

LIMASSOL PARISH - ST BARNABAS' ANGLICAN CHURCH



December 10th 2017, 2nd Sunday in Advent

10:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist: *Junior & Middle Church*

President/Preacher: **Ven Malcolm Squires**

6 p.m. St Lazarus Carol Service, Pine Bay Centre, Pissouri

Those who receive Communion in their home Church are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table, or please ask for a blessing

Duties for This Week

(OT) Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1,2,8-end

(Bryan T)

(NT) 2 Peter 3:8-15a (Lynda M)

Intercessions: Nora

(Gospel) Mark 1:1-8

Chalice: Bob & Hazel

Sides: Rob & Mary

Sacristan: Lynda

Refreshments: Invitation to Church House from Malcolm & Buzz

Hymns: Carol of the Advent Ring (3ch, 2v), **N.B.** Carol of the Advent Ring is page 12 of the service booklet; 242, 401, 226, 520, 66, 422
We also sing the ancient Greek prayer: Kyrie eleison (Lord have mercy),
Christe eleison (Christ have mercy)

Organist: Zara

Collect for The Second Sunday of Advent

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and forever. Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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Welcome to St Barnabas' Anglican Church in the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf. We hope that you will find peace and comfort worshipping here with us today. Join us for refreshments in the church house after the Service and, if you are a visitor, please introduce yourself to us and sign our Visitors' Book in the porch.

Remembering in Prayer:

All those known to us who are ill or recovering including: Elizabeth T, Peter Cross, Bunty, Charles Devadawson, Beryl Watson, Nawal Oueida, Peter Whiteside, Anna Georgiades, Max Clapp, Sam Barker, Millie & Tom Bell, Bryan Harding, Lynne Tromans, Joe Mattheou, Cathy (Anton), Gladys & Lisa Forey, Baby Nesrin, Tim Askell, Little Sukie Smith, Richard Davies, Margaret Josephides, Laura Jacovides, Bryan Tolladay, Eleanor Jennings, Polly Andrews, Denis Matthews, Maria Reppin, Mike & Sandie Syme.

R.I.P. Keith Shonfeld, M.B.E., Joan Wilson. Pray for all who grieve for loved ones.

Please Pray for: all those who are leaving this island to make homes elsewhere; our Parish during this time of Interregnum, that the right decisions are made and we stay strong in our faith.

Duties for Next Week (December 17th – 3rd Sunday in Advent)

(OT) Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-end; Psalm 126 (**Church Family**)

(NT) 1 Thessalonians 5 :16-24 (**Church Family**)

Intercessions: TBA (*Gospel*) John 1:6-8,19-28 **Sacristan:** Bob

Chalice: Brian F & Denise **Sides:** Church Family

Refreshments: Margaret E, Ruth P, Diana, Anna L

Hymns: Carol of the Advent Ring (4 ch, 3v), TBA

Organist: Zara

FunRaising Food collection is ongoing. Please place non-perishable food items/toiletries in the white box outside church.

Table Top Sales raise in the region of €6 000 p.a. The next one this month is December 16th. Nora is looking for an organiser and more folk to man the church stall. Can you help at all? Please see Nora.

Palm Crosses: For over 20 years all the Cyprus parishes have provided palm crosses for Exeter Diocese. We are asked to provide 2000. Older members now have arthritic fingers and cannot continue with the task. We're looking for volunteers to organise work parties in January, others to provide palms and others to work at home.

Please see a warden or council member if you can help. The crosses are taken to Synod at the beginning of February.

Interregnum update – As announced by the wardens last week, from December 13th, the interim minister will be Rev Chris Goldsmith supported by Rev Tony Jeynes (and other PtOs as needed). Interviews for a new priest take place on Friday in Nicosia.

Council met on Wednesday and covered many subjects including the interregnum, the refurbishment of the church house, fund raising, finances, social events. Reports were received and discussed.

Traditionally our Carol Service is followed by donated wine/juice and mince pies. This is an opportunity for our regular members to join in fellowship with others from our community. Please see a church warden if you can help in the kitchen either before or after the event, or bring a contribution. Thank you.

Christmas Cakes: if you forgot to order one from Pam, please look in the hall to see the last ones available – from €10.

Dates and Information for Your Diary

Every Mon	10.30 Chinese Bible Study (a break after Dec 11 th) 14.00 Advent Course Living in the Light (4 weeks)
Every Tues	09:30 Prayer Fellowship followed by refreshments (12 th Peter) 10 a.m. Limassol Ladies
Every Wed	09:00 Communion 09:00 Craft Group - with coffee. All welcome.
Every Sun	10:00 Sung Eucharist , Junior and Middle Church. Youth Church on 1 st & 3 rd Sundays 6pm 2 nd & 4 th Sundays St Lazarus Eucharist , Pissouri
10 th Dec (Today)	10.00 Sung Eucharist , Junior & Middle Church 18.00 St Lazarus Carol Service , Pine Bay Centre
16 th Dec (Sat)	09.00 Table Top Sale – offers of help to Nora please
17 th Dec (Sun)	10.00 Nativity Family Eucharist (Chris) 18.00 Nine Lessons and Carols followed by mince pies and wine
January.....	Palm cross making!

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Psalm 85 (NIV)

¹ You showed favour to your land, O LORD; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

² **You forgave the iniquity of your people and covered all their sins.**

⁸ I will listen to what God the LORD will say; he promises peace to his people, his saints-- but let them not return to folly.

⁹ **Surely his salvation is near those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.**

¹⁰ Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

¹¹ **Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven.**

¹² The LORD will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest.

¹³ **Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.**

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

Christmas Services

Sunday December 10th 6 p.m. St Lazarus Carol Service, Pine Bay Centre

Sunday December 17th 10 a.m. Nativity Family Eucharist
6 p.m. Service of Nine Lessons and Carols (**Rev Chris**)

Sunday December 24th 10 a.m. Eucharist (**Rev Tony**)
6 p.m. St Lazarus Christmas Eucharist (**Bishop Michael**)
11 p.m. Midnight Mass (**Bishop Michael**)

Monday December 25th 10 a.m. Christmas Eucharist (**Rev Chris**)

