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 **St Helena's Anglican Church**

Diary of the week: Please note the activities (*) take place in the Upper Room

Sunday	31st December	9.30am 11am – 1pm	Holy Communion: Fr Geoff Graham Pervolia Charity Shop open
Monday	1st January	10am - 1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open
Tuesday	2nd January	10am-1pm 7-9pm 2pm	Pervolia Charity Shop open Pilgrim course starts
Wednesday	3rd January	10am - 1pm 10am – 1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open
Thursday	4th January	10am-1pm 7-9pm	Pervolia Charity Shop open
Friday	5th January	10am --1pm 10am-1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open
Saturday	6th January	10am-1pm	Pervolia Charity Shop open
Sunday	7th January	9.30am 11am-1pm	Holy Communion: Fr Geoff Graham Pervolia Charity Shop open



31st
December,
2017

Welcome to St Helena's in the name of Christ.
*If you are a baptised Christian of any tradition, you
 are invited to receive Communion.*
*We will be having coffee in the courtyard after the
 service, please join us.*

Post Communion Prayer
 Heavenly Father,
 you have refreshed us with this heavenly sacrament.
 As your Son came to live among us,
 grant us grace to live our lives,
 united in love and obedience,
 as those who long to live with him in heaven;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect
 Almighty God,
 who wonderfully created us in your own image
 and yet more wonderfully restored us
 through your Son Jesus Christ:
 Grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
 so we may share the life of his divinity;
 who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Please turn off mobile phones before the service starts. We have a hearing loop installed. Please adjust your hearing aid accordingly.

Looking Forward –

We hope that John and Sue are enjoying their well-deserved holiday in the UK, before John then travels to the Gulf for a few days to film some of the Synod video ready for February's Synod. Last year, on New Year's Eve, a comedian on BBC television said, 'Wow, we survived!' I'm not sure that I agree with that sentiment. I think that, as we reflect on 2017, its perhaps apt to think about what St Helena's Church community has done this year. And it's hardly 'we survived'!!

As a congregation and Christian community we have quietly been doing 'stuff'. Our monthly luncheon club has continued to be successful, with many people enjoying both the soup (and John's rolls!), and also this year we have had a range of speakers on a variety of subjects that have been both interesting and informative. We have also had great success with our monthly mammoth book sales. These are gaining in interest from a wide variety of the community. There is an outreach element to both these events and people come not only to have soup or to buy books, but also for the fellowship of meeting with other people. We also had a flower festival in May which was attended and enjoyed by many people. The flowers were truly beautiful and a tribute to the flower arrangers for their thoughtful arrangements. Oh yes, and the regular worship has been truly amazing as well!!!!

During the year, our two charity shops have also been doing well, again as much from an outreach perspective as from fulfilling a need for people locally. We continue to support the local charities relating to refugees and asylum seekers and maintain close contact with the Oasis project in providing that support.

On behalf of John and Sue, and from Deb and I, we wish you the very best for the New Year. And may the Lord be foremost in all our thoughts as we traverse next year's journey.

Fr Geoff Graham



Prayer Corner

This week we pray especially for:

Alannah, Berie Norton, Alan Roper, Ann Pickard, Andreas, Miranda and Rachel, Vassiliki Goro, Jackie, James Phelps, Andi and Elizabeth, Carollynne Ellis, Valerie, Helen, Maureen Spelman, Stacey and family, Jeri, Rodney Yates, Paul and Jan Roddy, Sheila Preetejohns, Jane, Louise Jones, Marian Torchia, Sarah Harwood, Rose Bonsall, Carol Jillings, June Yates, Cat Hill, David Ward, Jill Monk, Gill Jefferyes.
Pray for those who will soon attend the Diocesan synod and for wisdom and vision in all they plan and do.

It's not too late to join the Pilgrim course which starts this week. You don't need to attend every week and it's very informal. Why not try it this Tuesday?

This morning's readings: Isaiah 61.10 – 62.3 Psalm 148

Galatians 4. 4-7 Luke 2. 15-21

Next week's readings: Genesis 1. 1-5 Psalm 29

Acts 19. 1-7 Mark 1. 4-11

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