

Sunday
3 December

Advent 1

The Bishop Pray in thanksgiving for the life of our diocese in all its rich particularity.

Kuwait: The Anglican Church in Kuwait, **St Paul's**, has three - English, Urdu and Chinese - congregations. There are three English worship services in a week and two of them are held at Ahmadi on Fridays and Sundays.

Monday
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We give honour and praise to God for new members who have joined the parish. We are delighted and excited about the coming ordination to the priesthood of Revd Zhu Peijin on 27 January 2018. We thank God for the recent renovations to Church House.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in the cordial relations between the Kuwait Oil Company and St Paul's Anglican Church and amongst all other congregations using the centre.

Wednesday
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We pray for a breakthrough in improving the outlook of our worship centre including fencing and more parking facilities.

Thursday
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The dip in oil prices and loss of jobs for some of our members has impacted on our members and affected the Church's budget. We pray for new initiatives at financially resourcing the Church in order to fund programmes.

Friday
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Our challenge is to develop and embrace a new vision for the parish in which there is a stronger sense of ownership and intentional discipleship among the leaders and members.

Saturday
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Heavenly Father, as part of your creation we rejoice in thy love, peace and providence. Make us ever mindful of our need to entirely depend on your grace. Challenge us to be more willing to serve you generously as active members of the Body of Christ present in Kuwait in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Sunday
10 December

Advent 2

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

Limassol: Limassol is the principal port of Cyprus and a vibrant cosmopolitan city. Pissouri is a village with significant tourism and many second homes. We have wealth and poverty around us and among us. British military bases are nearby. We serve British expats and other English speakers from a fascinating variety of nations, countries and cultures.

Monday
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We praise God for all the various gifts and ministries within our parish and also for the generosity of time, talents and treasures given. We thank Him for faithfulness.

Tuesday
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We rejoice and thank God for the gift of children and youth and for the cultural diversity we enjoy within our congregations. May we continue to look outward with Christ-like vision, service and, following Barnabas's example, be encouraging to all who worship with us.

Wednesday
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We pray for our interregnum and for the successful recruitment of our new parish priest. May we prayerfully be guided by His will during this time of uncertainty and for God's hand to guide and call the person of his choice for our parish.

Thursday
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We pray for the future of our parish as many long term members leave us. We thank God for their ministries and time with us and pray that through His grace our church family will grow in its cultural diversity and in its children and youth ministry.

Friday
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We ask for God's help in all the challenges and opportunities during our interregnum; for relationships, for future vision and for stability. May we as the body of Christ continue to welcome the stranger into our midst.

Saturday
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Loving Father, we ask for your continuing guidance; to open our eyes, hearts and minds to your will and vision for this parish. May we serve you with humility and joy in all we do, sharing the Gospel and furthering your Kingdom here on earth.

Sunday
17 December

Advent 3

The Archdeacon in Cyprus Pray for the parishes of Cyprus and for justice and peace across the island.

Abu Dhabi: St Andrews is a compound based in Abu Dhabi with a daughter congregation in Al Ain called St Thomas. We seek to provide Christians of all traditions a safe and legal environment to worship.

Monday
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Please pray for the ministry team, the Churchwardens, and volunteers, who in their diversity of experience and faith journey enable Christian worship, hospitality, and community to grow and deepen.

Tuesday
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Please pray for those in our community who find the season of Christmas a lonely, frightening, and painful time: praying for the opportunity to minister with compassion and love.

Wednesday
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We come with joyful and thankful hearts at the half way completion of All Saints Church Mussafah – a Church being built in the industrial locality of Abu Dhabi Emirate: praying for vision and Godly direction that this project may be completed soon.

Thursday
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Please pray for those who live with uncertainty for their future, those who are coping with job losses and loss of income.

Friday
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Please pray for our opportunity to engage with the community of Abu Dhabi during this season of Christmas through the many extra activities taking place. We give thanks for our children and youth ministry, for the leaders and for the vibrancy and love these young people bring to all our lives.

Saturday
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Lord God who in Jesus calls us – open our hearts and minds to your invitation. God of the pilgrim way, be our companion day by day. God of the still, small voice – teach us to pray. Grant that in our calling, our following, our pilgrimage, we may see your Kingdom of truth and peace and delight to bring others to your love. Amen.

Sunday
24 December

Advent 4
Christmas Eve

Archdeacon in the Gulf Pray for the nations of the Gulf archdeaconry and all who live in them, citizens and others.

Al Ain: St Thomas Church is supported by St Andrew's, Abu Dhabi. We worship at a golf club, but we have now been granted our own land. We are from many backgrounds and nations, but we are united in our desire to see Christ lifted up amongst us and to help more people experience the joy of knowing Jesus.

Monday
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St Thomas has a friendly atmosphere. After the services, people share fellowship and usually not in a rush to go home. One teenager recently said she feels God's love as she walks through the door of the church. Pray that this will be the experience of more and more people.

Tuesday
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After many months of leadership changes, we are thankful for the ministry of our new Curate, Rev Charlie Lloyd Evans. She joined us in September, and we pray that this may be a long and fruitful season in the life of St Thomas.

Wednesday
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Following the recent success of "Messy Church", we are planning to make one service each month more interactive than regular services. Pray that people may be inspired by these events and even be drawn to participate more fully in the life of the church through them.

Thursday
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Our congregation is made up mostly of teachers and health professionals. Long working hours can mean that people become inconsistent in church attendance. Pray that the services may always be a place of spiritual refreshment, so that people do, therefore, make it a priority to attend.

Friday
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We currently meet in an old golf club, but now we has been granted land to build on. Pray for wisdom and unity for those on the sub-committee entrusted with starting this project, that we may discern the best way forward and be led by the Spirit in this work.

Saturday
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Council: may they be given wisdom to lead the church forwards.
Community: may we experience the joy and peace of knowing Jesus amongst us.
Confirmed: protection and growth for 4 young people confirmed in November.
Rev Charlie: protection on her frequent travels between Dubai, Abu Dhabi and Al Ain.

Sunday
31 December

Christmas 1

Synod Pray for those who will soon attend diocesan synod and for wisdom and vision in all they plan and do.

Nicosia: At **St Paul's Cathedral** we welcome all those who come through our doors -- as worshippers and pilgrims, as visitors and sightseers, in prayer and in communion -- whether local to Nicosia, visiting us from elsewhere in Cyprus or coming from overseas from anywhere in the whole world.

Monday
1 January

We praise God for the many blessings he has bestowed upon us as a Cathedral community and we pray, that by his grace and strength, we may continue to be faithful to his calling.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in the good work done by the many charities with whom we have forged relationships. We give thanks for the dedication and time freely given of many volunteers who help, through the wide outreach of the Cathedral community, continue to witness to the reconciling work of Christ in Nicosia.

Wednesday
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As we enter a new calendar year we pray that the Lord may at all times be upon our lips and within our hearts, empowering us to be effective ambassadors of Christ's love within the world.

Thursday
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May God's spirit and wisdom guide us through all our struggles so that we may be faithful in our witness and mission.

Friday
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As we live by the example of our patron saint, St Paul, we pray that we may be Christ-like examples to all those in Nicosia; and that as a Cathedral we seek out the lost, welcome the stranger, and inspire many to worship God in the beauty of holiness.

Saturday
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Eternal God, the light of the minds that know you, the joy of the hearts that love you, the strength of the wills that serve you: grant us so to know you that we may truly love you, so to love you that we may freely serve you; to the glory of your holy Name. Amen

Sunday
7 January

Epiphany
Baptism of Christ

Standing Committee Pray for synod's standing and finance committee and its stewardship of synod resolutions.

Dubai: Holy Trinity is a Church compound in Dubai hosting Christian worship services of various denominational churches including Anglican churches. Pray that the construction work that is going on in the compound may be completed soon.

Monday
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Thank God for his innumerable blessings and mercy on our church that by His grace we dwell together as a single unit and enjoy the fellowship with each other.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in the Lord for the many opportunities for ministry in our compound. Please pray that God will equip and use us for the expansion of His work in this land.

Wednesday
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We hope to become a pro-active people group who bring healing and reconciliation. Please pray that the reconciliation process that is initiated may yield desired results and that we are truly a blessing for others.

Thursday
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Please pray that we fulfil the requirements of the government licensing authority and develop good rapport with the authorities. Pray also that we develop ties with people of other faiths in this land.

Friday
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Please pray for all the ministries of our church including the recent addition of Junior choir. Pray that we may grow in the understanding of God and the way we are deeply rooted in the Lord Jesus.

Saturday
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Heavenly Father, apart from you we can do nothing. We pray that your glory covers Holy Trinity Church and let your eyes open and your ears be attentive to the prayers offered in this place. Help us to be steadfast, immovable, and always abounding in the work of God. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Sunday
14 January

Epiphany 2

Finance Pray for generosity, responsibility, and imagination in the use of money and resources and for the Director of Finance.

St. Martin's Anglican Church, **Sharjah**, UAE is an exciting church mainly comprised of Indians, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans and Africans who love and serve each other. There are several ministry opportunities and new initiates taking place, and we pray for further depth to our faith. We host the Migrant Labour Ministry, as well as more than 100 guest congregations of various languages and nationalities.

Monday
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We praise God for the various fellowships of the church, especially the women's, men's, children's, teen's, youth, and African Fellowship, as well as important ministries such as hospital, welcome, prayer, choir, acolytes, altar guild, and the Migrant Labour Ministry.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in the new Home Groups that have started, the ever-growing choir, the hiring of additional staff, the creation of new office space, the addition of pews and benches, and other additions improving the aesthetics of the church.

Wednesday
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We hope still to complete several projects on the church compound, and for spiritual growth as well as we look at R. Foster's "The Celebration of Discipline" in our church and in the labour camps.

Thursday
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We are struggling as the administrative and facility responsibilities are increasing, and as people continue to move forward, repenting over past actions and asking for forgiveness. We also need more volunteers for the Migrant Labour Ministry.

Friday
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We pray for the guest congregations, as well as other Anglican churches in the UAE. We give thanks to the Rulers for granting us these lands and for allowing us to freely worship, and to facilitate Christian worship.

Saturday
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We pray for those seeking a spiritual oasis in the midst of a physical and spiritual desert. We pray that they will find Jesus as their nourishment, and join a church. We also pray that each member would use their gifts for the expansion of His Kingdom.

Sunday
21 January

Epiphany 3

Ministry Pray for those who minister and serve to follow the example of Christ the Servant and High Priest.

Yemen: The congregation of **Christ Church** is currently not meeting due to the security situation in Aden. A functioning expatriate population has not yet re-materialised because of the instability, and threat of kidnapping. Please pray for the people of Yemen, and our staff at the Ras Morbat Eye Clinic.

Monday
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Give thanks for the safe release of Fr Tom Uzhunnalil after 18 months as a hostage to extremists. Pray for wisdom for the Roman Catholic authorities as they consider steps to renew ministry in Aden.

Tuesday
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Pray for all who are working to alleviate hunger, disease and civil disorder - that the people may know peace.

Wednesday
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Pray that we may know when it is safe to place a priest in Aden to re-start our Christ Church congregation.

Thursday
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Praise God for the good relationships between our staff with the people of the neighbourhood and local government officials.

Friday
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As the people of Yemen take this day to pray, ask God to touch hearts and minds with the knowledge of his Love and Compassion - and HOPE.

Saturday
27

Give thanks for the faithfulness of our medical staff at the Ras Morbat Clinic, and for their awareness of the Spirit of God in their midst.

Sunday
28 January

Epiphany 4

Diocesan Director of Ordinands Pray for all involved in discerning and encouraging vocations.

Paphos: The Parish has 3 places of worship: The church of Ayia Kyriaki Chrysopolitissa, Paphos; the Church of St Stephen in Tala and the Church of St Luke in Prodromi which serves the town of Polis, the resort of Latchi and surrounding villages.

Monday
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Give thanks for much good work in the parish regarding better communication of our services, special occasions and parish activities. Pray that this work will continue and be furthered as personnel change early next year.

Tuesday
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Rejoice in the hard work and faithfulness of our parishioners as they plan and work towards our major Christmas Fayre in December, for the team that has designed and produced our parish Christmas cards, for the Craft group that is currently working on attractive banners to enhance our worship.

Wednesday
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Pray for our Wedding ministry, for our new coordinator, Trudie Murphy as she plans the new wedding 'season', and, particularly, for the difficulties posed by the continuing sharp decline in wedding bookings for 2018 and the impact that this has on parish finances and forward planning.

Thursday
1 February

Pray for a renewed responsiveness in the parish concerning the filling of key posts of Wardens and Council members. Pray that people will be moved to respond to clear needs and be willing to share the burden of those who faithfully serve and have served.

Friday
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Pray for those in positions of responsibility in the parish as we and they grapple with the needs of the parish: a decline in giving, an aging community, difficulties in growing numbers in the parish, and an increase in uncertainty as the realities of Brexit begin to emerge.

Saturday
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Loving God, we thank you for the faithfulness of so many in this parish and for their dedicated work in advancing the kingdom. As we look forward, grant us a renewed vision, renewed energy and a renewed faithfulness as we nurture and proclaim our Christian faith.

Sunday
4 February

2nd Sunday before Lent

Communications Pray for thoughtful, courteous, and stimulating communication across the diocese.

Mission to Seafarers Bahrain: The mission agency, funded entirely by voluntary donations and legacies, offers a comprehensive ministry of care to all who live and work at sea. There are seafarers' centres in 121 ports around the world.

Monday
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We Praise God for the openness God has given here to minister and serve the seafarers along with our differences.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in God for the opportunity He has given us to celebrate God's presence onboard. We rejoice with those who join in prayers and spiritual discussion and delighted in sharing their faith journey.

Wednesday
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We pray for the two seafarers' centres which may attract the seafarers and they may be places which will reunite them with families and friends.

Thursday
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We pray for the seafarers who do not get opportunity to go ashore. They may get needful help from the agents and relax and refresh their minds being with the crowd in the cities.

Friday
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We pray for the relationship we build with the port authorities and the cooperation we receive from the officials that the seafarers will fully enjoy our services.

Saturday
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We pray for the Ecumenical spirit we have with other churches who support our ministries.

Sunday
11 February

**Sunday next before
Lent**

Friends of the Diocese Pray for those who pray for us.

Baghdad: St George's church re-opened in 2003 to receive Iraqi people from different Christian denominations. It has now become a compound with a clinic opened in 2007, kindergarten opened in 2011, Mother's Union branch and a big hall for festivals and meetings. Hope Cultural Centre & School under construction.

Monday
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Praise the Lord, all you nations. Extol him, all you people. For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord.

Tuesday
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We thank God for giving us faithful people and a beautiful place to worship at St George's where we can meet and hold various activities that help us to know the Word of God in a deeper way.

Wednesday
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We pray that all ministers, staff, and congregations throughout our diocese remain safe by the grace of God.

Thursday
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We pray that there will be peace in our country and throughout the world. We pray for the end to persecution of any individual or community in the world because of religion, nationality or race.

Friday
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We need the Lord to intervene and according to his will, change the hearts of those who kill innocent people in his name and who believe that by doing so they serve the Lord and will gain entry into his kingdom.

Saturday
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God, we lift up to you all our ministers in the Church and ask for your blessing and guidance to be poured upon them in their various activities. Amen.

Sunday
18 February

Lent 1

Diocesan Retreat House – Katafiyio Pray for all who need refreshment, light, and peace and for the ministry of Maggie LeRoy.

Larnaca: St Helena's is a small parish that sits in the heart of Larnaca town. It is primarily a working Greek Cypriot, with fewer visitors than most other Cypriot towns. Our congregation consists of expatriates, seasonal 'swallow' visitors, holidaymakers and a core of loyal local people. It is a great blessing to live and minister in and around Larnaca.

Monday
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We praise you Lord for the many ministry opportunities that you have gifted to us. We praise you for the time and talents available within our Church community to allow us to spread your Word as widely as possible.

Tuesday
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We are grateful for the diverse nature of our congregation, both regulars and visitors. We rejoice in the freshness that this brings to our Church and to all of our worship.

Wednesday
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St Helena's has a continuing steady programme of publicising our existence throughout the Larnaca area which is bringing rewards of new members. We continue to hope to attract more young families and children.

Thursday
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Our two charity shops continue to thrive, for which we thank God. And we thank God also for our teams of volunteer helpers in the shops who work tirelessly to make a success of this key contribution to our financial solvency.

Friday
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The challenge for St Helena's is to make ourselves and our services more widely known throughout the area to bring God to more people through our Anglican worship.

Saturday
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Father God, St Helena's has been blessed with so many gifts by you. Often we are guilty of taking this for granted and not giving you thanks. We ask, Lord, that you guide us to be better disciples to do your work throughout our parish.

Sunday
25 February

Lent 2

Anglican Communion Pray for the life of all provinces and dioceses of the whole Anglican Communion.

Bahrain: St Christopher's Cathedral is in Central Manama with a church in Awali; the oil compound that meets on a Saturday. We are a relatively small, but very international community, hosting many other congregations of varying traditions who use our compound during the week.

Monday
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We praise God for our growing links with the Chaplain and Royal Navy base here in Bahrain and the partnership in ministry that flows from these links.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in the enthusiasm of a newly formed choral group and pray that they will continue to enrich our worship beyond Advent and Christmas into the coming year.

Wednesday
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We hope that the several youngsters and adults confirmed in November will be encouraged to continue their commitment in worship and service.

Thursday
1 March

We pray for the struggles that many people face, especially among our guest congregations, with the closure of a road near the cathedral for security reasons.

Friday
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We pray that we may face the challenges presented by much higher costs for utilities and the impact of taxation and continue to give with a generosity of heart in response to the generosity of God.

Saturday
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O most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, may we know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly, day by day.

Richard of Chichester (1197-1253)

Sunday
4 March

Lent 3

Spirituality Pray for our hearts, minds, and souls to be enlarged and enlightened and for the Barnabas Team.

Kyrenia: Pray that **St Andrew's** might be a place of embracing, engaging and vibrant faith, living out God's love in the community to which it is called.

Monday
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Praise God for the contribution of swallows to the mission of the church of St. Andrews and integrating visitors with the main body of the congregation.

Tuesday
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Rejoice in the renewal and transformation of the church congregation, reaping the rewards of its "Welcome" project put into action.

Wednesday
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Hope for more young families to join the leadership team for "Sundaze" and to establish the service as an outreach to those with children.

Thursday
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Struggles to find ways of building bridges with those who have lost their faith or those who feel angry and alienated to find peace with God.

Friday
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Challenges for those called to leadership as wardens and council members, for them to be affirmed and enabled by God's presence.

Saturday
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For St. Andrews to continue to grow its reputation in the wider community into a place of welcome and a safe haven for all.

Sunday
11 March

Lent 4
Mothering Sunday

Diocesan Office Pray for those who conscientiously and skillfully serve the administration of the diocese.

The Epiphany Church in Doha has six congregations of more than 600 people. Worshipping in Four Languages – English, Tamil, Marathi and Igbo. It is truly a ‘global’ church with members of more than 30 nationalities. It is a growing church with active children and youth programs.

Monday
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Almighty God, we thank you for the Christian life we share at the Church of the Epiphany and pray for all the opportunities to reflect Christian life in our homes, in our work, and our places of rest and recreation.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in the growing programs/projects and different ministries within the Church.

Wednesday
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We continue to thank God for all other members of our congregation who are always ready to serve the Church of the Epiphany in different capacities.

Thursday
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Almighty God, we thank you for the Christian life we share at the Church of the Epiphany and pray for all the opportunities to reflect Christian life in our homes, in our work, and our places of rest and recreation.

Friday
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Pray for those who leave the country and seek employment elsewhere.

Saturday
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Father God, bless this Congregation and use them in your service to be channels of your love, joy, peace and hope. May they know your guidance and security as they follow your prompting for the glory of your name. Pray for the all the families and other members that worship here; especially the children. Pray for the ministry team and their families. for the wardens and Church Council .

Sunday
18 March

Lent 5
Passiontide

Readers Pray for the licensed public lay ministers of the diocese.

Ayia Napa: Christ Church serves the local English speaking community from the coastal areas of Ayia Napa, Protaras and surrounding villages. This includes an active Migrant Worker group and throughout the year holiday makers of many different nationalities.

Monday
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We praise God for His guidance and help in our personal lives and in the life of His Church

Tuesday
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We rejoice with the people engaged in the activities to spread the Gospel in word and deed.

Wednesday
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We hope that the new Ammochostos Parish will grow from strength to strength.

Thursday
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We pray that the Lord may help us to confront and overcome the struggles which we may find in our daily pilgrimage.

Friday
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We are thankful for the challenges we have and for our prayers for them.

Saturday
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Lord, send your Holy Spirit to guide and strengthen us as we travel on together with all men and women of our Diocese, and with those of good will in your created world. Amen

Sunday
25 March

Palm Sunday

Cathedrals Pray for St Christopher's and St Paul's Cathedrals, their people, their deans, their canons, and their clergy.

The Retreats Ministry has its office in Nicosia run by the Retreats Facilitator. The main ministry being that of the Katafiyio Retreat House in Cyprus, the running of group and individually guided retreats in the Diocese and Province, and the giving of spiritual direction.

Monday
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Praise God for the openness with which people come on retreat and the way that God speaks into that in a personal way.

Tuesday
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Rejoice that visiting Spiritual Directors from outside the Diocese are offering their gifts in this area to resource people in Cyprus and the Gulf. Give thanks for the volunteer work of the Caretakers at Katafiyio.

Wednesday
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Pray that the different Spirituality Days on Cyprus will generate increased interest across the island, and that retreat opportunities will be possible for those in the Gulf.

Thursday
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Pray that as we seek to advertise Katafiyio more in the Middle East, that it will attract people to take time out to relax and listen to God, and that they would have the financial resources in order to travel there.

Friday
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Pray for all those leading others spiritually that they would be drawn to spiritual resourcing for their personal encouragement and growth.

Saturday
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Lord Jesus Christ, may you, who encouraged your disciples to retreat with you to a quiet place and get some rest, continue daily to call each one of us in the Diocese to that place of being with you. May you energise us in that place, by your Spirit, to continue to live and work to your praise and glory.

Sunday
1 April

Easter Day

Retreat Ministry Pray for those who bring energy and depth to the work of giving others time and space.

Mission to Seafarers Cyprus: The Mission to Seafarers serves all those who venture on the oceans of the world by offering care and service to all in need who visit this island regardless of nationality or faith.

Monday
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We give praise and thanks to God for opening doors to help our service to the seafarers continue to grow and provide a brief haven in their difficult times.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in the planning and preparations for our new Centre in Limassol and all those volunteers who patiently support the work even in times of great challenges.

Wednesday
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We have hope the access issues for the seafarers to the Centre will reach a solution for the good of their welfare, that once again we can meet their needs and provide the much appreciated care and support they rely on.

Thursday
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With the privatization we have had to face many challenges and struggles in maintaining the important service we offer, and though slow, progress, we pray, will continue to be made.

Friday
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May hearts be softened and justice prevail, so those who need us may have free access to our facilities to lighten their burdens and raise their spirits.

Saturday
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Lord bless our efforts in building your kingdom and establishing your work. Caring for those, whose lives face daily perils, on the seas of this world, so that we on the land may enjoy the fruits of their labour, in bringing us all that we have. Amen

Sunday
8 April

Easter 2

Link with Thika Diocese Pray for Bishop Julius Wanyoike, his clergy and people, and for the three-way companion link with Exeter. Pray for Orthodox Christians keeping Easter today.

Jebel Ali: Christ Church is part of the Chaplaincy of Dubai, Sharjah and the Northern Emirates. It hosts 42 diverse congregations including the resident Anglican Congregation. It has a broad ministry but 350 weddings annually make them a particular feature. Daughter church **St Catherine's** meets in a music school in Silicon Oasis.

Monday
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We praise God for the Wedding ministry to the community in Dubai; that it may continue to be an opportunity for the newly wedded to reconnect with God.

Tuesday
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We rejoice in our partnership with CNI, CSI and other ecumenical partners; helping us to embrace our unity in diversity.

Wednesday
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We pray for our new worshipping venue for St. Catherine's in Silicon Oasis; that it may be a place of church growth.

Thursday
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We pray for other Christian communities in Dubai, who struggle to find a proper worshipping location due to the current regulations.

Friday
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We pray for the transient nature of our congregation, especially those who are returning to home countries in the near future or for those who have recently arrived in Dubai.

Saturday
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Almighty God, we ask for your help and for your blessing to be upon us. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide us in love and service to you and others living in the community around us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday
15 April

Easter 3

Link with Exeter Diocese Pray for Bishop Robert, his clergy and people, and for the tree-way companion link with Thika.

Famagusta: St Mark's is a church in a predominantly Muslim city. The vast majority of Christians in Famagusta are international students in the local university and thus our church's membership is mostly students. We are a lively church with strong desire to serve God.

Monday
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We give PRAISE that Jesus the living stone is not only in this place, but moving among Christians and non-Christians alike.

Tuesday
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We REJOICE that God is not only reconciling, but also providing for the needs of our congregation and those in the community around us.

Wednesday
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We HOPE that our words and deeds might be signs pointing to Jesus so that God alone might receive the glory.

Thursday
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That we might stand fast in our STRUGGLES of witnessing and humble service within a wider Muslim and increasingly unhelpful environment.

Friday
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That the CHALLENGE of lack of resources for the chaplaincy and ourselves, might not distract us, but rather keep us humble and thankful for all the blessings we do have.

Saturday
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Holy Spirit, continue to move among us, open our hearts and minds, our eyes and ears to what you would have us do. May we only move forward or backward, left or right, in accordance to Your will, to Your glory.

Sunday
22 April

Easter 4

Jerusalem and the Middle East Church Association Pray for those who promote and support our Province.

Oman: The Protestant Church in Oman is an historic partnership between the Anglican church and the Reformed Church of America. We serve around 1,000 people in four English language congregations, an Arabic and a Korean congregation and host about 60 other congregations in our two compounds.

Monday
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PRAISE God for the good relations enjoyed with the government and people of Oman. Pray that our witness for the LORD would be backed up by lives of integrity.

Tuesday
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Give THANKS to God for those who actively seek to serve the body of Christ here in Oman. Pray that we would deploy people wisely and well, according to their gifts and abilities, for the glory of the LORD.

Wednesday
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Pray that the LORD would grow prayer among Christians in Oman, that there would be an upsurge in people gathering to intercede for the church, the nation and the world.

Thursday
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Pray that there would be a clear separation of the management of the church compounds, and, the investment in the spiritual life of the congregations we directly oversee. May it be that this leads to God-centred growth in both management and discipleship.

Friday
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Pray for inter-denominational harmony, and the resourcing and encouragement of the many different pastors/priests who use the various church campuses in Oman.

Saturday
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(A prayer based on Isaiah 35) Almighty God, strengthen our feeble hands, steady the knees that give way, transform that which is desert into streams of living water. Come in saving power among your people in this land, so that Your great Name may be glorified in and through your church in Oman.

Sunday
29 April

Easter 5

Clergy with permission to officiate Pray in thanksgiving for clergy who offer voluntary ministry.

Deryneia: St John the Evangelist congregation within the Ammochostos parish. We meet in the Orthodox church of St Fanourios at the invitation of the Orthodox bishop and local municipality. We serve the needs of Cypriot neighbours and English-speaking people of all nationalities living in the towns and villages of the District. We work to play our part, alongside other churches, in the mission of God in our spheres of influence.

Monday
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We give thanks to God for his gift of an Orthodox church in which we praise and worship God. We give thanks for our many outreach ministries.

Tuesday
1 May

We pray for our life groups that meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays to have fellowship, to learn and share our experiences and to deepen our Faith.

Wednesday
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We pray for all those who are involved with our hospital visiting group that have now extended their care for those ex pats in need to other hospitals in our area. Pray also for our Pastoral group that it may strengthen and develop its outreach to those in our church life that are in need.

Thursday
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We are praying for the future of our church in its developing responsibility within the new Ammochostos parish. We hope to embrace with enthusiasm the new opportunities of the present and the future.

Friday
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We give grateful thanks to God for his faithfulness to his people in this place, the love that we share with one another, and the joy of welcoming the stranger and visitor into our midst.

Saturday
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We pray for God's continuing help and guidance in the building and growth of Christ's ministry here at St. John's in Deryneia.

Sunday
6 May

Easter 6

Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East Pray for our fellow dioceses of Egypt, Iran, and Jerusalem.

Ras Al Khaimah: St Luke's is a vibrant, loving fellowship with members from all over the world. We pray for forgiveness, worship God, and celebrate the Holy Eucharist at both the new Al Jazirah compound in the RAK free zone, and at the old Al Nakheel site. St Luke's hosts 60 guest pastors & congregations and runs a Saturday Junior Church for all congregations.

Monday
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God our Father in heaven, we thank you for the care of children and young people. In the power of the Holy Spirit, may the seed of the Gospel be planted in their hearts and may they always love and worship you in your Holy Church.

Tuesday
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We rejoice, O Lord, in the love and fellowship we share with our brothers and sisters from Africa, India, Asia, the Americas and Europe. May our joyful celebrations always bear the light of Christ to all people.

Wednesday
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We pray O God that you will grow our numbers and send more workers for the harvest.

Thursday
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Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, you came to heal the world. We pray for healing in mind, body, and spirit for ourselves and our loved ones.

Friday
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Jesus, you are our God who worked with your father Joseph at the carpenter's lathe. Please watch over all of our beloved workers and sailors who give so much and receive so little. Help them to find justice and dignity in their labour. Please encourage those who are seeking work and fair wages.

Saturday
12

God our Father in Heaven, may we your Holy Church in Ras Al Khaimah always serve you in humility and bring the truth of the Gospel to all those we meet. May we labour for you and care for your little ones in patience and humility until you come in glory.

Sunday
13 May

Easter 7

Parishes and Chaplaincies Pray for the network of congregations that make up the diocese and for their work and witness.

Mission to Seafarers, Dubai: The Revd Dr Paul Burt leads the work of the Mission to Seafarers in Dubai.

Monday
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Praise for our occasional success in arranging for abandoned seafarers to return to their families.

Tuesday
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Rejoice because of the standard of living we enjoy because of the dedication and sacrifices made by seafarers.

Wednesday
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Pray for progress in setting up ethically run seafarers employment agencies so that exploitation of seafarers can be reduced and eventually eliminated.

Thursday
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Pray for strength to meet the needs of hundreds of seafarers in dozens of ports in the UAE and beyond.

Friday
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Pray that seafarers' families will be able to overcome the challenges of separation, when salaries are not paid, and poverty.

Saturday
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Pray that MtS chaplains will always be able to prioritise the demands made on them in ways that serve seafarers before all else.

Sunday
20 May

Pentecost

Ordinands Pray for those currently in formation and training for ordained ministry as deacons and priests.

Sovereign Base Areas of Cyprus: The Sovereign Base Areas are administered by the UK Ministry of Defence with over 3000 British service personnel, civil servants and their families living and working for peace in the area. Eight congregations are served by military chaplains from three denominations, assisted by Officiating Chaplains to the Military.

Monday
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Praise God for former service personnel in training for Anglican ordination or licensed lay ministry, and for all Christian people serving within HM Forces and the MOD. Pray for Alpha Forces and the Armed Forces Christian Union.

Tuesday
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Rejoice that God's people who gather to worship each week in military churches within the sovereign base areas are growing in commitment to Christ by serving the wider community.

Wednesday
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Please pray for commanders and troops deployed in challenging and often dangerous roles; for the strategic mission of British Forces Cyprus in its work for peace and security.

Thursday
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Pray that the resident team of BFC Chaplains will work effectively together and collaborate with military and civilian colleagues to the glory of God.

Friday
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Please pray for refugees and asylum seekers throughout Cyprus.

Saturday
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Almighty God, protect all who serve in HM Forces; strengthen them in danger and temptation; give them courage and loyalty that they may remain true to the highest traditions of their profession; and keep them steadfast when faced with the perils of action in war; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday
27 May

Trinity Sunday

Licensed Clergy Pray for ordained clergy, both stipendiary and self-supporting, with licensed responsibility.

Fujairah: The faithful of **St Nicholas** meet on Sunday evenings in a flat to celebrate the Holy Eucharist and enjoy a loving fellowship. Fujairah is a small, beautiful Emirate and we enjoy the company of the people, the sea and the mountains - God's creation. We are small in number and great in generosity, heart, and spirit.

Monday
28

God our Father in heaven, we thank you for the care of children and young people. Please bless our Sunday School and may our children grow to become great disciples of Christ.

Tuesday
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We give you thanks and praise, O God, for the love and fellowship we share with one another in the breaking of the bread.

Wednesday
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We pray O Lord that you will grow our numbers and that we may acquire land to build a church to the glory of God our Father in heaven.

Thursday
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Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, you came to heal the world. We pray for healing in mind, body, and spirit for ourselves and our loved ones.

Friday
1 June

We wish to work for our bread and glorify God in all that we do. Guide us in the power of the Holy Spirit and help us at work and at school that we may use our gifts and always serve you in everything we do.

Saturday
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God our Father in Heaven, pour your blessings upon your Holy Church and all the people of Fujairah. May your kingdom come according to your will.