Eucharist



Remembering in Prayer:

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

Notices

Sunday 6th October - Harvest Bring & Share lunch in Chaplaincy Garden immediately after the service, time to relax and enjoy time together. Speak to Stanley or Denise

Friday 20th September - Concert in Nicosia in aid of the Aden Clinic. Further details and names to Edna Gregory (edna.gregory@btinternet.com) if you wish to attend.

Saturday October 26th - Limassol Lions, Old Time Music Hall Nands Bar, Episkopi, from 7.45pm €6pp or €12 with pre show meal

THE PARABLE OF THE DISHONEST STEWARD

Of all the parables of Christ this one may be the toughest, for those who think it treats their views of honesty the roughest. But it's a comment on the fact that being shrewd and clever can win one many friends, for sure. It has been thus forever. The steward had mismanaged all the holdings of his master. He knew when it was found out, he was heading for disaster. He called his master's debtors and made sure they would be willing to take him in when he was fired, by lowering their billing. He told each one to write down less than what each had been owing. The master praised his steward for the prudence he was showing! Then Jesus said, "You, too, make friends, but not by being greedy. And as good stewards, use your funds to help the poor and needy. "By kindness you will make friends now and have their salutation, when they receive you into God's eternal habitation.

By Richard Stoll Armstrong

Welcome to St Lazarus' Anglican Church Pissouri

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

Website: <https://stlazaruspissouri.org>

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



The Parable of the Shrewd Manager

22nd September 2019
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
6pm Holy Communion

President: Archdeacon Christopher Futcher

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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Clergy day off – Saturday

Duties for today 22nd September

Sides Ann
Music Mike
Readings Stanley Amos 8: 4-7
+ Psalm 113
Ann 1 Timothy 2: 1-7
Gospel Luke 16: 1-13
Stanley

Duties for 13th October

Sides tbc
Music tbc
Readings tbc Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
+ Psalm 66:1-11
tbc 2 Timothy 2.8-15
Gospel Luke 17.11-19
Server tbc

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OUR COMMITMENT IS TO...

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

The Collect

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading – Amos 8: 4-7

⁴Hear this, you who trample the needy and do away with the poor of the land, ⁵saying, “When will the New Moon be over that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath be ended that we may market wheat?”—skimping on the measure, boosting the price and cheating with dishonest scales, ⁶buying the poor with silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, selling even the sweepings with the wheat. ⁷The LORD has sworn by himself, the Pride of Jacob: “I will never forget anything they have done.”

Psalm 113

1 Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord, you his servants; praise the name of the Lord.

2 Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore.

3 From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised.

4 The Lord is exalted over all the nations, his glory above the heavens.

5 Who is like the Lord our God, the One who sits enthroned on high,

6 who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth?

7 He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap;

8 he seats them with princes, with the princes of his people.

9 He settles the childless woman in her home as a happy mother of children. Praise the Lord.

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.

¹I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—²for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. ³This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, ⁴who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. ⁷And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles.

Hymn: 483 O for a heart

Gospel – Luke 16: 1-13

¹Jesus told his disciples: “There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. ²So he called him in and asked him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.’ ³“The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I’m not strong enough to dig, and I’m ashamed to beg— ⁴I know what I’ll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.’ ⁵“So he called in each one of his master’s debtors. He asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶“‘Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,’ he replied. “The manager told him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.’ ⁷“Then he asked the second, ‘And how much do you owe?’ ⁸“‘A thousand bushels of wheat,’ he replied. “He told him, ‘Take your bill and make it eight hundred.’ ⁹“The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. ¹⁰I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. ¹¹“Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. ¹²So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? ¹³“And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own? ¹⁴“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”