



ST. SAVIOUR'S

I am the Good Shepherd...

Easter tide greetings friends and family.

As a community we continue to celebrate the gift of the resurrected Christ, who calls us to experience afresh and anew this wonderful gift of new life. As we celebrate the gift of the resurrection, we are today met with a beautiful illustration of a Jesus who walks this journey with us, a Jesus who affirms; I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD. This is probably one of the gentlest titles one can give oneself, conjures up an image of a prayer I prayed as a toddler.

“Gentle Jesus, meek and mild, look upon a little child;
Pity my simplicity, suffer me to come to Thee.”

Pope Francis reminds us, “a shepherd needs to smell like his sheep” ... In order to smell like one's sheep, their needs to be constant and ongoing interaction between Sheep and Shepherd, their needs to be a level of intimacy, their needs to be an understanding of identity and the expression thereof.

It was Archbishop Desmond Tutu who familiarised and popularised the Anglican Church with the concept of UBUNTU; I am because you are. This too like the saying of Jesus, is an I AM statement. However, what the concept of UBUNTU reminds us that my identity lies in my understanding expression of your identity.

Today as we reflect on the identity of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, we challenged to offer our own I AM statement. Again our personal I AM statement ought to be one which encapsulates and embraces the identity of the other, for we do not live in vacuum, as a Easter people, we are part of the resurrected community, and so we have a communal identity, an identity which acknowledges the pain and suffering of the cross, an identity which recognises the darkness and loneliness of the tomb, but as always; an identity which has experienced the power of God's love, to raise Jesus to new life.

May we open ourselves to follow the Good Shepherd, may we recognise who we are through appreciating the humanity of the other, may we love and care, as the Good Shepherd calls us too.

God Bless.

Fr. Chesnay(Rector)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for the sick or hospitalised.

Edith Abrahams, James April, Crystal Bouwers, Martin & Gloria Dyers, Joyce Erasmus, Sandra Fourie, Monica Fry, Iris Hartnick, Venessa Herman, Mervyn Johnson, Frank Kennel, Trevor Kleinsmith and Muriel Tshitshiba.

Housebound and elderly:

Evan Brink, Breval Brown, Aletta Cloete, Stella Collins, Freda Connelly, Brenda de Vos, Linda de Vos, Joyce Hiebner, Edith Lekay, Daniel & Magdalene Meyer, Ellen Olivier, Christabel Nokumbuza, May Rushin, Ronald Smedley, Rachel Vermeulen and Joanne White.

BIRTHDAYS

Prayers for those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week.

25 Apr	Kelly Bost
26Apr	Judith Riffel, Mika Wyngaard
27 Apr	Felicity van der Vent
28 Apr	Tristan Isaacs, Megan Johnson
29 Apr	Marco Julie, Justin Lawrence, Carlene Smith
30 Apr	Kevin Overmeyer, Sandra Thomas
1 May	Sizwe Msutu

“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

HYMNS – AMR

Introit:	AMR 197	The king of love my shepherd
Offertory:	AMR 256	Thy hand, O God, has guided
Communion:	SOF 54	Brother, let me be your servant
	AMR 408	Dearest Jesu, we are here,
Recessional:	AMR 196	O For a thousand tongues to sing.

READERS

07h30 – Ruth Fry-Snyders

09h15 – Jumena Jordan

LAYMINISTERS

07h30 – Brendan Brown

09h15 – Paul Williams

READINGS OF THE DAY

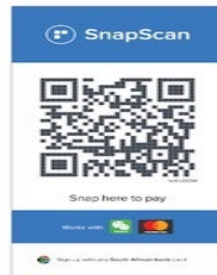
NT Reading	Acts 4: 5-12
Psalm:	23
NT Reading:	1 John 3:16-24
Gospel:	John 10: 11-18

COLLECT OF THE DAY – Good Shepherd Sunday

Good Shepherd,
you reveal your love for all and call them
by name:
grant that all who hear your voice
may follow where you lead;
for you live and reign
in the Unity of the Blessed Trinity,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

PARISH BANKING DETAILS

STANDARD BANK
CLAREMONT
CURRENT ACCOUNT
072 635 703



Snap scan: The Church has now implemented the snap scan, which is a cashless App that allows individuals to make money transfers, directly into the church bank account via Snap Scan App. Please use the barcode on the website or notice board in the porch to make your transfer, USING YOUR NAME OR PLEDGE NUMBER AS A REFERENCE. The Snap Scan App can be downloaded from Google Play Store or the Apple App Store. Snap Scan Apps are up at the back of the Church.

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OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is now open: Monday-Friday 09h00-15h00.

LECTIONARY FOR THE WEEK

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<p>MON 26 Apr † ST MARK THE EVANGELIST</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalm 89:1-38 Wisdom 1:16—2:11, 21-24 Colossians 1:1-14</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 89:39-53 Exodus 32:1-20 Luke 6:1-11</p>	<p>WED 28 Apr</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalms 92, 93 Wisdom 4:16—5:8 Colossians 1:24—2:7</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 94 Exodus 33:1-23 Luke 6:27-38</p>	<p>FRI 30 May † George, Martyr, 4th century</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalm 102 Wisdom 6:12-23 Colossians 3:1-11</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 103 Exodus 34:18-35 Luke 7:1-1</p>
<p>TUES 27 Apr</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalm 90 Wisdom 3:1-9 Colossians 1:15-23</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 91 Exodus 32:21-35 Luke 6:12-26</p>	<p>THURS 29 May † Catherine of Siena, 1380</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalms (95), 96, 97 Wisdom 5:9-23 Colossians 2:8-23</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalms 98, 99, (100), 101 Exodus 34:1-17 Luke 6:39-49</p>	<p>SAT 01 May † ST JOSEPH Workers Day</p> <p>Morning Prayer: Psalm 104 Wisdom 7:1-14 Colossians 3:12-17</p> <p>Evening Prayer: Psalm 105:1-22 Exodus 40:18-38 Luke 7:18-35</p>

PRAYER DIARY

Monday: Pray for the Church of the Good Shepherd, as they celebrated their Feast of Title yesterday.

Tuesday: Pray for the Staff; Elliot Mpekula, Agnes Mpekula, Venessa Herman, Alan Clapp and Avril Steyn

Wednesday: Pray for all Layministers, Church Organisations and the leaders.

Thursday: Pray for the Confirmation Candidates being confirmed on Sunday 2 May 2021. — **Zion Davids, Phillip Esau, Zachary Gomez, Zia Gallie, Hannah Peskin, Cassidy Saal, Jared Thomas.**

Friday: Pray for an end to Covid 19 and effective vaccine to fight this evil.

Saturday: Pray for Suzette Sampson, Sunday School Teachers and the children reopening on 9 May 2021.

Sunday: Pray for the Rector, Churchwardens, Parish Councillors and their families.

NOTICES

If you would like to be added to the Parish WhatsApp group, please send a message to Nerine Meyer (072 180 0592).

- ❖ **Pledge Envelopes – Parishioners wanting Pledge Envelopes for 2021 must please call the office on 021 671 8171.** Pledge Envelopes will be at the back of the church for collection.
- ❖ **Mothers' Union** – The Mothers' Union is selling Veggies this morning. It will take place after 07h30 and after 09h15 Eucharist outside the church.
- ❖ **Winter Woolies** – 2 May 2021. May has been allocated for the collection of warm jerseys, blankets etc. that we no longer use or want. These will be distributed to the needy in areas around the parish and rural areas. Please bring them along on the day or drop them off at church before the date. Thank you.
- ❖ **Confirmation: Sunday 2 May 2021** – Due to Covid 19 protocol, our confirmation service will be limited to the candidates, their parents, and their invited guests. We will livestream the entire service on our webpage for Parishioners to be part of.
- ❖ **Conversation of Faith** – A Young Adults online meeting (zoom), all Young Adults 18-35, are invited to a zoom session **Conversation of Faith**, on Wednesday 5 May 2021 at 19h00.
- ❖ **Quiet Morning** – A Quiet morning will be held on Saturday 08 May 2021 by the Rector from 09h30 to 12h00 in the church gardens. Bring your camping chair and snack to enjoy later. Theme is Ephesians 4.
- ❖ **Sunday School** – St Saviour's Sunday School (**S 4**) opens Sunday 9 May 2021, please speak to Suzette Sampson if you have any questions.
- ❖ **Bible Study** – Our Bible Study class commences on Sunday 16 May 2021. This will be a 1-year course and will lead into 1 year Confirmation class. Please get your application form from the Office. Applications close Sunday 9 May 2021. Application forms are the back of the church.
- ❖ **Baptism** – We continue to accept Baptism applications currently as we prepare for Baptisms this year. However, due to COVID-19 and the many protocols still in place, please let the office have your details if you would like your child baptised, please contact the office now to set up an appointment with the Rector. A meeting for all parents having babies baptised will take place soon.
- ❖ **MAY DATES TO DIARIES:**
 - 1 May Saturday – Workers Day**
 - 2 May Sunday – 09h15 Confirmation Service**
 - 2 May Sunday – Winter Woolies Drive**
 - 8 May Saturday – 09h30 Quiet Morning**
 - 9 May Sunday – Mother's Day**
 - 13 May Thursday – 19h30 Evening Eucharist**