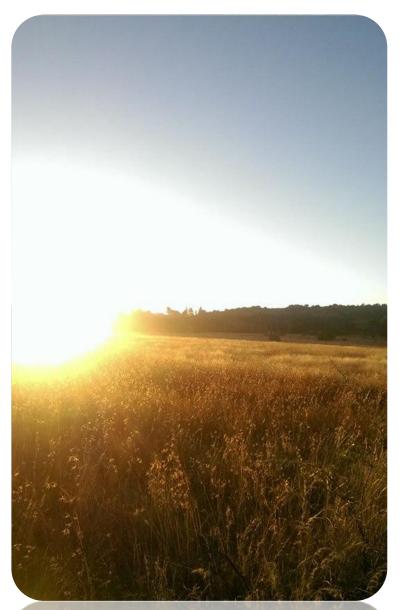
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The Cathedral Church of Saint Andrew & Saint Michael — Bloemfontein



DEAR Lord I have no Easter flowers to bring,
No roses fresh, nor lilies dewy sweet,
Yet still one offering I may gladly bear
And lay rejoicing at Thy dearest feet.
Enfold my weary love in Thy sweet will,
And keep it closely to Thy pierced side,
So shall I rest, nor sad and helpless mourn.
While safe in Thee my love and I abide.

— Caris Brooke.

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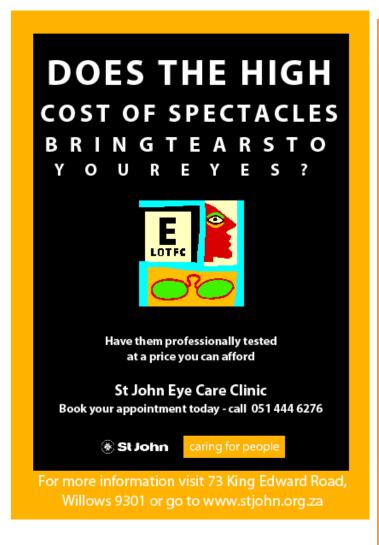
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was lazing on holiday in Port Alfred.

Something for you to think about:

This is what **Archbishop Thabo Makgoba** wrote: To each Diocese on the 2014/04/24.



Dear Bishops, Please would you help me reflect and write on the celebrations in South Africa of the 20th anniversary of democracy?

Would you please urgently, assist by jotting down for me, on behalf of your congregations and communities, your concerns about the next 20 years, based on the pervasive environment of distrust, moral misdirection and the absence of values-based decisions?

I want to ask our nation two questions:



- 1. What was your dream for South Africa 20 years ago?
- 2. What is your dream for South Africa for the next 20 years?

Your responses will help my messaging and give input to the April letter to The Laos.



Dear Friends in Christ

Lenten season 2014 has come and gone and I wish to thank each one of you for being part of the spiritual journey towards Easter. During our preparation for Easter the Lent course focused mainly on the Lord's Prayer and a big thank you to **Fr Vic Spencer** who wrote the material. I must say that I learned a lot from the discussions and inputs we had. I will still recommend that we revisit the material and go through it prayerfully and not as a recitation.

As part of the spiritual journey we also had a Parish quiet day on the 5th April at Oliewenhuis and ended the day with communion in the garden. **Thank you to all those who took the time to attend.**







As we now embark on the joy of Easter and Pentecost Tide, it is important that we not only focus on the spiritual transformation and growth but it is incumbent upon us to also think of the growth of our parish as well as the transformation that comes with it. The culture of innovation as we go through this, needs to be supported by a strong vision that is shared with each parishioner as part of a collaborative orientated team and an understanding of who we serve. We need to change the way we do church and move away from the maintenance mode to a more organized and strategic way of thinking.

According to B Sayle & S Kumar in their book 'Riding the Blue Train', they highlight that the way a person thinks affects his world. It dictates how he thinks, what he sees, how he experiences things and ultimately whether he feels successful or not. They further go on to say of course one does not think in the same manner all the time. Every individual has patterns of thinking that have been developing since before birth. I believe that the same can be said about our spiritual development and ultimate authentic spirituality.

As a child one has a particular way of thinking and as one grows older this evolves due to a combination of many factors. The same can be said about our Christian growth – from the time we went to Sunday school through confirmation till today. We have distinct patterns of thinking, energies and emotional qualities. All these patterns dictate how we engage with our church and how we embrace what it stands for and its vision.

An interesting point made by Sayle and Kumar is that there are four thinking styles:

- 1. Magical Thinking Anything is possible / No limits / Thinking outside the box
- 2. **Heroic Thinking** I can do anything/ I'm invincible
- 3. **Resigned Thinking** I can't/ I'll see / I doubt it / Maybe
- 4. Cynical Thinking Nobody can / It's impossible / No possible way

The above styles got me thinking as to what styles are most applicable to us as members of the Cathedral family. Could it be that we subscribe more to the Magical Thinking style or perhaps the Cynical Thinking style? Is there even a possibility that we have a combination of any of the four?

As we forge ahead in an effort to grow the church and embrace all that comes with such growth, we need to start thinking differently in order to get the desired results. **This is also what the Anglican Ablaze conference is all about. Tlagu Molokoane, Kamo Mogakabe** and **Manneheng Raphuthing** will attend this conference in Johannesburg in July. Firing up what we do in all respects.

Our new council has been inducted and commissioned to take this parish to new heights. This will require the support and participation of each and every member of this parish.

As I end off, let me remind you that each one of us has been commissioned to proclaim the gospel according to **Acts 1:8 and Matthew 28:18-20.** It is my wish that we all experience the spirit of the first Pentecost and that our hearts may be set on fire for God and Mission.

May God bless you all.





The Paschal Gandle



The large candle that was lit at the start of the Great Vigil of Easter burns in a prominent place in the Church at every service during Eastertide.

It was the custom of the synagogue to begin services in the evening with the lighting of candles-originally for the purpose of giving light but almost immediately invested with the symbolic meaning of light: the revelation of God's love.

Early Christians continued that use of light, seeing the bringing of light into a dark place a symbol of the Ressurection. In the ancient Christian basilicas, some of which still exist in Italy, the stand for the paschal candle was built into the pulpit as a permanent feature of the building's architecture. In the Middle Ages, Winchester Cathedral had a paschal candle that was sixty feet tall!

After Eastertide, the Paschal Candle is kept near the baptismal font and lit again for baptisms and funerals.

The write-up was taken out of the booklet that 'Sue Tibshirany' gave me from the service she attended on Easter Day 2014 at the All Saints Church in the suburb of Durbanville and the Diocese of Saldanha Bay.



In the last Snippets - I asked if anyone could beat **Dot Thompson's** record of having been a member of the Cathedral for 75 years....you will never believe it, but someone can!

That is **Blanche Haddad** who currently lives at Bayswater Village Frail Care.



She has been a member of the Cathedral for 82 years!

Dot retaliates by saying that she is an <u>active</u> member, <u>while</u> Blanche attends the services at Bayswater Village.

Happy birthday to Dot for her 92nd birthday on 7th May!





Gertie van der Sijde turns 99 years young on 14th May.

Shew!

The **Schroeter family** has been devastated by the news that **Donae** had a miscarriage at 9 weeks of her pregnancy. **Berneen** also gave them a scare at the same time, but fortunately she is doing wonderfully well.

There is to be **Bingo Evening on 16th May** here in the Hall. Tickets are on sale at R100 per person, which includes a two course meal and one board on which to play. Extra boards will be available for purchase as well. Children between 6-12years old will pay R60. Our fund raising star **Liola Boraine** has already got a number of prizes, but is still hoping for more.





Sandy Botha's daughter, **Michelle Cage**, leaves for Australia on 5th June. She and Ashley are now going to live in Brisbane.

So, guess where Sandy will be going on holiday in the future.!!

Her other daughter, **René Britz**, has fully recovered after radiation treatment for breast cancer. **Praise the Lord!**

Chris Botha -



Looking forward to discussing the Oscar trial and it's impact on traditional and social media with the Carte Blanche team tonight on Channel 199... (17h30 Monday 5th May, 2014.)

Inought I would do some bragging for mother,

Sandy Botha



Liola Boraine, Wolf Helmes, Anne Ochse, Teboho Masooa, Laurel Shilling, Fabian Drude and Dot Thompson have been in hospital recently. Lettie Morris and Pam de Vries have both had back operations. Now Derek Ochse is in hospital having a pacemaker inserted! He now has suffered a slight stroke as well.

Fr John Davis has had a triple by-pass.

June Househam has a broken ankle and has to wear a moonboot for six weeks. **Roy Gordon** has had a knee op on 8th May.

On 27th April six babies were baptised.

We welcome Cayden Inge van Wyk, Atlegang Olibile Kotsi, Eva Olebogeng Melamu, Lesego Karabo Frans Madimabe, Lebohang Mokoena and Declan Connor Xyan Raynard into the Cathedral family!





Edna Todd who has been at the Cathedral for 23 years, is now moving to Somerset West to stay with her grandson. She had been living in a part of the Tanton's house, but now that it has been sold, she has to move. Her son lives in Darwin, Australia. Edna was an AWF member for many years as well.

Michelle Brown (nee Nel), granddaughter of Paul and Baby Lange, has been promoted to PASA (which stands for Professional Accountant South Africa). Congratulations!



Speaking of **Fr David and Ann-Louise Tanton**, they have settled down well in Johannesburg. All their children live there so it makes sense to retire there.

They also celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on 2nd May.

We wish you both well in your new surroundings!





David Tanton Thanks to all our sons and families, we had a 'heavenly' ride high in the sky followed by a wonderful Champagne Breakfast.

God bless you all

May 3 at 11:45am ·



Kamo Mogakabe, Manneheng Raphuthing Neo Ditira







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Kirsty Glover... (Anyone know who these ladies are...?)



Elzie Buthelezi and Sylvia vd Merwe (Bfn)



Blessing of the Banner by Fr Eric Kelly
-AWF Chaplain 1996 and Sandy Botha



Lucy Wiseman and Blanche Haddad at Provincial AWF Conference Cape Town October 1994



(Anyone know who these ladies are...?)



Daphne vd Merwe...Jose Brigg...Sylvia vd Merwe...Jean Brown at a Diocesan AWF meeting in Virginia 1995

The Church Warden's Corner.

It would be any church warden's dream to report that the clergy, management, staff and parish members are firing on all cylinders and that the future ahead looks bright.....but alas, this is not the case.

As a bit of background, after receiving promises from many parishioners on their dedication cards, a budget was drawn up whereby expenses could be managed by the Council this year. It was hoped that surplus funds would be available monthly to extend God's work outside the boundaries of the Cathedral.

After weekly appeals to parish members to keep their commitments up to date, it was really sad to receive the latest statistics from our Treasurer stating that our financial balance until April was in the red to the amount of R40 000!! But why would this be? The Council and Management are really trying to cut on costs. The problem is the following; the commitments that parish members have promised are in arrears to the figure of R39 290 as at the end of March 2014. We are expected to keep the doors of the church open, maintain the gardens and buildings, have priests available for baptisms, confirmation, marriages and funerals, not to mention to have sufficient funds for our priests to firstly visit the ill, elderly, bereaved and then, on a rotating basis, the parish members.

Something is wrong with our commitment to God. Our church has become a "nice" church to come to. We **don't** have to arrive on time for services, duties or meetings, we **don't** prepare ourselves for the readings from the bible, we **don't** volunteer to do any work for the Church, etc., etc., but oh boy, when we need the church, it must jump to our beckoned command.

But all is not gloom. We have a <u>small</u> dedicated group of "cathedralites" that are really trying to make a difference in this broken world. They are meeting, making themselves available, caring for one another and for others. Just experience the difference our new choir is making. Good for them. They need a few more nightingales!

Has it not become time for all of us to put up our hands and really shame the Devil?

I further appeal to all parishioners to support our clergy. Our newly appointed Dean is having a tough time and would enjoy all the support he can get. I know that he is perhaps taking on too much himself and not delegating duties to his fellow clergy.

We were sad to loose **Fr David and Ann-Louise** recently, but we are so grateful to have **Fr. Albert** to offer his much needed support and knowledge. **Fr. Sam** still has a lot to learn before he can possibly be given a parish to manage. We are also so grateful to our faithful visiting clergy who always leave us with a message of encouragement for the week ahead.

I am directing an open invitation to all parish members to approach myself or one of the other Church Wardens, to discuss any matter that might be upsetting you or your family, so that we can try and resolve the problem before it escalates into something that our church cannot afford. How about some uplifting proposals?

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CHURCH WARDEN



When Church Wardens dream.....

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Dry bones and New life.

The sermon will be delivered in four parts, each part being a meditation on each of the four prescribed readings for the Fifth Sunday in Lent, Year A.

Ezekiel 37: 1-14 - New life through the Spirit of God



The valley of the dry bones is a familiar one can only imagine the devastation that led to it. At a time of extreme brutality with the Assyrians and then the Babylonians oppressing God's people, leading to battles and the resultant disaster. The people of God had strayed from their mandate of being the light to the world, no longer prepared to reveal God to others. These things had happened in the past and there

seemed to be no hope. Yet when God is allowed to intervene even the most disastrous situation can be redeemed, and new life can occur. This speaks to us in our present situation where we see so much corruption, not only in our country, but also within the community of God's people, and even more within us as individuals. All is not lost, despite the fact that corruption and deadness may seem to have taken over.

Psalm 116:1-9

Our Psalm reminds us that there is the challenge when we reach rock bottom. It is out of the depths that we call. *This means that we have no other resources and are relying totally on God to revive us.* But it also means that we are serious. There is nothing superficial or expedient in our situation. We know that we can appeal only to God's mercy, with no merit of our own. We are given the assurance that God can rescue our country, our church, and ourselves. We do however have to be honest with God.

Romans 8: 6 - 11 - The life giving Spirit.

Our New Testament lesson shows us God's way of doing things. We need the vitality, the Spirit, the life force of the Christ. To be followers of the Christ, means to accept that we are anointed and not merely appointed to embody God's work. To be Christians, little Christs,

"Messianicists", anointees – we recall that Christ is the Greek, Messiah is the Hebrew for anointment – means to take our cue from the life and work of our Lord. This is what gives us hope in hopeless situations. **God wants to**

use us, our bodies, our minds, our spirits for the challenge.



John 11: 17–45 - Christ the resurrection and the life.

Hope is revealed again in that the sickness, the corruption, the evil is not terminal even though it may seem to be devastating. In God's time, Jesus comes to those who wait and are ready. This will involve danger, as the disciples tried to persuade Jesus not to go to face the authorities in Jerusalem, but that would mean to avoid the new life. Death is unpleasant but it must be faced. It is politically correct to talk about transformation, but what the church and the world need is reformation, taking on the form again of what God created us for. There is something exciting in this challenge if we are prepared to face the challenge. The dry bones will come together in new life, the depth can rescue us for superficiality, an understanding of our roles in Christ, and the intervention of our Lord can be the basis of something wonderful.

There is a hymn which I recall from my youth, which does not appear in our Anglican hymn books, but which speaks volumes to us.

We can change the metaphor from dry bones becoming flesh and blood, to the sound of praise as "chords that were broken will vibrate once more".

I quote the first three verses:



Rescue the perishing,
Care for the dying,
Snatch them in pity from sin and the grave;
Weep o'er the erring one,
Lift up the fallen,
Tell them of Jesus the mighty to save.

Chorus: Rescue the perishing, Care for the dying; Jesus is merciful, Jesus will save.

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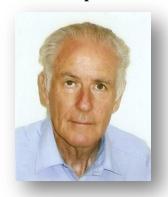
Down in the human heart,
Crushed by the tempter,
Feelings lie buried that grace can restore;
Touched by a loving heart,
Wakened by kindness,
Chords that are broken will vibrate once more.

D.

Though they are slighting Him,
Still He is waiting,
Waiting the penitent child to receive;
Plead with them earnestly,
Plead with them gently;
He will forgive if they only believe.



(Reconstruction of sermon preached in the Cathedral on Sunday 6 April 2014.)



Fr Gordon Bauer

LENT REFLECTS THE CORE OF OUR FAITH

Dear Cathedral Visitor

Every Sunday we resume our prayer with the Nicene Creed. We declare our faith saying: "We believe in one God, the father, the almighty" proceed to declare. "For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again." It is within this declaration that reflects the Lenten journey to penitence where our sins are forgiven through the pain endured in his crucifixion, his body and blood as a sign of his love for us. He further blessed us with a gift of the Holy Spirit, which he left to guide and protect us until his return. It is through this Lent period that we are once again reminded of his power over evil, of forgiveness, of repentance and His resurrection. His love is a testimony for us as Christians to embrace for our own salvation.

A QUESTION TO PONDER

On the fifth week of Lent, the Lent course topic focused on a part of the Lord's Prayer "lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil". The big question is does God really tempt us? The Greek meaning of temptation is commonly translated to testing. Once again the question is does God really test us. Even though I could not answer the question, the only similar answer to the question is from James 1: 2-4. Testing allows you the opportunity to endure and your faith to grow. Jesus was also tested several times, but he had the wisdom not to fall for the evil ones plan. The epistle of James affirms that if you need wisdom, the blessed one will not rebuke you if you ask. Therefore, regardless of who is testing, we are assured of wisdom as we continuously pray "deliver us from evil." As he shared his testimony with us on his encounters with temptation, we have to reflect on our lives that the proof that this same wisdom is within reach for us if we request it, and that wisdom will guide us through the time of testing.

A LESSON LEARNED

On Easter Friday I attended a service in the Highveld Diocesan parish of Daveyton. As a yearly norm at an Easter Friday service the lessons centre around the Seven Words on the Cross. This year I was specifically moved when one of the priests who was presenting the sixth Word on the Cross, described how the two criminals had different encounters on the cross. One of the thieves mocked Jesus, even in his last minute of his life. The other thief declared his sins and he said "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42) and Jesus replied "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise". Within minutes of this confession Jesus said today, not tomorrow. How amazing it is even if we feel our daily prayers are not answered, he does so immediately. I immediately thought how a human would have responded to such a request: "maybe, on condition, what if, what is in it for me, depending on or let me think and I will get back to you". A moving lesson I learned that, a pure confession from a sinner like me is equally responded to, like the one thief's request. Yes, an immediate response of forgiveness and it is an amazing blessing to be able to share his presence in paradise.

Warm regards, to the Dean and his staff for affording me an honour of been chosen for the washing of the feet and to be part of parishioner's re-enactment of the Lord's lesson of service to others when he washed his disciples feet. I was really moved and blessed.

Yours,



Amos Moloi

ANGLICAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Why isn't Easter a fixed date?

This year Easter occurred much later than usual, which led many to ask why it is a "moveable feast". Easter is a moveable feast, meaning it is not fixed in relation to the civil calendar. The first so-called Ecumenical Council of Nicaea (324/5 AD) was called by Emperor Constantine the Great to resolve a dispute about the nature of Jesus. A number of bishops attending the council, like the Coptics from Egypt, used the lunar calendar, as with the Jews, to keep Easter at the same time as Passover. The Jewish Passover is held on the 14th day of Nisan, which is the first month in their calendar. The Western, Roman churches used the Julian calendar, which made it difficult to keep track of the date of Easter. Constantine decided to bring the date of Easter in line with the Western calendar to accommodate the largely Gentile base of Christians. It was thus decided to establish the date of Easter as the first Sunday after the full moon (the Paschal Full Moon) following the Spring equinox (northern hemisphere). Ecclesiastically, the equinox is reckoned to be on the 21st March (although the astronomical equinox occurs on 20 March in most years), and the "Full Moon" is not necessarily on the astronomically correct date. The date of Easter therefore varies from 22 March to 25 April inclusive. Eastern Orthodox Churches base their calculations on the Julian calendar, which corresponds during the 21st century to 3 April in the Gregorian calendar, and in which therefore the celebration of Easter varies between 4 April and 8 May inclusive.

In early Christianity every Sunday (the first day of the week) was a mini-Easter and still is: Sundays replace all Great Festivals in the Church Year. Jews also observed Tuesdays and Thursdays as fast-days, and Christians started to keep Wednesdays and Fridays for this purpose.

Regardless of the science of reckoning the real Easter date, we are still faced with the fact that Easter is the celebration of God's convincing triumph over sin and its brother, death.

We live each day in the light of that first Easter morn when Christ rose to newness of life,

the firstborn of all who have died.





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Grab rails & monkey chains.

· Commodes.

HEARD AT COUNCIL....

Fr Lazarus said that not many people were attending the Lent Course.

There was some discussion about having a youth service, possibly on the 5th Sunday.

Rolf would draw up a maintenance plan coupled to funds available for the hall.

Baby said that food is getting expensive and her people that she feeds are getting less and less.



Heaven Surprise

When you get to Heaven
you will likely know many folk
whose presence there will be
a shock to you!
But keep it very quiet and do not stare,
doubtless there'll be many
surprised to see you there.

Submitted by: Les van Heusden







Joan Marston took this picture of Blackburn Cathedral



Matthew Moss, grandson of Carol Keep, with all his medals. (1 Gold, 1 Silver, 1 Bronze)

He participated at a paraplegic swimming competition in Oudtshoorn, for the U14 group, but at the young age of 9!



Joan Marston's grandson 'Joshua'







If you are wondering why 'St George Street' is taking so long to get finished, this is one of the reasons. They have taken out many rocks but this one was the biggest, it took them 4 days to take it out of the ground and break it up.

The Whisper of Thunder

It is my experience, that if you wake early enough; Before traffic begins its dull grumble, Or from behind the ramparts of night, the sun steps up the last rung on its ladder, And you sit at a wide open window, Or better yet, should you have one, stand in a garden, And wait. If you're attentive, You will soon hear God's breathing, quite clearly. Patience is rewarded, as is your attention, Because over the birdsong and chirping You'll as soon hear what it is God is thinking. Should you then close your inquisitive eyes, And open your ears and humble your heart, You'll hear what He's saying;



as clearly.

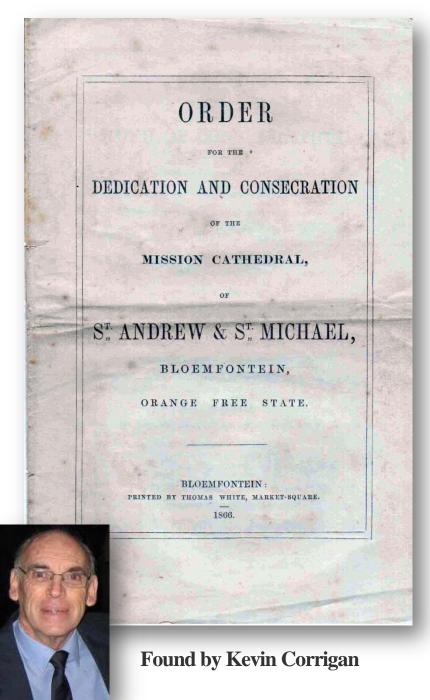
Not even the psalmists ever portrayed it.

In the rich stillness that usually follows, perhaps such words cannot be spoken,

Only the listener will know of its wonder,

And yearn in awed silence,
for the sound of God's presence.

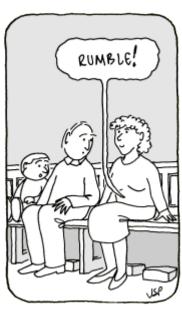
Written by: Fr Andre Hattingh in October 2009



Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries.







Embarrassing!



PARISH LUNCH NOT READY YET, THEN?





Dear Friends,

READER BEWARE: you may be SHOCKED!!! or SHAKEN by the following:

Firstly, do you call this Cathedral **MY** Cathedral? – My Church? Or is it simply where it stands for the use of those interested enough to pay it a visit?

Think of this: are you at home here? Are you part of the family? Is your worship an important part of your life?

If your answer is YES, please read on =

Many of the requests for assistance in congregational affairs seem to fall on deaf ears. Someone (the Dean) asks for support with various events – sometimes for practical help (eg making Palm crosses, cake baking, assisting in bazaars, etc) or in attending Lent Courses; and very little response comes. Even fun evenings, (Bingo) are not so well supported as they might be!

Wake up, people – The fellowship at these events does much to make us feel <u>at home</u> in the congregation. If this is YOUR church give us your support – not for me, not for our fund raisers only but <u>enjoy</u> fellowship here and now.

Yours in hiding,

(Please note –name and address supplied!)

Some Statistics

Number of **families** of Congregation +- 300
Church attendance (Sundays) +- 270
Number attending Lent Course 15
Number attending Palm Cross Making 7
Number replying to Challenge by Derek Ochse 6
Number bring in Old Newspapers +- 20
Number of tickets sold for Bingo Evening +- 120

?? WHERE DO YOU FIT IN ??

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Happy Birthday	4. Gosiame Mokgothu	11. Keneiloe Mokhobo; Sherwin Buys	18. Ethan Grimsley ; Amy Mahaffey ; Lebogang Skee	25.
	5. Kamohelo Masithela; Kgosi Taye; Siliena Lawrence; Thobeka Nbondo; Mihlali Ndenze; Tinashe Magwentshu; Palesa Ranoha	For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go Joshua 1:9	Joy Stevens	Pam de Vries ; Uzukhanye Booi
	6. Stephen Grimsley	13. Kobasia Kunene; Refilwe Serache; Nathan Molosioa; Thobeka Ndondo	20. Shandry-Lee Adoph; Janine Ludick; Mary-Ann Damons	Tsepiso Hoohlo
	7. Dot Thompson ; Orefile-Neo Mogodi ; Nomaza Mdwaba ; Edwina Buys	Gertie vd Sijde; Millicent Liebenberg; Kenneth Kotze	21. Mathapelo Ntsane; Lerato Tsolo; Gitsha Mathebula; Kerryn Lombard; Fannie Mathebula; Dimpho Nthuping; Thandi Kokoali	Joan Marston; Michael Hanekom
1. Alina Seekoei	8. Ianthe van Rooyen Lebogang Seekoei	George van der Ross; Teboho Malekele; Montebatsi Masithela; Sipho Sondiyazi	22. Zuna Erasmus; Lucy Tshabalala; Spa Kabane; Manneheng Raphuthing; Abulele Ndondo; Stephen Robinson; V Buys	29. Kago Molale
2. Refilwe Ngwenya	9. Morena Sebatana ; Thato Fish ; Leane Shilling	16. Michelle Brown	23. Eunice Muller ; Darlington Ishiwu	30.
3. Michelle Erasmus	10.	17. Edna Todd; Lefu Moloinyane	24. Teboho Phutsisi; Gopolang Molokoane; Brendon Lawrence; Gert Hanekom	31. Zikhona Hleko

MAY CALENDAR

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
	4. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER 07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist	11. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER 07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist	18. FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER 07h30 – Holy Eucharist PARISH BREAKFAST 09h00 – Sung Eucharist	25. FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER 07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 - Sung Eucharist Bopanang Group
	5. 17h30 – Holy Eucharist	12. Simon of Cyrene 17h30 - Holy Eucharist	19. Dunstan 17h30 – Holy Eucharist 17h30 – Council Meeting	26. Augustine 17h30- Holy Eucharist
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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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

Dance as if no one were watching, Sing as if no one were listening, And live every day as if it were your last.

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
1. SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist	8. PENTECOST 07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist & Confirmation	15. TRINITY SUNDAY 07h30 – Holy Eucharist PARISH BREAKFAST 09h00 - Sung Eucharist	22. 2 nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist	29. 3 RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 07h30 – Holy Eucharist 09h00 – Sung Eucharist Bopanang group Youth Rally
The Martyrs of Lyons 17h30 - Holy Eucharist	9. Columba of Iona 17h30 - Holy Eucharist	16. PUBLIC HOLIDAY 17h30–NO SERVICE	23. 17h30 – Holy Eucharist 17h30 – Council meeting	30. ST PETER & ST PAUL 17h30 – Holy Eucharist
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5. Boniface 09h30 – Holy Eucharist 18h00 – AWF Meeting	12. 09h30 – Holy Eucharist	19. CORPUS CHRISTI 09h30 – Holy Eucharist	26. 09h30 - Holy Eucharist	the word of truth, and had believed in him.
6. 08h00 – Holy Eucharist	13. Antony of Lisbon – Ember Day 08h00 – Holy Eucharist	20. 08h00 – Holy Eucharist	27. 08h00 – Holy Eucharist	you were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit. Ephesians 1.13
7. 08h00 – Holy Eucharist	14. Basil & his Companions 08h00 - Holy Eucharist	21. 08h00 – Holy Eucharist	28. Irenaeus 08h00 – Holy Eucharist	

LIFE AT THE COLLEGE OF THE TRANSFIGURATION



Lindiwe Mdhluli...Professor Barney Pityana and Abram Morata

The College of the Transfiguration is a Theological Seminary for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, based in Grahamstown. This year 2014 I Lindiwe Mdhluli became the first woman ordinand to be sent from the Diocese of the Free State. I come here to join Abram Morata who is doing his final year of Theological formation. This article is a glimpse of life at the College. Time at the college is for Spiritual, Human, and Intellectual formation, this is the seed-bed of our vocation. One of the points that are always stressed to us here at the college is that we should prepare ourselves for service as priests by examining our priorities, our time-management skills, and how we relate to men and women. We should groom and develop our physical, psychological, and emotional health. We need to be intentional in our friendships and leisure pursuits, and our ability to exercise and accept authority. They should reflect the virtues of Christian principles. Particular attention is focused on developing the attitudes and behaviours compatible with the teachings of the Church, and the Sacramental life of a priest.

Everyday during the week we start the day with meditation for 30 minutes from half past six in the morning. This will be followed by Morning Prayer or a combined Morning and Eucharist. The day follows with attending lectures with meals breakfast, lunch and supper. Each evening we have Evensong, and for each worship service students take part as officiants and the lecturers who are priests will celebrate the Eucharist. It is sort of hammered into our heads to get the terms right, which is one of the joys and sometimes a frightening experience. This is because everybody is watching and everybody is free to criticise. This is an environment for learning so we correct and applaud one another in truth and love.

We are each put into a formation group which is led by one of the lecturers, and for each week there will be a formation group in charge of dishing and cleaning up and another for taking part as officiants in the chapel. During breakfast and lunch people are expected to sit in their formation groups. Formation groups are made up of 7-10 people and the time together is seen as a space for smaller communities to be formed, within the bigger community. The formation group is there to foster fellowship, a sense of belonging in the ethos of work, study and prayer. For Abram and I, we have made it a routine to sit and eat together with our brothers and sisters from Lesotho and Matlosane Dioceses as well as a brother from North West who is a member of the Ethopian Episcopal church during supper. This is a time for us to touch base and give each other support. The academic life and the spiritual disciplines often take so much of our time during the day, but we have seen this as an important aspect of our time at the college. We realise that time at the college is not just about academic it is also about observing ministry in action.

I must admit I did not have difficulty adjusting to the life at college, I feel this is what I have been yearning for all my life, to come together for corporate worship, living in community following a routine. It is true there is no better place than home, I sometimes miss home, but I never feel alone or lonely thanks to technology I can always make a phone call. Also Abram having been here before me, has also made me feel at home. I appreciate the privilege that the Diocese has given me to be an ordinand at the College of Transfiguration. May I live out the life that will honour this privilege with my commitment and do everything by high standards.



A number of buttons have been found among the coins in recent collections.

Rend your hearts and not your garments.

Those Embarrassing Moments

Has something so embarrassing ever happened to you that you thought to yourself "Wow, I can never show my face again"?

Don't worry! We've all experienced this.



Carol Keep told us one of Mike's hilarious faux pas.

He was shopping for a Berg trip in the Hypermarket & thought he saw me from the rear – so he sidled up and pinched my bottom

... except it wasn't me!

The woman was outraged and he beat a hasty retreat in his clergy collar! **'Embarrassing'.**

Sandy Botha tells as of one of her embarrassing moments.

My most embarrassing moment was in 1974 when I was about 8 months pregnant with our elder daughter René.

I had parked my car in St George's Street to go to church and was walking along the pavement nearing the main gate there, when I noticed a group of army guys standing there waiting for the service to begin.

Of course I had to choose to trip right in front of them and landed flat on my face!

I jumped up and said that I was fine, thanks, and ran into church to discover that I had hurt my hands and knee. It took a while before I went back to church without a red face!!!

People can fly too: - as told by Cheryl Schroeter......

"When I was riding my bike one day on a gravel road in front of our home and of course parading and putting on a show in front of all the other children in the street as I always loved to. My dad had just pumped up my tyres and he was also watching. The next minute

there was a big bang and poor me not only flew over the handlebars, I flew in the air to land on the gravel road, totally embarrassed and sore and of course the boys having a good chuckle of which to-day I'm married to one of them. The tyre was blown up much too much

The real question that a lot of us ask is "How can we avoid doing embarrassing things?"

Unfortunately, I don't know if there's an answer for that, but the advice I can give is to be confident no matter how awkward of a fall or spillage you have had.

Doreen Jones recalls: She and her husband, **Wyndham**, went to see a scary play called "Night must Fall" a stage play by Emylyn Williams in Vereeniging's Town Hall in the 1950's. Doreen was so enthralled with the play, and they had just got to the part where the killer Danny, was about to stab someone, when her husband put his hand on her neck.

She let out such a shriek that they stopped the play!

Everyone laughed, and of course she wished the ground would swallow her up! She nearly strangled Wyndham!





Baby Lange recalls: Many years ago, when Cecil Rodgerson was a priest here, he got married at the Cathedral. He had asked Baby to decorate the table where the wedding cake would stand, which she duly did. She noticed the table was a bit wobbly. Someone else had made the wedding cake, and had placed it on the table. The next thing was that **Dot**Thompson came running to her saying that the cake is on the floor! Dot and her had to pick up the cake, putting it

together again. They decided that they should turn the nice side to the people so that no-one would notice the damage!

Baby turned redder that her hair!

Another time at **Sr Constance's funeral**,
Baby was asked to read a passage of Scripture.
The then Dean, **Fr Michael Bands**and **Bishop Paddy Glover** were in the congregation.
While reading,

Baby read "immorality" instead of "immortality", and all she could see

were the priests killing themselves with laughter!

She was so embarrassed!



The Bands family
October 2010

Something about the other half - **Paul Lange:** When Paul and Baby Lange were **layministers,** someone never arrived to read (as they do today!), so Paul had to read but he had forgotten his reading glasses at home!

He then borrowed **Moruti Hilary's** glasses to read the lesson!

He felt so insecure with a ladies pair of specs on!



Back in 1972, Basil came up to Bloemfontein and was staying in the Railway hostel. After coming off from his shift, he saw a movie was showing in the hall. So he sneaked in but since it was dark he just decided to stay quiet and stand against the entrance wall. The next minute all the lights went on and an irritation of eyes just glared at him. Jip.....you guessed it, he was leaning against the switch and turned all the lights on. Tough luck for trying to be discreet.

Please send me your embarrassing moments for the next Visitor.

Sigi Hoehne,beloved husband of **Delysia,**Passed away on 21st February, 2014.



Siegfried Gunther Hoehne known to most of his many friends and acquaintances as simply SIGI was one of Bloemfontein's real characters.

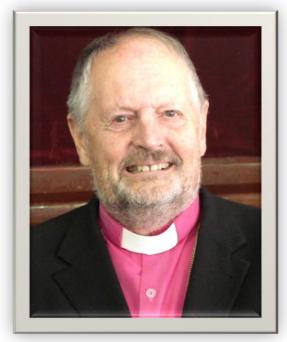
He was a dyed in the wool Bloemfonteiner, having been born in his parent's home then known as 13 Hospital Road on 13th December 1925. (Hospital Road had a name change to Andries Pretorius Street and has been now updated to Raymond Mhlaba Street!) His parents were immigrants both born in Leipzig Germany. His father died in 1935. He started school at Brebner Primary but shortly after his mother and sister (who was about 12 years older than he was) took him to visit his relations in Leipzig where his mother had a dear sister, Elsa. This was great for a young boy of about 10 years old!

When he returned to Bloemfontein he went to **Grey College** where he remained till he left school in 194? to take over the business **E.Hoehne & Co.** after his uncle who had been the manager retired. This business he carried on till after his mothers death in 1963.

In 1951 he met his future wife Delysia at *Old Ritz Tearoom* where she came with friends after a film show. Something "clicked" and they were soon seeking one another. She had been transferred to Bloemfontein through Barclays Bank, where she had worked in Durban. They were married in Durban in May 1954. After a few years she joined the business as an office clerk and stayed till 1963. After this time, the firm closed and was reopened after a few months as **S. Hoehne** (Pty) Ltd (this was for legal reasons.)

Sigi and Delysia had 2 children Scilla and Martin. They moved into their home in Dan Pienaar in 1954 and only left after nearly 60 years when they moved to Siesta Home in 2013.

Sigi had many hobbies: photography Wild Life (Botanical Society), Bird Watching, Caravanning and very importantly Model Engineers. He thoroughly enjoyed working as the ticket seller every Sunday. Only very rainy weather or the Christmas break would keep him at home on Sunday afternoons. Sigi was a born salesman and would go to endless trouble to obtain anything so called "unavailable" to be found and ordered for clients. He also enjoyed "people": most of his loyal customers were his friends and important to him. For instance when Lesotho was Basutoland and was populated by British Civil Servants and businessmen, if it was holiday in that country, we spent our day phoning around town for items on their shopping lists! Sigi enjoyed this searching for his customers. After the business S Hoene (Pty) Ltd was closed in 1984, Sigi enjoyed tendering for items on the Government Lists. When he could no longer do this many of S.A.R. Departments were often stumped by lack of some goods. Sadly, Sigi passed away and will be sorely missed by many including his wife Delysia, both children and one granddaughter.



Bishop Tom

Thomas Shaun Stanage was born in Ireland in 1932 and was educated at Pembroke College, Oxford. He was ordained deacon in 1958, and priest in 1959. In 1970 he came from England to work in South Africa. He spent time as Dean of Kimberley in 1975, then Suffragan Bishop of Johannesburg from 1976 and in 1982 he became Bishop of Bloemfontein. On his retirement in 1997, when Bishop Paddy Glover took over the reigns of the Diocese, **Bishop** Tom was asked to lecture in theology at the University of the Free State. After thoroughly being "retreaded" after his "retyre-ment" he was asked to help with the 17h30 Monday evening services at the Cathedral. Ever since then, he has been conducting these services, and is now well-loved by many who make the effort to attend these services. He also celebrated the "All Soul's Day" service in the garden of Remembrance every year. What you might not know about Bishop Tom, as we fondly call him, he received the degree of Doctor of Divinity honoris causa from Nashotah House in 1986. On Monday 5thMay 2014, he conducted his last service here at the Cathedral, owing to ill-health. The Cathedral clergy and congregation would like to thank him for all he has done here at the Cathedral and we hope that he will be restored to good health. He really has cared for the flock who often cannot attend services on a Sunday and we are greatly indebted to him for this sacrifice of time.

Written by: Sandy Botha



KONINKLIKE besoek herdenk: Op die herdenkingsgeselligheid van die koninklike familie se besoek 64 jaar gelede aan Bloemfontein was van links mev. Angelina Mboyi (75), wat toe 'n kind van Batho was waar die familie aangedoen het, biskop Tom Stanage van die Anglikaanse Kerk, mej. Joan Abra-hams, ook bekend as tant Mossie, en mnr. Jan Smuts, spreker en agter-kleinkind van die destydse eerste minister mnr. Jan Smuts, wat die koninklikes genooi het om Suid-Afrika te besoek. Foto: Marietjie Gericke

NOW I SEE - John 9:1-41



John Howard Griffin disguised himself as a black man and toured the South in the early 1960's. He wanted to experience firsthand what it was like to be black in those years of racial turmoil.

Griffin described his experience in a book called "Black like me". The book was later made into a movie. But there's another side of the John Howard Griffin story that very few people know about. During World War II John was blinded in an airplane explosion. For the next 12 years he couldn't see a thing.

Then one day he was walking down a street near his parent's home in Texas when he suddenly began to see red sand in front of his eye. Without warning, his sight returned again. An eye specialist explained to him later that a blockage of blood to the optic nerve, caused by the explosion, had opened, **causing his sight to return again.** Commenting on the experience, Griffin told a newspaper reporter: "You don't know what it is for a father to see his children for the first time. They were both much more beautiful than I ever suspected."

That dramatic episode in Griffin's life gives us a deeper appreciation of today's gospel story. It gives us a better idea of how the man born blind felt when he was miraculously cured by Jesus. But there's a second even more spectacular miracle that takes place in the story of the blind man. It is the miracle of faith, or spiritual sight, that Jesus confers on the man. It is this second miracle, the gift of faith, that enables the man to fall on his knees and address Jesus as "Lord". Significantly, it is this second miracle, the gift of faith, that John stresses in today's gospel. Let's take a closer look at it.

The first thing we notice about this miracle is that it takes place gradually. It does not happen all at once. For example, the man's first reaction to Jesus is to regard him as just another man. Thus when some people ask the blind man about his cure, he replies: "The man called Jesus made some mud, rubbed it on my eyes, and told me to go to Siloam and wash my face. So I went, and as soon as I washed, I could see."

The blind man's first perception of Jesus, then, is that he is a mere man, a remarkable man, but just a mere man. The blind man's second perception of Jesus comes when he is quizzed by the Pharisees. They ask him: "You say Jesus cured you of your blindness – well, what do you say about him?" The man replies: "He is a prophet." The blind man's answer clearly shows that his perception of Jesus has undergone a giant leap forward. The more he thinks about what happened, the more convinced he is that Jesus can't be just another man. He is a prophet.

This brings us to the blind man's final perception of Jesus. Later in the day the blind man meets Jesus face to face. Recall that Jesus was no longer around when the man returned from washing in the pool of Siloam. Now, Jesus looks straight into the man's eyes and says: "Do you believe in the Son of man?" The man answers: "Tell me who he is so that I can believe in him". Jesus responds: "You have already seen him, and he is the one who is talking with you now." "I believe Lord", the man replies, and he falls on his knees before Jesus. And so

the man's perception of Jesus takes a final leap forward. He perceives Jesus to be more than a man or a prophet. He is the Lord, before whom all beings in heaven, on earth, and in the world below will fall on their knees.

The Man's gift of faith or spiritual sight is even more miraculous than his gift of physical sight. But before we wax too eloquent about the blind man's gift of faith, let's recall that we too received this same gift of faith from Jesus at baptism. Before we were washed in the waters of baptism, we were spiritually blind, just like the man in today's gospel. But after we washed in the waters of baptism, Jesus became much more to us. He became someone deeply personal to us. This brings up a second similarity between us and the blind man in today's gospel. Besides receiving the gift of faith, as he did, we grew gradually in our perception of Jesus, as he died. For example, the picture we had of Jesus when we were small was that of an extraordinary man. As we matured, our perception of Jesus also matured. Eventually our perception of Jesus reached its richest form, we perceived him to be what he really is: **God's own Son.**

The exciting thing about Jesus is that the more we learn about him, the greater he becomes. In other relationships, it is often a sad fact that the more we learn about another person, the more we become aware of that person's shortcomings. This is not the case with Jesus. The more we grow in our knowledge of him, the more spectacular and glorious he becomes. Jesus comes to us as one unknown, as he did long ago to the apostles. He speaks to us the same words he spoke to them: "Follow me". And to those who accept his invitation, whether they be wise or simple, young or old, he will reveal himself to them in their toils and sufferings. And they shall learn through their own experience who he is. Amen.

Sermon preached by: Fr. Katazile Sam Zenzile



All members united in Prayer- this is a true story Uphold your prayers they are more powerful than we realise.

We were praying for a family who were despondent due to the father being unable to work with health problems. Someone asked me to give them his address as they had known him in the past. This I did and they made contact with him. After he visited the couple they advised him to apply for a U.K. Old Age Pension. This he did and within a few weeks he was granted this Old Age Pension plus a large sum of back pay!

Can you imagine what a great difference this makes to these folk?

DO NOT LIMIT GOD'S HELP – HE KNOWS OUR NEEDS before we ask. **ALLEHULA** –

Written by: Delysia Hoehne



Have you paid your tax this year? No, not *that* kind of tax . . . I am talking about Tekkie Tax!

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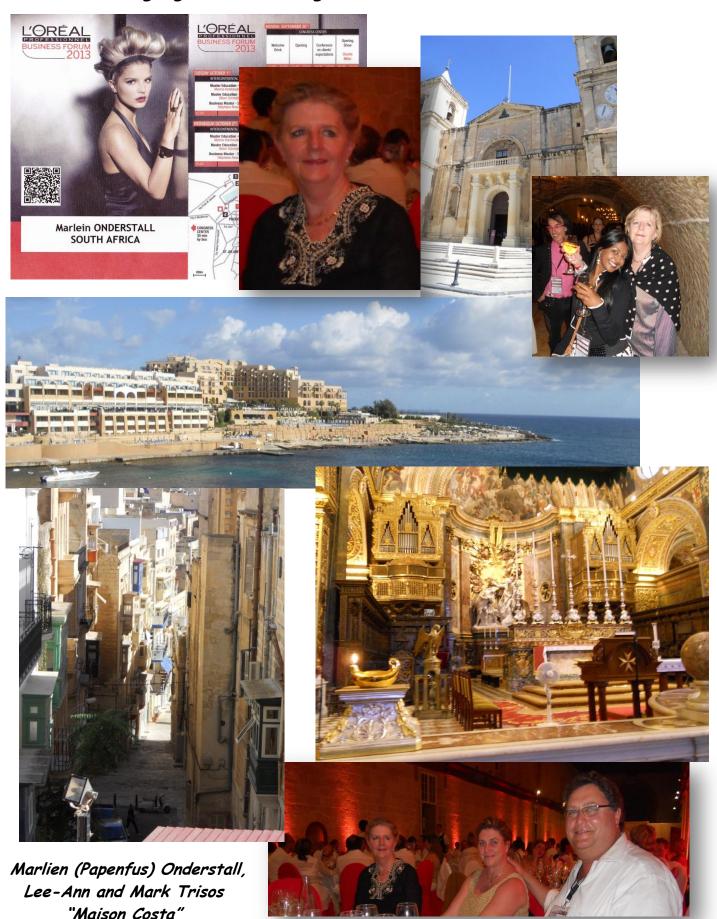


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Marlien Onderstall went to an L'Oreal Business Forum in Malta in 2013 She had a fantastic time seeing all the latest hairdressing styles and shows and also visiting all the sites.

One of the highlights was visiting "St John's Cathedral" in Valletta-Malta.



A Holy man was having a conversation with the Lord one day and said 'Lord, I would like to know what Heaven and Hell are like.'

The Lord led the holy man to two doors.

He opened one of the doors and the holy man looked in.
In the middle of the room was a large round table..
In the middle of the table was a large pot of stew,
which smelled delicious and made the holy man's mouth water.
The people sitting around the table were thin and sickly.

They appeared to be famished.

They were holding spoons with very long handles that were strapped to their arms and each found it possible to reach into the pot of stew and take a spoonful.

But because the handle was longer than their arms, they could not get the spoons back into their mouths.

The holy man shuddered at the sight of their misery and suffering.

The Lord said, 'You have seen Hell.

They went to the next room and opened the door.

It was exactly the same as the first one.

There was the large round table with the large pot of stew which made the holy man's mouth water.

The people were equipped with the same long-handled spoons, but here the people were well nourished and plump, laughing and talking.

The holy man said, 'I don't understand.
'It is simple,' said the Lord. 'It requires but one skill.
You see, they have learned to feed each other.
The greedy think only of themselves.'

When Jesus died on the cross, he was thinking of you.

Submitted by: Marleen webber



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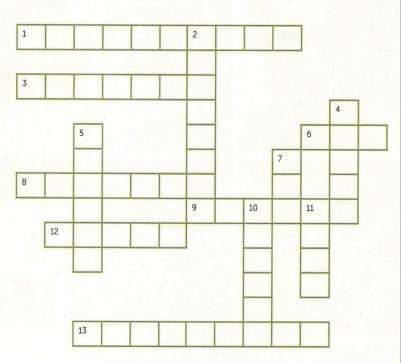
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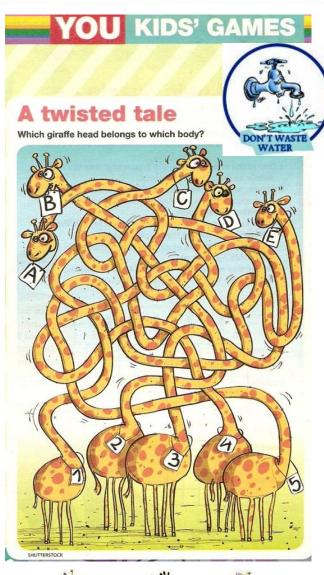
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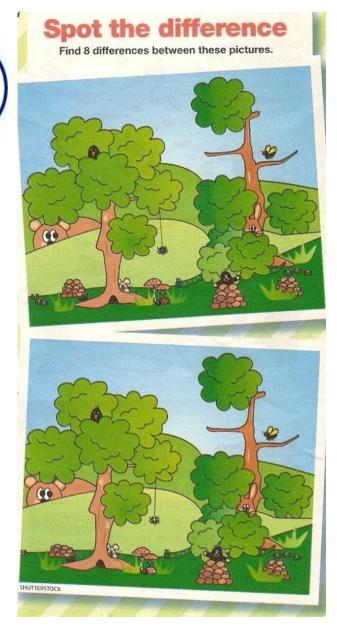
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A Sermon's Lasting Impact

Several years ago a reader of the British Weekly wrote a letter to the editor as follows:

"Dear Sir,

I notice that Fathers (Ministers) seem to set a great deal of importance on their sermons and spend a great deal of time in preparing them. I have been attending services quite regularly for the past 30 years and during that time, if I estimate correctly, I have listened to no less than 3,000 sermons.

But, to my consternation, I discover I cannot remember a single one of them. I wonder if a minister's time might be more profitably spent on something else?

Sincerely....."

The letter kicked up quite an editorial storm of angry responses for weeks.

The pros and cons of sermons were tossed back and forth.

Finally, a letter arrived which ended the debate.

"My Dear Sir:

I have been married for 30 years. During that time I have eaten 32,850 meals - mostly my wife's cooking.

Suddenly I have discovered that I cannot remember the menu of a single meal.

And yet, I received nourishment from every one of them.

I have the distinct impression without them, I would have starved to death long ago.

Sincerely...."

Submitted By: Fr David Tanton

Sunday School



Sunday School classes are available in the Cathedral's Hall every Sunday at 09h00 during term time.

Jesus taught us that the kingdom belongs to children. We are to receive Him with the faith of a child (Luke 18: 16-17).

SERVICES PROVIDED AT THE CATHEDRAL

Sunday Services:

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

The Cathedral over and above the Sunday services offers the following services:

Monday	17:30
Tuesday	8:00
Wednesday	8:00
Thursday	9:30
Friday	8:00
Saturday	8:00



I humbly request that whenever you are available, do attend these services. After the service on a Thursday everyone meets for tea and biscuits in the foyer, a lovely time of fellowship.

As Anglicans we also pray at 12:00 midday and you are encouraged to do likewise. At 12h00 every day the bell at the tower gets rung and the Angelus is said:

Hail Mary, Full of Grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

HOLY BAPTISM BY ARRANGEMENT

Contact: Parish Secretary: Sandy Botha 2 051-448-3010

CONFESSION, COUNSELLING & INTERVIEWS BY ARRANGEMENT



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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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