

THIS & THAT

A woman invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to her six-year-old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"

"I wouldn't know what to say," the little girl replied.

"Just say what you hear Mummy say," the mother said.

The little girl bowed her head and said: "Dear Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

A man had been shipwrecked on a remote island in the Pacific, and was alone for 20 years. When a ship finally arrived, his rescuers were impressed with the three buildings he had built and asked him about them.

"Well," the man replied, "this is my house, and that building over there is my church. It's a wonderful church and I hate to leave it."

"And what is the third building yonder?" a rescuer asked.

"Oh, that is the church I used to go to," the man replied.

UPCOMING DATES & SERVICES

May 2	12.30 pm	Service in PdC
May 2	5.00 pm	Service in Playa Blanca
May 9	12.30 pm	Service in PdC
May 16	12.30 pm	Service in PdC
May 16	5.00 pm	Service in Playa Blanca
May 23	12.30 pm	Service in PdC
May 25	7.00 pm	AGM in church in PdC
May 30	12.30 pm	Service in PdC
May 30	5.00 pm	Service in Playa Blanca

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ANGLICAN PARISH
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OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – MAY 2021

Welcome to the Anglican Parish
of St Laurence's Lanzarote!



Dear Lord God,

we thank you that you are a forgiving God, who wipes out all the wrongs from the past and starts anew with us today. Bring healing and comfort to those who are anxious, upset, lonely or ill today; encourage those who help and care for them. May all who suffer be led from pain to peace.

We give you thanks for your loving mercy shown to us in Jesus Christ, who endured the suffering of the cross to overcome all that separates us from you and was raised up to new life.

Strengthen our faith in the victory of the cross and the hope of eternal life. Help us to grow in the life which does not end, in love and friendship with you, which lasts for ever; through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

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MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Dear friends,

This past month has been a very difficult month for us as we have unfortunately had two deaths in our Chaplaincy. At the age of 93 years, Pauline Field passed peacefully away in hospital in Arrecife. She had undergone surgery in recent months and was frail but received wonderful care from her full-time carers, and also from the staff of Hospital Insular.

Just a few rooms away from her in the same hospital was Peter Daly, a dear friend of the Chaplaincy, and a man loved by many. He fought his battle against cancer with great faith and fortitude. It was my privilege to share with these two dear people as they passed from this earthly life to their eternal home. May they both rest in peace.

Sadly also last month our Secretary Sunny had to return urgently to her family in Germany where her father was admitted to the Intensive Care Unit following a bleed to the brain, and where he is still critically ill. Sunny also has to have treatment herself whilst there, and so we ask that you remember her and her family in your prayers at this difficult time.

As I indicated in my last introduction to our Living Room Service, we as a very small team are having to ask for your patience as we will be unable to submit an online service at the moment. I know that so many of you are almost reliant of the links that these virtual services have forged, and we will do our best to be back with you all soon. As you can appreciate we are fully stretched, but all will be well. Please do watch the ones available from 2020.

We are holding weekly services in Puerto del Carmen, and fortnightly services in Playa Blanca, but obviously our numbers are small until travel restrictions are lifted. So we continue to wait for you dear visitors to share once more on this beautiful island.

Please hold us all in your prayers, and we look forward to hearing from you with your news.

Fr Stan Evans, Chaplain

NEWS AND EVENTS IN MAY 2021

ANNUAL GENERAL CHAPLAINCY MEETING

The date for this year's AGM is May 25th at 7.00 PM in the church in Puerto del Carmen. The meeting will start with a short Service of Holy Communion. Please be reminded that attendees must not show any symptoms related to Covid 19 and a mask (we recommend FFP2 masks) has to be worn at all times.

DEATHS & FUNERALS

In April, we had to say goodbye to 2 dear friends.

Peter Edmond Daly died on April 13 and his funeral was conducted by Fr Stan on April 16 in Arrecife.

Pauline Field died at the age of 93 on April 16 and her funeral took place on April 17.

Deepest sympathies to the families and friends.

May they both rest in peace.

ACTIVITIES AT CHAPLAINCY HOUSE AND CENTRE

Our Thursday **CRAFTS WITH CHRIS** classes have resumed.

The groups are well booked, but if you want to join, please get in touch with Chris at chrisewington@gmail.com and she will take care of you.

The group meets every Thursday from 10.00am to 12.00noon at the Chaplaincy House & Centre.

WALKING WITH MARTIN is a perfect way to keep fit – Martin is happy for you to join his daily walks between Guime and Matagorda through Playa Honda. Email martinsamlamb@gmail.com for more info and to arrange a walk. You can go the full distance or only a few km to start with!

SPANISH CONVERSATION is back on the schedule.

All who are interested to join please contact us at contact@lanzarotechurch.com.

All are welcome – Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you want to join.