

# *The Cathedral Visitor*

*June 2013-July 2013 Edition*

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*The Cathedral Church of Saint Andrew & Saint Michael - Bloemfontein*



*"The best remedy for those who are afraid, lonely or unhappy is to go outside, somewhere where they can be quite alone, with the heavens, nature and God. Because only then does one feel that all is as it should be and that God wishes to see people happy, amidst the simple beauty of nature"*

*- Anne Frank*

Greetings to you all,

Many people have been asking me two fundamental questions mainly:

- \* 1. How it feels like to be a Dean?
- \* 2. What is your policy?

Well, my answers are simple ones:

I feel humble to have being considered to become your Dean. But I see myself more as a Pastor and a Deacon than a Dean.

Christian service begins in gratitude, we are privileged to share Christ's life work. At the heart of that work is making Christ known. It has nothing to do with self-promotion, but all to do with grace.

That fundamental mystery beyond human understanding, the mystery at the heart of all that is, God made known in Christ. To make him known comes as a gift and not a matter of human achievement, and so it is nothing but a privilege.



Ministry is a life of gratitude to God, lived and offered for others through Christ for Christ. I see this appointment as a functional post not a title. The only status we have in the church is "our nearness to God". I am looking forward to many years of serving you and together we will take this parish to a level where it has never been before. I believe we must have a turnaround strategy and plan of action. We cannot be doing things in the same old way and expect different results.

As a Cathedral we need to have a mission and vision statement, which I am in the process of drawing up and also consulting the strategic team. I am excited about the prospect of growing the church and the build up towards Back to church Sunday (BTCS). As your vicar I am fully behind these initiatives that you are taking to grow the church.

We need to be an inviting and welcoming church and we must master our unique selling point(USP).

Answering the second question, I have no personal policy but I embrace the Canons and Constitution as well as the Diocesan rules and regulations and Pastoral guidelines of ACSA. I subscribe to an open door policy and am prepared to learn and serve the parish.

- I believe in team ministry and have a strong pastoral care.
- My vision is to build a strong united Christian community.
- My vision is to have a maintenance program for our buildings and cathedral grounds.
- To make the parish self-sustainable and to encourage people to have a clear understanding of the modern economy.
- To have a strong social and health issues desk, including advocacy.
- The training and equipping of the people of God

As a team I believe we can achieve a lot and the Lord will bless us richly.

Ascension greetings,

Fr Lazarus Mohapi



## BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY / INVITATION SUNDAY

You might very well ask, ‘What is that?’ And the answer is that it is the simplest and shortest step in evangelism, when we invite someone we already know to come to our church. Originally the focus was only on inviting back those who used to attend church. However, the initiative has come now to include inviting those who never went to Church, gently encouraging them and warmly welcoming them - hence the alternate heading above!

It is a very basic way of getting the congregation to reach out to others. It was first started in 2004 in England and has already proved successful. Anglican Churches from all traditions have embraced this resource. By having a Back to Church Sunday (BTCS) as a congregation we can brush up on how we welcome people who are new and inculcate evangelism through a simple invitation. Among other things we will have to think through how we encourage those who respond to the invitation to keep coming back, and help them to become connected to the church family. Church groups can so easily and unintentionally become ‘closed’ groups.

**Our Parish Council has decided to have a Back to Church Sunday on the 15<sup>th</sup> of September.** The organizing body, ‘Grow the Church’ (GtC), has already been contacted to assist us in launching the event and the Evangelism Portfolio of the Council is in the process of developing a BTCS Team to get the happening off the ground.

The success of this process should not be seen in terms of percentages or numbers but as one person inviting another person. Furthermore, it is not intended to be a one-day-wonder but the development of a warmer, welcoming atmosphere at churches that last all year, everyone acting together to bring others back to Church and to God.

As we approach the date there will be steps taken so that we are all informed and prepared. Even at this stage however you are encouraged to pray for this Evangelistic project and for the BTCS Team that will lead it. Begin to consider those who you might invite and pray that God will guide you in this matter.

Our prayer is that such an event will have a powerful influence on us as a congregation as we fulfill Jesus’ Commission of bring others to Him as Saviour and Lord so that they can also experience His love and forgiveness.

*Fr. David Tanton on behalf of the Coordinator of the Evangelism Team, Stephen Sondiyazi.*

*“When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said  
“I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me will never walk  
in darkness, but will have the light of life.”*

*-John 8:12 niv*



# Sharing the News

from the grapevine....

As heard by: **Sandy Botha**



A beautiful baby girl, Michka, was born on 30<sup>th</sup> March to Tachka (nee Erasmus) and Reynart du Plessis. Ouma and Oupa **Michelle and Philip Erasmus** are bursting with pride with their first grandchild!



**Chevonne Myers** gave birth to a bouncing baby girl, Shae, on 16<sup>th</sup> May. Congratulations also to **Granny and Grandfather Yvette and Julian Myers**.



Matthew Basson was baptised by Fr David Tanton in the Cathedral on 27<sup>th</sup> April. He is the son of Elizabeth (nee Kettle) and Hein Basson who live in England. More news from **Charlotte and Mike Kettle**: Son Christopher and his wife are expecting their first child at the end of October. They also live in England.

**Carol Keep's** 6<sup>th</sup> grandchild, Adam Harold Kruise was baptised by Fr John Davis (former Archdeacon of Bloemfontein) at St Cyprian's near Grahamstown recently.



The 6<sup>th</sup> April was an important date for two Cathedral families: **Fr David and Ann-Louise Tanton's** son Stephen was married as well as David, only son of **Rachel and Godfrey van der Merwe**. The van der Merwes hope to move back to their remodelled home in Heidedal soon. Wedding bells are also going to ring out for Berneen Schroeter, elder daughter of **Basil and Cheryl Schroeter** (the editor). Berneen is to marry Pieter Muller in George on 15<sup>th</sup> June. There is much excitement and anticipation about this!

**Michelle** (nee Nel) and Robert Brown were married by Bishop Paddy in the Cathedral on 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Michelle is the only daughter of **Ansie and Errol Nel**, and grand-daughter of **Paul and Baby Lange**.



**Trudie Harrison** has been in hospital, as well as **Doreen Lewer** who had a hip op. **Karin Jacobs** has also had an operation. **Jean Prophet** is breathing a sigh of relief to be out of her moonboot at last. Oh! The freedom to drive yourself again! **Lerato Mohapi** has back problems. **Baby Lange** has had cataracts removed from both eyes, so watch out! She will be able to see everyone's wrinkles!!

Some sad news: **Spa Kabane's** father-in-law, **Lockington Kabane**, passed on 14<sup>th</sup> May and **Diseko Ntsepe's** grandmother also passed recently. Our sympathy goes to both families at this time. Spa Kabane has been managing the Gender Desk for the Diocese. Diseko is a council member for youth and ASF matters.

Ten families were invited to join the congregation at the Parish Breakfast on 19<sup>th</sup> May. They are all new to the Cathedral and we wish them a blessed stay here. They are:

Sechaba and Palesa **Ranoha**;  
 Mzamane, Makantini, Bonizili and Lerato **Mbongo**;  
 Bafana, Mpho, Refiloe, Nkanyiso, Siphesihle, Bahle and Khanyisile **Ngwenya**;  
 Aqinetta and Khanyisile **Ntungwana**;  
 Brandon, Bridgette, Brooklyn, Joshua and London **Bosman**;  
 Angelo, Zenobia, Dominic and Xavier **Raynard**;  
 Ntombizethu **Mazibuko**;  
 Ricardo, John, Renaldo and Su-Lynn **Pillay and Mokgosane**;  
 Mathabo, Keoagile, Masingwaneng and Atlegang **Selebogo**.

**Welcome!**







A bumper crop of babies were baptised too on Pentecost, 19<sup>th</sup> May:

**Lethabo Serache;  
Thapelo and Tema Modisapudi;  
Khanyisile Kulane;  
Cameron Simpson.**

Welcome to the family of Christ!

**Orefile-Neo**, daughter of **Arnold and Esme Mogodi**, has been chosen to play netball for the Free State. She is in Grade Four.



**There are lots of clever people here at the Cathedral!**

Congratulations to **Kyle Rafferty**, elder grandson of **Willie and Phyllis Olivier**, who received his B.Com degree in Financial Management and now has his sights set on Honours this year. Good luck Kyle!



**Phyllis + Kyle Rafferty + Willie**



**Liola Boraine** has accepted a higher position at work having graduated with a B Tech Management.

**Andrew Elsmere**, son of **Harold and Deirdré Elsmere**, graduated from UFS in Construction Management recently. He is also studying further for an Honours degree.



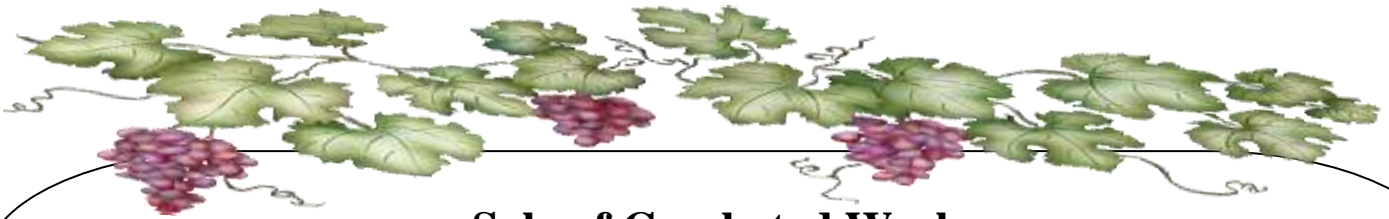
**Andrew Elsmere + Prof Jansen + friend**

**Congratulations to you all!**



Recent visitors from the UK were **Fr Paul and Ruth Smith**, who are no strangers to Bloemfontein. Fr Paul celebrated at the services on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May. Ruth has been around with Joan Marston and was involved in the St Nicholas Hospice week in May.

Our Churchwarden, **Carol**, and her husband **Chris Ashman**, have temporarily moved to Mahikeng. Carol was invited to teach drama at a school there for a semester, and now they have asked her to stay on till the end of the year! She is enjoying the challenge, but we miss her active participation at Council meetings.



### **Sale of Crocheted Work**

**“Mrs Peggy Anderson** has returned to Bloemfontein after having lived in George for the past 26 years and is now staying with her son and daughter in law, **John and Sandy Anderson.**

Peggy has trained up the nurses who care for her in knitting and crocheting and they have made some beautiful blankets and lace coat hangers which she would like to sell, the full proceeds to go to the **“MATCH THE FUND”**

A sale of their works will be held at the next Parish Breakfast to be held on **Sunday the 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2013,** so bring your purses to Church on that day and come and buy a beautiful present for someone special!”



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**DO YOU PRAY...??**



**ARE YOU KIND...???**



**Priest:** Do you say a little prayer before you sit down to eat your meals?

**Little boy:** *There's no need for that, my mum's a great cook!*



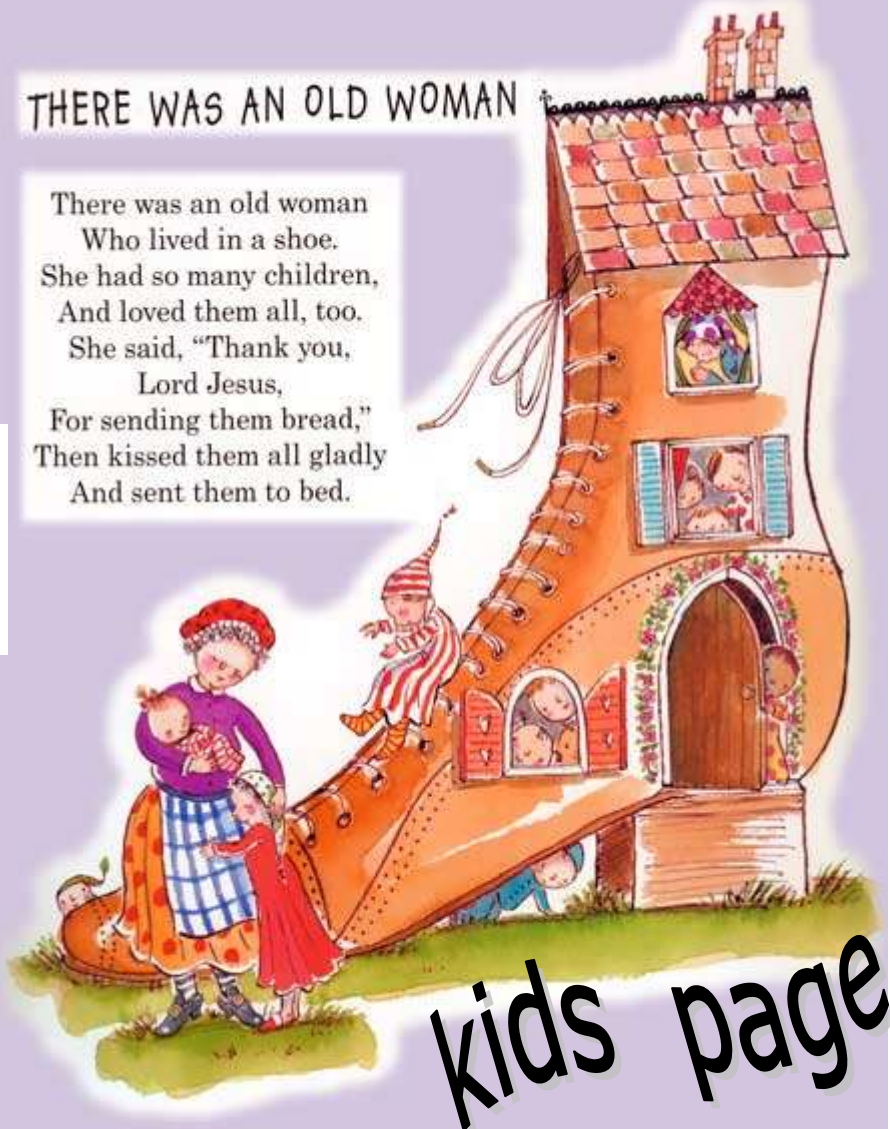
**Something to do with the children**  
**Mom and Dad, help them make**  
**This lovely butterfly from a toilet roll..**

**Three blind mice**



**THERE WAS AN OLD WOMAN**

There was an old woman  
Who lived in a shoe.  
She had so many children,  
And loved them all, too.  
She said, "Thank you,  
Lord Jesus,  
For sending them bread,"  
Then kissed them all gladly  
And sent them to bed.



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**MAY 2013 REPORT.  
BOPANANG GROUP .  
THE CATHEDRAL OF ST ANDREWS AND ST MICHAELS.  
BLOEMFONTEIN.**

**BOPANANG 2013 MEMBERSHIP**

**Executive:**

- A.S. Sasing	Chair
- N.C. Sondiyazi	Secretary
- P .V. Melamu	Treasurer

**Members:** - D. Phutsisi - L.N.Tshabalala - L.Nogela - J. Nakedi -N.Senoko

**FELLOWSHIP:** We only managed to have 3 meetings this year.

**The fellowship meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month after 09:00 service.**  
The Meeting of March 2013 was held at Agnes Sasing's home. We celebrated her promotion to the post of CEO Kuruman Regional Hospital. Rev Lazarus and Rev Albert joined us. We enjoyed a lovely lunch and Agnes was wished well by all.

It was exciting to be joined by a young member Lineo Nogela this year. We hope she will enjoy to be part of us. We need more members. This group can do very well if more members of the cathedral can join us.

**PARISH BREAKFAST:** The members will provide Parish Breakfast on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2013.

**FUND RAISING:** A permission is requested to do fund raising to prepare for the bazaar on the 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013. We will sell African Traditional food after the 09:00 service. The food portion will be sold for R10.00.

**OUTREACH:** We are collecting funds to buy meat for the Old Age Home in Phahameng. It is not funded by the government yet. Pick n Pay donates food to them, but they don't get meat.

**Thank you to the Dean and the clergy for the support to Bopanang.**



# Calendar of Events

FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE



- 1 **Justin** 08h00 - NO SERVICE 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 2 **NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist 09h00 – Confirmation classes
- 3 **The Martyrs of Uganda** 17h30 - Holy Eucharist
- 4 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30 – Staff meeting 09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta
- 5 **Boniface** 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 6 09h30 – Holy Eucharist 18h00 – AWF meeting in the Foyer
- 7 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 8 08h00 - Holy Eucharist 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 9 **TENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist 09h00 – Confirmation classes
- 10 17h30 - Holy Eucharist
- 11 **St Barnabas** 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30- Staff meeting  
09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta 15h30 – Bible Study – 15 Dickie Clarke Street
- 12 08h00 - Holy Eucharist
- 13 **Antony of Lisbon** 09h30 - Holy Eucharist
- 14 **Basil & his Companions** 08h00 - Holy Eucharist
- 15 08h00 - Holy Eucharist 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 16 **ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist **PARISH BREAKFAST** 09h00 – Sung Eucharist
- 17 17h30 – NO SERVICE - **PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
- 18 **Bernard Mizeki** 08h00 - Holy Eucharist 08h30 – Staff meeting  
09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta
- 19 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 20 09h30 - Holy Eucharist
- 21 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 22 **Alban** 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 23 **TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - Youth Rally in Brandfort**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist
- 24 **THE BIRTH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
17h30 – Holy Eucharist 17h30 -Council Meeting
- 25 08h00– Holy Eucharist 08h30- Staff meeting 09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta  
15h30 – Bible Study – 15 Dickie Clarke Street
- 26 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 27 09h30 - Holy Eucharist
- 28 **Irenaeus** 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 29 **ST PETER & ST PAUL** 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 30 **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist Bopanang Group





# Happy Birthday to you June

- 1 .....
- 2 Cailyn Nuttall, June Smith, Elaine Papane
- 3 Mpumi Kabane
- 4 Kathy De Wit, Pheny Mokhobo, Teboho Masia, Thabo Jnr Tutu, Leon Visagie
- 5 Mohau Sebatane,
- 6 Chloe Jacquire
- 7 Stephen Sondiyazi, Gina Koupis
- 8 Keagan Minnaar, Temperance Captieux
- 9 Samantha Beelders, Andile Sondiyazi, Lesedi Moloi, Mapule Mokoena
- 10 Fabian Drude
- 11 Ansie Nel, Sian Strydom
- 12 Yonela Tsibolane
- 13 Alicia Maliela, Reitumetse Motsoari
- 14 John Eagar, Florence Moleme
- 15 Renaldo Pillay, London Bosman
- 16 Dick Mahaffey, Edna Mocké, Colin Slabbert
- 17 Rick Nuttall, Nthabiseng Mabula
- 18 Mpho Ngwenya
- 19 Fr Reg Huskins
- 20 Lettie Morris, Courtney Ogilvie
- 21 .....
- 22 William Ntsane, Marilize Louw
- 23 Shide Adolph
- 24 .....
- 25 Princess Senakgomo, Moleboheng Sethuoa, Mpho Mokoena
- 26 Mark vd Merwe
- 27 Lorraine Melamu
- 28 Molly-Ann Beattie, Tanica Captieux, Pat Collie, Nombina Habangana
- 29 Lynn-Lueen Welman, Cashandra Jordaan, Tsoanelo Litabe
- 30 Mary Tsolo, Tsebu Masia

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Andy: "Grandpa, were you on Noah's ark?"

Grandpa: "Oh no, I wasn't."

Andy: "Then how did you survive the flood?"

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## A VERY GRACIOUS LADY WHO LIVES ON THE CATHEDRAL CLOSE

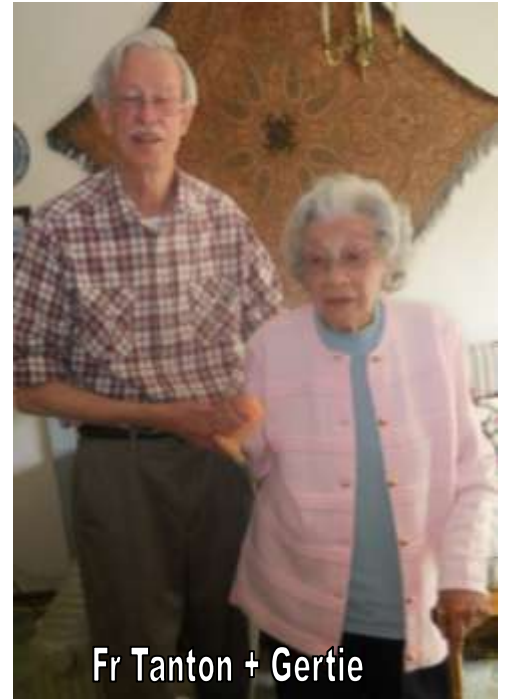
Living on the Cathedral grounds half her life  
is a Priest's widow who has recently celebrated  
her 98<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**She is Gerda Hendrika Wilhelmina van der Sijde.**

Her home country is the Netherlands and when she arrived in this country she could speak very little English.

**The Revd Willem van der Sijde** and Gerda were married by proxy and their wedding was blessed at the Cathedral on the 27<sup>th</sup> of January 1951, after she had travelled to South Africa on one of the ships of the Union Castle Line, the Bloemfontein Castle (nog al). Although Fr Willem was also Dutch he had studied at Kelhem in England and was offered a position here in the OFS by the then Archbishop of Cape Town.

The couple lived in White Cottage which in those days was not as fancy as it is today, and Fr Willem was on the staff of the Cathedral when the Very Revd Findley was the Dean. Fr Willem used a bicycle as his means of transport. After four years the couple were transferred to Dewetsdorp where son Michael was born. There were many outstations and Fr. Willem was kept busy as was Gerda with her small baby.



Fr Tanton + Gertie

In the late 1950s Father Willem accepted a position at the Cathedral in Windhoek, South West Africa. Gerda tells me that she enjoyed the Continental life of that largely German-speaking city. They were happy living there for fifteen or so years. Young Michael had his schooling in Windhoek. Fr Willem had hoped to be made Dean of Windhoek Cathedral but the Bishop never offered him the position. Instead he was asked to do some research on the Church in SWA (now Namibia).

At that juncture, the Rt Revd Freddie Amore, then the Bishop of Bloemfontein, invited Fr Willem to return to the Cathedral in the early 1970s and the family was housed in the Rijnk, which is now the Diocesan Centre. Fr Willem served on the Staff until 1976 when he unfortunately passed away. Gerda then moved into the Retired Clergy Cottage No.4 where she has lived ever since. Her son Michael lived with her for a short while before moving to his own residence. He worked for Telkom. Unhappily he died a young man of thirty-nine when Gerda was sixty-five.

The Very Revd Aidan Cross was then Dean of the Cathedral and as Gerda lived on the Cathedral Close, he asked her to be the Head Sacristan. Every day she would be at the Cathedral laying out the vestments for the priests on duty and seeing to the other work of the Sacristan in preparation for each service. She also assisted in flower arranging and many other tasks. She was a member of the Anglican Women's Association and later the Mothers Union.





During the last few years she has continued to assist the Cathedral where her age allowed including providing soup for the soup kitchen, knitting squares to be made into blankets for the poor, and attending the evening weekday service on Mondays until her physical ability made this difficult.

Gerda is a determined old lady who keeps busy as best she can. She has no family in South Africa. Her brother Henk lives in the Netherlands, and Gerda keeps in contact with him by telephone.

Although getting on in age she still lives on her own, looking after herself. This is becoming more and more difficult as her eye-sight deteriorates. She was an avid reader and knitter but sadly these are now activities of the past.

We congratulate Gerda on reaching a remarkable age, and salute her for the work she has done and continues to do supporting the Cathedral. We pray God's blessing on her.

*Fr David Tanton*



***GERTIE'S 98<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY.***  
***Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2013.***



**Two senior citizens were exchanging notes about their ailments.**

**"My arm is so weak I can hardly hold this coffee cup".**  
**"Yes, I know. Cataracts are so bad I can't see to pour the coffee."**

**"I can't turn my head because of the arthritis in my neck."**  
**"My blood pressure pills make me dizzy."**

**"I guess that's the price we pay for getting old."**  
**"Well, it's not all bad. We should be thankful that we can still drive!"**



## Grey College Primary Outreach Program.

At Grey Primary it is our mission to encourage our boys to become gentlemen who not only conquer all adversities in life, but who also reach out to people in need - young men who serve their communities whole-heartedly.

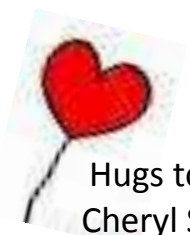
Therefore, we annually challenge our learners to contribute to charitable causes that present themselves to us throughout the year.

This year we launched, amongst others, a blanket and jersey campaign. Once again our boys exceeded our greatest expectations and we were privileged to be able to donate to several worthy causes. The Anglican Cathedral of Bloemfontein being one of them.

**H.RUDD     Deputy Principal / Adjunk Hoof   Grey College Primary / Kollege Primêr   Bloemfontein**

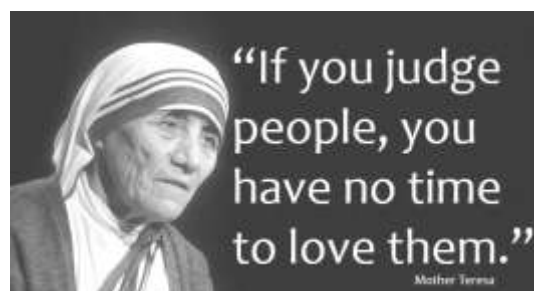


I would like to thank the Grey College teachers, parents and the boys for their generous contribution of blankets and clothing for the needy people in our town and the ones living on the street. You should have been here to experience the excitement of each of the people who came for soup on that day and they received blankets and clothing. When the cold weather hits, it hits those needy people even more as they lack all the worldly things that we take for granted. I believe the solution to inequality, pain, suffering and lack in the world is 'those that have' sharing willingly from the heart with 'those that have not' who are sick and / or needy. When families feel the most vulnerable and powerless, something warm provided by caring and loving hearts is God's strongest witness that He lives and loves us. Bless you for being the miracle in someone else's life.



Hugs to you all,  
Cheryl Schroeter  
(Editor)

**We can all be a miracle in someone's life today.**





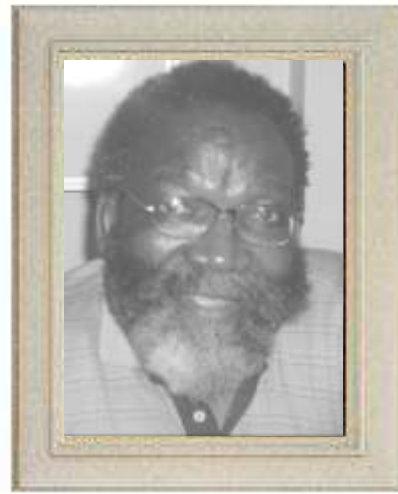
## The Church Warden's Corner.

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I greet you all in the name of God the Father,  
God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity and give thanks to all those parishioners who attended a strategic meeting for the fund raising and further give thanks to those who had offered themselves to serve in the fund raising committee. We will always keep them in our prayers.

### THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING TIME FOR SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICE

Time keeping for our Sunday services is a serious problem and is at the level where we need to address it. This is not the first time that we have addressed this problem, my predecessors especially Stephen Grimsley and the clergy, have addressed it before.

Lord Jesus has taught us to pray in two different ways: in secret (alone) or together (two or more people). As we come to worship every Sunday it means we have chosen to pray together. Either praying alone or in a group there will always be rules that are to be followed by each and every participant; one of the key rules will be the starting time. **Our order of service for the two services on Sundays starts at 7.30 for the first service and 9.00 for the second service, unless advised otherwise.**

It is unfortunate that for some reasons many people are not on time when the service begins and many people arrive after the penitence. Such people have not confessed their sins to God the Almighty and have not asked for forgiveness. ***If one hasn't confessed one's sins, one is not supposed to take Communion.*** Kindly note that arriving late is disruptive to the whole order of service in that everybody is disturbed by the noise made by the footsteps and we cannot in any circumstances allow late coming. We therefore request with due respect that we should all be seated by the time the services starts.

In conclusion we should pray for the success of the service in that we should pray for everyone that is going to attend, for the president of the service, for the priest who will deliver the sermon, for the other clergy taking part in the service, for the synaxist, for those lay ministers who are on duty, as well as for the readers and servers. Hence I request that we should pray for the observance of the starting time.



**service** *Times*

Dedication **PRAYER FOR NURSES 'WEEK** as given by Joan Marston,  
Lay Preacher of the Cathedral on the 12/5/2013

O Merciful Father, You have wonderfully fashioned us in Your own image, and have made our bodies to be temples of the Holy Spirit, in this Nurses' week, bless, we pray you, nurses and all those whom You have called to study and practice the art and science of healing the sick and relieving suffering and pain. Strengthen them in body and soul, and bless their work, that they may give comfort to those for whose salvation your Son became Man, lived on this earth, healed the sick, and suffered and died on the Cross.

**We thank you for the life of Sr Henrietta Stockdale,** and pray that her vision for nurses may continue to be seen in those practising this profession.



Lord, may Your love and compassion be found in all hospitals, health centres, clinics, community care services and hospices, and we pray your blessing especially on those of our congregation working in health care services, Mosamaria, Sunflower Children's Hospice and St John' and those ministering to the Free State Psychiatric complex and the hospitals in Bloemfontein.

In Your compassion, Lord, bless and comfort those who are sick, in body, mind and spirit, praying especially for Baby Anele,....

Be with the bereaved and so we pray for the soul/s of those who have died, remembering those loved by us, also for baby Dimpho of Sunflower House. May they know Rest Eternal and the unending Light of Your presence.

**As we celebrate Mother's Day today,** Lord we ask you to bless mothers everywhere, also those without children who show this love to others, and in a moment of silence we pray for our own mother and give You thanks for the unconditional love of motherhood. Millions of children do not know the love and care of mothers; orphaned, abandoned, abused and neglected – may we be a source of love and mothering to these vulnerable little ones, and dear Lord, and we ask that You bless and guide and all those who seek to provide mothering and care for these children.

Father we thank You for our Mother the Church, for Mary Mother of our Lord, and for all our leaders in the Christian faith. We pray for Dintoe our Bishop, Thabo our Metropolitan, Lazarus our Dean, and today we give thanks for the ministry of Fr Paul Smith of the Diocese of York, here celebrating with us today; and all ordained and lay leaders in this congregation. We continue to pray for our Diocese, Lord, and for your Holy Spirit to bring new life and resources to Your Church in the Free State.

As we go forward into a new week, we pray your blessing on each one and those we love, that we may live in Your Light, and in this Light bring hope and love to our community.

All this we pray in the Name of Christ,  
Amen



## SISTER HENRIETTA CSM + AA



Religious nursing pioneer in Southern Africa

**Henrietta Stockdale** was born in England in 1847. At about the time she was confirmed, she committed herself to pray and work for the Bloemfontein diocese, and in 1874 came out to work there with the newly formed **Community of St Michael and All Angels**. In 1877, she offered her life to God as a professed sister in this community. She had trained as a nurse in England and soon went to the diamond fields in Kimberley to run the hospital there. She envisaged the establishment of nursing as a profession for women, and worked to bring this about, by the pattern of hospital administration she provided and the training scheme she set up, as well as by working for legislation that gave the profession recognised status. This remains her legacy

There is a Statue of Sr Henrietta Stockdale, outside St Cyprian's Cathedral Kimberley

As a religious, Henrietta's life in community shaped her disciplined devotion and spirituality. Her love for God found expression in a spirit of joyful service, in a deep concern for the sick, and in her courage and untiring work. Although she was in failing health for many years before her death in 1911, she grew in wisdom, courage and perseverance, so that her particular witness became the offering of her whole life to God.

**We commemorate her always on the 6th October.**


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By: Val Saintsbury

## A WORLDWIDE MOVEMENT TO RELIEVE CHILDREN'S SUFFERING

As seen through the heart and eyes of Mrs Joan Marston

**Hospices for children provide palliative care – the care of the body, mind and spirit of a child and their family, facing incurable, life-limiting or life-threatening illness.**

Some of these neonates, babies and children live very short lives, and one of our greatest challenges is ensuring newborn babies, who may only live for a few days, are pain-free and comforted in those days. However, children may live for many years with their illness or condition, even to young adulthood, and good management and palliative care, ideally from the time of diagnosis, can ensure that these children enjoy the best possible quality of life.

For many years, **the children of Sunflower Children's Hospice** taught me so much about the needs and how simple it often is to improve their lives and make them happy. Together with colleagues from 15 countries, in 2005 in Seoul, we established the International Children's Palliative Care Network (ICPCN), and committed to work together, to share knowledge and resources, to try and reach more and more of the estimated 15 million children worldwide who would benefit from children's hospice care, to relieve their suffering.

As the CEO of this organization, now with individual and organizational members in over 100 countries, I have the incredible privilege of travelling to many different countries to support committed and compassionate people who are working tirelessly to relieve the suffering of these children and their families, often with very limited resources.

While much time is spent on advocacy and education, the very best times are spent with the children and families I am taken to meet in some very different environments. It is there that I see how often ordinary people provide extraordinary and complex care with great love. On a recent visit to Moscow, (accompanied by both a translator and a bodyguard!) Our first visit was to a beautiful 4 year-old boy, Alexei, with a rare genetic disorder, cared for perfectly at home on a ventilator by young parents, who had trawled the internet for information and had developed some really innovative ways of providing the best possible care. The next visit was to a single, unemployed mother, living in a poor part of the city, with few resources and little family help, caring for a delightful baby girl with multiple disabilities, with a tracheotomy and on permanent oxygen.

**In the slums of Mumbai**, we had to literally climb up the outside of a house to reach a top-floor room where a young girl lay dying of a brain tumour. **And in a very rural town in the Maharashtra district**, it was overwhelming to see the number of families with children with genetic anomalies and cerebral palsy; and children with cancer lying there in pain.

**In Minsk, we walked down a forest path** to a small house where the mother and the granny were caring for a young girl fast approaching the end of her life, and when I walked out the babushka handed me a beautiful armful of flowers that she grew to sell on the streets to bring in money to care for Yulia.

**In Kuala Lumpur we felt the anger** of a 17 year old boy who knew he was dying of cancer and vented his rage on his mother. Refusing to take his pain medicines he frustrated the gentle and patient physician who tried every technique to gain his co-operation.



Children I visit in a variety of countries in Asia, Africa, Europe and the Americas have different cultures, religions, and speak different languages. But the experiences of the children and families are very similar. Children suffer pain and other distressing symptoms, feel frustrated, abandoned by God, sad and angry because they cannot play, go to school and do all the things that healthy children can do. Families suffer emotionally and spiritually, knowing their child may die; parents and carers experience physical exhaustion caring all day and often all night; financial resources are drained and siblings often feel neglected. Despite all this, whether visiting a child with AIDS in Jakarta or Kampala; a young person with cancer in Berlin or Buenos Aires; or a baby with a genetic anomaly in Riga or Singapore – we often experience the wonderful love the children receive from family, friends, hospice staff and volunteers – and the love they give in return.

These are the most vulnerable of vulnerable children; they cannot speak for themselves because they are too young, too ill or too disabled. Despite this, each short life has great value; each is made in the image of God and is known and loved by Him; and being with them is a lesson in courage, compassion and above all - love.



Belarusian children blowing bubbles



Little girl in Argentina



Joan Marston and daughter Colette

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## THE SOUP KITCHEN AT THE CATHEDRAL AS SEEN through THE EYES, MOUTH AND HANDS, of DAWN HUSKINS TO SHOW THE LOVE OF OUR FATHER GOD.



Every day, Monday to Friday, a group of ladies take turns in doing a small service to God by feeding a number of poor people with soup and bread. The 'Soup Kitchen' people are **SPECIAL** and each and every one, a child of God. I help on a Tuesday, and look forward to my Tuesday duty. The 'Soup Kitchen' people arrive at the serving hatch in the hall's kitchen, some inadequately dressed for the cold weather (due to being homeless) but each one with a look of great expectation on their faces as they reach out to take their bread and a mug of hot homemade soup which is handed to them. (Homemade thanks to the kindness and generosity of our wonderful parishioners.)

They are hungry and now that winter is upon us are cold as well.

Sometimes we are able to give them something extra e.g. bread rolls, popcorn or whatever else has been given to us. **All most gratefully received by one and all.**

It is truly wonderful to be able to do Christian outreach in this way. When you work for God miracles really happen!!! One day we had bread rolls and cold meat given to us which we decided to give them in addition to the soup and bread. But on this particular day the queue went on and on and the bread rolls and cold meat were diminishing rapidly. So with silent prayers we continued handing out to everyone ~ finally the seemingly endless queue came to an end and you've guessed it, there were bread rolls, cold meat, soup and bread left over **AND** everyone in the queue had been fed!!

Talk about the 5 loaves and 2 fish (Matthew 14:18-21.)

in helping (in some small way) to be able to give a  
Their humble position in life truly makes us feel humble.



It's a privilege to be God's instruments  
little bit of comfort to the needy.

## WHAT A GREAT AND WONDERFUL GOD WE SERVE.



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### Actual Announcements from Church Bulletins

- **A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.**

## Mothers' Union *as told to us by Matito*



**Vision:** Our vision is of a world where God's love is shown through loving, respectful, and flourishing relationships.

**Mission:** To demonstrate the Christian faith in action by the transformation of communities worldwide through the nurture of the family in its many forms.

### Objectives:

To uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage and promote its wider understanding.

- To encourage **parents** to bring up their children in the faith and life of the Church.
- To maintain a worldwide **fellowship** of Christians united in prayer, worship and service
- To promote conditions in society favourable to **stable family life** and the **protection** of children
- To help those whose family life has met with **adversity**

**Values:** Mothers' Union is firmly rooted in a voluntary ethos. Its governance, leadership, and programmes are driven by and undertaken through members around the world as they respond to God's call to faith and action.

### Beliefs:

- We believe in the value of each individual and their unique qualities
- We believe in the value of relationships. Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your soul and all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself."
- We believe in the value of the family in its many forms as a source of love and support for individuals and the basis for a caring community

**The worldwide theme for this year is: "The seeds we sow".**

Mothers' Union is a community of over 4 million members in 83 countries who offer Christian care for families. Membership of the Mothers' Union is about being part of a dynamic, friendly organisation that goes the extra mile.

- By praying together we nourish: creating a thriving Christian presence right at the heart of local life.
- Pray for relationships to be flourishing and loving.
- By campaigning together we nurture: ensuring a constant message that family life is critical to the stability of all societies.
- Campaign for social justice for the marginalised and bring protection to those without a voice.
- By enabling together we flourish: ensuring that the work we do continually meets the needs of people known to us both – as we always say – "around the world and around the corner"
- Enable development of all kinds: economic, relational and personal so that family life is strengthened.

Come and discover how local membership offers you a chance to engage with likeminded people, reach out to the community where you live, have fun and share new experiences.

**Become part of an organization that makes real difference to families worldwide.  
"SOW A SEED TODAY".**

## SERMON PREACHED BY ASSISTING LAY MINISTER: SAM ZENZILE BASED ON ACTS 16:25

“My sermon will be based on prayer”

We are so blessed this morning because all of us we are still alive. We are so blessed because the Holy Spirit is among us. We are so blessed because the Holy Spirit is still in control.



1. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God. At once all the doors opened, and the chains fell off all the prisoners. All this are happening because of prayer.
2. Therefore what is a prayer? A prayer is a communication between us and God. Prayer is much more than a weapon. God has provided us with spiritual weapons.
3. What a wonderful country we live in. A country of beauty. A country full of opportunities. A country that has amazing privilege of sharing with others, the wonder and miracle of reconciliation and healing.
4. All this is happening in our country because of prayer.
5. Of late our South Africa is sick, South Africa is bleeding is needing our prayers.
6. Everybody our sisters, young babies, and our mothers are being raped. Today we need to pray for all nurses in our country. Because they are the ones that look after the sick people. This morning we will pray for them that God gives them the strength and power to overcome the stumbling blocks on the way.
7. We also pray for the people who are gossiping. Hurting other people. Using their tongues to mislead other people. Showing them in wrong direction.
8. Let us allow the prayer to transform us, so that we can be born again.
9. My brothers and my sisters in Christ we are here to work as a team. We are here to help one another. To encourage one another. We are here to support one another. We are here to cover one another. To love one another. Not to criticize one another. The Bible says who are you to criticize.
10. Prayer changes everything. Prayer sometimes protect us against the storms of life and other times gives us the strength to handle the storm of life. May I therefore urge you to pray in order to serve our country, our people and God wisely?







All of us we know what a kite is. A kite can fly very high.  
Even if you cannot see it, you can still feel it in your hand.  
The kite is still under your control like when we pray.  
We must feel that bond between us and God.  
That God is still in control.

**Let us pray:** Our Father who art in Heaven, the Father of Our Lord and Saviour Christ Jesus. We thank you for allowing us to read from your words of wisdom. Help us Lord as we pray to You at this juncture to interpret your teaching about fairness, support and brotherhood spirit through our actions. Imbue us with the power from above that will remind us to support, help and build our neighbours instead of judging or destroying them. Help us to give everything to you in prayer. This we ask in Jesus' name. **Amen**

Acts 16:25 And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

Acts 16:26 And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.

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## The Music Department of Bloemfontein Cathedral

As written by: Lance Phillip (Director of Music)

.....aims to offer musical worship of the highest quality, as befits a Cathedral parish. We are privileged to have, in the Cathedral of St Andrew & St Michael, one of the city's finest examples of religious architecture, and see it as our goal to continue the Anglican tradition of offering to God some of the greatest choral music of the past, as well as contemporary music that is seemly and proper to this place, respecting the dignity and solemnity of the people and clergy, and ever aiming to provide a haven from the transient and insubstantial distractions that often infests our daily lives. The Director of Music and Cathedral Organist share the values of the Cathedral Clergy and Chapter, and indeed the Laity, in recognising that we are part of a great tradition that began in this Diocese over a century ago, and that will continue for many generations to come. Although the act of singing and playing music is ever new, divine worship has a responsibility that secular music does not; every note sung represents the prayers of the Christian soul to God, and also, even unwittingly, of the non-believer who visits this Cathedral, in his/her search for the truth. Sacred music is always addressed to the Creator, but also, in the imperfection of human performance, represents our striving for something greater than ourselves. In this we as musicians have an added responsibility to our fellow worshippers, that our music not be frivolous, mediocre or slavish to fashions, but instead a sincere and honest continuation of the marvellous, festive and joyful tradition we subscribe to as Anglicans.

The Cathedral Singers have duties approximately once a month at the Sunday morning Eucharist, and from time to time at major festivals such as All Souls' Day and Advent Sunday. The repertoire consists largely of Latin mass setting and anthems proper to the service and Church calendar. The repertoire is mostly *a capella*, which develops a keen ear and sense of ensemble and tuning. We are fortunate to have a keen group of very fine string players who play Viennese classical masses occasionally. This ensemble is called the Cathedral Mozart Players, and consists principally of students and staff affiliated to the Odeion School of Music. At other times, the Cathedral Choir sings the music at the Eucharist, except for the third Sunday of the month, when more informal hymns are chosen for the Family Service.

The Odeion Choir is the departmental training vocal ensemble, and a handful of members also volunteer to sing Choral Evensong at 4pm during term. Some of these students are conducting students at the Odeion School, and have the opportunity to direct the choir during



these services. The music in these services is mostly written by English composers, as Choral Evensong is an exclusively Anglican service, and composers of other denomination do not write music for this office. Nevertheless, because of the meditative nature and brevity of the service, wherein the congregation is largely passive, Evensong does enjoy an appeal to those beyond the boundaries of the Anglican Church, and affords people an opportunity to hear this music in its natural home, as it does not fit into any other service, and almost all of it, being particularly closely bound to the liturgy, is unsuitable for any concert programme.

The Cathedral is privileged at this time to enjoy the use of the University's Allen organ, which creates a further link between the Odeion and the Cathedral. This digital organ is a three manual instrument, and allows a wide patina of sounds, in order to accommodate a variety of musical styles.

Membership of any of the three choirs are open to any person, whether a member of the Cathedral Parish or not. Some choristers sing in all three ensembles, with good results. The requirements for membership in the Cathedral Choir are a good ear and a willingness to learn to read music. The requirements for joining the Cathedral Singers are an intermediate level of music reading and some choral experience, and a capacity for quick musical learning. The Odeion Choir requires its members to be fairly fluent sight-readers, and to be engaged in musical activity such as playing another instrument and/or solo singing in other ensembles. However, it is essential that all choristers are committed and passionate individuals with both a feeling for teamwork and a realisation of the vision that the choirs share with the clergy and the laity. Also essential is a sense of humour, as both the Director of Music and Cathedral Organist (and the existing choristers, for that matter) suffer from that typically Anglican affliction of being unable to resist indulging in terrible puns at the slightest opportunity.

All three choirs are commissioned by the Parish Council, the Liturgical Committee and the Dean; this last is also the Patron of the Choirs, to whom the Director of Music and Organist report. At present both the Cathedral Organist (Nicol Viljoen) and the Director of Music (Lance Phillip) are staff members of the Odeion School of Music. Professor Viljoen is the Chair, and Lance Phillip is a Junior Lecturer.

Director of Music (Lance Phillip)



Cathedral organist (Nicol Viljoen)



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“with all prayer (Eph. 6:18)” All sorts of prayer- public, private, mental, vocal.  
Do not be diligent in one kind of prayer and negligent in others... let us use all.”  
— John Wesley, *How To Pray: The Best of John Wesley on Prayer*



Sharing in the 15th anniversary celebrations at Sunflower Children's Hospice was our reason/excuse for visiting Bloemfontein again. Although Ruth visited last year, it was eleven years since my last visit, and fourteen years since our first.



Ruth arrived here a week before me and was already settled in when I flew in on Saturday 11th May to find that Fr Lazarus had graciously invited me to preside at the Eucharist at both 0730 and 0900 the following day. It was a great privilege to stand at the altar in your lovely Cathedral, in which one can feel the sense of a building soaked in prayer. I very much appreciated the music, which enhanced our act of worship. After the service it was a joy to re-connect with people I had met before and meet new faces.



Obviously, things have changed since I last visited. We have had the pleasure of entertaining Fr Lazarus as well as Bishop Dintoe and his wife in the UK in the meanwhile and were delighted that two such hard working and dedicated priests should have been chosen as Dean and Bishop within the Diocese of the Free State .



An example of their dedication and self-giving was evident on the following day when we joined both of them on their official "day off" on a visit to Thaba Nchu to visit Fr Freddy Mothibi and his wife on which we were accompanied by Fr David Rakoen, and we were honoured to share the splendid lunch they provided. Bishop Dintoe explained that this was part of an initiative to affirm the retired clergy in the valuable work they continue to do.

From what I saw and heard over my time in the diocese the Bishop does not have an easy task. He is fortunate to have the willing and wholehearted support of Dean Lazarus; but even these two with the best will in the world cannot tackle all the challenges which the Church faces.



Since I was last here we have moved from the Diocese of Blackburn to the Diocese of York and my parish of Cottingham has historic links with the Church in Ghana. Wherever we look we find fewer full-time ordained ministers and pressing financial problems.

In this situation the realistic practical and financial support of all members of the Church is vital. Please think prayerfully about how you could help. How about some hours of driving time to help take the pressure off the Bishop on the long journeys he makes. And the clergy we love do need to be paid as they need to live. Green may seem a pretty colour to line the collection basket but will not on its own provide for the basic needs of providing priestly ministry.



Fr Lazarus took me on some home visits during my time here which I was able to give communion and anoint the sick and housebound and be the recipient of their most generous hospitality.

The anniversary celebrations at Sunflower House were a joy to attend. The children practiced singing "Happy Birthday" all afternoon as they went about their play, and their faces when the cakes were brought out and the candles lit brought a tear to most that were there. They all had new pyjamas' on (kindly donated) and they were very proud to be wearing them and as always when children and cake mix, the pyjamas weren't pristine for long!



I am writing this as we prepare to return home. We hope that eleven years will not pass before we visit again, and we hope to see some of you in the UK in the intervening period.

As we were reminded today, some of us will not meet again in this life but the words of Thomas More are always appropriate in such circumstances.

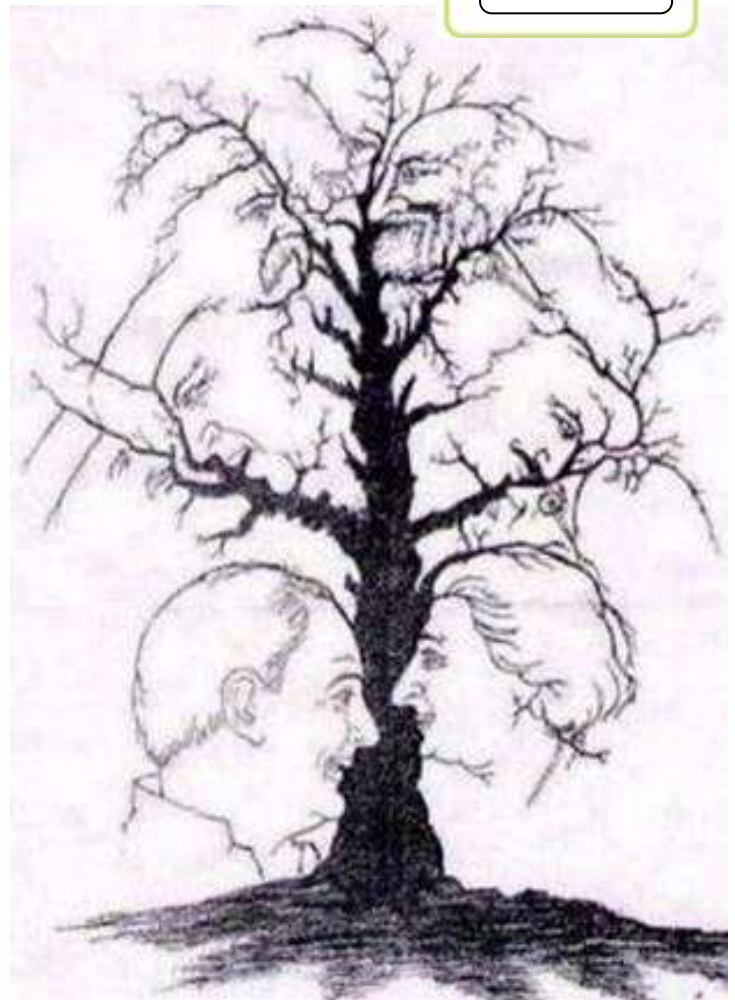
**"Pray for me as I will pray for thee that we may merrily meet in heaven."**

Father Paul and Ruth Smith





**Things to do..**



**Tongue**

**twister**



Does he know  
that  
we know that  
he knows.

*I found (10) faces – how many do you find?*

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## JUMPING CASTLES



Children parties....  
**Fundraising.....**

Fun days....



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“ **Mosamaria is truly blessed** with the support we get from Cathedral parishioners. We have received nearly 90 vests for our children to keep them warm in the Winter. Many of you have sent them to us anonymously so I cannot thank you personally, but I know that Gene Kyle, Cathy and Kevin, Felicity, are some of our donors, and a particular thanks to Brian Cooper who bought us 60 vests. Thank you all so much for your generosity and kindness.

We also had a wonderful gift bestowed on us by Father Chris Kokoadi, who has retired here after being an Archdeacon in Aliwal North for many years. They gave us a huge fridge which they are no longer using. What a treat for us to have a fridge with this capacity, and one that works properly and does not flood the floor! Thank you once again Father Chris for your help.

As Winter is a time when there are so many people needing food and warm clothes and blankets, I think that you have all been kind enough to Mosamaria of late for me to wait awhile before asking for anymore donations.

Thank you for your prayers for my recovery after gastric surgery at the beginning of May. I will be back at work on Monday 3 June.

We would appreciate your prayers for us to be given Lotto funding, to keep Mosamaria going, and your prayers for all the children and adults that we are still losing from AIDS related diseases. Unfortunately these deaths are usually attributable to ignorance and stigma coupled with very bad poverty. With God's guidance and your continued support, we pray that we will be able to reach many more people before it is too late, and save them from a very cruel death.

May God bless you all?”



I would like to thank each one of you who take the time to write an article for the 'Cathedral Visitor' it is so wonderful to be able to be updated with all the things going on around our parish and the community. Please anyone must feel free to send me any little tit-bits you hear or you feel is of interest to us all. One thing I'm looking for is Jokes; we all need a good laugh every now and again! Please hand into the office or send to me on my e-mail [cheryl.schroeter@yahoo.com](mailto:cheryl.schroeter@yahoo.com)

Our next 'Visitor' will be in August/September.

We



# Calendar of Events

FOR THE MONTH

- 1 17h30 – Holy Eucharist
- 2 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30- Staff meeting 09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta
- 3 **ST THOMAS** 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 4 09h30 – Holy Eucharist
- 5 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 6 **Thomas More** 08h00 - Holy Eucharist 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 7 **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist
- 8 17h30 – Holy Eucharist
- 9 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30- Staff meeting 09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta  
15h30 – Bible Study – 15 Dickie Clarke Street
- 10 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 11 **Benedict of Monte Cassino** 09h30 – Holy Eucharist
- 12 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 13 **Silas** 08h00 - Holy Eucharist 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 14 **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist
- 15 17h30 – Holy Eucharist 17h30 -Council Meeting
- 16 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30- Staff meeting 09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta
- 17 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 18 09h30 – Holy Eucharist
- 19 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 20 08h00 - Holy Eucharist 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 21 **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist **PARISH BREAKFAST** 09h00 – Sung Eucharist  
09h00 – Confirmation classes
- 22 **ST MARY MAGDALENE** 17h30 – Holy Eucharist
- 23 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30- Staff meeting 09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta  
15h30 – Bible Study – 15 Dickie Clarke Street
- 24 08h00 – Holy Eucharist
- 25 **ST JAMES** 09h30 – Holy Eucharist
- 26 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 18h00 -International evening
- 27 08h00 - Holy Eucharist 08h30 - Oranje Hospital
- 28 **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist 09h00 – Confirmation classes  
Bopanang Meeting
- 29 **William Wilberforce** 17h30 – Holy Eucharist
- 30 **Mary & Martha of Bethany** 08h00 – Holy Eucharist 08h30- Staff meeting  
09h30 – Knit & Knatter at Siesta
- 31 08h00 - Holy Eucharist

Visiting his grandparents, a small boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out. He picked it up and found that it was an old leaf that had been pressed flat between the pages . "Mama, look what I found," he called out.

"What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked."

With astonishment in his voice, the boy answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"

# Happy Birthday to you



- 1 Mary Mokoena, Bridgette Bosman, Sam (Katazile) Zenzile
- 2 Les van Heusden, Katlego Melamu
- 3 .....
- 4 Willie Olivier
- 5 Nomaza Mdwaba, Mirriam Maphutha, Ernest Moipolai, Moroosi Molusi
- 6 Gina Koupis
- 7 Refilwe Moloi
- 8 Jerome Madimabe
- 9 .....
- 10 Tony Drude, Miche and Mache Springbok
- 11 Lebogang Sondiyazi
- 12 Richard Marston, Nelisa Tsibolane, Oaratwa Serache
- 13 Lebogang Seate
- 14 Dolly Wedderburn, Andries Grobbelaar, Tina Mgidlana
- 15 Aqineta Ntungwana
- 16 Venita vd Ross
- 17 Taryn van Vreede, Duncan Murray
- 18 .....
- 19 .....
- 20 Charlton Sondiyazi, Horacious Adolph
- 21 Sylvia van der Merwe, Lehlohonolo Ntsane, Thabo Mathebula,
- 22 Inga Magwentshu, Sechasa Ranoha
- 23 Nthabiseng Tsotetsi
- 24 Amos Moloi, Xoliswa Seape, Damon Strydom
- 25 .....
- 26 Tanja Boshoff, Elaine Logan
- 27 Kevin Corrigan
- 28 Carmen Henecke, Tlotliso Ntsielo, Tshepang Malebese
- 29 .....
- 30 Philip Erasmus, Brooklyn Bosman
- 31 Remofilwe Molwantwa
- 32 Marlene Hamaty,



Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.

- Berthold Auerbacha



## The prayer chains

Those of us who feel that prayer has an enormous influence on our lives rely often on the prayer of others to assist us, as well. For this reason we have prayer chains at the Cathedral



The first one is a telephone link, run by **Sylvia van der Merwe**. When you have an urgent need of prayer (but usually for a short time) phone Sylvia and she will alert her friends to pray urgently for the need. This works extremely well for many cases where accidents or sudden needs arrive. If you have not tried it, please do so. **Sylvia's** contact number is **051-4077603 or 0710185231**.

**Take your Prayer request list and take time to pray....**

The second chain is for longer more chronic needs – those who have difficult problems or illnesses which have to be hospitalised for longer or are perhaps in more and constant need for a longer period - this is run by me, **Delysia Hoehne**.



It would be impossible for me to tell you of all the wonderful successes those who pray have achieved. My friends who ask for prayers are as extremely enthusiastic as I am about this list – many have had comfort, solace of healing and just that warm feeling of “knowing you have help” by bringing your requests to God in prayer. Try this sometime!

If you have requests please let me know and I will keep your request on my list for a month or two (or longer by request.) Please give us regular updates of the people you put on the list. These lists are brought out monthly and available at the back of the church in a box marked “Prayer Requests”. “Take Time to pray”. Anyone may take them for their use.

If you have other matters regarding prayer and you would like to talk about it, phone me. **Delysia Hoehne Tel. 051-4361195.**



### *Chirp from the Editor:*

Thank You, Delysia for explaining to us about the two different prayer chains and how they work – prayer is a very important relationship with ‘**Our Father God**’ and is a wonderful ‘agape’ gift to others to hold them up in prayer at all times.

The following is taken from a book called “Devil’s Advocate” by well-known British journalist John Humphrys, and certainly gives us something to think about:-

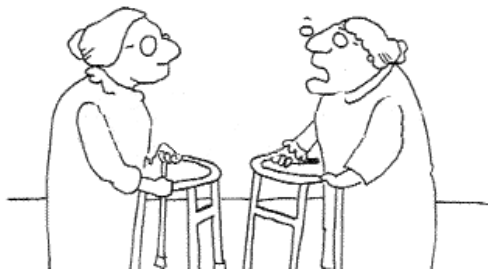
“I remember feeling terribly pleased with myself when I first landed a job with the BBC. I was based in Liverpool, the most exciting British beat for a reporter in those days, what with the Beatles and the Cavern Club and the dock strikes and everything else. They were still building the Anglican Cathedral and one of my first assignments was to make a film about the building work. It was a majestic project, started before I was born. I interviewed one of the stonemasons who had been working on it all his life. I pitied the poor chap. There was me, dashing hither and yon, never knowing what I might be doing the next day, master of my own timetable and my own destiny. And then there was this poor chap, turning up at the same time five days a week, chipping out more stone blocks to lay on the other stone blocks he’d been chipping out the day before and the day before ad infinitum. ***‘Don’t you get bored?’*** I asked him.

‘Why should I?’

***‘Well, all you’re doing is laying one stone on another year after year.’***

‘No I’m not’, he said, ‘I’m building a cathedral.  
What will you leave behind you when you die?’ ”

**Submitted by: Charlotte Kettle**



“The trouble with today’s generation  
is that  
they can’t stand on their own two feet.”



People want the front of the bus,  
the back of the church,  
and the center of attention.

## HEARD AT COUNCIL....



There was a meeting to plan Back to Church Sunday on 15<sup>th</sup> September and more will follow. The DVD would be circulated among the members for viewing.

Confirmation would take place on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August.

At a meeting between the music director, Lance Philip, and Fr Lazarus, it was decided that Lance would send the hymns to Fr Lazarus each week to be approved. It was agreed that more choir members are needed.

Cheryl thanked Grey College for the blankets and clothes that the learners had collected for distribution at the soup kitchen. Over 100 blankets were received and some of the baby blankets were given to Sunflower house.

Diseko reminded council that the Youth Rally would take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> June at Brandfort.

Newcomers were welcomed at the Parish Breakfast on 19<sup>th</sup> May.

Basil thanked the anonymous donor of the paving. It should be christened with a braai!

Sandy said that about R8 000 had been collected so far in "Match the Fund". We need to raise a total of R24 000 by the end of the year to qualify for the Rand for Rand donation.

Joan Marston is helping us obtain a non-profit organization number. This will allow us access to funding. A committee needs to be in place.

The next fund raising meeting would take place on 26<sup>th</sup> May.

Fr Lazarus reminded us that Sam Zenzile would be ordained as a Deacon and Ernest Moipolai will be ordained as a priest on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June at St Patrick's.



At Sunday School they were learning how God created everything, including human beings. Johnny was especially intent when the teacher told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs.

Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny, what is the matter?"

Johnny responded, "I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."



## SERVICES HELD AT THE CATHEDRAL

### Sunday Services:

07h30 Said Holy Eucharist  
09h00 Sung Holy Eucharist  
09h00 Sunday School in the Hall



### Weekday Holy Eucharist:

17h30 Monday Said Holy Eucharist  
08h00 Tuesday Said Holy Eucharist  
08h00 Wednesday Said Holy Eucharist  
09h30 Thursday Said Holy Eucharist  
08h00 Friday Said Holy Eucharist  
08h00 Saturday Said Holy Eucharist

HOLY BAPTISM BY ARRANGEMENT

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**CONFESSION, COUNSELLING & INTERVIEWS BY ARRANGEMENT**

## *Time and Talents*

*Awf Evening Group    Anglican students' federation(ASF)    Alpha course  
Assisting in financial statements    Bible study groups    Baking / Catering  
Bazaar    Bopanang group    Baptism preparation    Confirmation preparation  
Crèche    Community work    Choir    Electrical maintenance    Fund raising  
Flower arranging    Garden maintenance    General maintenance  
Jumble sales    Knit and knatter    Lay Minister    Mens' Fellowship  
Mosamaria    Musician    Marriage preparation    Outreach / community work  
Organist    Prayer groups    Pouring tea on Sundays    Parish socials  
Prayer chain    Plumbing maintenance    Quiet days    Reader  
Soup kitchen: making soup / serving soup    Sunday school teacher  
Sacristan    Server    Server's Guild    Sunflower house    Sidesperson  
Tidying candles    Transport    Visiting: general, Hospital, Oranje Hospital  
Youth ministry*

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IN THE LIFE OF 'YOUR' CHURCH

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## HOSPITAL VISITING

**PLEASE NOTE:** We always want to support Cathedral members and their family and friends who might be sick at home or in hospital. The clergy treat this ministry as a high priority **BUT** can only visit or pray for you if we know that you are not well. Please be sure to inform us of this need.

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