

Services during September 2019

Nazaret

Church of Nuestra Señora de Nazaret September 1 **10:00 AM**

Puerto del Carmen

Church of Nuestra Señora in the harbour, Old Town September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 **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 September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 **5:00 PM**

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ANGLICAN PARISH
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Our monthly Newsletter – September 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

I have been looking forward to September as we begin to welcome back our 'swallows'. I am pleased to say that already there is an air of optimism as ideas are being shared on how we can demonstrate that we are a 'living' church here in this wonderful place. Our first mid-week gathering will be on Wednesday 11th in the Chaplaincy House at 11.00am – bring a friend. August was a hard month as we wrestled with great tragedies – a murder in PDC and then the tragic loss of a 15 year old boy on holiday with his parents from Navan in Co Meath, Ireland. This was news that could have tarnished our island as a leading holiday destination. But not so – quite the opposite.

Having spent over 30 years in Ireland I knew that our Chaplaincy could offer practical and prayerful support to this wonderful young family in such tragic circumstances. I give thanks for those within our network who responded in such a wonderful way. Upon hearing the news I asked Julia Chant-Williams to make enquiry as to whether the family welcomed support. They gratefully accepted all the help we could offer and so began a week of intense pastoral care and love for them. The injuries incurred by Mikey Leddy were major and therefore life support was withdrawn. I wish to place on record my sincerest thanks to all concerned with the care offeredand I do this as requested by the parents, Damien and Aisling, for they have appreciated the support of the whole Chaplaincy, the funeral directors, the emergency services, the incredible doctors and staff of the hospital in Arrecife, the staff of Aer Lingus and the embassy in Madrid. Most of all they wished to thank all who on this island have shown such love and compassion. For me, yes this was extremely emotive and draining as I shared with a family through the loss of a son. A mother (and father) grieving at the foot of the cross, which brings us back to what our faith is all about. The sacrifice of a Mother with the gift of her Son – so that we will have life, and life eternal.

Every blessing
Fr Stan - Chaplain

News and Events in September 2019

Apostles Lunch

Our September Apostles lunch will be on 10/09/19 at 1.30pm at the Natura Beach Restaurant La Mulata, Planta Baja, 35580 Playa Blanca. The view out across the sea to Fuertaventura is wonderful! Meal choices are made individually on the day. Everybody is welcome for fellowship and a nice lunch. Please let Polly Price (polly@apafin.com) know if you are able to attend by Friday 06/09/19.



Apostles Lunch

Farewell to Kath and David Harding

Mid-week HC at the Chaplaincy House

Commencing on 11th September a mid-week short service will be held every Wednesday at 11 am 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.

Mothers Union will recommence at 2:30 pm on October 14th at the Chaplaincy House - Welcome back - everyone welcome. Theme for the Year is **Listen, Observe, Act - in Step with God.**

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.