

**Sunday**  
27 November

**Advent 1**

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

**Kuwait:** St Paul's Anglican Church celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2008. The Anglican Church in Kuwait 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 praise God for all the congregations who worship at St Paul's. We thank God that with the new added facilities we are able to hold several activities simultaneously.

**Tuesday**  
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We rejoice that we have new ecumenical events for all the congregations.

**Wednesday**  
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We pray that the new projects that are signed may bring job opportunities for Christians to come to Kuwait and that they may come to worship at St. Paul's.

**Thursday**  
1 December

Our struggle is with finance. We pray that we are able to raise enough funds to run all the programmes of the Church.

**Friday**  
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Our challenge is to find volunteers and leaders who take the lead of participating and running the programmes. Pray that our English, Urdu, and Chinese congregations may grow from strength to strength.

**Saturday**  
3

Heavenly Father, apart from you we can do nothing. Let your glory cover St Paul's and let your ears open to all the prayers that come to you from this Church day and night. May it be pleasing as a sweet incense before you. Help us to be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. Father let your grace always abide in us. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

**Sunday**  
4 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 the mutual enrichment of different cultures and age groups in church life; for the early results of our stewardship campaign and the hope it gives for the future here; for the enthusiasm of our Church Learning Group; for lives touched by the grace of Christ.

**Tuesday**  
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We rejoice in the musical Barnabas and pray that it will continue to bear fruit; in the flow of visitors who frequently bring us encouragement, often in annual visits; in the privilege of seeing young people travelling elsewhere for education and careers.

**Wednesday**  
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We hope that interest in Church life and faith will blossom into real commitment to follow Jesus Christ; for Baptisms and Confirmations; that music will continue to enhance our worship following the loss of our organist.

**Thursday**  
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We pray for social outreach projects to flourish despite setbacks and disappointments over grants; for congregations bearing increased burdens of disability, ill health and loss; for that love and support to further mutual care within the body of Christ and embracing beyond it.

**Friday**  
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We pray for those anxious about the future of Cyprus, about the regional situation, about Britain leaving the EU that our hope in Christ will give us truer perspective. We pray for those worried about friends and family leaving Cyprus that we may discover new friends and new worshippers in whom we find brothers and sisters in Christ.

**Saturday**  
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Father, you have revealed your Son, Jesus, to be the same yesterday, today and forever. By the life giving power of your Holy Spirit may we learn so to walk in trust in him that our fears are overcome; so to live in hope that in him the future can be embraced as friend; so to open our hearts that his love may flow through your people touching lives and transforming communities. For we ask this in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Sunday**  
11 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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Lord, we give you thanks for the opportunity to minister your love to those expats living and working in our community, praying that you would inspire our worship so that our lives may glorify you in all things.

**Tuesday**  
13

We praise you for our vibrant children's and youth ministry. We pray for the leaders – for continued vision and inspiration as they lead the young people in the way of faith.

**Wednesday**  
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We pray for all who find Christmas a lonely and painful time and pray that the message of 'O Come, O come Emmanuel' will be poignant and meaningful for all who attend our Christmas services and events this year.

**Thursday**  
15

With some transition of staff leaving and arriving and an ever-changing influx of expats arriving we pray for the Lord's guidance to continue to build and for all to rejoice in the gift of community at St Andrew's Church

**Friday**  
16

We pray for wisdom and discernment as we face the challenges of finishing and opening the new and additional Anglican compound and worship space in Mussafah – an industrial area on the outskirts of Abu Dhabi City.

**Saturday**  
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Lord, guide us by your spirit to be mindful of our past heritage and guide us in our thinking to discern your will and to follow the way you are calling us to walk, that as a community we may step out together, generously living your love, that through faith and service we may be instruments of transformation in the building of your Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

**Sunday**  
18 December

**Advent 4**

**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 Al Ain is supported by St Andrew's, Abu Dhabi. We have no church building. We are a new international community, a gathered people in Christ, centred upon the Word and Sacraments. Our aim is to help people experience the joy of knowing Jesus.

**Monday**  
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We praise you Father that Your Son's Incarnation has empowered us to find unity in the midst of diversity. As He came that we might have life and have it more abundantly, His presence is drawing us together more and more.

**Tuesday**  
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We praise and thank You Father, for the people of this church. We thank You for Your presence in our lives. Bless us, bless this place and its ministries and activities to the glory of Your name.

**Wednesday**  
21

Thank you Father for the hope that you give us – as the carol goes “the hopes and fears of all the years are met in you tonight.” Thank you that we can hope for God's right person to come soon to shepherd our fellowship.

**Thursday**  
22

Heavenly Father, grant us the strength, courage and wisdom to overcome those things that weigh us down. Look with compassion upon us Lord, so that we don't lose hope but rather put our trust in You.

**Friday**  
23

Here in Al Ain it is a challenge to live out our faith in the Incarnate Word of God in such a way as to draw men and women to Him. The “isms” of this world compete for people's attention and loyalty so that there is no room in their hearts – just like the inn in Bethlehem.

**Saturday**  
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Heavenly Father, as we remember the Holy Babe of Bethlehem, we ask that you provide us with everything necessary for our spiritual growth. Remove every hindrance, and unite us all with one another in the body of Your holy church.

**Sunday**  
25 December

**Christmas Day**

**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**  
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We praise you God the Father for the increase of our ministry team at St Pauls. May you continue to call, equip and support people to lead all who follow you.

**Tuesday**  
27

We rejoice with you God the Son at this time of your birth. May your presence in the world be real for all who use this Cathedral and its surroundings.

**Wednesday**  
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God the Holy Spirit be with us in the times ahead. May you be within all we say and do, empower all Christians to be effective ambassadors of your love.

**Thursday**  
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Holy and Blessed Trinity may your example of unity be our model for love and communion with all inside and outside our chaplaincy.

**Friday**  
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We pray that by the example of our patron saint, St Paul we may overcome all our challenges and adversities to be Christ-like examples to all those in Nicosia.

**Saturday**  
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Heavenly Father as we stand of the cusp of a new calendar year, we thank you for all leaders of this island of Cyprus; may they continue to work for the common good of all the people. We praise you for all peoples in our chaplaincy, those that believe and those that don't even know you; may we be a way for you to reach and love others. We pray for our Diocese, that it may continue to listen to your still calm voice amidst the noise and strife of life. We pray for ourselves, keep our eyes focused on the cross, that we may be in Christ and He in us. We pray all this in the power of the Holy Spirit who makes all things possible, and in the name of Jesus, to the glory of God. Amen.

**Sunday**  
1 January

**Holy Name of Jesus**

**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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Praise God for the various church activities particularly the new initiatives taken by the women's fellowship. Pray that these ministries are further strengthened and bring glory to God.

**Tuesday**  
3

Thank God for the confirmation candidates and pray that they may be truly committed and be responsible Christians in and outside the church.

**Wednesday**  
4

Pray for the new chaplain. Pray that he is able to guide the congregation members well and the church may grow from strength to strength.

**Thursday**  
5

Remember before God the many poor migrant workers in Dubai and all without power or influence. Pray that the economic slowdown be rectified soon.

**Friday**  
6

Ask God for his guidance and strength for the affairs of Holy Trinity and the whole Chaplaincy of Dubai, Sharjah, and the Northern Emirates.

**Saturday**  
7

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people; kindle in us the fire of your love. Amen.

**Sunday**  
8 January

**Baptism of Christ**

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

**St. Martin's** is located in the heart of **Sharjah**, the cultural capital of the United Arab Emirates, and part of the Chaplaincy of Dubai and Sharjah with the Northern Emirates. The majority of members are from India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Africa, with some from other parts of the world. We host 127 guest congregations and facilitate their worship in this land.

**Monday**  
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We praise God for the seeds sown by predecessors and we pray that we are now reaping the harvest. We pray for a renewed heart for mission work and for unity in the church. We especially thank God for the faithful men's and women's fellowship.

**Tuesday**  
10

We rejoice in the different ministries of the church, and we pray that God will use us for the expansion of His Kingdom. We especially remember the children's ministry, the teen's ministry, and the choir, amongst others.

**Wednesday**  
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We hope to become more Christ-like and people of forgiveness. We also hope to have mini-seminars on various topics, and start the ALPHA courses for evangelism and marital counselling in early 2017.

**Thursday**  
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We struggle not against flesh and blood, even though at times it feels like it. We pray for a spirit of peace to descend upon us, and for us to claim the victory which Christ has brought for us. Teach us Lord how to love our enemies and pray for those who mistreat us.

**Friday**  
13

We are challenged by our lack of space and the 15,000 believers who use our facility during the weekend. We pray for possibilities to improve the upkeep of the church, and we thank God for new additions to staff.

**Saturday**  
14

Lord Jesus Christ who said, my peace I leave you, my peace I give you, please give us your peace and makes us instruments of love and reconciliation amongst Christians and non-Christians. Please continue to be our Good Shepherd and give us hope.

**Sunday**  
15 January

**Epiphany 2**

**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 probably the smallest congregation in the Diocese, in what is certainly the poorest country in the Diocese. The congregation are currently not meeting due to the security situation and damage to the church in the bombing.

**Monday**  
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Let us continue to give thanks for safety for all of our staff during the civil war and continued unrest.

**Tuesday**  
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Although there is currently no worshipping congregation of expats, our Yemeni medical staff continue to serve the community heroically in the compassion of Jesus.

**Wednesday**  
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Pray for the restoration of civil authority, peace among Yemeni people, and the rebuilding of society. Pray also that it will become safe enough to place a clergy team in Aden to serve the expats who will return to work there.

**Thursday**  
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Pray for opportunities to provide pastoral care for the many foreign workers who will be needed to help rebuild the country devastated by war damage.

**Friday**  
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The massive scale of destruction from the war and the poverty of the Yemeni people makes restoration a huge challenge. Pray for the Yemeni people, who need hope, and the help of other nations to rebuild their country.

**Saturday**  
21

Please pray for the restoration of the country, and that we can renew the witness of parish life in Aden soon.

**Sunday**  
22 January

**Epiphany 3**

**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**  
23

We give thanks to God that our two newly appointed priests, Andrew and Anthony, are installed and beginning to take the parish forward after a long interregnum. Pray that their ministry maybe fruitful.

**Tuesday**  
24

We rejoice that there are many members of the congregation willing to involve themselves with essential parish activities especially with pastoral work. Pray that they may find encouragement and fulfilment in this work.

**Wednesday**  
25

Pray that there will be a renewed sense of purpose and enthusiasm in the parish after a long interregnum and that new families, especially younger families, will be attracted by our ministry.

**Thursday**  
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We pray for the ongoing need for balanced finances, giving thanks for the good progress that has been achieved, lately, and continue to pray for a prayerful response to our Time and Talents programme.

**Friday**  
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Pray for an awareness and a prayerful response to the challenges that an ageing congregation, plus a decline in the value of sterling, brings to the parish. Pray, also, that we may listen, wisely, to God's direction as we seek to attract new members and make our parish more attractive to visitors.

**Saturday**  
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Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for the faithfulness and dedication of our congregations and pray that we may respond to new ideas and new ways of being your people in the parish of Paphos. Amen.

**Sunday**  
29 January

**Epiphany 4**

**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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Thank God for the freedom in Bahrain to work for the seafarers in different ports – Khalifa Bin Salman Port, Arab Shipping Repairing Yard, GIIC and Bapco.

**Tuesday**  
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For the Bahrain International Seafarers' Society, the registered body that we work alongside for the welfare of the seafarers.

**Wednesday**  
1 February

For the Board members of Bahrain and the Port Authorities.

**Thursday**  
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For the Seafarers' Centres in Khalifa Bin Salman Port and Arab Shipping Repairing Yard.

**Friday**  
3

For the rules and regulations of Safety and Security Departments in the ports which will not be hindrances for Seafarers to get access to the Centres.

**Saturday**  
4

For the ship agents who may cooperate with seafarers and with mission, providing good services to the seafarers.

**Sunday**  
5 February

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 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.

**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**  
7

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**  
8

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**  
12 February

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent**

**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 younger families and children.

**Thursday**  
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Our two charity shops continue to thrive, for which we thank God. Awe 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**  
18

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**  
19 February

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent** **Anglican Consultative Council** Pray for the life 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 the new people both individuals and families who have joined us in recent months.

**Tuesday**  
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We rejoice in the continuing growth and confidence of our Tamil-speaking congregation and the opportunities to come together.

**Wednesday**  
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We hope for significant developments in the fund raising for our building project for sacrificial giving according to peoples' needs.

**Thursday**  
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We pray for all who are without work and whose future remains uncertain in the current economic climate.

**Friday**  
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We pray for the opportunities and challenges of the three month sabbatical our Dean is taking in September, for the congregational life to deepen and develop.

**Saturday**  
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We praise you Lord for the gift of such a diverse community at St Christopher's; continue to deepen our unity and encourage each of us to be willing servants of one another for the glory of your name. Amen.

**Sunday**  
26 February

**Sunday next before  
Lent**

**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**  
1 March

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**  
5 March

**Lent 1**

**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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Praise God for the newly started Marathi (an Indian language group) congregation, and the consistent growth of the Tamil congregation. The new church projects like the Cultural ambassadors’ groups bringing together members from different countries. 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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Rejoice for the growing programs/projects and different ministries in the Church like EpiQ Youth, Friday school, Children’s Choir, Adults Choir, Accompanists, Readers, Greeters, Food to the poor ministry, Home visitations lead by the Fathers, and Bible study home groups.

**Wednesday**  
8

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. Pray that Almighty God continues to give them more time from the very busy schedules of work and family life.

**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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Job insecurity is a major problem in Qatar. It is hard to say farewell to members who are part of the Church of Epiphany. 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 in the Church of the Epiphany especially the children. Pray for the ministry team, Father Paul, Father Jebaraj, Father Ian, Father Samuel, Deacon Douglas, Rev. Bob, Rev. Egere and their families. Pray for the wardens Mr. Jaywant Michael , Beth Stevens and the Church Council .

**Sunday**  
12 March

**Lent 2**

**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 in the next six months we shall form a new parish with a new priest together with our fellow Christians at St. John's and St. Mark's.

**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**  
19 March

**Lent 3**

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

**The Canterbury Group:** The Canterbury Group is a unique parish composed of expatriates from over a dozen different countries. It serves five different communities in a closed country

**Monday**  
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Praise be to God for grace and joy throughout all the congregations, in spite of changing political climates.

**Tuesday**  
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We rejoice over the recent phenomenal growth and excitement in the children's ministry.

**Wednesday**  
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We put our hope in God for encouragement for all expatriates. Our hope is also that those who are isolated and without a church home would find The Canterbury Group.

**Thursday**  
23

We ask that God would bring renewed health to the many among us who are struggling physically and comfort to those who are homesick.

**Friday**  
24

We pray for the new teen ministry, that it might grow deep and wide, and for many spiritually strong volunteers to come forth who will find time and energy to disciple both this group and the younger children.

**Saturday**  
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Father in Heaven, we are thankful to be called to this land. We pray in Jesus' name that you would help us to stand up and not be shaken, that your will would be done in us individually and corporately. Make us one in love, faith, and hope.

**Sunday**  
26 March

**Lent 4**

**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 praise God for our facility in Limassol where we can serve the seafarers who work in all the dangers of the sea. We also praise God for opening the way for us to serve those seafarers in the northern ports of the island.

**Tuesday**  
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We rejoice in the dedication and time freely given by the volunteers, who make the work of the Mission possible.

**Wednesday**  
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We hope the hearts of the authorities will soften in the south to the work and needs of the seafarers in the north, so we may freely serve and assist those who face the hardship of abandonment without the basic daily needs.

**Thursday**  
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Financially supporting the work can be a struggle, so we give thanks for the generosity of those who help us stay afloat as we endeavour to raise the funding for this valuable and necessary service so gratefully received by those less fortunate than us.

**Friday**  
31

May we be continually blessed with the gifts of compassion and understanding so we can offer effective support to those far from home.

**Saturday**  
1 April

Lord bless all those who serve in the Mission to Seafarers, in giving their time, caring and understanding to those souls who bring so much to us, for so little in return. Keep the seafarers safe in perilous waters and conditions, until they return home once more to their families and loved ones, that those giving and receiving may see the glory of your wondrous ways. Amen

**Sunday**  
2 April

**Lent 5**

**Link with Thika Diocese** Pray for Bishop Julius Wanyoike, his clergy and people, and for the continued relationship between us.

**Jebel Ali:** Christ Church is one of five parishes in the Chaplaincy of Dubai, Sharjah and the Northern Emirates. Its daughter church is St Catherine's Academic City.

**Monday**  
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We pray for the spiritual life of the Church; that staff, congregations, and all who visit may sense the presence of Christ.

**Tuesday**  
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Give thanks for the many congregations that meet at Christ Church and for the other Churches in our compound.

**Wednesday**  
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May St Catherine's in Academic City grow from strength to strength.

**Thursday**  
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May God enfold those here alone supporting families in other countries. May Christ Church and St Catherine's be a family to them all.

**Friday**  
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Give thanks for all the wonderful volunteers that help make all our services run smoothly throughout the year.

**Saturday**  
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We pray that we may truly become a house of prayer where at all times we desire to listen to God and seek his will.

**Sunday**  
9 April

**Palm Sunday**

**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 praise you for the continuing development with Christ Church, Ayia Napa and St John the Evangelist, Deryneia.

**Tuesday**  
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We rejoice in having an ever increasing number of different nationalities in our community of faith.

**Wednesday**  
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We pray for further ties with the university administration at the Eastern Mediterranean University.

**Thursday**  
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Almighty God help us to overcome the struggle of fulfilling the needs of the regular activities during weekdays on the University campus.

**Friday**  
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We pray for the upcoming transitional phase when students fulfilling senior roles leave the student chaplaincy.

**Saturday**  
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Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, help us to grow in our devotion to you; strengthen our hearts and minds, guide us to overcome adversaries of our time. We ask this in the name of your only dear Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen

**Sunday**  
16 April

**Easter Day**

**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**  
23 April

**Easter 2**

**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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St. John the Evangelist is our church, and we give thanks to God for his gift of an Orthodox church in which we praise and worship God. For the outreach of our knit & natter group, and for our informal prayer group that meets on a Monday evening in church.

**Tuesday**  
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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**  
26

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**  
30 April

**Easter 3**

**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**  
1 May

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 the 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 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**  
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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**  
6

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**  
7 May

**Easter 4**

**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**  
14 May

**Easter 5**

**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 (Fr Daren, Padre Matt, Padre Geoff and Padre Peter) will work effectively together and collaborate with military and civilian colleagues to the glory of God.

**Friday**  
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Pray for our children's ministry, our Sunday schools, and the GoFish holiday club. 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**  
21 May

**Easter 6**

**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**  
22

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**  
23

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**  
24

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**  
25

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**  
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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.