



ST. SAVIOUR'S

Dear friends; Lenten Greetings!

It's scary how quick we have moved from Ash Wednesday to the FOURTH SUNDAY in Lent, we are a couple of weeks away from the Great Easter celebration. It's with joy and trepidation that we look forward to our first Easter celebration as Priest and People here at St. Saviour's; particularly since last year Easter was celebrated in Hard lockdown. This year we can gather, and we joyfully will do so, ensuring we keep one another safe at all times. Details pertaining to Holy week and Easter will follow shortly.

Today, the fourth Sunday in Lent is traditionally celebrated as MOTHERING SUNDAY, not to be confused with Mother's Day.

"Centuries ago, it was considered important for people to return to their home or 'mother' church once a year. So, each year in the middle of Lent, everyone would visit their 'mother' church - the main church or cathedral of the area.

Inevitably the return to the 'mother' church became an occasion for family reunions when children who were working away returned home¹."

In the life of a Parish such as ours, this tradition would be a wonderful occasion, based purely on the role St. Saviour's plays as the Mother Church to so many people and the many Parishes it has birthed; The Parish of Good Shepherd being the most recent.

Therefore, Mothering Sunday offers us as a community to give thanks to God for this wonderful privilege of being community, as diverse as we are, we remain united in Christ! We pray that the Parishes birthed from St. Saviour's may continue to grow in God's love and always remember us in their thoughts and prayers.

Today, our Psalmist offers us an assuring reminder in the first verse of our appointed Psalm; **O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his loving mercy endures forever.** Here at St. Saviour's, we have for long enjoyed and will continue the loving mercy of God, and so as we celebrate Mothering Sunday, and the joy of being a Mother Church for so many, let us today make an extra effort to GIVE THANKS.

May the week ahead be filled with God's love, mercy and goodness.

God Bless.

Fr. Chesnay (Rector)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for the sick or hospitalised.

Mervyn Bost, Trevor Kleinsmith, Zara Osbourne, Edith Abrahams, Sandra Fourie, Joyce Erasmus, Crystal Bouwers, James April, Iris Hartnick, Mervyn Johnson, Frank Kennel, Monica Fry, Muriel Tshitshiba and Martin Dyers.

Housebound and elderly:

Christabel Nokumbuza, Rachel Vermeulen, Evan Brink, Breval Brown, Aletta Cloete, Freda Connelly, Brenda de Vos, Linda de Vos, Constant Eckardt, Joyce Hiebner, Edith Lekay, Daniel & Magdalene Meyer, Joanne White, Ronald Smedley and May Rushin

BIRTHDAYS

Prayers for those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week.

14 Mar	Daniel Meyer
15 Mar	Allison van der Vent
16 Mar	Gail Davids
17 Mar	Enid Fester, Roger Joshua
18 Mar	Richard Anthony, Elizabeth Bartnicke, Michael Jonker, Beryl Moses
19 Mar	Maureen le Fleur
20 Mar	James April, Faezah Davids, Avril Steyn, Chantal Wilson

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.” -Romans 15:13

HYMNS AT 09H15 – AMR

Introit:	161	Bright the vision that delighted
Offertory	245	Jesus, where ‘er thy people meet.
Recessional	296	Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

READERS

07H30 – Esme Kennel

09H15 – James Smith

LAYMINISTERS

07H30 – Henriette Saayman

09H15 – Kenny Daniels

READINGS OF THE DAY

OT Reading: Numbers 21: 4-9

Psalm: Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22

NT Reading: Ephesians 2: 1-10

Gospel: John 3: 14-21

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**God of judgement,
you reach out to us in mercy even when
we rebel:
soften our hearts with the warmth of
your love,
that we will know your Son alive in us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit,
one God,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

R.I.P

We remember with love those who have died.

† Lucian Johnson – 5 March 2021

“The God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles” 2 Cor 1:4

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LECTIONARY FOR THE WEEK

READINGS FOR THE WEEK		
<p>MON 15 MAR</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalms 75, 76 Jeremiah 16:10-21 Romans 7:1-12</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 77 Genesis 49:1-28 John 6:1-15</p>	<p>WED 17 MAR † Patrick, Bishop and Missionary in Ireland, 461</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalms 79, 80 Jeremiah 18:1-11 Romans 8:1-11</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalms 81, 82 Genesis 50:15-26 John 6:27-40</p>	<p>FRI 19 MAR † Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 1711</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalms 87, 88 Jeremiah 23:1-8 Romans 8:28-39</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 89:1-38 Exodus 2:1-22 John 6:52-59</p>
<p>TUE 16 MAR</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalm 78:1-38 Jeremiah 17:19-27 Romans 7:13-25</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 78:39-70 Genesis 49:29—50:14 John 6:16-27</p>	<p>THU 18 MAR † Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Teacher of the Faith c.386</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalms 83, 84 Jeremiah 22:13-23 Romans 8:12-27</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalms 85, 86 Exodus 1:1-22 John 6:41-51</p>	<p>SAT 20 MAR † Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 687</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalm 89:39-53 Jeremiah 23:9-15 Romans 9:1-18</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 90 Exodus 2:23—3:15 John 6: 60-71</p>

PRAYER DIARY

Monday: Continue to pray for the Lenten theme: "A Journey of wholeness and healing."

Tuesday: Pray for the Government of SA and a fair roll-out of the Corona vaccine.

Wednesday: Pray for the Rector and his family especially for baby Noah, also, for all other church leaders and their families.

Thursday: Pray for parents of unborn babies and parents who are having difficulty in conceiving.

Friday: Pray for work opportunities for the unemployed and for those who lost their jobs as a result of the pandemic.

Saturday: Pray for the parishioners of St Saviour's especially for the elderly, those who are ill and housebound.

Sunday: Pray for the families who have lost loved ones during the pandemic and as a result of ongoing gang violence.

NOTICES

- ❖ The Parish Office is now open: Monday-Friday 09h00-15h00.
- ❖ The Church is open for in-person worship on a Sunday. We continue with 2 services on a Sunday and a Wednesday morning Eucharist. For Lent we will also have a Wednesday evening Eucharist at 19h30.
- ❖ If you would like to be added to the Parish WhatsApp group, please send a message to the Rector (073 256 5200) or Nerine Meyer (072 180 0592).
- ❖ Pledge Envelopes – Parishioners wanting Pledge Envelopes for 2021 must please call the office on 021 671 8171. Pledge Envelopes will be at the back of the church for collection.
- ❖ Thank you to all who made an effort to attend the Quiet Morning yesterday. Thank you. God bless.
- ❖ **Donations** – The Flower Guild is appealing for any donations towards flowers to beautify our Church for Easter Day. There is a box at the back of the Church for flower donations.
- ❖ On Saturday 20 March 2021 from 09h30-11h00. There will be a rehearsal for all servers, layministers, readers, choir, sacristans and sidespersons who will be on duty for Palm Sunday and Easter services.
- ❖ On Saturday 27 March 2021, we are all invited to come and make palm crosses in the Church garden in preparation for Palm Sunday. Many hands make light work. Bring a pair of scissors along. ALL COVID 19 protocols to be observed. You may even park your car in the church grounds and make the crosses in the safety of your car.
- ❖ Water Tanks: A special THANK YOU to all who contributed to the installation of our first water tank, including material and labour of the three bases for these tanks. We are now in search of donations for an addition 2 x 10 000 litre water tanks. If you can assist, please contact the Rector.
- ❖ **Please Note:** The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 16 March 2021 for Staff training and development.