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# St Helena's Anglican Church

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

Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am 11am – 1pm 6pm	<b>Holy Communion: Fr Geoff Graham</b> Pervolia Charity Shop open Christingle
Monday	11 <sup>th</sup> December	10am - 1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup> December	10am-1pm 7-9pm 2pm	Pervolia Charity Shop open  Advent Course
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup> December	10am - 1pm 10am – 1pm 1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open Luncheon Club *
Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup> December	10am-1pm 7-9pm 2pm	Pervolia Charity Shop open  Pastoral Afternoon - Loneliness
Friday	15 <sup>th</sup> December	10am --1pm 10am-1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open
Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup> December	10am-1pm 11am	Pervolia Charity Shop open Christingle making *
Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am 11am-1pm 6pm	<b>Holy Communion: Ven Dr John Holdsworth</b> Pervolia Charity Shop open <b>Nine Lessons and Carols</b>



10<sup>th</sup> December,  
2017

**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

Father in heaven,  
 who sent your Son to redeem the world  
 and will send him again to be our judge:  
 give us grace so to imitate him  
 in the humility and purity of his first coming  
 that, when he comes again,  
 we may be ready to greet him  
 with joyful love and firm faith;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 who is alive and reigns  
 with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## Post Communion Prayer

Lord,  
 here you have nourished us with the food of life;  
 through our sharing in this holy sacrament  
 teach us to judge wisely earthly things. **Amen**

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

## Looking Forward –

The shoeboxes for the Mission to Seafarers are due in today. It looks as if we've had a good response and thank you all very much on their behalf. I hope we may have a few more people for the Advent Bible study this coming week. The theme is Jesus through Middle Eastern eyes. This evening we shall have our Christingle service at 6pm. During the past few years this has been a well-attended service, partly because it coincided with our Christmas Fair. We need to make sure tonight that our support for Christingle does not appear to be diminished. I know many of us look forward to the service. I shall miss this morning's service (and believe me I shall miss it) because I have to be in Agia Napa, but I look forward to this evening. The collection this evening will go to the St Spyriadon School here in Larnaca, which gives great opportunities for disabled children.

The date for the Ladies' Carol Service will be 21<sup>st</sup> December. This is also a popular event. It's our only weekday carol service, and our only specific carol service. It begins at 10am and is followed by refreshments in the Upper Room. Our Nine lessons and Carols service is next Sunday at 6. There is a sign-up notice at the back of the church for potential readers. Please do add your name so that the list is filled quickly.

Our Council Meeting this week approved a budget for next year, looked forward to Synod in February, voted in principle to expand our Charity shop here in Larnaca to include its next door neighbour when that becomes vacant soon and distributed the final gifts from our tithe. Thanks to the shops that amount has been increasing over the years, enabling us to give significant support to good causes. I shall be visiting the SOS Childrens Village in Northern Nicosia before Christmas. If you have any stationery items: books, pens etc. that I could take along with our cheque, please bring them to church next week.

The Pastoral letter for Advent is available free at the back of the church.  
*Ven Dr John Holdsworth, Parish Priest*



## Prayer Corner

### This week we pray especially for:

Alannah, Berie Norton, Alan Roper, Ann Pickard, Andreas, Miranda and Rachel, Vassiliki Goro, Jackie, James Phelps, Andi and Elizabeth, Carollynne Ellis, Valerie, Helen, Margaret Hutchison, Maureen Spelman, Stacey and family, Jeri, Rodney Yates, Paul and Jan Roddy, Sheila Preetejohns, Jane, Louise Jones, Marian Torchia, Sarah Harwood, Rose Bonsall, Carol Jillings, June Yates, Cat Hill, David Ward, Jill Monk.

Pray for those being confirmed. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be with all who walk the path of the Christian faith.

**This morning's readings:** Isaiah 40: 1-11 2 Peter 3: 8-15a  
Mark 1: 1-8

**Next week's morning readings:** Isaiah 61. 1-4, 8-11  
1 Thessalonians 5. 16-24 John 1. 6-8, 19-28

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