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

Sunday	16th December	9.30am 11am-1pm 6pm	Holy Communion: Revd Justin Arnott Pervolia Charity Shop open Nine Lessons and Carols
Monday	17th December	10am - 1pm 10am – 1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open
Tuesday	18th December	10am-1pm 7-9pm 6.30pm	Pervolia Charity Shop open Carol Service at the Pervolia Charity Shop
Wednesday	19th December	10am-1pm 10am – 1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open
Thursday	20th December	10am-1pm 7-9pm	Pervolia Charity Shop open
Friday	21st December	10am --1pm 10am-1pm	Larnaca Charity Shop open Pervolia Charity Shop open
Saturday	22nd December	10am-1pm	Pervolia Charity Shop open
Sunday	23rd December	9.30am 11am-1pm	Holy Communion: Fr Geoff Graham Pervolia Charity Shop open

Post Communion Prayer

Father,
 we give you thanks for these heavenly gifts.
 Kindle us with the fire of your Spirit
 that when Christ comes again
 we may shine as lights before his face;
 who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy
 Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**



St Helena's Anglican Church



16th December, 2018

**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

O Lord Jesus Christ,
 who at your first coming sent your messenger
 to prepare your way before you:
 Grant that the ministers and stewards of your
 mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready
 your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to
 the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to
 judge the world we may be found an acceptable
 people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with
 the Father and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, world without end. **Amen**

Looking Forward –

First, heartfelt thanks for all the visits, cards, messages, texts and emails received during my recent spell in hospital; not to mention the gifts and practical expressions of pastoral care from so many in the congregation. Thank you also for your prayers. It felt great to be supported by such a community. I am writing this at the beginning of the week and I am not sure how I shall feel by Sunday but as things stand Rev'd Justin Arnott, the Curate at the cathedral will be the major leader of worship this morning. You will enjoy his being here I am sure. Fr Geoff and Deb are away at present and it is good that he can step in so willingly. If I am able to be present (which I hope) then the service will follow exactly our usual pattern of Eucharist. Justin will do everything apart from the Absolution and Eucharistic Prayer. If not, He will lead a service of Holy Communion outside the Eucharist, using reserved sacrament from the cathedral. Until he is ordained priest, Justin is unable to take the full Eucharist service on his own, but I am sure that if I am not there, the service will be well led, and Justin will explain everything.

I do anticipate leading the service of Nine Lessons and Carols this evening.

It was good to hear from among those present that the Christingle service went so well. Many thanks to all involved and especially the members of the Oroklini Choir. Minutes of this week's Council Meeting will appear at the back of the church, if they are not already there and full details of Christmas services are in the Pastoral Letter.

Ven Dr John Holdsworth, Parish Priest



Pray for John Holdsworth, the Archdeacon in Cyprus. Pray for his ministry, for the parishes of Cyprus, and for justice and peace across the island. Also pray for his swift return to full health.

Also pray for Abu Dhabi: St Andrew's is a compound based in Abu Dhabi with a daughter Church in Al Ain, called St Thomas. We have recently celebrated our 50th anniversary. We seek to provide Christians of all traditions a safe and legal environment to worship.

We have charity shops in Larnaca and Pervolia. Both would welcome helpers – please see Liz or Jean.

If you would like to donate a bottle of Commanderia for use during our Eucharist service, please see Jean.

This morning's readings: Zephaniah 3. 14-20

Philippians 4. 4-7 Luke 3. 7-18

Next week's readings: Micah 5. 2-5a

Hebrews 10. 5-10 Luke 1. 39-45, [46-55]

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