

Hymn: 752 Will you come and follow me

Gospel – Mark 8:31-38

(See separate sheet)

Offertory Hymn: 463 My song is love unknown

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn: 503 O Jesus, I have promised

Future Services

St Lazarus, Pissouri

14th March 6pm Holy Communion

28th March 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

7th March 10am Holy Eucharist

14th March 10am Holy Eucharist



Remembering in Prayer:

All those known to us who are ill or recovering including: Yvonne, Karen, Brian, Kay, Nanette, John, Paul, Stanley & Sue.

Notices

Health & Safety - Please wear masks and respect the social distancing guidelines. Only the bread will be offered at communion, and Fr Ian will take the wine on our behalf.

Lenten Course 2021 - The next session of the course will be on Wednesday 3 March. Sessions run till 31 March. Details can be found on the *What's On* page of the St Lazarus' website.

*This Lent I will sail
on the graced wings of desire,
yearning to go deeper
to the place where
I am one in the One.*

From a poem by Joyce Rupp

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.



28th February 2021
Second Sunday in Lent
6pm Holy Communion

President: Fr Ian Nicholson

Those who receive Communion in their home Church are welcome to receive the bread, or please ask for a blessing.

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Duties for today 28th February

Sides	Ann	
Music	Denise	
Readings	Mike	Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 +Psalm 22:23-31
	Ann	Romans 4:13-25
	Gospel	Mark 8:31-38
Server	Stanley	

Duties for 14th March - Mothering Sunday

Sides	Denise	
Music	Sue	
Readings	Stanley	Numbers 21:4-9 +Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
	Beryl	Ephesians 2:1-10
	Gospel	John 3:14-21
Server	Denise	

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

Hymn: 54 At the name of Jesus

The Collect

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading – Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹ When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to him and said, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me faithfully and be blameless. ² Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers.' ³ Abram fell face down, and God said to him, ⁴ 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: you will be the father of many nations. ⁵ No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations. ⁶ I will make you very fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you. ⁷ I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. ¹⁵ God also said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you are no longer to call her Sarai; her name will be Sarah. ¹⁶ I will bless her and will surely give you a son by her. I will bless her so that she will be the mother of nations; kings of peoples will come from her.'

Psalm 22:23-31

23 You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, honour him! Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!

24 For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help.

25 From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly; before those who fear you I will fulfil my vows.

26 The poor will eat and be satisfied; those who seek the Lord will praise him – may your hearts live for ever!

27 All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him,

28 for dominion belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations.

29 All the rich of the earth will feast and worship; all who go down to the dust will kneel before him – those who cannot keep themselves alive.

30 Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord.

31 They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it!

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 - Romans 4:13-25

¹³ It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. ¹⁴ For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means nothing and the promise is worthless, ¹⁵ because the law brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression. ¹⁶ Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring – not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all.

¹⁷ As it is written: 'I have made you a father of many nations.' He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed – the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not. ¹⁸ Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, 'So shall your offspring be.' ¹⁹ Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead – since he was about a hundred years old – and that Sarah's womb was also dead. ²⁰ Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. ²² This is why 'it was credited to him as righteousness.' ²³ The words 'it was credited to him' were written not for him alone, ²⁴ but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness – for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. ²⁵ He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.