

# PARISH CHURCH ST SAVIOUR'S, CLAREMONT

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Eighteenth Sunday of the Year.

# Newsletter

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### SUNDAY 9 AUGUST 2020 – FEAST OF TITLE WITH A DIFFERNCE: Drive by meet and greet with the Rector and his Family.

SUNDAY 9 AUGUST 2020 Will be our FEAST OF TITLE. Due to the COVID 19 AND LOCKDOWN STAGE 3, we will have a drive by meet and greet of the new Rector and his family. THE REV CHESNAY FRANTZ, his wife SAMANTHA and their daughter SARAH will be on the grounds from 09H00 until 10H00. ENTER THROUGH the BROOKE STREET GATE and EXIT THROUGH the BOWWOOD ROAD GATE.

# **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Glorious God, you shower creation with abundance: awaken in us a hunger for food that satisfies, that in the miracle of being fed we will be empowered to feed the hungry in Jesus' name; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, now and for ever. Amen.



# **READINGS FOR THE DAY**

Genesis 32: 22-31 Psalm 17: 1-7 Romans 9: 1-5 Matthew 14: 13-21



#### PRAYERS IN THE MIDST OF THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

#### Pray for the new coronavirus to stop spreading.

Almighty God, we know that everything is in Your sovereign control. We ask that You keep this new coronavirus from continuing to spread. Give government officials the ability to safely handle people arriving from other countries. Help people decide to stay home instead of traveling or going out needlessly. Holy Spirit, remind people to wash their hands properly. And while it may be heart breaking, comfort families as they decide to keep their distance from elderly or other high-risk family members.

# Pray for people who are infected with COVID-19 or facing quarantine.

Jesus, during Your ministry on Earth You showed Your power and caring by healing people of all ages and stations of life from physical, mental, and spiritual ailments. Be present now to people who need Your loving touch because of COVID-19. May they feel Your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses.

Take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation from people receiving treatment or under quarantine. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them.

# Pray for protection for people at higher risk of developing the disease.

Dear Lord, we lift to You our concern for people who are more likely than others to become severely ill from COVID-19 — the elderly and people with chronic health conditions. Protect them from harm and be their comfort in this time of uncertainty and, for many, preventive isolation from loved ones.

# Pray for leaders responsible for making decisions about the new coronavirus.

Father, we seek Your wisdom daily. Be with people making decisions that affect the lives and futures of our families, communities, countries, and the wider world. We pray that they communicate clearly, truthfully, and calmly — with each other and with the public — and that their messages are received and heeded. May truth and empathy be the touchstones of people setting policies for our protection.

**Our Parish:** Those who are suffering or ill, in hospital or at home – Carona Virus/Covid 19 Pandemic. Pray for Shawnay Davids, her baby daughters Zorah and Zerah born on the 6 June 2020 also her boys Zion and Zimmah.



#### Pray for the Month of Compassion

Give us compassion and humility in our hearts. Let us be kind, gentle, generous, loving, giving and forgiving wherever we may go. Allow pride to never get the best of us as You fulfil our dreams. Help us not to have a boastful tongue against our people. Let humility invade our souls.

#### Yes we <u>CAN</u> Food Drive.

The Rector is appealing to the Congregation to donate **1 CAN** of foodstuff for our ongoing **CAN** food project.

Due to Covid 19 a lot of our senior citizens are taking strain by not being able to go to shop and do not have the finances to buy. If each person donates a **CAN** of food, we can feed 15 people at a time.

"Whoever is kind to the **poor** lends to the LORD, and he **will** reward them for what they have done."



Jesus calls us to a holiness that is positive, generous, and openhearted. It is a difficult, daring challenge - do we accept it? Archbishop of Canterbury - Justin Welby

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

# Monday 3 Aug

**Morning Prayer Evening Prayer** 

Tuesday 4 Aug

**Morning Prayer Evening Prayer** 

#### Wednesday 5 Aug

**Morning Prayer Evening Prayer** 

#### Thursday 6 Aug

**Morning Prayer Evening Prayer** 

Friday 7 Aug **Morning Prayer Evening Prayer** 

Saturday 8 Aug **Morning Prayer** 

**Evening Prayer** 

Sunday 9 Aug **ISAIAH 9: 2-7 Morning Prayer Evening Prayer** 

#### Psalms 140, 141, 142

Judges 6: 25-40 Acts 2: 37-47 Psalms 143, 144 2 Samuel 7: 1-17 John 1: 1-18 Psalm 145 Judges 7: 1-18 Acts 3: 1-11 Psalms 146, 147 2 Samuel 7: 18-29 John 1: 19-28 Psalms 148, 149, 150 Judges 7: 19-8: 12 Acts 3: 12-26 Psalms 1, 2, 3 2 Samuel 9: 1-13 John 1: 29-42 Judges 8: 22-35 Psalms 4, 5, 6 Acts 4: 1-12 2 Samuel 11: 1-27 John 1: 43-51 Psalm 7, 8 Dominic, Religious, 1221

Psalm 9 Judges 9: 1-21 Acts 4: 13-31 Psalms 10, 11 2 Samuel 12: 1-14 John 2: 1-12

#### Psalms 12, 13, 14 Psalm 15, 16

Psalms 76, 77

#### FEAST OF TITLE - THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS PSALM 8 ACTS 4: 8-12 Psalm 75

Judges 11: 1-11, 29-40 2 Samuel 13: 1-22

Judges 9: 22-25, 50-57

2 Samuel 12; 15-31

### LUKE 2: 15-21

John 2: 13-25

Acts 4: 32-5: 11

2 Corinthians 11: 21b-31 Mark 4: 35-41

# Dear people of God.

Our Parish Office is now open from 07h30 – 15h00 during lockdown. As we cannot have services during the Covid 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 you Pledge No as your reference and using the bank details below.

> Mrs Ursula Jacobs & Dr Michael Jonker (Churchwardens)

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

# **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

#### 1-9 August 2020

- **Cassidy Saal** 1
- Nicholas Ryklieff 2
- Janine Maggott, Patricia Maloney, Richard 4 Scheffers
- Glynis Abrahams, Edith Abrahams, Deon 5 Andrews, Viola Josephs, Ivor Petersen
- Linda de Vos, Jennifer de Vos, Levina Muller, 6 **Rosina Scheepers**
- Ashley Walker 7
- Eric Kirkwood 8
- Enid Johnson, Peter-John Paulse, Bryce van der 9 Vent

#### ✤ THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

### FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK



Dear People of St. Saviour.

Greetings, in the name of the Lord.

I write to you under what is fast becoming a new way of doing things-meeting each other virtually or rather via a letter in this case. The more I think of it, the more I am reminded that this not actually a new way but rather an old way of doing things, meeting via correspondence. I remember a time when I had a penpal, someone whom I never met, someone who was living on the other side of the globe...yet we 'knew' each other based on our common love for meeting new people and writing letters...

So too I write to you today, not having met many of you, many of you placed throughout the greater Cape Town, many not even knowing who I am and what I look like, yet we have something in common, a love for God, a love for God's Church and a love for God's people.

As I write to you over the next few weeks until such time that we meet each other in person, and even beyond that, let us engage from the premise of mutual Christ like love, for our World, our Country, our City, and our Church.

My family and I have settled in well at the Rectory, I have had my first funeral in the Parish and have also met with members of Parish Council...so the first few days in the Parish have been interesting, having to remind myself constantly that we are still in Lockdown and by adhering to the rules of Alert level 3, at this point, it's an expression of care for not only myself but an expression of care for all of humanity, so let's continue to stay home as best as we can, washing or sanitising our hands as often as we can and wearing our masks if we need to go out. On Sunday 9 August 2020, the Parish celebrates its Feast of Title, this would usually be a big celebration in

the life of the Church, where we gather to give thanks to God for the witness and work of the Parish, where we recall the many Saints who have laid the strong foundation on which we stand today and where we seek the guidance of God as we together move along as pilgrims on a journey.

As a result of Lockdown and the many protocols we must follow, the Church remains closed and thus our celebration will take a different shape. The Churchwardens and I invite you to a DRIVE BY, on Sunday 9 August 2020 between 09h00 and 10h00. This will give you an opportunity to pass through the Church property and see the familiar sights of the Church, whilst giving you and I the opportunity to 'meet and greet' each other. We will observe all Lockdown rules, as you remain in your vehicle and I will be standing at least 2 meters away, all of us with our masks on.

I really look forward to this and I hope I will get to 'meet and greet' as many Parishioners of this Church as possible.

For now, stay safe, keep healthy and always remember GOD LOVES YOU.

Revd. Chesnay Frantz (Rector)

### **JACKSON MASEKO – RETIRING**

Jackson Vulisango Maseko retired on Friday 31 July 2020 after serving St Saviour's Church for the past 41 years as the Groundman, Verger and General Worker.

He was employed at the church in 1979 at the age of 19 by a parishioner called Neville Fuller. He was trained by the late Norman Bryant. He worked with many priests; Fr. Ron Taylor, Fr. John Goliath, Bishop Mervyn Castle, Bishop Garth Counsell, Fr. John Hanson, Fr. Jerome Francis and now with Fr. Chesnay Frantz for 2 weeks. He worked with about 20 Curates. He has lots of stories of good times and sad times. Jackson bid us farewell but will in and out to visit. He will be going to the Eastern Cape for well-deserved rest. Due to covid 19 we will inform you when the Church will arrange a farewell for Jackson. Go well my dear friend and colleague. – Avril

