9 May 2021

St Saviour's Church, Claremont

Sixth Sunday of Easter



# ST. SAVIOUR'S

Last week Sunday, marked an auspicious occasion in the life of our Parish, with the confirmation services of 7 Young people. These Young People, have endured so much on their journey, including COVID-19 restrictions, an interregnum, and encountering a new rector. I had the privilege of spending 2 Saturday mornings with them, I am filled with hope as these Young people display a sincere appreciation for the role of the Church in the World today-let us continue to seek ways of being Christ, in the World for ALL of God's people.

As a Rector, it is a joy and privilege to welcome one's Bishop to the Parish, especially when its the first visit as Bishop and welcomed by the Rector, who too enjoys the privilege of for the first time welcoming the Bishop to the Parish. Allow me therefore, to express my sincere thanks to the sacristans, the flower guild, servers guild, sides persons and organist for ensuring that as the rector, I was able to proudly welcome the Bishop into OUR BEAUTIFUL PARISH on behalf of the St. Saviour's family.

Around the Globe, we continue to navigate our way around COVID-19 and the negative implications thereof. We notice how things in India seem to be difficult to get a handle of. As South Africans we should remain vigilant and ought be putting more pressure on our government to ramp up vaccine roll-outs, especially as we begin to see an increase in infections. We notice how COVID-19 vaccines are fast becoming a economic and political commodity and we should rally against this atrocious practise in particular by the more 'powerful' Nations.

The next few weeks in the Parish will be busier than usual, with the restarting of Christian education in our Parish. We have Sunday School as well as Bible Study classes commencing. I want to encourage parents to bring their children to be part of our Christian education program as we strive to get to grips with doing inperson worship safely amidst COVID-19.

On Pentecost Sunday; 23 May 2021, we will have Baptism at 11h00 of three babies, Emerson Thomas, Aliana Timm and Grayson Barnard: we pray for them, their parents and God-Parents. On Trinity Sunday, 30 May 2021; the Baptism of Noah Buhle Frantz will take place at the 09h15 service, we will have a guest preacher and presider for that service. We look forward to officially welcoming Noah to this our faith community.

This week our Gospel reading offers us a strong challenge, when Jesus says; I no longer call you servants, you are my friends. Friendship with Jesus, challenges us to friendship with the stranger, as we strive to be like Jesus in our everyday living.

At the Rectory we have felt this acute shift as we move from strangers to family here at St. Saviours, we no longer feel like visitors but rather feel part of the beautiful family—THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS SO SPECIAL.

I continue to pray for you, as I ask that you continue to pray for me.

God Bless.

Fr. Chesnay Frantz 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.

- 9 May Waseem Davids, Monica Mtyeku, Bonakele Mtyeku.
- 10 May Robin de Vos
- 11 May Allan Abrahams, Kyla Janari, Emma Miller
- 12 May Alan Smith
- 13 May Nikki Wilton
- 14 May Brandon Andrews, Melvyn Williams
- 15 May Lynn Miller, Jordan Williams

# "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 – SOF & AMR

Introit:	SOF 362	Lord, the light of your love is shining
Offertory:	AMR 400	Lord, enthroned in heavenly
Communion:	SOF 599	When we walk with the Lord
Recessional:	SOF 593	What a friend we have in Jesus

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#### READERS

07h30 – Pam Fortune

09h15 – Jared Carelse

## LAYMINISTERS

07h30 – Ivan Fortune

09h15 – Kenny Daniels

## **READINGS OF THE DAY**

NT Reading	Acts 10: 44-48 pg 162	
Psalm:	98	
NT Reading:	1 John 5: 1-6 pg 304	
Gospel: Gospel:	John 15: 9-17	

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Risen Lord, you first chose us and now call us your friends: set our hearts on fire with love for you and one another that we may live your justice and sing your praise 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 <u>notice board</u> 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.

# PARISH DIRECTORY

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## **OFFICE HOURS**

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

## LECTIONARY FOR THE WEEK

<b>READINGS FOR THE WEEK</b>				
MON 10 May Morning Prayer: Psalm 119:25-48 Deuteronomy 8:1- 10 James 1:1-15 Evening Prayer: Psalm 119:49-72 Leviticus 25:35-55 Luke 9:18-27	<ul> <li>WED 12 May ♥ Simon of Cyrene</li> <li>Morning Prayer: Psalm 119:129-152 Baruch 3:24-37 James 5:13-18</li> <li>First Evening Prayer of the Ascension: Psalm 15 2 Kings 2:1-15 Revelation 5:1-14</li> </ul>	FRI 14 May Morning Prayer: Psalm 119:153-176 Ezekiel 1:28—3:3 Hebrews 4:14—5:6 Evening Prayer: Psalms 120, 121, 122 1 Samuel 2:1-10 Luke 9:28-36		
TUES 11 May Morning Prayer: Psalm 119:73-104 Deuteronomy 8:11- 20 James 1:16-27 Evening Prayer: Psalm 119:105-128 Leviticus 26:1-20	<ul> <li>THURS 13 May</li> <li>★ ASCENSION DAY</li> <li>Morning Prayer: Psalm 24</li> <li>Daniel 7:9-14 Hebrews 2:5-18</li> <li>Evening Prayer: Psalm 97</li> <li>Ezekiel 1:1-14, 24-28 Luke</li> </ul>	<b>SAT 15 May</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> : Psalms 123, 124, 125 Ezekiel 3:4-17 Hebrews 5:7-14 <b>Evening Prayer</b> : Psalms 126, 127, 128 Numbers 11:16-17, 24-		

# PRAYER DIARY

**Monday** - Praying for all children, students and educators as they return to places of education after the holidays.

Tuesday - Praying that the vaccination roll-out be quick and successful.

Wednesday - Praying for an end to this pandemic.

**Thursday -** Praying for the community of St Saviours Church, help us to spend and make time with You.

**Friday -** We pray for an awareness of your love and support in all we do.

Saturday – We pray for Fr Chesnay and his family and the staff at St Saviours.

**Sunday** – Prune us Lord so that we will bear more fruit. Help us to abide in Christ, because we cannot produce fruit on our own.

# NOTICES

- Parish WhatsApp group Please send a message to Nerine Meyer
   (072 180 0592) if you would like to be added to the Parish WhatsApp group.
- Pledge Envelopes Parishioners requiring 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.
- Winter Woolies The month of May has been allocated for the collection of warm jerseys, blankets etc. that we no longer use or want. The donations will be distributed to the needy in areas around the parish and rural areas. Please drop your donations off at church. Thank you.
- ✤ Quiet Morning Thank you to all who made an effort to attend the Quiet Morning yesterday. Thank you. God bless.
- Sunday School St Saviour's Sunday School (S4) opens today, 9 May 2021. Please contact Suzette Sampson (072 920 9655) if you have any questions or would like to be added to the S4 WhatsApp group.
- ✤ Ascension Day Service There will be an Ascension Day Service on Thursday 13 May 2021 at 19h30 in the church.
- Bible Study Confirmation 2023: Our Bible Study class commences on Sunday, 16 May 2021. This is a 1-year course, which will feed into a 1-year Confirmation class. Applications close on Sunday, 9 May 2021. Application forms are available at the back of the church today. Alternately, please request an Application form from the Office.
- ✤ Baptism Please contact the office if you would like your child baptised. Your details will be recorded and an appointment scheduled with the Rector.