



ST. SAVIOUR'S

Dear Family and Friends of the Parish

Greetings. I pray you are well, remaining safe, warm and embraced by the Love of God.

This week, I felt a feeling I last felt in 2010 when South Africa hosted the FIFA Soccer World Cup and we were all proud to be South African and exhibited what it means to be community. This nostalgic feeling came about when Samantha and I decided to go to the convention centre as 'walk-ins' for our COVID-19 jab. What a wonderful and empowering moment. The excitement mixed with nerves in and around the convention centre was palpable, the joy of doing good was visible, and people proudly stood in the queue without the murmur of a complaint. The service, patience and instructions were commendable. The staff were just as proud, as they were performing national duty. What a joyous occasion this was, not selfishly because individuals were getting protected in one way or another but joyous that we are one step closer to an expression of community which we have been accustomed to in a pre-covid world.

On Thursday, this week, the Archbishop convened Synod, and at the time of writing this note, the suggestion was to adjourn Synod, till in-person gatherings were allowed. We remain in prayer as we seek where God is calling the Anglican Church of Southern Africa for the next part of our faith journey.

This week, our Gospel reading reminds us that we are called to be community and what community ought to look like: sharing generously with one another the gifts of our faith. Jesus challenges the Disciples, as he calls them to leave nothing and no one behind. The Gospel writer records Jesus saying; **"Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost."**

As we today reflect on the state of our Nation, the status of the pandemic across the Globe, our struggles with faith and the expression thereof, we too are challenged to reflect on what the fragments are that we leave behind? What are the fragments of our life which we are called to pick up? What are the fragments within society, which we cannot afford to or want to lose?

Let us heed to the call; the call to **GATHER UP THE FRAGMENTS.**

Soon, we will have the privilege of gathering for in-person worship. As we do so, let us do so with the intention to pick of the fragments. May we use this opportunity to renew our faith and our expression thereof. Let us return to Worship, with the sole purpose to worship God in word and action.

In the Rectory, Samantha is doing better. She is gaining strength daily and the pain is subsiding as the days move along. On-line school has started so the stress of getting Sarah to do school work is at an all-time high. Noah continues to enjoy most of the attention and is growing really well.

We miss you all, and thank you for your prayers during what was indeed a challenging time for us.

Please continue to pray for me, as I continue to pray for you.

God Bless.

Fr. Chesnay

READINGS OF THE DAY

OT Reading	2 Samuel 11: 1-15
Psalm:	14
NT Reading:	Ephesians 3: 14-21
Gospel:	John 6: 1-21

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Generous God, you nourish us with the words of life and the bread of blessing: strengthen us to live confidently in your goodness, facing our fears and sharing our bread: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

..(He) is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine according to his power that is at work within us. Ephesians 3: 20

NOTICES

- ❖ **The Parish office hours: Monday-Friday; 09h00-12H00.**
- ❖ Communication: If you would like to be added to the Parish WhatsApp group, please send a message to Nerine Meyer (072 180 0592).
- ❖ Parish Prayer Group: A parish prayer group has been created via WhatsApp. Its purpose is to facilitate prayer requests for our parish family and invites us to keep praying as a community for those who need our prayers most.
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/JfZT7zQ2ecr6CiqDRhxcXi>
- ❖ Online worship: A liturgy has been drafted for our online services and we are encouraging our parishioners to use it in conjunction with the podcast. From time to time Parishioners will be asked to take part in this via recordings. If you would like to volunteer, please email the Rector.
- ❖ Weekly Evening Prayer: We will meet on Wednesday online at 18h00 for evening prayer as a Parish, on ZOOM.
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9881885402?pwd=M0VXMTlUTnVsU2l2VjhWNXZzTVRqUT09>

Meeting ID: 988 188 5402
Passcode: Church
- ❖ Faith for Daily Living: The July/August issue is available at the back of the church.

- ❖ Memorial stones in relation to interment of ashes in the unmarked open area: Please contact the parish office before ordering a memorial stone for this area as there are limitations on the size permitted.

LECTIONARY FOR THE WEEK

READINGS FOR THE WEEK		
MONDAY 26 JULY † St James, Apostle and Martyr Morning Prayer: Psalm 119: 105-128 2 Samuel 2: 1-11 Acts 15: 36 – 16: 5 Evening Prayer: Psalm 119: 129-152 Joshua 24: 16-33 Mark 6: 14-29	WEDNESDAY 28 JULY Morning Prayer: Psalms 123, 124, 125 2 Samuel 3: 22-39 Acts 16: 16-24 Evening Prayer: Psalms 126, 127, 128 Judges 3: 12-30 Mark 6: 47-56	FRIDAY 30 JULY † Mary and Martha of Bethany Morning Prayer: Psalm 135 2 Samuel 5: 1-12 Acts 17: 1-15 Evening Prayer: Psalm 136 Judges 5: 1-18 Mark 7: 24-37
TUESDAY 27 JULY Morning Prayer: Psalm 119: 153-176 2 Samuel 3: 6-21 Acts 16: 6-15 Evening Prayer: Psalms 120, 121, 122 Judges 2: 1-5, 11-23 Mark 6: 30-46	THURSDAY 29 JULY † William Wilberforce, Philanthropist, 1833 Morning Prayer: Psalms 129, 130, 131 2 Samuel 4: 1-12 Acts 16: 25-40 Evening Prayer: Psalms 132, 133 Judges 4: 4-24 Mark 7: 1-23	SATURDAY 31 JULY Morning Prayer: Psalms 137, 138 2 Samuel 5: 22 – 6: 11 Acts 17: 16-34 Evening Prayer: Psalm 139 Judges 5: 19-31 Mark 8: 1-10

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for the sick or hospitalized:

Audrey Collop, Reggie Pfeiffer, Samantha Frantz, India Tyers, Mervyn Bost, Edith Abrahams, Sandra Fourie, Joyce Erasmus, Crystal Bouwers, James April, Iris Hartnick, Mervyn Johnson, Frank Kennel, Monica Fry, Muriel Tshitshiba, Martin Dyers, Derek Jacobs, Jo Tyers, Ellen Constant, Edward Davids

Housebound and elderly:

Christabel Nokumbuza, Rachel Vermeulen, Breval Brown, Aletta Cloete, Freda Connelly, Brenda de Vos, Linda de Vos, Joyce Hiebner, Edith Lekay, Daniel & Magdalene Meyer, Lionel & Muriel Woldson, Joanne White, Ronald Smedley and May Rushin.

R.I.P.: Avril Steyn

PRAYER DIARY

MONDAY: We pray for all the families that have been adversely affected by the recent mayhem and destruction in the country.

TUESDAY: We pray for the teachers and learners as they return to school.

WEDNESDAY: We pray for God's blessings on our families and our friends.

THURSDAY: We pray for all who are infected and affected by Covid 19 as well as for all those persons who are terminally ill.

FRIDAY: Bless all drug addicts and alcoholics and set them free, Lord.

SATURDAY: We pray for healing to be restored to all broken homes, families and marriages.

SUNDAY: We pray for the economy of the country and for food supplies to the destitute.

PARISH BANK DETAILS

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