ST. SAVIOUR'S, CLAREMONT



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Greetings, friends, and family of St. Saviour's.

Last week, the President moved the country to adjusted level two of the Lockdown tiers. This allows for religious gatherings, such as ours to accommodate a maximum of 250 people inside our church building. This in essence means **OUR CHURCH IS OPEN!**

It is thus with great excitement that I write this week's note, in the hope that you will brave the outdoors. I trust you ensure you are vaccinated, you are wearing your mask, and you always maintain a safe physical distance, as you return in droves, to this your spiritual home. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING MANY OF YOU SOON.

This week in my continued reading of James as guided by the lectionary, I was struck by the words of a commentator in respect of our text for this week, he notes; "to be a follower of Christ is to be a friend of God". As we together continue to journey with this letter of James, as followers of Christ, we are reminded that we have a friend; God is our friend. Through our baptism we have been welcomed as a friend of God, a God who reigns.

As friends, we are challenged to remain in contact with each other, amidst this pandemic. Many of us have found new and innovative ways of keeping contact with our friends. Some have lost friends along the way, as it became too challenging keeping that contact, and for others sadly friends have passed on. Surely, this can be said about our friendship with God. At times it's easy to talk with God. Many times we speak to God, but we struggle to allow God to speak to us, and at times, God just seems so distant, that the absence makes it impossible to talk.

In the days ahead, may we spend time reflecting on our friendship with God. Let's us seek to answer the following questions:

- 1. Am I a friendly person?
- 2. How can I create space to strengthen my friendship with God?
- 3. What is authentic friendship about?

God Bless.

Fr. Chesnay Frantz

READERS

07h30 – Noel Sasman

09h15 – Jumena Jordaan

LAYMINISTERS

07h30 – Brendan Brown

09h15 – Johan Ferndale

READINGS OF THE DAY

OT Reading	Proverbs 31: 10 – 31
Psalm:	1
NT Reading:	James 3: 13-4:3,7-8a
Gospel:	Mark 9: 30-37

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, you turn everything upside down and make all things new: pour your wisdom into our hearts that we will turn from selfish ambition to walk in your ways of mercy and peace; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

HYMNS

Introit:	AMR 161	Bright the Vision	
Offertory:	SOF 192	How lovely on the Mountains	
Communion 1:	SOF 599	Walk with the Lord	
Recessional:	AMR 336	Forth in thy name I go	

NOTICES

- Communication: If you would like to be added to the Parish WhatsApp group or Parish Prayer group, please send a message to Nerine (072 1800 592).
- Weekly Online Evening Prayer: Via ZOOM. Meeting ID: 845 2087 3818 Passcode: Church
- ✤ <u>Heritage Walk</u>: Takes place on 24 September. Please see notice board
- Admission to First Holy Communion: We are now accepting applications for admission to First Holy Communion. Classes will commence on Sunday 3 October 2021 at 8:00am in the Parish Hall. Please request application forms from the office and return timeously. All baptized children from ages 6 are eligible to join this class.
- ✤ <u>Safe And Inclusive Church</u>: All organisation leaders, lay ministers, Parish councilors, Sunday school teachers; please obtain a declaration form via the office. Complete it, sign it and return it as soon as possible.
- ✤ <u>Fundraiser:</u> Cake sale will take place on Sunday 3 October.
- Fundraiser: Morning Market will take place on Saturday 13 November, coupon booklets to the value of R50.00 will be on sale this morning, booklets can be purchased from Ursula Jacobs, Michael Jonker and the office.
- ✤ <u>Pledge:</u> When paying your pledge via eft, in church or Snapscan please use your pledge numbers as reference.
- ❖ <u>Youth:</u> Will meet on Sunday 3 October at 09hoo (9am) in the Hall.
- <u>Layminister's Training</u>: Will take place on Monday 20 & 27 September at 18h30 (6:30pm).
- Pantry Cupboard: Please bring non-perishables and drop off in food basket on a Sunday. This will be used in our pantry to feed those seeking food from the office.

LECTIONARY FOR THE WEEK

READINGS FOR THE WEEK				
MONDAY 20 SEPT	WEDNESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER	FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER		
 ✤ John Coleridge Patteson, Bishop of Melanesia and Martyr, 1871 	Morning Prayer:	Morning Prayer:		
Morning Prayer:	Psalm 119:129-152	Psalms 126,127,128		
Psalm 119:25-48	2 Kings 6:1-23	2 Kings 9:17-37		
2 Kings 5:1-19a	1 Corinthians 5:9—6:8	1 Corinthians 7:1-9		
1 Corinthians 4:8-21 Evening Prayer: Psalm 119:49-72 Esther 4:4-17 or Judith 7:1-7, 19-32	Evening Prayer: Psalm 119:153-176 Esther 6:1-14 or Judith 10:1-23	Evening Prayer: Psalms 129,130,131 Esther 8:1-8, 15-17 or Judith 13:1-20		
Matthew 5:21-26	Matthew 5:38-48	Matthew 6:7-15		
TUESDAY 21 SEPTMBER	THURSDAY 23 SEPTEMBER	SATURDAY 25 SEPT.		
Morning Prayer:	Morning Prayer:	Morning Prayer:		
Psalm 119:73-104	Psalms 120,121,122	Psalms 132, 133, (134)		
2 Kings 5:19b-27	2 Kings 9:1-16	2 Kings 11:1-20a		
1 Corinthians 5:1-8	1 Corinthians 6:9-20	1 Corinthians 7:10-24		
Evening Prayer:	Evening Prayer:	Evening Prayer:		
Psalm 119:105-128	Psalms 123,124,125	Psalm 135		
Esther 5:1-14	Esther 7:1-10	Hosea 1:1-2:1		
or Judith 8:9-17; 9:1, 7-10	or Judith 12:1-20	Matthew 6:19-24		
Matthew 5:27-37	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18			

PRAYER REQUESTS

Matriculants:

Casey- Lee Saal, Kristen Fabing, Hannah Gomez, Kiona Pfeiffer, Jayden Peskin

Pray for the sick or hospitalized:

Audrey Collop, Reggie Pfeiffer, India Tyers, Edith Abrahams, Sandra Fourie, Crystal Bouwers, James April, Iris Hartnick, Mervyn Johnson, Frank Kennel, Monica Fry, Martin Dyers, Ellen Constant and Randy Steyn

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, Joanne White, Ronald Smedley, May Rushin, Maureen Sieglar, Trevor Kleinsmith and Ellen Thompson.

<u>R.I.P</u>

Marion Fletcher

PRAYER DIARY

MONDAY: We pray for the upcoming elections. May our country be surrounded by God's love.

TUESDAY: We pray for the vaccine roll out. May all be encouraged by God's love to do the right thing

WEDNESDAY: Pray for our Country, Lockdown and all those infected and affected by Covid-19

THURSDAY: We pray for our schools, Exams and all children in our schools for protection.

FRIDAY: A day of resting in the Lord. A prayer for sustenance in this time.

SATURDAY: Pray for our family both near and far. Protection and God's healing.

SUNDAY: Pray for our Church, Rector and all church clergy.

PARISH BANK DETAILS

STANDARD BANK

CLAREMONT

CURRENT ACCOUNT

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