NOTICE OF THE 2020 ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

The delayed Annual Church Meeting will now take place at the Church on Sunday 26th July after the morning service. To be eligible to vote or stand for office your name should be on the Electoral Roll which will be displayed on the notice board in the entrance to the church. There are vacancies on Church Council for those wishing to take an active part in the administration of St. Andrew's including the posts of Treasurer and Secretary.

Stamped Application Forms to be included on the Electoral Roll and to serve on the Church Council or for other appointments will also be available in the entrance to the church. Completed forms must be with the Secretary by noon on Sunday 19th July 2020. Any points for discussion at the ACM must also be with the Secretary by the above date.

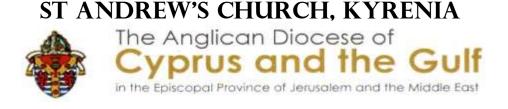
Tuesday Fellowship Lunch

Fancy some company over a light lunch or even just a coffee ? While we still cannot have after-service coffee and fellowship at St Andrews, why not drop into the **Şah Supermarket** café (near Supreme on the East side coast road). Good selection of hot & cold food plus coffees at reasonable prices and, most importantly at this time of year, in *air-conditioned* comfort. **Tuesdays 12 noon** – **1pm (ish)** throughout July.

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Sunday 12th July – Trinity 5

Welcome, we are delighted to have you worshipping with us today.

We would kindly ask that you please remain in your designated seat and wear your mask throughout the service to comply with Covid19 regulations

Please pray for the following throughout the coming week

Jenny Hayward, Kitty Hunter, Ian and Linda Smith, Mike and Judy Lukey, Win Smith, Sandi Richardson, Dave Sturgess, Olivia Hodkinson, Rosemary Dixon, Jeanette and David Burton, baby Louie Syddall, June Llewellyn, Suzee Moore, Padmesh Gartaula, Stan Keevil, David and Sue Walker, Barbara Symons, along with those mentioned in our remembrance book. We pray also for strength and grace for those who carry the burden of care.

We remember our student congregation and those who live alone who may be finding it particularly difficult presently.

We remember those who have departed and those who mourn their loss.

Please contact the Wardens to include persons to be remembered in our prayers



Collect:

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

Post Communion:

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 10-13 (NRSV)

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Psalm 65: 8-13 (Common Worship)

8 You visit the earth and water it; you make it very plenteous.

9 The river of God is full of water; you prepare grain for your people, for so you provide for the earth.

10 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase.

11 You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty.

12 May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness **and the hills be** girded with joy.

13 May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep **and the valleys stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen

Second Reading: Romans 8: 1-11 (NRSV)

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law - indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23 (NRSV)

Jesus sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!' 'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'