Notices:

- Please check that all mobile phones are off, or on silent, during the service.
- There will be a retiring collection. The basket is at the back of church.
- There will be a said Eucharist in church at 1pm every Wednesday and Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent at 1pm.
- Fr Vernon recently announced that All4Aid is suffering financially. It costs €15 to feed a family per week. Philippa has volunteered to collect donations.
- Fr Ken is presiding and Fr Vernon preaching today.

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Hymns: 306 Immortal Invisible; 576 Seek ye first the kingdom of God; 605 Take my life and let it be; 682 To be in your presence; 401 Christ be our light

This week's readings - Second Sunday of Lent: Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18; Philippians 3: 17 – 4:1; Luke 13: 31-end

Next week's readings – Third Sunday of Lent: Isaiah 55: 1-9; Psalm 63: 1-9; 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13; Luke 13: 1-9

Collect

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
 grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
 that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
 through our Lord Jesus Christ,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever. Amen

Psalm 27 - please join in with the verses in bold

- 1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though a host encamp against me, my heart shall not be afraid, and though there rise up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.
- 4 One thing have I asked of the Lord and that alone I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
- 5 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek his will in his temple.
- 6 For in the day of trouble he shall hide me in his shelter; in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me and set me high upon a rock.
- 7 And now shall he lift up my head above my enemies round about me;
- 8 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord.
- 9 Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy upon me and answer me.
- 10 My heart tells of your word, 'Seek my face.' Your face, Lord, will I seek.
- 11 Hide not your face from me, nor cast your servant away in displeasure.
- 12 You have been my helper; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

- 13 Though my father and my mother forsake me, the Lord will take me up.
- 14 Teach me your way, O Lord; lead me on a level path, because of those who lie in wait for me.

15 Deliver me not into the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen up against me, and those who breathe out violence.

16 I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

17 Wait for the Lord; be strong and he shall comfort your heart; wait patiently for the Lord.

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

For prayer –

Pray for "the peace of Jerusalem"; for an end to the war in Gaza; for the return of hostages and release of those in administrative detention; for justice, political solutions, peace and wellbeing for all.

Pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa **Pray for** those who support and promote our Province. **Pray for** the Anglican Churches in Paphos

Post Communion

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:

keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**