

# *St Barnabas' Anglican Church*

## *Parish of Limassol*

Sunday 21st February 2021

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent

Service 10.00am



**When in church, please wear a mask and only seat 2 people per pew.**

Sides Persons            Brian & Janet

Sacristan                Bob

Readings:	Andrea	Genesis 9	v 8-17
		Psalm 25	v 1-9
	Bola	1 Peter 3	v 18-end
	Gospel:	Mark 1	v 9-15

Intercessions:        Nora A

Hymns                    259, 249, 466, 252

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## Beloved

### Mark 1.9-15

In Mark's typical style, it is 'immediately' after Jesus' baptism that he is 'driven' into the wilderness. The baptism shows God's affirmation of Jesus as God's beloved Son. This is in stark contrast to the tough temptations Jesus then faces in the wilderness. But Mark, by placing them in this way, indicates that Jesus' baptism prepared him not only for his future ministry but also to endure the temptations.

This experience places knowing who he is before what he does. Thinking about our identity, both our own individuality and our identity as a child of God – knowing God, and that we are loved by God – may help us cope with our difficult 'wilderness' experiences, whatever their nature might be.

***This week we explore being ready to face the wilderness of today's world.***

Lectionary Bible readings for RCL Lent 1 Year B

Genesis 9.8-17; Psalm 25.1-10; 1 Peter 3.18-22; **Mark 1.9-15**

**Collect**      *We say together*

Heavenly Father,  
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,  
and grew closer to you in the desert:  
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer  
that we may witness to your saving love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**PSALM 25**

1 Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

**2 O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.**

3 Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.

**4 Shew me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths.**

5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

**6 Remember, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving kindnesses; for they have been ever of old.**

7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O Lord.

**8 Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.**

9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.

**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.**

**Post Communion Prayer**      *We say together*

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.

### ***Remembering in Prayer:***

All those known to us who are ill or recovering including:

Stephen, Charles Devadawson, Elizabeth T, Anna Georgiades, Marwan, Millie Bell, Margaret Josephides, Joan Gilbert, Joyce Willett, Margaret, James Culley, Ann Constantinides, Rachael Lauren, Chantal, Matthew, Baby Archie, Daphne Papacharalambous, Shirley Koukoularides, Ian Broughton, Dolly May, George, Natalie's sister in law, Lynda Moore, Karen Sutherland, Judith Mowbray, Rita & Doug Overton, Grace, Yvonne, Jason Hughes,, Maeve Prenton

*Please update **Christine Taylor** re prayer list.*

*Both for additions and those who wish names to be removed*

**Tuesday Prayer Group** – Meet every week in church 9.30am

### **Parish of Limassol Annual Meeting – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

There will be vacancies on the Council so please give this your prayerful consideration.

**Do you live on your own?** If you are here in Cyprus on your own and not sure where to turn to if you are ill, have an accident, or need to go into hospital. Please consider registering your details with us so that we know who to contact on your behalf or what you wish us to do if such circumstances arise.

**This information will be strictly confidential and only used in an emergency.**

Please contact our Chaplain if this will help you and arrangements will be made to register your wishes.

### **Weekly Zoom Meetings**

Please join Fr Ian and other friends for the followings activities:

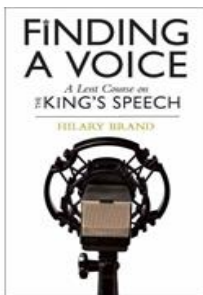
Sunday Morning Worship	10.00am
Friday Afternoon Coffee	3.00pm

**Pay Pal** is now available on our website at just the push of a button. An easy way to make payments, donations and gifts to St Barnabas'.

### **We are updating the Electoral Roll**

If you know of people who are on the list but have left the island or no longer attend the church please let the Chaplain or People's Warden know.

Likewise, if you wish your name to be added please tell us asap



### **A Lent course based on The King's Speech.**

Finding a Voice is a new and original Lent course by Hilary Brand. Taking the film, **The King's Speech**, as a starting point, the course explores the ways in which fear holds us back and examines how we, like Bertie, can face and overcome our fears and begin to find our authentic voice.

### **The course has five weekly group sessions:**

1. The stuff of nightmares and the power of friendship
2. Chasing the dream or fulfilling the calling
3. Pressing forward and breaking through
4. Poisonous words and profane responses
5. Faith in our voice

The Study is conducted at St Barnabas Church:  
 24 Feb 1–2.30pm View the King's Speech film  
 3–31 March 10.30 –12am (each Wednesday)

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**Thursday is rest day for Father Ian,  
 please respect his private time and only contact if an emergency.**