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

Sunday	22 January	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Ven. Dr. John Holdsworth
Monday	23 January		
Tuesday	24 January	7.00pm	Church Council Meeting *
Wednesday	25 January	10am-1pm 2.00 pm	Church Open Jumble Sale
Thursday	26 January	10am-1pm 3pm	Church Open Ladies' Coffee *
Friday	27 January		
Saturday	28 January		
Sunday	29 January	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Ven. Dr. John Holdsworth

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty Father,
 your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world.
 May your people,
 illumined by your word and sacraments,
 shine with the radiance of his glory,
 that he may be known, worshipped,
 and obeyed to the ends of the earth;
 for he is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

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A COMMENTARY BY PHILLIP MEDHURST ON THE GOSPEL OF MARK



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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 with us this morning.

*A warm welcome to our visitors and newcomers today.
 Please stay for refreshments in the courtyard after the service.*

Third Sunday after Epiphany 22nd January 2012

Today's Scripture: Genesis 14: 17-20 Revelation 19: 6-10
 John 2: 1-11

Next Week's Scripture: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 Revelation 12: 1-5
 Mark 1: 21-28

The Collect

Almighty God,
 whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
 the wonder of your saving presence:
 Renew your people with your heavenly grace,
 and in all our weakness
 sustain us by your mighty power;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord

Looking forward

Next Sunday evening there will be a service at St Barnabas Church Limassol at which four new Readers will be licensed and admitted. The service begins at 6. Among those involved is a former member of our own congregation, Chistine Goldsmith. All are welcome to attend. We now have a Reader in training – Geoff Graham. From time to time every couple of months or so, Geoff will be practising preaching by giving the address at our morning service. The first occasion for him to do this will be February 5th. I look forward to that and know that you too will give him support and encouragement by your presence.

I understand that there is also a service organised at LCC next Sunday evening to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity about which I spoke last week.

Another special service will be taking place at 6pm on the evening of the fourth Sunday in February, February 26th, this time in Pissouri. That will be a service to mark St David's Day, and will be conducted bi-lingually in English and Welsh. The text of the service will be printed in both languages, and there should be no problem for non-Welsh speakers. Apparently Pissouri has an unusually large number of Welsh ex-pats, and the Anglican congregation in Pissouri has been meeting for just over a year, and would welcome having a higher profile. Again I hope that participants will be attracted from all over the island.

This means of course that there will be no Evensong in Larnaca on those days. In fact it is my view that the experiment we tried has effectively failed. It is clear that apart from those who felt a duty to be there, there were very few other people present, and some of them came at the expense of the morning service on the same day. Our congregation is not happy, generally speaking, to come out in the dark, and we have to live with that.

After the service next week there will be a brief meeting of the Luncheon Club Committee to plan the meal arrangements for the next meeting on February 1st. The Christmas Dinner was a great occasion and I hope that the Club picks up quickly from where it left off, and goes from strength to strength during the year. After next week's Jumble Sale, the next fund raising / social event will be a Coffee Morning at the Vicarage on February 7th. This is planned to be the first of a series throughout the year. Please do support them. Tickets will be available next week. Finally, many thanks to those of you who contributed to our Good News box. We have had a heartening number of responses and have been working on them this week to produce a section for Synod and the diocesan web-site. Many thanks.

John Holdsworth Chaplain

Last week: Attendance 47, Offerings €284.20



Prayer Corner

This week we pray especially for:

Fran Bremner, Christina, Peggy Brooker, Alannah, Peter Gardiner and Annie, Rachel, Sheila Prettjohns, Gillian, Carol, Andreas Efthemiou, Peggy Girling, Rev'd Robin Brookes, Peggy Steeden, Dimitri Polakis, Joyce O'Brien, Rowley Surridge, Anna Nicolaou, Mick Yule, David Hamblin, Alison Madge, Alexia Blair, Zakari, Cassandra Jardine, Rosina Donaghue, Michelle Barlone, Damian Walsh, Andreas and Mary Hilides, baby Sorrel Hutchins, Berie Norton, Trudy Chapman, Benedict Roylance Smith, Manoli Karapatakis, Joan Andrews.

Notices - New homes offered for white elephants! Liz would welcome any white elephants or unwanted Christmas presents for the jumble sale. Cakes and other goodies would be gratefully received.

The Association of Friends of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf exists to bind together in a fellowship of prayer and support all who are interested in the work of the Church in the Diocese, whether they live within the Diocese or elsewhere. Annual subscription is £12. Membership forms are at the back of Church on the noticeboard. Further information can be had from Liz Taylor.

Jean West has a Royal Doulton dinner service for sale with all proceeds to the Church. For more information, please ask her.

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