

UPDATE ON JULES

Dear Friends,

As Jules is unable to write for Pulse this month our dear Editor, Maggie, has passed this on to the Churchwardens. Unfortunately I am unable to pass this over to Anne as her landline and internet connection are out of order and her mobile is also not working!

Paramount on our minds at this time is our Chaplain Jules, who is our Spiritual Leader, our friend, our mentor and brother in Christ. Most of you will be aware that Jules is in Ioanina University Hospital having had a triple bypass. The operation took place on 26th September and was more complicated and took longer than the surgeons had expected. Jules was in (ICU) Intensive Care Unit for two days and then moved in to a room. The surgeons are pleased with the results of the operation. Trish is in Ioanina with two of their daughters Amy Rose and Katie Ann. They are staying in a hotel in the hospital grounds which is for relatives of patients undergoing treatment in the hospital. Trish sends updates about Jules which are passed on to the congregation and Pulse readers. Jules has been almost a month in Ioanina and has been visited by Pastor Leonidis from the Evangelical Church and Sandra's father-in-law who is an Orthodox Priest. A Call to Prayer was arranged for the PCC members on 13th September, this was the date set for our meeting. We spent an hour in prayer for Jules and family. Jules had requested to proceed with the PCC meeting so as Vice-chairman I opened with Psalm 121. This Psalm Chris had sent to Jules and Trish before his operation. We have had two services of Morning Prayer, talks given by Mark and Anne. The talks were sent to Jules as well as the notes from Morning Prayer so he can see what we are doing in his absence. On the day of Jules' operation the church was open all day for people to come and pray. Sunday 30th September we put together a special service for Harvest Thanksgiving opening with a tribute to our leader. Jules will need a recovery period of 6-12 weeks.

The church will operate as usual with locum Peter Jordan and Barbara coming from 12th October to 14th November and we have Nigel Scotland and Anne on stand-by in case of further need.

He gives strength to the weary and increases the power to the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall. But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles, they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not grow faint. Isaiah 40 29-31

Pauline Argyrou, Churchwarden

I lift up my eyes to the mountains— where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip—he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord watches over you—the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

Psalm 121

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9th September
Fellowship lunch and visit by our dear friends Tom & June McCormick



Rev Chris Pearson and wife Jo led us in worshipping to the song:- *'God forgave my sin in Jesus name I've been born again in Jesus name ,and in Jesus name I come to you to share His love as He told me too....freely freely you have received freely freely give ,go in my name and because you believe others will know that I live"*.
There were also 20 young Dutch people who joined us and sang for us "We rest in Thee..."...



For the golden oldies of us remembering dearly the several times locum chaplain Brian Woodhams and Vera visited HTC, we also had the pleasure of their son and wife, Peter and Margaret being with us (the couple on the left)

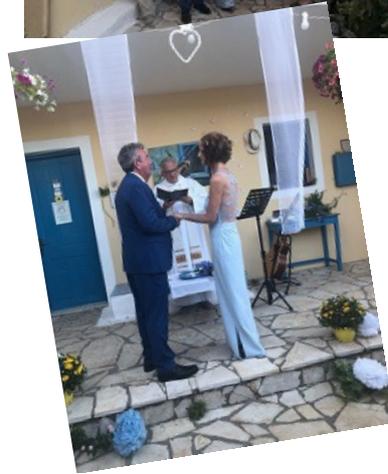
Marriage Blessing at The Sunflower Apartments, Kassiopi 5th September. There have been several weddings and Blessings at HTC and other venues and islands this summer officiated by Jules. Mr & Mrs Kevin & Imelda Walsh, from County Cork, and along came most of their kids and partners and occupied the whole floor at The Sunflower. Regular guests and friends from Scotland were also here for the celebration. It really was a holy ceremony, and great family fun too. Such a blessing all round. Many thanks to Jules especially for the last minute request to bring his guitar to play "Thy Word Is a Lamp unto my Feet And A Light Unto My Path" Psalm 119 : 105



1st September
 HTC/ICS at Agiot Fair



May The Lord bless you
 and protect you,
 May The Lord smile on
 you and be gracious to
 you
 May The Lord show you
 his favour
 And give you his peace.



30th September
 Harvest Thanksgiving Service and
 Fellowship lunch



We give a warm welcome to Rev Marie Teare who will be conducting a Taize Service on 7th October. Marie has contributed several times in the Pulse telling us of her life and her services held on Paxos.

Marie is a retired priest who lives near York when in England and is married to Roger, a retired engineer. They first visited Greece some 39 years ago when they came to Corfu for a family holiday with their two children and they have been to Greece almost every year since then. They bought a small cottage in Paxos 12 years ago and after the complete renovation to make it habitable they began staying in it for holidays 9 years ago. They started living their dream 5 years ago, once both had retired, by spending 6 months of the year here.

If you are wondering what a Taizé service may entail come on Sunday 10.30am.

The Taizé community is an ecumenical monastic order with a strong devotion to peace and justice through prayer and meditation. The 100-strong community of Protestant and Roman Catholic monks is drawn from 30 countries across the world.

It was founded in 1940 by Roger Louis Schutz-Marsauche (known as 'Brother Roger'). The 90-year-old monk died in August 2005 after being stabbed during a prayer service.

Today Taizé is one of the world's most important sites of Christian pilgrimage. Each year tens of thousands of young pilgrims flock to the small village of Taizé in central France to share in the community's way of life.

Prayer and silence are at the heart of the Taizé experience. Young people from every corner of the globe are encouraged to live out the Christian gospel in a spirit of joy, simplicity and reconciliation.



The poster for the Alpha Course at HTC features a background image of a coastal town with a prominent stone tower. The text is arranged as follows: 'THE ALPHA COURSE AT HTC' in large white letters on the left. At the top right is the website 'www.alpha.org' and a small Alpha logo. In the center, a red banner contains the text: 'A series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation'. Below this, a diagonal banner reads 'FOOD Then a... TALK Followed by a... DISCUSSION'. At the bottom right, it says 'PLACES ARE LIMITED Register your interest ASAP NOV. 2018 -htccorfu@gmail.com-' and includes the Alpha logo.

To introduce the Alpha Course, we will be holding an Alpha Supper on Tuesday, 30th October. If you or someone you think would like to attend Contact Anne on 6944859941 or Mark on 26630 32478 for more details.

MASTER'S CRAFTERS GROUP

We enjoyed making 3D cards this month just see our results. Hand made cards are so special and they make lovely gifts to give friends and family. Come and join in October's craft lesson.

Join us 10.00 Tuesday, 9th October for more creative ideas. Hope to see you. Rita



Presentation of Rita's Painting to Father Yiannis

I recently read that a visit to a Bishop is an event of grace. Yiannis Spiteris has been the Catholic Archbishop of Corfu for many years and he was due to retire. However, he is to remain here, in office, until a suitable replacement is found.

Jules, our chaplain asked me if I would paint a picture of the Cathedral to present to the Archbishop in celebration of his 50 years as an ordained priest. Immediate panic took hold and I wanted to say 'no' but then a little voice said, 'yes' you can do this.

I gathered all my skills together and it took about three months to complete. You may think why so long? Painting isn't just a matter of plastering a bit of paint onto a canvas. Your work has to be measured on the canvas, when painting from a photo. Then the colours are mixed and light and shade play a big factor in the whole painting.

The old Cathedral was located in the old fortress of Corfu and was dedicated to the apostles Peter and Paul. An explosion in 1718 killing hundreds completely destroyed the church. But there is a lot more history attached to this church and well worth reading. Rita.

Watercolour Lesson

The first lesson went well and we were all captured and amazed with our first watercolour experience.

Georgina our teacher had us confidently painting an apple and pear.

The next lesson will be on the Tuesday 23rd October. This lesson will be on how to mix colours and then paint a still life flower.

We hope more people will join, so if you are interested please contact me on 6970715342. Rita



A Thank you to Stella Lewis

Dear Stella. Thank you so much for all the beautiful embellishments, card stock and Christmas scrapbook papers. Wonderful, we will certainly put them to good use for our Christmas crafts. God bless. Rita and the Crafters.

Harvest Hymn by Janine Jones (To the tune of “We plough the fields and scatter”)

We spread the nets and gather
The olives from the trees,
We bag them up and take them
To olive factories
He sends the rain in winter
Then ripens them with sun
For olive oil for blessings
When all the work is done.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord
for all his love.*

We thank thee then O Father
For grapes grown on the vine
That we can press and barrel
To make the local wine
We drink wine at Communion
And think of your shed blood
He died to save the whole world
As only Jesus could

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord
for all his love.*

Lord bless this lovely Island
The island of Corfu
Surrounded by your beauty Lord
All good gifts come from you
The colours of the rainbow
The brightness of the sun
The sea and sky and mountains
And sunset when days done

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord
for all his love.*



Then Jesus said to them 'the harvest is indeed plentiful but the workers are few. Pray therefore to the Lord of the harvest that He may send out workers into his harvest' Luke 10 :2

HOLY TRINITY GIFT DAY - 7th October

Special envelopes marked with 'Gift Day' will be available, please pray about this thinking of the future of Holy Trinity and what it means to you. We need your support not only in prayer but also with finance.

As a church we are also responsible for the welfare of our chaplain and his family. EOPPY (IKA) covers Jules' operation and medical expenses but HTC is obliged to pay for any extra recuperation charges for Jules and Trish whilst they remain in Ioannina, plus any other unexpected costs to cover his replacements.

Praise The Lord for His provision and generous hearts over the years.

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL – 2018

This year Remembrance Day falls on Sunday, 11 November and the Collection Boxes, plus a wide variety of Supplies, have now been distributed to many locations around the island: North; South; East; West and Central Corfu.

There will be the Wreath-laying ceremony at the British Cemetery on Sunday, 11 November, commencing at 11.45am and for those of you who have been unable to obtain your Poppy, I will be present at the cemetery with a full range of all available items.

I do understand the ongoing financial difficulties we are still living with. Bearing this in mind I, once again, ask you; our regular and reliable supporters of The Royal British Legion, to donate what you can reasonably afford and I can assure you that every penny will be put to the best possible use.

If anyone would like to have their own Home Collection Box, or to help with the sale of Poppy supplies to the public, please don't hesitate to contact me on: **6975 833654**

Let us not forget those who gave their all so we could be free and let's stand 'Shoulder-to-shoulder with all who serve'

Lucy STEELE, M.B.E.

Poppy Appeal Honorary Organiser



Remembrance Day Service at HTC Sunday 11th November 10.30am

Afterwards we will go to the cemetery for the laying of the wreaths and back to HTC for refreshments provided by the British Vice Consulate.

In Flanders Fields John McCrea

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Services for October:

Communion Services will be led by
Rev Peter Jordan from 14th October

Sunday 7th October - Gift Day

10:30 Taize Service led by Marie Teare from
Paxos
Followed by Fellowship Lunch

Sunday 14th October

10:30 Family Communion Service
Sunday School in Church Room.

Sunday 21st October

10:30 Family Communion Service

Sunday 28th October

10:30 Family Communion Service

*How good and pleasant it is when God's people
live together in unity. Psalm 133 : 1*

Weekly Events during October:

The church is open daily Tuesday to Friday
10:00 to 12.30

Monday

17:30 The Kontokali group meets

Tuesday

9th - Master's Crafters Group
23rd - Watercolour Lesson

Wednesday

10th - 12.30 Lunch 'n' Meet

Thursday

10:00 Bible Study
17.00 Worship Group at HTC

Friday

10.00 Prayer Meeting
10.00 Mums & Tots Group - starting 12th
October

Other Events during October:

Thursday 11th October

18.00 Ministry Team Meeting

Thursday 18th October

09.15 Pastoral Care Team Meeting

Saturday 27th October night time

Summer Time ends - clock go back 1 hour

Tuesday 30th October

Alpha Supper - time TBA



**Next Sunday Schools
14th October then 4th November**

**Visit our website to keep up-to-
date with services and events
www.holytrinitycorfu.net**



For your Prayers and Thanks

- **Prayers for a complete recovery for Jules our Chaplain and friend after his unexpected triple bypass surgery. We pray for the rest he needs until he is totally restored. Peace for all the family, and clear communication at the hospital.**
- Holy Spirit empowering and wisdom for our Churchwardens, Pauline and Anne, and all those giving extra help for The Kingdom at this time.
- Generous hearts on Gift day 7th October.
- 30th October Alpha Supper. Leaders Mark ,Mary and Anne and that the advertisements will be seen and people drawn to come and see.
- Pray for provision for the development of our vision Logos Cafe and pray for wisdom and discernment as the Diocese considers our proposal.
- We give thanks for good relationships with other churches. The Catholic Archbishop was thrilled when he was presented with a painting of the Duomo painted by Rita our talented artist.
- We pray for the Sunday School and the young people attending, bringing in a new generation to HTC.
- We pray for the authorities here on Corfu, as the island battles to come to a resolution to the waste management problems. Vision for the leaders to see far into this and many other issues of today and to promote the welfare and peace of the people of Corfu.
- For blessings on the olive crops and help for farmers to produce a good and plentiful harvest. We acknowledge that fruitfulness in every respect comes from the Father.
- We pray for Peace and strength of The Lord for those at present amongst us suffering emotionally, financially, with family members sick. We pray for comfort and Hope in Jesus, strength and wisdom for those supporting the sick and that help needed is provided.

Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the LORD, my soul and forget not all his benefits— who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Psalm 103 : 1-5

We always welcome contributions to our publications; however, we will not publish any material which infringes copyright. When sending in items for inclusion please state your source and the name of the author.

We are happy to accept prayer requests for inclusion in Pulse or in the morning service. If you are requesting prayer for someone other than yourself please make sure you have their permission to be mentioned publicly.

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