

## TUESDAY 30-Mary and Martha of Bethany

We pray for all Christians in the Middle East and our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land, who are still suffering from an absence of peace, the threats of terror and the pressures of occupation and regional instability. We pray for countries in Africa, where drought, unstable governments and insurrection are making life fraught with anxiety and fear. Bless those who work to bring them relief; inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts; and guide the nations of the world towards that day when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Pray for Nyahururu (Kenya) The Rt Revd Stephen Kabora; Birmingham (England) The Rt Revd David Andrew Urquhart; Birmingham (England) The Rt Revd Anne Elizabeth Hollinghurst (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

## WEDNESDAY 31

Creator God, we thank you for the beauty of the earth, for the diversity of land and sea, for the resources of the earth. Give us the will to cherish this planet and use its riches for the good and welfare of all. God our Creator, we thank you for the warmth of the sun, the light of the moon, the glory of the stars and the clean air we breathe. Save us from wasting or abusing the energy upon which all life depends. God of grace, we thank you for the gift of life you give us and pray for those who work to care for creation: those preserving forests and oceans, air and water, animals and plants. Help us to protect the environment so that all life may flourish. God of wisdom, guide us in the choices we make each day, in what we buy, how we travel, and what we reuse. Enable us to live in harmony with your creation. God of every time and place, we pray for the future of our earth. Help us to be good stewards of the gifts you have given us that future generations may rejoice in your many gifts to us. *Pray for Nzara (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Samuel Peni Enosa; Blackburn (England) The Rt Revd Julian Tudor Henderson; Blackburn (England) The Revd Dr Jill Duff; Blackburn (England) The Rt Revd Philip North; Bo (Sierra Leone) (West Africa) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Tucker (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**The Archdeaconry of Helderberg to submit their prayers by 6 July.**

### PRAYERS FOR PARISHES AND PEOPLE OF THE DIOCESE OF FALSE BAY

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# PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS FOR THE PEOPLE AND PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF FALSE BAY

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### PRAYER THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

Courage does not always roar.  
Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying,  
"I will try again tomorrow"

### ARCHDEACONRY OF MOUNTAIN BAY (Formerly Kalk Bay)

#### EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 1-6 July

- 1-5 SocDev Holiday club & visits (Week 3)
- 5-21 Bishop Margaret On Leave
- 3 Mountain Bay Archdeacon visit to Muizenberg
- 6 Servers Guild Committee M/Plain
- 6 St MM Guild Council Mfuleni
- 6 CMS Diocesan Quiet Day Macassar

#### MONDAY 1

Father, many members of this church will have had the opportunity to go away on holiday this summer and we pray that this has been a time of rest, reflection and recreation for all. We remember all those whose lives are much more difficult than ours, especially those who live in poverty and hunger and have no escape from the daily pressures of their lives. We pray that you may relieve their distress and make known to us ways in which we can help them. Lord in your mercy *Pray for North East India (North India) The Rt Revd Michael Herenz; Atlanta (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Robert Wright; Kabba (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Steven Akobe (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

#### TUESDAY 2

We pray for the elderly in our Diocese. Heavenly Father may we be ever mindful of those who have reached the autumn time of their lives. With so much experience, wisdom and knowledge, we pray that they would never disparage the contribution which they have made and continue to make to our families and communities. Old age so frequently means that we rely more upon others and there is a loss of independence and freedom. At this time may we ensure that our elderly are considered worthy of dignity and respect. So many people involved in caring for the elderly receive low wages and poor employment conditions. We pray that they would receive the recognition which they deserve and our gratitude for their commitment to others. *Pray for North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba (West Indies) The Rt Revd L. Errol Brooks Attooch (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Moses Anur Ayom (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**WEDNESDAY 3-ST THOMAS**

Christ Jesus, help us, like your apostle Thomas, to be honest enough to admit our doubts and not to affect a faith we do not possess, and enable us, like him to experience your living presence and power that our doubts may be dissolved and our trust in you grow daily. *Pray for North Karamoja (Uganda) The Rt Revd James Nasak; Auckland (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) The Rt Revd Ross Bay; Auckland (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) The Rt Revd James White; Ayaci (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Ogeno Charles Opoka (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**THURSDAY 4  
ST MARK'S, LAVENDER HILL.**

**We pray for our people** in the Parish of St Mark's, for all our struggling hardworking families that are affected by the high rate of unemployment. We give thanks to God for those employed. We pray for the young and vulnerable who continue to be drawn to our street corners where drug trade and gangsterism are rampant. We give thanks for the peace that has lasted for several months without much gun violence and gang murders. We remember our single parent and grand-parent run homes, our vulnerable children in such poor homes and especially the on-going tough sacrifices the women make in their area. We pray for an end to gender based violence fuelled by the dire and present socio-economic milieu. We pray for their on-going ministry and Anglican witness in the parish, especially remembering their Youth, their MU, CMS, Lay Ministers, the music ministry of the young people and their programmes of outreach and skills training in the community at large. We pray for Fr Mark+. We continue to pray for their Parish Wardens, Parish Councillors and leaders of organisations. We give thanks to God for the Anglican community in Vrygrond Capricorn Park – for "St Thomas" and all her people. Finally, the people of St Mark continue to give thanks to Christ Jesus for the support, witness and help the Parish receives from the Archdeaconry family of Kalk Bay. *Pray for North Kigezi (Uganda) The Rt Revd Benon Magezi; Aweil (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Abraham Yel Nhial; Aweil (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Peter Akuei Garang; Aweil (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Joseph Mamer Manot (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**FRIDAY 5**

God of all, make us aware that you want all nations to be your one family. Help us to be concerned about the welfare of every individual you have put on this earth. May all nations allow themselves to be guided by a common standard of justice and truth, while respecting the rich variety of many cultures. May those whom you have blessed with greater material and spiritual riches recognize your call to share with those who are now developing toward nationhood. Hasten the day when wars will cease and people will live in tolerance and peace because they have learned to respect your image in every person. Amen *Pray for North Mbale (Uganda) The Rt Revd Samuel Gidudu; Awerial (South Sudan) The Rt Revd David Akau Kuol Mayom; Kadugli & Nuba Mountains (Sudan) The Rt Revd Andudu Adam Elnail; Kadugli & Nuba Mountains (Sudan) The Rt Revd Hassan Osman (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**SATURDAY 6– Thomas More, Martyr, 1535**

We pray for peace and reconciliation among the nations, peace and unity within the churches, harmony in our communities and our homes and peace and love in all our hearts. We pray for Archbishop Thabo; that he may find time to seek solitude and silent refreshment of the soul. We give thanks for all those who through the centuries have been called to serve in the ministry of the church. *Pray for North Queensland (Australia) The Rt Dr Keith Ronald Joseph; Awgu / Aninri (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Emmaumuel Ugwu; Kaduna (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Timothy Yahaya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 7-13 July**

- 10 Mountain Bay Archdeacon visit to Lavender Hill
- 12 B/Downs Clergy/Spouse Fellowship
- 13 MU AGM - St. Peter's Kleinvlei
- 13 SocDev Board Meeting
- 13 AWF Executive Rotterdam

**SUNDAY 7-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Help us, O Lord, to understand what your will is in the confusion and unrest of our times. Give us insight to distinguish between the signs of your Spirit demanding change and renewal, and the signs of human greed

the naked, shelter the homeless, and visit those who live in isolation. Help us to reach out to those whom no one else will touch, to accept the unacceptable, and to embrace the enemy. Surround us with your love, fill us with your grace, and strengthen us for your service *Pray for Northwestern Pennsylvania (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Sean Rowe; Bethlehem (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Kevin Nichols; Bethlehem (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Dr Paul Marshall (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**FRIDAY 26****ST. CLARE'S, OCEAN VIEW AND ST MATTHEW'S, MASIPHUMELELE**

Merciful Father, we pray for the Parish of St Clare, Ocean View with the Chapelry of St Matthew, Masiphumelele. We bring before God our Church and Chapel Wardens, our Councillors and all the leaders of the various organisations. May they find joy and fulfilment in ministry, as you lead and guide them with your heavenly wisdom. We bring before God St Paul's Foster Home situated in Ocean View, we pray for the foster mother and the children, as we ask for God's favour and protection to remain with them always. Bless our preparations for the month of August as we celebrate the Month of Compassion and our Patronal Festival. May God continue to bless all communities in the far south with everlasting peace. In conclusion we intercede for our parish priest, Ulric Groenewald, his wife Althea, and children Minke' and Noah. *Pray for Norwich (England) The Rt Revd Graham James; Norwich (England) The Rt Revd Jonathan Meyrick; Norwich (England) The Rt Revd Alan Peter Winton; Bhopal (North India) The Rt Revd Manoj Charan; Kapoeta (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Isaac Deu Chol (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**SATURDAY 27**

Heavenly Father, give to our Bishop, Margaret Vertue, in the midst of the stress of her position, a daily renewal of your presence, that upheld in your peace, enlightened by your word, and strengthened by your grace, she may be a shepherd enabling your church to fulfil the mission you have given us, for Jesus' sake. *Pray for Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island (Canada) The Most Revd Ronald Wayne Cutler; Bida (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Jonah Kolo; Karachi (Pakistan) The Rt Revd Sadiq Daniel (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 28-31 July**

- 28 Confirmation: St George's, Groot Drakenstein
- 28 B/Downs Liturgical Dance Celebration Simondium
- 31 Ordinands Annual Review
- 31 Mountain Bay Archdeacon visit to Ottery

**SUNDAY 28-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

We pray for the Church in the world today, that it may be receptive to the needs of humankind and faithful to its Gospel, that it may preserve all the good from the past and reach out fearlessly to the future. We pray that the Church will care for the individual and help to change society and that it will have a growth in unity. Pray for all to be confirmed today at St George's, Groot Drakenstein. *Pray for the Scottish Episcopal Church The Most Revd Mark Strange - Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church & Bishop of Moray, Ross & Caithness (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**MONDAY 29-William Wilberforce, Philanthropist, 1833****SIMON OF CYRENE - PARKWOOD**

We pray for the Incumbent of the Parish, Fr. Brian Bolton along with his wife and children. We praise Almighty God for the Ministry of all our Parish Leaders and Organizations, for the leadership roles of the Parish Wardens and the Alternate Warden. We praise and thank God for the Ministries of the Lay Ministers and their families as together they support the Incumbent in caring and visiting the house-bound and infirm of the Parish in their homes and in hospitals. We continue to thank God for the Ministries of the various Parish Organisations as they work together in helping to build up the Parish ministries and wider Parkwood Community. We give God all the glory for the vibrant Young People's Ministry as they continue to step forward using their gifts and talents in the worship of the Parish. We praise God for the various members of the Congregation who voluntarily play an active role in the worship of the Parish, thus encouraging others also to offer their gifts and talents for the building up of the Church and help make the worship of the Church more and more inclusive. *Pray for Nsukka (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Aloysius Agbo; Biharamulo (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Yusuph Vithalis; Karamoja (Uganda) The Rt Revd Joseph Abura (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 21-27 July**

- 21 B.Mizeki DEXCO Muizenberg
- 23 Mountain Bay Clergy Fellowship Muizenberg
- 24 Mountain Bay Archdeacon visit to Parkwood
- 25 DIOCESAN CHAPTER
- 26 M/Plain Arch Clergy/Spouse Social
- 27 Socdev Community Fundraiser
- 27 AWF Mary And Martha Service B/Valley
- 27-28 St MM Guild Commemoration Mfuleni

**SUNDAY 21-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Father, we pray to you to look down with compassion upon our brothers and sisters in their anxiety over their present struggle to support their families due to job loss. Please help them find gainful employment very soon, so that this heavy burden of concern will be lifted from their hearts and that they soon will be able to provide for those whom God has entrusted to their care. Help us to guard against bitterness and discouragement, so that we may emerge from this trial spiritually enriched and with even greater blessings from God *Pray for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane au Rwanda; The Most Revd Laurent Mbanda - Archbishop of L'Eglise Episcopal au Rwanda & Bishop of Shyira (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**MONDAY 22-ST MARY MAGDALENE**

Almighty and ever-living God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish/church family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen Pray for Northern Zambia (Central Africa) The Most Revd Albert Chama (Primate); Belize (West Indies) The Rt Revd Philip Wright; Kanyakumari (South India) Vacant (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**TUESDAY 23**

God, you give us so much. Give us one thing more, a heart filled with love for you and for those we meet today. May we be ready to listen to others as you listen to us. May we be happy to laugh with those who laugh, and weep with those who hurt. May we share what we have with those who have less. For Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.** *Pray for Northwest Ankole (Uganda) The Rt Revd Amos Magezi; Bendigo (Australia) The Rt Revd Matt Brain (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**WEDNESDAY 24**

**ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, SIMON'S TOWN AND ST ANDREW'S, GLENCAIRN**

We pray for the Rev Derek Pratt in his role as acting Priest-in-charge that he might lead the parish in serving God, serving the Church, and serving our sisters and brothers within the church and the wider community. We pray for our Churchwardens and Parish Councillors that they might work together with the acting Priest-in-Charge to be faithful in the Church's mission and our mission statement - "Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we serve". We pray for our social outreach projects, in particular the St Francis Outreach Trust, the Mountain View Sandwich Spreaders and our support towards the Happy Valley Shelter. We pray for the worship centre of St Andrew's Glencairn and the role it plays in the lives of Anglicans living and worshipping there. We pray for a clear vision of the role St Andrew's must play in the wider parish and how this fine resource can be used for the advancement of God's Kingdom. We pray for those who worship here. *Pray for Northwest Texas (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Scott Mayer; Benin (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Peter Imasuen; Bermuda (Bermuda) The Rt Revd Nicholas Dill (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**THURSDAY 25-ST JAMES**

We pray for the feast day of St James. We pray that we might all grow in our discipleship and our willingness to be disciples to others. Father, transform our lives, so that we may accomplish your purpose. Anoint us with your Spirit that we might bring good news to the oppressed, bind up the broken-hearted and proclaim the release of the captive. Give us a new urgency and a new commitment to feed the hungry, clothe

and lust for power; that we may be your fellow workers in creating an order of society which acknowledges your sovereign power and might; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Pray for Pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea; The Most Revd Allan Migi - Archbishop of Papua New Guinea (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**MONDAY 8**

**GOOD SHEPHERD, GRASSY PARK**

Almighty God and Heavenly Father, we thank you for the arrival of our new rector, Revd. Canon Joe Humbles and his wife Yolanda to our parish. We praise and glorify your name that you have blessed our Church through the interregnum. Father God, please protect our children at risk, those who are orphaned, abused and neglected by providing them with loving caring families. Heal their parents from their own childhood 'issues' and/or challenges. Bless, equip and empower all institutions that are providing services for vulnerable children. We thank you Lord God that you know our needs before we ask, but in your word you teach and encourage us saying, "ask and you shall receive, knock and the door shall be opened." *Pray for North West Australia (Australia) The Rt Revd Gary Nelson; Awka (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Alexander Ibezim; Kafanchan (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Marcus Dogo (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**TUESDAY 9**

We bring before God all lonely people, especially those who are too old or infirm to enjoy company and those who are isolated from others through suffering and illness or through a sense of inferiority. We pray that friends and neighbours may be enabled to reach them and lift them out of their loneliness and bring them comfort and hope *Pray for Northern Argentina (South America) The Rt Revd Nicholas James Quested Drayson; Northern Argentina (South America) The Rt Revd Mateo Alto; Northern Argentina (South America) The Rt Revd Crisanto Rojas; Awori (Nigeria) The Rt Revd J Akin Atere (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**WEDNESDAY 10**

**ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, OTTERY**

We give thanks to God for the progress we have been able to make on our building project and the dedication of the extension by Bishop Margaret; for the generosity of those who have made contributions towards the project. We give thanks for the leadership and their commitment. We give thanks for the faithfulness of God's people in the midst of difficult circumstances. We continue to pray that more people will offer themselves for the work of God and for a revival of our ministry to young people and children. We pray for the children in our community as we seek to respond to their needs. We pray for those in need of housing and for those in authority who fail to listen and respond to their cries. We pray for God's blessing on our various fundraising plans for the year. We lift to God our 2019 matriculants and those engaged in tertiary studies. We pray for young people who have completed studies and are still seeking employment. *Pray for Northern California (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Barry Beisner; Badagry (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Joseph Adeyemi; Ballarat (Australia) The Rt Revd Garry Weatherill (Anglican Cycle Prayer)*

**THURSDAY 11-Benedict of Monte Cassino, Religious, c.540**

We pray for the homeless and destitute, the needy and the deprived at this time of extreme cold and wet winter weather. We especially entrust to God's protection children on the farms who have to walk long distances to bus stops, schools etc. We pray for all farm workers and their households during this period of pruning fruit trees as they are exposed to the wet and icy conditions on the lands and orchards where they work and live. We give thanks to God for the numerous soup kitchens running within our Diocese and for the many that sustain them. *Pray for Northern Indiana (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Douglas Spark; s Bangor (Wales) The Rt Revd Andrew John (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**FRIDAY 12**

**ALL SAINTS, MUIZENBERG**

We give thanks for the ministry of our Rector, Fr. Stafford and for his wife, Rev, Yvette Moses, and for her ministry in the Methodist Church and their daughters Melanie and Bethany. We continue to give thanks for the ministries of our retired clergy Fr. Michael and Fr. Robin together with their spouses. We pray for the Churchwardens and the members of the Parish Council. We pray for the Muizo's, who are ministering through their gift of music in the parish. We pray for the AWF, the leader together with the executive who work at the Muizenberg Police Station Trauma Room, making a difference to the lives

of those who have been traumatised. We continue to pray for our Malawian brothers and sisters in Capricorn. We give thanks for the growth in their faith and in membership. *Pray for Northern Luzon (Philippines) The Rt Revd Hilary Ayban Pasikan; Banks & Torres (Melanesia) The Rt Revd Alfred Patterson Worek; Kagera (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Darlington Bendanheha (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

### **SATURDAY 13 –Silas**

We give thanks to God for the gift of wonder. Develop in us a quality of freshness that we may never grow stale or spiritually bored or lost in Christian routine. We ask for hearts that are generous and warm. Help us to look for the good in other people and to give thanks for all the daily signs of your grace *Pray for Kajiado (Kenya) The Rt Revd Gadiel Katanga Lenini; Kajo-Keji (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Murye Modi; Kamango (Congo) The Rt Revd Sabiti Tibafa Daniel (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

#### **EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 14-20 July**

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| 15-18 | Mountain Bay Archdeaconry Retreat        |
| 16    | Overberg Archdeaconry Chapter @ Hawston  |
| 18    | <b>MANDELA DAY</b>                       |
| 19-21 | SocDev GBV Workshop                      |
| 20    | CMS Exco 2pm                             |
| 20    | Overberg Archdeaconry Council @ Stanford |

### **SUNDAY 14-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

#### **Special Day of Prayer-Mission to all seafarers**

We thank God for seafarers and all who leave their homes and communities to serve others; for the skills of seamanship and for modern aids to navigation; and for all engaged in the shipping industry. We pray for all seafarers in their daily work; for their safety as they face the dangers of their calling; and for their families during long periods of separation, loneliness and anxiety. We pray that the Spirit of God may guide all in positions of leadership in the shipping industry; for an awareness throughout the industry of the sanctity of human life; for those responsible for safety at sea; and for those involved in the training and welfare of seafarers. We pray for the work of the Church within the shipping industry through the Mission to Seafarers and the Apostleship of the Sea; for the reconciling ministry of all Christian societies ministering to seafarers of different faiths, cultures and ideologies. *Pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines; The Most Revd Joel Atiwag Pachao - Prime Bishop of the Philippines (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

### **MONDAY 15**

#### **HOLY TRINITY, KALK BAY**

We hold before you God our Parish as it celebrates our 145<sup>th</sup> year of pastoral presence. We pray that this will be a year of thanksgiving, celebration and spiritual renewal. We give thanks for our Rector Fr. Wilfred Meyer and our Rectory family, Debbie, Cleo and Jordan. We give thanks for the pastoral support of Frs. Barry Gray, Walter Buhler, and Bishop Geoff Davies and until recently Fr. Hamish Holman. We give thanks for the newly elected Church Wardens, the Alternate Warden, the new Parish Council, the treasurer and the bookkeeper. We pray for the various ministries within the Parish, and for a renewed sense of commitment to the life of the Parish. We give thanks for the success of our annual Fish Fare and for our annual Parish Dance. We pray that our commitment to outreach and development will continue as our Parish community increases. We give thanks for our Soup Kitchen at False Bay Hospital and especially to those who volunteer to make and distribute the soup. We also pray that we will be able to continue to provide families with food parcels every month. We thank God for our newly formed Cluster and the opportunities for the Clergy to exchange pulpits. We thank God for our new ordinand Mr. Errol Louw and to be part of his formation. *Pray for Northern Malawi (Central Africa) The Rt Revd Fanuel Emmanuel Magangani; Barbados (West Indies) Michael Maxwell; Kampala (Uganda) The Most Revd Stanley Ntagali (Primate); Kampala (Uganda) The Rt Revd Hannington Mutebi (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

### **TUESDAY 16**

We pray for the Church, that it may be a compassionate community, ready to stand alongside those who

suffer the burden of debt. We pray for those who work in government, finance and the law, that they may work towards practical solutions for the problems caused by debt. We pray for those individuals who, because of their debts, feel they have nowhere to turn: that they may know your presence, guidance and peace. We pray for those countries affected by the enormous burden of international debt: for a just and lasting solution to the problems they face. We pray for ourselves, that through our choices, actions and words we may daily live out our faith, and bear witness to you, the source of all good things. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** *Pray for Northern Mexico (Mexico) The Most Revd Francisco Moreno (Primate); Bari (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Idris Zubairu (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

### **WEDNESDAY 17 -World Day for International Justice**

#### **ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO, LOTUS RIVER**

We pray for our clergy; Reverends Richard and Greg, their families and this community which is plagued by violence, abuse and many other social evils.. We give you thanks for our Wardens, Parish Councillors, Parish Leaders and members of every Parish Ministry. We give thanks for the schools in our community and pray for learners, teachers, principals and volunteers. We pray that our children will make the most of the opportunity to receive an education and for them to be gracious towards those who impart learning. We pray for our young people, many unemployed and despondent. We pray for those who are drawn to gangsterism and violence. As we prepare for the TAIZE gathering, we pray for those who will open their homes and those who will assist with the many young people who will descend upon our city. Lord, bless the senior members of our congregation. As the winter weather sets in; we pray for those in our community who are living with inadequate services; for those living in informal housing; for the communities of Phumlani, Jimse Bos, Egoli and Riemvasmaak. Thank you for our Parish Action Team and for Georgie's Angels as they respond to those in our midst who are in need. We give thanks for our link with the United Benefice of Kirkdale, Harome, Pockley, and Nunnington. Bless the congregations together with Rev Susan Binks and her husband Chris. Guide and lead us to grow this link into what you would have it be. We pray with the many among us who are battling with illness and especially for those who live with depression. We pray also for the many young, single-mothers, that they will have the love and support of family at this time. *Pray for Northern Michigan (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Rayford Ray; Barisal(Bangladesh) The Rt Revd Shourabh Pholia;Barrackpore (India) The Rt Revd Paritosh Canning (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

### **THURSDAY 18 – Nelson Mandela International Day, recognized by the UN**

Gracious and loving God, we ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon our Diocese to fill us with love. Make us instruments of your love to everyone that we encounter at home, at work, in our neighbourhoods, and in our parish community. Work through us so that we can bring your truth to those who are searching for you. Help us to grow in gratitude so that we can recognize and thank you for all the good things you have given us. Instil in us a deep sense of generosity so that we are willing to share our gifts, our talents, our time, and our financial resources. Deepen our desire to follow your will and to do all things for your honour and glory. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Saviour. Amen. *Pray for Northern Philippines (Philippines) The Rt Revd Brent Alawas; Northern Philippines (Philippines) The Rt Revd Miguel Yamoyam; Bath & Wells (England) The Rt Revd Peter Hancock; Bath & Wells (England) The Rt Revd Ruth Worsley (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

### **FRIDAY 19**

#### **ST. MARGARET'S, FISH HOEK**

We give thanks to God for all the blessings we received during Lent, Holy Week and the Easter season. We give thanks for our newly-established Youth Group and pray that our young people may grow in faith, hope and love. We pray for God's guidance and courage as we work with other churches in an attempt to alleviate the increasing problem of homelessness in the area. We give thanks for Carlton Michaels, who is on placement with us, and pray that his path to ordination will be blessed. *Pray for Northern Territory, The (Australia) The Rt Revd Dr Greg Anderson; Bathurst (Australia) The Rt Revd Ian Palmer; Kano (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Zakka Nyam (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

### **SATURDAY 20**

We pray for all Religious communities, for all who have followed the saints in the ways of poverty and simplicity. We pray for God's blessings on their communities, their worship and their service; for an increase in the numbers who heed God's call. *Pray for Northern Uganda (Uganda) The Rt Revd Johnson Gakumba; Bauchi (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Musa Tula; Kansas (The Episcopal Church) Vacant (Anglican*