



# PARISH CHURCH ST SAVIOUR'S, CLAREMONT

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF SOUTHERN AFRICA  
DIOCESE OF CAPE TOWN

*Sunday 16 August 2020*

*Twentieth Sunday of the Year.*

*Cross of Nails Anniversary.*

## *Newsletter*

**Volume 1 Issue 4**



### *The power of prayer*

The Good Shepherd – Protea partner of Cross of Nails has prayer at the centre of its work. Whether praying on the eve of an election, doing prayer walks or prayer chains – our ‘Companions to the Community’ have felt the power of prayer and gather together the first Friday of every month in the Lady Chapel in St Saviour’s Church, Claremont, from 12 noon for half an hour, to pray.

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### *Give peace a chance*

Cross of Nails also sets out to build bridges and bring justice in issues like politics, race, religion, poverty, women’s issues, or sexual orientation. Conflict resolution and healing after conflict is also a focus of these groups. Our partner has attended seminars on issues of justice and equality and has raised funds for a youth conference.

## **CROSS OF NAILS ANNIVERSARY IN SOUTH AFRICA**

### **Peace, justice, and reconciliation**

... these are the goals at the centre of every Cross of Nails partner. Cross of Nails is an initiative that was formed after the Second World War when Coventry Cathedral, Britain was destroyed by German bombers. On the floor two charred beams had fallen to form a cross and the words “Father forgive” were written on the walls of the cathedral.

Provost Dick Howard charged all to work together with their enemies to build a kinder, more Christ-like world. The leaders of Coventry Cathedral soon formed partnerships with churches in the cities of Kiel, Dresden, and Berlin.

### *Forging global connections*

In line with the global Cross of Nails call to meet and partner with other countries and regions (both practically and prayerfully) Good Shepherd- Protea Cross of Nails has welcomed visiting partners from Germany and Coventry. Locally we work across cultures with talks called “Healing the wounds of History” that address the issue of race relations and apartheid in South Africa.



## **BIBLE READINGS**

Genesis 45: 1-15

Psalms 133

Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15: (10-20) 21-28

## PRAYER FOCUS

### PRAYER DIARY 17-23 AUGUST 2020

#### MONDAY: THE CHURCH

Today we pray for God's Church across the Globe

We remember Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Thabo Makgoba, Archbishop of Cape Town, Keith de Vos, Vicar-General of Table Bay, Joshua Louw, Bishop-Elect of Table Bay.

#### TUESDAY: THE WORLD

Today we remember our sisters and brothers in war ravaged parts of our Globe. We pray particularly for the Middle East, praying for the people of Palestine, Syria, and Lebanon.

#### WEDNESDAY: OUR PARISH

We give thanks to God for the work and witness of St. Saviour's Parish Church. We pray particularly for our Rector, Rev Chesnay Frantz and his family. We pray for the Parish Staff; Avril, Clifford, Aggie, Jackson and Venessa.

#### THURSDAY: OUR COUNTRY

We bring before God the needs of our Country, we pray for the people of South Africa, especially the poor and the marginalised. We pray for the many we are left destitute at this time. We pray for swift action against the many corrupt officials in our government.

#### FRIDAY: THE SICK

We pray for those known and unknown to us, who are sick at this time. We pray for those who are struggling with physical, mental, and spiritual illnesses. We pray for Doctors, Nurses, and Scientist as they seek the wisdom of God in bringing about healing to all God's people

#### SATURDAY: YOUNG PEOPLE

We pray for the love of God to enfold all Young People during these very uncertain times, we pray for those who are returning and those who have returned to

learning institutions, we pray that their anxieties may be recognised and that the Grace of God will allow them to recognise and manage with their anxieties.

#### SUNDAY: OURSELVES

We pray for ourselves and our needs, we seek the wisdom of God to direct our thoughts and actions. We avail ourselves through prayer to be instruments of God in the World, to share the love of God with all God's people.

We pray:

God bless the world

Give it wisdom at this time

Grant us relief and release

Be with those who are ill

And bless the carers who are this pandemic.

For Jesus Christ's sake.

Amen

#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

God of the foreigner and the outcast  
no one is excluded from your embrace:  
inspire us so to love the world  
that all will live in the dignity and  
security  
of belonging in God's family:  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
who lives and reigns with you and the  
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
Amen

#### **AN APPEAL FOR FOOD FOR THE LESS FORTUNATE, THE AGED AND NEEDY IN THE PARISH**

If you have seen the recent news coverage of the unspeakable conditions in which our less fortunate, needy and the aged in our parish are trying to survive through the Covid 19 lockdown, you'll no doubt be as horrified as I am. If lockdown is extended it will truly become humanitarian crisis.

The office gets 2-3 calls per day people asking for a food parcel. The shocking truth is that half of the population of Cape(South Africa) is on the brink of starvation. This includes our senior citizen is in urgent need of lifesaving food aid you can help us provide.

So, please give what you CAN.

## FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK



16 August 2020

Dear Friends, yet another week of us communicating via our Parish Newsletter, and as I do so, I'm filled with a sense of anticipation as I look forward to meeting so many of you in person, seeing you, and being able to listen to your story, about this your Church. I feel a bit like I have pitched up at someone's house, and they not home yet, but have set up everything for me to be comfortable and have a cup of coffee as I await their return, so I am here, in your house, having a cup of coffee and waiting for you to come home...

Much of this past week has been filled with a sense of anticipation, as we await those words; "My fellow South Africans...(maybe by the time you get this newsletter we would have been called to that family meeting already), this is amplified when people pass by the Church with that very same sentiment as they ask; "Father, we miss the Church, when will we be allowed back?" And so, it feels like all we are doing right now is waiting in anticipation, for some **NEWS**...

*We do anticipate Churches being allowed to resume regular services soon, this will be discussed at the Chapter meeting on Thursday 27 August 2020, and we will take our direction from the outcomes of that meeting.*

So, the question is what to do in the meantime... Well in the meantime we wait and pray. In waiting and praying it gives us time to seek the will of God.

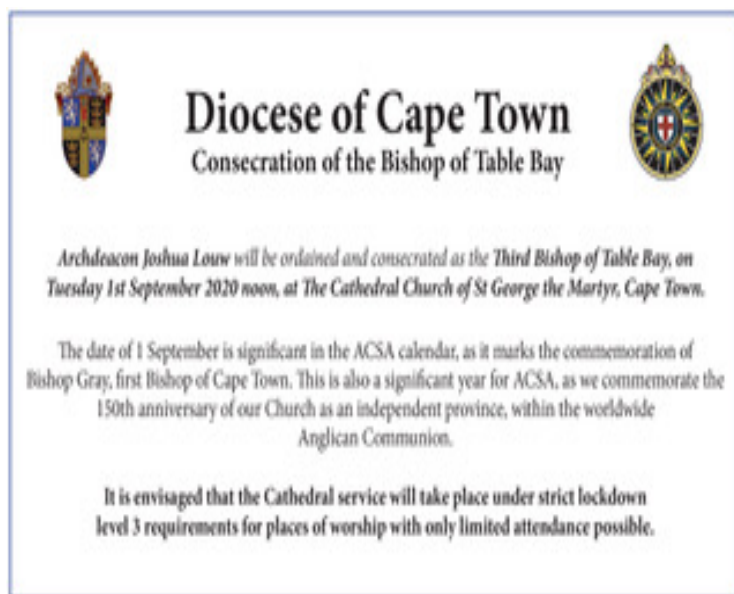
In the last few days and weeks, we have witnessed some horrific images flash across our TV Screens, from the scenes of the explosion in Beirut, to the horrific oil spill in Mauritius and the ugly scenes of the rot of corruption in our own country, where not even a crisis like this pandemic deters some from stealing.

So, as we wait and pray, we look for ways that each of us can make a difference in the World.

The World needs good acts now more than ever, and you and I are the hands, feet, ears, and mouth of God in the World, let us take time out to listen to what it God wants us to do, and then through prayer go out and be God to the World. Faith in action is what is needed in times such as these, and we can all things through Christ who empowers us.

Stay safe, warm, and healthy.

God bless



## RELIGIOUS JOKE

There was a preacher who fell in the ocean and he couldn't swim. When a boat came by, the captain yelled, "Do you need help, sir?"

The preacher calmly said "No, God will save me."

A little later, another boat came by and a fisherman asked, "Hey, do you need help?"

The preacher replied again, "No God will save me."

Eventually the preacher drowned & went to heaven. The preacher asked God, "Why didn't you save me?"

God replied, "Fool, I sent you two boats!"



## BANK DETAILS

Standard Bank Claremont, St Saviour's Church, Current Account.  
Account No 072 635 703.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY 17 AUG

**MORNING PRAYER**  
**EVENING PRAYER**

Psalms 35  
Psalms 36

Judges 17: 1-13  
2 Samuel 17: 24-18: 8

Acts 7: 44-8: 1a  
John 5: 19-29

### TUESDAY 18 AUG

**MORNING PRAYER**  
**EVENING PRAYER**

Psalm 37: 1-20  
Psalms 37: 21-41

Judges 18: 1-15  
2 Samuel 18: 9-18

Acts 8: 1-13  
John 5: 30-47

### WEDNESDAY 19 AUG

**MORNING PRAYER**  
**EVENING PRAYER**

Psalms 38  
Psalms 39

Judges 18: 16-31  
2 Samuel 18: 19-33

Acts 8: 14-25  
John 6: 1-15

### THURSDAY 20 AUG

**MORNING PRAYER**  
**EVENING PRAYER**

† **Bernard of Clairvaux, Religious, 1153**

Psalms 40 , 41  
Psalm 42, 43

Job 1: 1-22  
2 Samuel 19: 1-23

Acts 8: 26-40  
John 6: 16-27

### FRIDAY 21 AUG

**MORNING PRAYER**  
**EVENING PRAYER**

Psalm 44  
Psalms 45, 46

Job 2: 1-13  
2 Samuel 19: 24-23

Acts 9: 1-9  
John 6: 27-40

### SATURDAY 22 AUG

**MORNING PRAYER**  
**EVENING PRAYER**

Psalms 47, 48  
Psalm 49

Job 3: 1-26  
2 Samuel 23: 1-7, 13-17

Acts 9: 10-19a  
John 6: 41-51

### SUNDAY 23 AUG

**EXODUS 1: 8-2: 10**  
**MORNING PRAYER**  
**EVENING PRAYER**

**TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION SUNDAY**

**PSALM 124**  
Psalm 84  
Psalms 86, 87

**ROMANS 12: 1-8**  
Job 4: 1-21  
2 Samuel 24: 1-2, 10-25

**MATTHEW 16: 13-20**  
Revelation 4: 1-11  
Mark 6: 1-6a



## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

16 – 21 August 2020

- 16 Jason Fourie, Skye Pearson
- 17 Maude Daniels, Jesmin Philander
- 18 Marion Counsell, Amanda Davids, Herby Halls, Craig Smith, Roshayne Smith
- 19 Marlon Johnson, Charmaine Matthews
- 20 Devan Perumal, Mika Scott, Chantal September.
- 21 Shauna du Bruyn.

## THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN

*Dear people of God.*

*Our Parish Office is now open from 07h30 – 15h00 during lockdown. As we cannot have services during the Corvid 19 Pandemic, you are welcome to drop your pledges off at the office in the box marked PLEDGES. We also encourage parishioners to do an EFT using your Pledge No as your reference and using the bank details on page 3.*

*Mrs Ursula Jacobs & Dr Michael Jonker  
(Churchwardens)*

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