

instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

### Offertory Hymn: 357 Jesus on the mountain peak

#### Post Communion Prayer

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### Hymn: 70 Be Thou my vision

#### Future Services

##### St Lazarus, Pissouri

8th March 6pm Holy Communion

22nd March 6pm Holy Communion

12th April 6pm Easter Beach service (venue tbc)

##### St Barnabas, Limassol

1st March 10am All Age Service

8th March 10am Holy Eucharist

15th March 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.

#### Notices

**Bible Study Group** (2nd & 4th Wednesday of month) - A change to the usual schedule, as the next meeting will be on Wednesday **4th March** at 2.30pm. For more details please contact Denise at [denise.weaver@wisenexus.com](mailto:denise.weaver@wisenexus.com).

**Lent Course 2020 - Paradoxes of Prayer.** Fridays from 10.30 to 12noon at St Barnabas' Church, written by Fr Andrew for St Barnabas & St Lazarus

**13 March Body & Soul** – how does my personality affect the way I pray?

**20 March Desert & Garden** – contrasting pictures of prayer take us to the desert, to Gethsemane, and point towards Easter

**27 March Struggle & Rest** – the reality and experience of struggle in prayer

**3 April Temples & Pilgrims** – exploring powerful images of our vocation and calling as people of prayer today

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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.



**23rd February 2020**

**First Sunday before Lent**

**Transfiguration of Jesus**

**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 23rd February

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

#### Duties for 8th March

Sides	Sue	
Music	Mike	
Readings	Denise	Genesis 12: 1-4a +Psalm 121
	Stanley	Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17
	Gospel	John 3: 1-17
Server	Denise	

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

## Hymn: 105 Christ whose glory

### The Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

### First Reading – Exodus 24: 12-18

**12** The Lord said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone with the law and commandments I have written for their instruction.” **13** Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and Moses went up on the mountain of God. **14** He said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we come back to you. Aaron and Hur are with you, and anyone involved in a dispute can go to them.” **15** When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, **16** and the glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the Lord called to Moses from within the cloud. **17** To the Israelites the glory of the Lord looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain. **18** Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

### Psalm 99

**1** The Lord reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.

**2 Great is the Lord in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations.**

**3** Let them praise your great and awesome name—he is holy.

**4 The King is mighty, he loves justice—you have established equity; in Jacob you have done what is just and right.**

**5** Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his footstool; he is holy.

**6 Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel was among those who called on his name; they called on the Lord and he answered them.**

**7** He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud; they kept his statutes and the decrees he gave them.

**8** Lord our God, you answered them; you were to Israel a forgiving God, though you punished their misdeeds.

**9** Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his holy mountain, for the Lord our God is holy.

**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 – 2 Peter 1: 16-21

**16** For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. **17** He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”<sup>[a]</sup> **18** We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain. **19** We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. **20** Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet’s own interpretation of things. **21** For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

### Hymn: 532 Open our eyes Lord (twice)

### Gospel – Matthew 17: 1-9

**1** After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. **2** There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light.

**3** Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. **4** Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” **5** While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!” **6** When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. **7** But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “Don’t be afraid.” **8** When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. **9** As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus