

Services during August 2019

Nazaret

Church of Nuestra Señora de Nazaret August 4 10:00 AM

Puerto del Carmen

Church of Nuestra Señora in the harbour, Old Town August 4, 11, 18, 25 12:30 PM

After the Sunday Service you are invited to coffee (or any other beverage) and fellowship at Restaurante El Asador in Puerto del Carmen.

Playa Blanca

Church of Nuestra Señora del Carmen August 4, 11, 18, 25 5:00 PM

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ANGLICAN PARISH
ST. LAURENCE IN LANZAROTE

Our monthly Newsletter – August 2019



Welcome to the Anglican Parish of St Laurence's Lanzarote

Our mission is to serve the English speaking residents and also the many visitors to this beautiful island. Our local congregations work hard to ensure that those who visit and share in our worship return to their home churches refreshed and renewed.



Please glimpse at our website – www.lanzarotechurch.com – or follow us on Facebook for the very latest news: *Lanzarote Church of England Parish of St Laurence*.



For those planning their wedding – we would be delighted to welcome you to the island and help in arranging that very special Blessing of your Marriage in these idyllic surroundings.

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From our Chaplain Fr Stan Evans

It is amazing how time flies when you are having fun! As I write this newsletter I suddenly realise that it is over three months since my institution to this Chaplaincy. In early July Rosemary and I flew over to Gran Canaria where we shared with the people in welcoming their new chaplain, Canon Paul Wignall. It was our first excursion from Lanzarote. It was good to meet Paul and his wife Carlynn, and also some of the lovely folk who support and attend Holy Trinity, Las Palmas.

What was very good for me was to hear again the 'Rededication of the Ministry of the People of God' in that service. The promises of the new Chaplain and of course the responses of the people. It reminded me of my commitment and promises made on that special day back in April. It made me go back and read my service and also the sermon preached by the Archdeacon of Gibraltar. I have posted a copy of it onto the Chaplaincy Website under 'Sermons' which I ask you to read again, as it is good for us both to be reminded of our commitment to each other.

So many ask, somewhat nervously, whether we are happy. When I say that we are blissfully happy they think that I am joking. I assure you that I am not. I have made every effort to demonstrate to you my intention that I will always encourage collaborative ministry here in this wonderful part of God's creation. People and Priest working together. I have done my very best and I thank you for fulfilling your promises and commitment to me as your new Chaplain.

I pray that will continue for many years to come. Just please read that sermon again which is on the website. It is a reminder of all that is expected of us – me as priest and you 'the people of God'.

Forgive me when I am less than you want me to be – I am only human. But together we are building a wonderful community that humbly serves our Lord, reaches out to those in need, transforms our lives and the lives of others and builds up God's kingdom of love, justice and peace. God bless you all.

Fr Stan - Chaplain

News and Events in August 2019

Apostles Lunch

Some 20 people attended the Apostles lunch in July at the Natura Beach Restaurant, Playa Blanca with great food and wonderful fellowship. Our August Apostles lunch will be on Tuesday 13/08/19 at 1.30pm.

The venue will be announced at all services.

Please let Polly Price (polly@apafin.com) know if you are able to attend by Friday 09/08/19. Bring a friend and make someone really happy!!

Mid-week HC at the Chaplaincy House

Commencing on 4th September a mid-week short service will be held every Wednesday followed by 'chat and natter' over a cup of tea. Initially these will be held at the Chaplaincy House, but it is envisaged that we will also vary the venue with services in Playa Blanca and also in the northern part of the island. It is hoped that those who may be on the fringe or because of work or family cannot make Sunday services will be able to join us.

Fun(d)-raising

Of course we need to always be looking at ways we can come together socially whilst also raising much needed funds. Our fundraising team are looking towards September/October when we are planning an event – which will bring us all together with those also beyond the church community. Details will follow shortly and we hope that you will all support our various initiatives – and have fun!

Friends of St Laurence Lanzarote

We have begun to print on the reverse of our weekly service sheet a form which we hope will encourage visitors (and locals) to sign up to become a Friend of St Laurence. In accordance with Data Protection legislation we ask for members' permission to send our information by email. This will include the monthly Newsletter and notices of events and services.

From the Registers

Weddings:

July 5th at Hesperia Beach, Puerto Calero – Louise Hayes and Sean Connell

July 24th at Hotel Costa Calero – Maria Gannon and Michael Browne

Deaths:

July 3rd – Clive McClory aged 75 – Cremation at Memora on 9th July