Psalm 1

Please join in with the verses in **bold**.

¹ Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

² but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴ The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

⁶ for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Glory be 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

St Helena's Anglican Church, Larnaca

16th May, 2021 – 7th Sunday of Easter

Hymns: 11 Alleluia, sing to Jesus; 258 Help us O Lord, to learn; 324 I, the Lord of sea and sky; 435 Make me a channel of your peace; 92 Christ triumphant

Today's Readings: Acts 1: 15 – 17, 21 – end; 1 John 5: 9 – 13; John 17: 6 – 19

Next Sunday's Readings – Pentecost: Acts 2: 1-21; Psalm 104: 26-36, 37b; Romans 8: 22-27

Collect:

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer:

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

For prayer:

- Those on our prayer list at the front of church.
- Pray for ordained clergy, both stipendiary and self-supporting, with licensed responsibility.
- Pray for Sovereign Base Areas of Cyprus: The SBAs are administered by the UK Ministry of Defence. There are over
 6500 British service personnel and dependents, civil servants and locally employed civilians. Four military chaplains lead congregations in Dhekelia, Ayios Nikolaos, Episkopi and Akrotiri. They proclaim the Gospel, pray for, and are present with, those serving the UK overseas.

If you have somebody that you would like us to pray for, please add them to the prayer list and mention them to a Warden.

If you would like a clergy visit, please see one of clergy or a Warden.

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Notices:

There will be a **retiring collection**. Please add your donation to the baskets at the back of church.

The Larnaca charity shop would welcome any bric-a-brac and both charity shops have now re-opened with their usual hours.

We look forward to The Revd. Canon Dr. John Holdsworth being with us next Sunday to preach.

Would You Like to Volunteer? Love meeting people from distant lands? Love welcoming new arrivals in Cyprus? OASIS is seeking volunteers interested in registering and welcoming new beneficiaries to the OASIS Project. Hours vary but are always in the morning. **Skills needed**: friendly, ability to engage cross culturally, detail oriented, flexible, ability to maintain confidentiality a must. Understanding and agreeing to OASIS faith- based values is required. If you're interested in learning more please let Anne know.

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