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

Sunday	30th December	9.30am	Holy Communion: Fr Geoff Graham
Monday	31st December		
Tuesday	1st January		
Wednesday	2nd January		
Thursday	3rd January		
Friday	4th January		
Saturday	5th January		
Sunday	6th January	9.30am	Holy Communion: Fr Geoff Graham

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**



St Helena's Anglican Church



30th December, 2018

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.

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**

Looking Forward -

Well, this has been an interesting Christmas season. Our Advent preparations went very well and the Christingle service with the Larnaca Community Choir was a delight, as was the service of Nine Lessons and Carols. Due to the day the Nativity fell this year, the first few days of Christmas itself seemed to be a bit rushed, but all the services over the three days went very well and, I believe, were an appropriate marking of the birth of Jesus Christ.

John is in the UK for a few days and we hope and pray that his recovery from his broken hip will progress rapidly. I ask that you hold both Liz Taylor and Pat Boyadjian in your prayers as they both recover from illness.

Next year will be interesting, as John Holdsworth will depart and be replaced at some point, so we will see some changes, I am sure.

There will also be a change in Limassol as Revd Christine Goldsmith, the Associate Priest leaves in February to take up a post in Lincolnshire in the UK.

Hopefully, the year 2019 will be one in which we can all think about our own Christian commitment and our engagement with both our Church and the Christian community across the world. Both Deb and I wish you all a very happy New Year.

Fr Geoff Graham, Associate *Priest*

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



Pray for those who will soon attend diocesan synod and for wisdom and vision in all they plan and do.

Pray also for St Paul's Cathedral, Nicosia where those who come through their doors are welcomed - as worshippers and pilgrims, as visitors and sightseers, in prayer and in communion - whether local to Nicosia, visiting from elsewhere in Cyprus or coming from overseas from anywhere in the whole world.

Note for your diary – there will be a Retreat Day at St Helena's on 2nd March from 10am – 1pm led by Dr Andrew Mayes. The title is 'Diving for Pearls'. Please see the poster in the foyer for more information.

This morning's readings: 1 Samuel 2. 18-20, 26

Colossians 3. 12-17 Luke 2. 41-52 **Next week's readings:** Isaiah 60. 1-6

Ephesians 3. 1-12 Matthew 2. 1-12

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