

Psalm 29

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

1 Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendour.

3 The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.

4 The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

7 The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

8 The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

9 The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

10 The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

11 May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

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

Message from Anne –

I wanted to thank you for your huge generosity in providing gifts to fill the Christmas stockings knitted by St. John's Deryneia's 'Knit and Natter' group.

My visit to Kofinou had to be delayed twice due to the storms, but it finally went ahead on Thursday 23rd December. From the gifts received from St. Helena's together with those from St. Paul's, Paphos and Limassol parishes, I was able to give every child at the camp a stocking overflowing with wonderful gifts, together with a personalised message.

Understandably, photography at the camp is prohibited, so here is a photo of my car loaded with bagfuls of filled stockings!



Thank you so much for bringing some much needed joy into the lives of these families at Christmas. The children's faces said it all.

Wishing you all every blessing for 2022.

St Helena's Anglican Church, Larnaca

9th January, 2022

For prayer:

Pray for the Director of Ministry, Archdeacon Christopher, as he, with others, promotes a culture of learning, vocation, and discernment across the diocese.

Pray for St. Martin's Anglican Church, Sharjah - a spiritual oasis in the midst of a desert, focuses on Word and Sacrament, with a particular ministry to migrant labourers. Those on our prayer list at the front of church.

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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Today's Readings – 1st Sunday of Epiphany: Isaiah 43: 1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8: 14-17; Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

Next Sunday's Readings – Isaiah 62: 1-5; Psalm 36: 5-10; 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

Hymns: 673 Thou whose almighty word; 578 She sits like a bird; 605 Take my life and let it be; 778 Nothing can trouble; 416 Lord, the light of your love is shining

Collect:

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer:

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our
rebirth through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**