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# ST. SAVIOUR'S

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Greetings dear friends in Christ.

This week I have spent so much time engrossed in the politics of the World; keeping one eye on the transition of political power in the USA and a keen eye on how politicised the vaccine roll out has become in our own country. It appears the number of people affected by COVID-19 has already outnumbered the amount of people infected by COVID-19. Daily we are given the statistic of new infections, I just wonder what that amount will be if we monitored the individuals affected by the politics of this pandemic...

We are waking up to a whole new World daily. As a people of faith, we are challenged to remain salt and light even when the world order changes at the rapid pace which it is. Being salt and light calls us to remember our baptism and the joy of the promises of God.

Today in our reading of Jonah, we are reminded of the persistence of the Lord; a God who calls again and again. This past week our #WednesdayWord was comfort, and many times we choose NOT to respond to the call of God because we are too busy seeking comfort of the World; worldly pleasures, when in actual fact, God calls us to a different KIND of comfort, a comfort which challenges us to rely on God with all our being. Amidst the uncertainty so many of us face right now, God calls us again and again into God's love.

We should not confuse this with being called into a space of peace and tranquillity. God calls us many times into a space of disruption and unfamiliar territory. What we will do well to remember is that where God calls, God remains present. So, amidst disruption and uncertainty God is present. Many times, God, and the love of God, is manifested through those whom we least expect. When responding to the call of God, we should also be ready to be used for the love of God to be manifested in our lives and through our lives.

*I remain available for telephonic prayer and/or counselling and, in urgent circumstances, in- person meetings too. Currently the Church is only available for funerals. I continue to pray for you, parishioners and friends of St. Saviour's and I trust you will continue to pray for me and my family.*

Fr. Chesnay Frantz (Rector)

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## Pray for the sick or hospitalized

India Tyers, Mervyn Bost, 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, Lionel & Muriel Woldson, Joanne White, Ronald Smedley and May Rushin.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God of new beginnings:  
give us courage to turn and joyfully  
follow you  
into new adventures of faithful service;  
through Jesus Christ our light and our salvation,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

## READINGS OF THE DAY

OT Reading: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

Psalm: 62: 5-12

NT Reading: 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20

## BIRTHDAYS

Prayers for those with Birthdays and Anniversaries

***We pray for and celebrate with those who have birthdays this week:*** (24 Jan) Dolores Hendricks, (25 Jan) Maureen Sieglaar, (27) Mervyn Johnson, Glynn Johnson (28) Nadine Kriel..

*“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*

# LECTIONARY FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the week		
<p><b>MON 25 JAN (White)</b></p> <p>✠ <b>THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL</b></p> <p>Canticle 8; PP 19; Collect: APB p 292</p> <p><b>Eucharist:</b> Hebrews 9:15, 24-28; Psalm 98; Mark 3:31-35  <b>Morning Prayer:</b> Psalm 25; Isaiah 48:1-11; Galatians 1:1-17  <b>Evening Prayer:</b> Psalms 26, 27; Genesis 14: (1-7), 8-24; Mark 5:21-43</p>	<p><b>WED 27 JAN (White)</b></p> <p>✠ <b>John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople and Teacher of the Faith, 407</b></p> <p>PP 20; Collect: CC 3 APB p 320, Common 3</p> <p><b>Eucharist:</b> Hebrews 10:11-18; Psalm 110:1-4; Mark 4:10-20  <b>Morning Prayer:</b> Psalms 32, 33; Isaiah 49:1-12; Galatians 2:11-21  <b>Evening Prayer:</b> Psalm 34; Genesis 16:1-14; Mark 6:13-29</p>	<p><b>FRI 29 JAN (White)</b></p> <p>✠ <b>Charles Frederick Mackenzie, Bishop in Central Africa 1862 PP 20;</b> PP 20</p> <p><b>Eucharist:</b> Hebrews 10:32-39; Psalm 37:1-6; Mark 4:26-34  <b>Morning Prayer:</b> Psalm 37:1-20; Isaiah 50:1-11; Galatians 3:15-22  <b>Evening Prayer:</b> Psalm 37:21-41; Genesis 17:15-27; Mark 6:47-56</p>
<p><b>TUE 26 JAN (White)</b></p> <p>✠ <b>Timothy and Titus</b></p> <p>PP 20; Collect: p 292</p> <p><b>Eucharist:</b> Hebrews 10:1-10; Psalm 40:1-13; Mark 4:1-9  <b>Morning Prayer:</b> Psalms 28, 29, 30; Isaiah 48:12-21; Galatians 1:18—2:10  <b>Evening Prayer:</b> Psalm 31; Genesis 15:1-11, 17-21; Mark 6:1-13</p>	<p><b>THU 28 JAN (White)</b></p> <p>✠ <b>Thomas Aquinas, Teacher of the Faith, 1274</b></p> <p>PP 20; Collect: CC 3 APB p 320, Common 3</p> <p><b>Eucharist:</b> Hebrews 10:19-25; Psalm 24:1-6; Mark 4:21-25  <b>Morning Prayer:</b> Psalm 35; Isaiah 49:13-26; Galatians 3:1-14  <b>Evening Prayer:</b> Psalm 36; Genesis 16:15—17:14; Mark 6:30-46</p>	<p><b>SAT 30 JAN (White)</b></p> <p><b>Eucharist:</b> Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Psalm 89:19-29; Mark 4:35-41  <b>Morning Prayer:</b> Psalm 38; Isaiah 51:1-8; Galatians 3:23-29  <b>Evening Prayer:</b> Psalm 39; Genesis 18:1-16; Mark 7:1-23</p>

## PRAYER DIARY

**MONDAY:** We pray for God's guidance to obtain a cure/injection for COVID 19.

**TUESDAY:** We pray for complete healing of all those who are sick, at home or in hospital.

**WEDNESDAY:** We pray for the Government and all leaders making decisions, please provide them with wisdom.

**THURSDAY:** We pray that Your Word in us will fill our heart with Your love and peace and cause all anxiety, depression, and other dark clouds to blow away from us like ashes in the wind.

**FRIDAY:** We pray for an end to corruption and for a God-fearing Government.

**SATURDAY:** We pray for healthcare workers, as and all frontline workers.

**SUNDAY:** We bring before you all children and teachers, protect them and fill them with your peace.

# NOTICES

- ❖ As the Church is currently closed for public worship; the Parish office is staffed, but will remain closed until further notice.
  - If you need to contact the Church, please call the Churchwardens or the Rector.
  - If you would like your name, or name of a loved one, added to the prayer list, please message or email the Rector.
  - The Church bell will toll daily at midday to remind us to pray for all those infected and affected by COVID-19. Parishioners are encouraged to observe a moment of prayer daily at 12h00 midday.
- ❖ 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).
- ❖ We will gather virtually on a Wednesday evening as a means of remaining in fellowship. It will be a time of reflecting on scripture and praying as a community. The link for Wednesday 27 January 2021 at 19h00, is below; Topic: St.Saviour's Weekly Parish reflection

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78062167669?pwd=WnUoc2ZtbGY3ZGQzNUIzbGxrQU55Zz09>

Meeting ID: 780 6216 7669

Passcode: pza718

- ❖ Social Outreach – Citrusdal, Ashton and Surrounding Areas. We continue with our drive for stationery, school uniform and sanitary towels for girls. Your donations of these essentials make a significant difference in the lives of these desperately needy people. Please drop off your donations at the Parish office or speak to Paul Davids (021 706 4941).

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 fighting this pandemic,  
For Jesus Christ's sake,  
Amen.

# PARISH BANK DETAILS

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