



The Anglican Church of St Thomas, Kefalas

Reaching our Community through the Gospel message

Welcome today and throughout **May**.
Thank you for sharing in worship with us.

A Visit to Anamnisi, Chania.

On Friday April 12, 2019 about a dozen of us from the Anglican Church of St. Thomas, Kefalas paid a visit to Anamnisi Chania, at Ionias 13, just south of the downtown core and east of the bus station. Anamnisi Chania is a unique Christian ministry. Ilias and Nellie, along with a group of their young supporters (some of whom were students from Germany), welcomed us with coffee, tea, and cookies . The visit was organized by Diana Silk (thank you!).

Ανάμνηση in Greek means “memory”, and Anamnisi Chania is a place where memories are created, but it is more than that. Psalm 9.18 states, “For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor perish for ever.” In Matthew 25.40, in the *Parable of the Sheep and the Goats*, Jesus identifies himself with the poor and oppressed and says, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” Paul reports in Galatians that the leaders of the church in Jerusalem, “They asked only one thing, that we remember the poor, which was actually what I was eager to do.” As Christians we are called to support and empower the poor and marginalized of our communities.

Anamnisi is a coffee shop, but that is simply the gateway for their work. They work with three different populations – government supported refugees, who need help in orienting themselves to their new home; migrants, often undocumented and definitely without any government support; and the local community. Many of the guests speak neither Greek nor English, and so opportunities for learning these languages are provided. There are showers and washing machines available at no cost. In the basement is a meeting room that also functions as a worship space, where Sunday worship takes place. Next door is a place with second hand clothing, books, and other useful things, to which the patrons can help themselves. The support for Anamnisi comes from individuals and congregations around the world, and St. Thomas’s is one of those churches that helps out. Ilias and Nellie seek to share the gospel with all whom they meet in word and in deed.

Building on last month’s article by me (you do remember that, right?) this is an opportunity for service. Our relationship with Anamnisi Chania is just beginning, and I hope that we can build on it so that we may reach out into the community, in cooperation with other Christians.

Bruce +

The Rev. Canon D. Bruce Bryant-Scott

Rev Canon Bruce’s Sunday sermons may now be found on the CHURCH NEWS page of the Church website: anglicanchurchincrete.co.uk

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2 of the Easter floral displays.



The winners of the draw on Sunday April 28th, 2019 were:

1st prize €25: Gina Zagni.

2nd prize €15: David Hurley.

3rd prize €10: Julia Bradshaw.

The next draw will take place on Sunday May 26th.

Unfortunately, because so few “tickets” have been sold so far this year, there is only enough money left in the kitty for 3 more draws. Considering the 50 Club was set up as a means of raising funds for the Church, this is a very sad situation. In 2017, 43 “tickets” were sold and €320 was raised, and in 2018 (this was a shortened year – only 8 months) 34 tickets were sold, and we raised €160. The Club is so named because it is hoped that 50 “tickets” will be sold! Only 20 have been sold so far this year. So come on everybody, we have a long way to go. “Tickets” for the draw may be purchased on any Sunday, and will cost just €2 per month – i.e. €16 for May to December.

Diana Silk.



The chosen charity was “Mental Health and Livelihoods Support for the Vulnerable in Greece”. This Charity was set up following the terrible forest fires disaster in July 2018.
€165 was collected.

The next **Church Council Meeting** will take place on Tuesday, June 4th at 4pm. The minutes of meetings held on February 25th, March 17th and March 30th are currently displayed on the Information table in the Tabernacle.

GREEK ORTHODOX EASTER CELEBRATION “CRETAN CORNER, TAVERNA, APTERA on SUNDAY, 28TH APRIL

A report on this event will be included in the Newsletter for June.

**VINTAGE ROSE Second Hand Shop,
79 Sifaka Street. Chania. A/C 395
(A map with the location of the shop is on the Church notice board).**

Please continue to take unwanted clean, **seasonal** clothing in good condition, shoes, accessories especially jewellery, books, DVDs, CDs, furniture and household items, tools, flower pots, pet accessories etc to the shop to raise funds for the Church.

Gill.

Reminder: Please collect all your plastic bottle tops and bring them to the Church for recycling to fund wheelchairs for the disabled.

The 4 CHARITIES which we are supporting at St. Thomas' in 2019 are:

1. "Anamnisi" Chania. 2.Touching the Tonga. 3. Agia Sofia. 4. Splantzias Food Kitchen, Chania.

CHURCH SERVICES FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR APRIL 2019

Mar 29	FUNERAL: RAYMOND PHILIP WHITE		€250.00 FEE
Mar 31 Mothering Sunday	HOLY COMMUNION		€ 68.00
Apr 05	FUNERAL; PHILIP DUNCAN LOWNDS	34	€100.00 FEE
Apr 07	HOLY COMMUNION	21	€117.27
Apr 14 Palm Sunday	HOLY COMMUNION	31	€ 162.00
Apr 15	HOME COMMUNION KEFALAS	5	-
Apr 16	HOME COMMUNION KOKKINO HORIO	6	-
Apr 17	HOME COMMUNION PALLELONI	7	-
Apr 18 Maundy Thursday	HOLY COMMUNION & FOOT WASHING	18	-
Apr 19 Good Friday	HOLY COMMUNION	16	-
Apr 21 Easter Day	SUNRISE SERVICE	10	-
	HOLY COMMUNION	45	€180.87
Apr 28	HOLY COMMUNION	26	€129.00
TOTAL FOR APRIL			€ 878.14

CHURCH FINANCE INFORMATION FOR APRIL 2019

EURO INCOME	€ 1053.14
TRANSFER FROM STERLING CHAPLAINCY ACC	€ 1875.00
EURO EXPENSES	€ 1622.37

FIGURES AS AT 28/04/2019 (25 MARCH – 28 APRIL)

STERLING INCOME	£ 753.00
STERLING EXPENSES:	0.00
TRANSFER TO EURO CHAPLAINCY ACC	£1703.75

FIGURES AS AT 10/04/2019 (26 MARCH – 10 APRIL)

CHURCH SERVICES INFORMATION FOR MAY 2019

Sunday May 5th,	3rd Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion	11am	White
Sunday May 12th,	4th Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion	11am	White
Sunday May 19th,	5th Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion	11am	White
Sunday May 26th,	6th Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion	11am	White
Thursday May 30th	Ascension Day	Holy Communion	11am	White

BIBLE READINGS FOR MAY 2019

May 5th	Zephaniah 3: 14-20	Acts 9. 1-20	John 21. 1-19
May 12th	Acts 9. 36-42	John 10. 22-30	
May 19th	Revelation 21. 1-6	John 13. 31-35	
May 26th	Acts 16. 9-15	Revelation 21.10 , 22 to 22. 5	John 14. 23-29
May 30th	Daniel 7. 9-14	Acts 1. 1-11	Luke 24. 44-53

PASTORAL CARE

Are you struggling with a difficulty, needing support and would like to chat to someone?
If so, please contact our Pastoral Care Co-ordinator at St Thomas:

Pat Worsley 28257 71001 or 6992 653784

PRAYERNET

Are you experiencing a rough patch in your life? We all have times when we are having problems, either healthwise, mentally or emotionally. Or do you know of someone who is in a difficult place at present? The PrayerNet consists of people who pray for others in need, either for a week or two, or sometimes longer. If you would like the support of extra prayers, or would like to join the PrayerNet to pray for others in need, please contact me. All this work is done by email and is confidential to the members of the PrayerNet. The PrayerNet is a vibrant, worldwide community of people who enjoy being able to support people through prayer. Do contact me for help or further information:
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Sue.

JUNE 2019 NEWSLETTER

Please would you send any notices or articles for the **JUNE 2019** Newsletter to:
Diana Silk at tonydi@otenet.gr by **MAY 24th**

Thank you.

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