

Heavenly Father, The news from Turkey and Syria continues to grieve us. We find it hard to see Your hand at work in moments of disaster. Help us to trust You are still present, even in moments like this.

As we offer up our prayers for the people of Turkey and Syria,

we also remember the people of Ukraine whose suffering goes on. We pray for all who suffer because of mans' inhumanity to man.



Almighty God, the giver of every good gift, look graciously, we pray, for your guidance and heavenly wisdom for those

to whom is committed the choice of a priest for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who shall feed your flock according to your will, and make ready a people acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

As we give thanks for the ministry and leadership of Archbishop Michael Lewis, let us pray for the appointment of his successor.

Heavenly Father,

In your Son, Jesus Christ, the whole body of the church is joined together as one with Christ as the Head. Be present with us, by your Holy Spirit, as we pray for the appointment of a new bishop. Strengthen our communion and fellowship, and guide all involved in the appointment process, that with prayer and wisdom, they may discern your will. May your Kingdom come in this diocese, in this province, and throughout the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, KYRENIA



The Anglican Diocese of **Cyprus and the Gulf** in the Episcopal Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East

SUNDAY 26TH FEBRUARY FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



Celebrant - Archbishop Michael Lewis, Bishop of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf

We are delighted to have you worshipping with us today.

Please note it is the practice here in St Andrew's that communicant members of any Christian denomination are welcome to receive communion. Should you wish only to have a blessing, please come forward holding this pew sheet. At any point in the service, those who find it difficult to stand should feel free to sit.

St Andrew's is a self-funding Church: any gift you make will be greatly appreciated and will go towards maintaining God's work here in Kyrenia. Please use Gift Aid envelopes if appropriate.

If you would like to make a regular donation, please pick up a Giving form at the vestry door or from the church web site <u>http://www.standrewskyrenia.org</u>



There will be a retiring collection today to help the Turkish Red Crescent to support the needs of those in the earthquake areas of Turkey. Please help as generously as you can.



Processional Hymn: 763 Praise to the holiest in the height Gerontius

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Collect:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Genesis 2: v 15 – 17, 3: v 1 - 7 Psalm 32

1. Happy the one whose transgression is forgiven, and whose sin is covered.

2. Happy the one to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3. For I held my tongue; my bones wasted away through my groaning all the day long.

4. Your hand was heavy upon me day and night; **my moisture was** dried up like the drought in summer.

5. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and my iniquity I did not hide.

6. I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,' **and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

7. Therefore let all the faithful make their prayers to you in time of trouble; in the great water flood, it shall not reach them.

8. You are a place for me to hide in; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with songs of deliverance.

9. 'I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

10. 'Be not like horse and mule which have no understanding; whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.'

11. Great tribulations remain for the wicked, but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
12. Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.
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 5: v 12 – 19
Gradual Hymn: 121 Forty days and forty nights Heinlein (Aus der Tiefe)
Gospel Reading: Matthew 4: v 1 - 11
Sermon
Creed
Intercessory Prayers
Offertory Hymn: 149 O love, how deep, how broad, how high!
Deus Tuorum Militum
Post Communion Hymn: 131 O for a closer walk with God Belmont

Post Communion Prayer:

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Final Hymn: 490 Glory to God, the source of all our mission Highwood

Please pray for the following throughout the coming week.

The prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well therefore pray for each other so that you may be healed. James 5:15

Ann Teunissen (Ann TP), Kathleen Richmond, Sandi Richardson, Dave Sturgess, Barbara and Roy Symons, Jenny Hayward, and Padmesh Gartaula together with those named in our remembrance book. We pray also for strength and grace for those who carry the burden of care.

We remember those who have died and those who mourn their loss. Please contact the Wardens to include persons to be remembered in our prayers