

the Middle East & Bishop of Cyprus and the Gulf (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)

**MONDAY 27
CHRIST THE REDEEMER, WESTRIDGE**

We pray for the ministry of the parish as we thank God for the blessings bestowed upon our church. We give thanks to God for our Rector the Venerable Ruth Swartz and her family, as well as the Curate Rev Enrico Heuvel and his family. We pray for our newly elected Churchwardens and Parish councilors for offering themselves to be servant leaders in the parish. We pray for our layministers, area leaders and all organizations as they faithfully serve God. We pray for all members of our congregation in this Eastertide. *Pray for Mount Kenya Central (Kenya) The Rt Revd Timothy Gichere; Mount Kenya South (Kenya) The Rt Revd Timothy Ranji; Mount Kenya West (Kenya) The Rt Revd Joseph Kagunda (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 28

Make your ways known upon earth, Lord God, your saving power among all peoples. Renew your Church in holiness and help us to serve you with joy. Guide the leaders of this and every nation, that justice may prevail throughout the world. Let not the needy be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor be taken away. Make us instruments of your peace and let your glory be over all the earth. *Pray for Mount Kilimanjaro (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Stanley Elilekia Hotay; Wusasa (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Ali Buba Lamido; Ijsha North (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Isaac Oluyamo (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 29-Catherine of Siena, 1380

Hear our prayer. O God, for all those who are shortly to be confirmed. Let this be, for each of them, no formal step. Give them a redeeming faith in your Son Jesus Christ as their Redeemer and King, and grace to confess him before all people; that filled with his Spirit, and strengthened by the Bread of Life they may serve you faithfully all their days; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Pray for Mpumalanga (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Daniel Kgomosotho; Wyoming (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd John Smylie (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 30

Eternal God, please bless our priests, who represent you on this earth. Make them more greatly aware of the grace that you pour out through them when they minister the sacraments, and help them to become closer to You after each and every Eucharist that they celebrate. Please strengthen our priests, who shepherd your flock, when they are in doubt of their faith, that they may be examples of your Truth and guide us always on the path to you. *Pray for Mpwapwa (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Jacob Erasto Chimeledya; Yambio (South Sudan) The Most Revd Samuel Peni; Yangon (Myanmar) The Most Revd Stephen Than Myint Oo (Primate) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**The Archdeacons of Breede Valley and Overberg to
submit their prayers by 6 April**

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:

I praise You, Lord, for Your unfailing love and sustaining grace that protects and upholds me at all times.

ARCHDEACONRY OF MITCHELL'S PLAIN

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 1-4 April

3	SocDev Children Easter Egg Hunt
4-12	Ordinands Plunge – Parish of All Saints Bredasdorp
4	AWF Executive Rotterdam
4	Bernard Mizeki Guild Annual Gospel Festival Man.Park
4	Confirmation: All Saints, Bredasdorp

WEDNESDAY 1-Frederick Denison Maurice, Priest, 1872

We pray for victims of the Covid-19 virus. Generous God fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old, that we may look after one another in these challenging days. Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus and be with their families. May those who have died rest in your eternal embrace. Comfort their family and friends. Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick and all who work in our medical facilities. Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people. We pray in gratitude for all those in our country who will continue to work in the days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all. Bless them and keep them safe. *Pray for Mbashe (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Elliot Williams Wernyol (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Gabriel Kuol Garang (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 2

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 Meath & Kildare (Ireland) The Most Revd Patricia Louise Storey; West Ankole (Uganda) The Rt Revd Johnson Twinomujuni; West Buganda (Uganda) The Rt Revd Henry Katumba-Tamale (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 3

We pray for those who are already victims of AIDS, that they may not be led into despair but instead draw nearer to you, commit their lives into your loving hands and know your loving care. We

pray for the many orphans who are left behind by the victims of AIDS, that they may have hope in you and trust that you will be all in all for them. *Pray for Medak (South India) The Rt Revd A.C. Solomon Raj; West Lango (Uganda) The Rt Revd Alfred Acur Okodi (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 4

Father, we thank you for our families. We ask that you bless them with Your favour. Provide for all of their needs. We ask You to protect them from harm and evil. Surround them in the shadow of Your wing. Go before them and prepare the way for them. If any path is crooked, we ask you to make it straight. Protect them from the schemes of the enemy and keep them from deception. Bring Your perfect peace to their hearts. In Jesus name we pray, Amen. We pray for all to be confirmed today at All Saints, Bredasdorp. *Pray for Melbourne (Australia) The Most Revd Philip Leslie Freier; West Missouri (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Martin Field (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 5-11 April

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| 5 | PALM SUNDAY |
| 9 | MAUNDY THURSDAY CHRISM MASS |
| 10 | GOOD FRIDAY |

SUNDAY 5-PALM SUNDAY:THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

As we journey with Christ and celebrate the paschal mystery of his death and resurrection, let us earnestly pray to God for those following the way of the cross and for all peoples everywhere. Lord, you have chosen us and set us aside for service in the places where we live, work and move. You have called us to be lights in dark places, drawing others into your glorious light. You have called us to speak out, proclaiming your love, justice and mercy. You have called us to be neighbours to all people. For this privilege of service we thank you but also ask humbly for your power and strength without which we can do nothing. Fill us, we pray, with your Spirit that we might live and work to your praise and glory. *Pray for the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; The Most Revd James Richard Wong Yin Song - Archbishop, Province of Indian Ocean & Bishop of the Seychelles (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 6-HOLY WEEK

MITCHELLS PLAIN ARCHDEACONRY

Dear God, we thank you for your great love and tender mercy towards us. As we have journeyed through the Lenten period, we have had the opportunity to look deeply into ourselves. Thank you for these moments when we could connect with you in a very special way, so that our lives could be renewed. As we look at the Cross, we know that beyond the Cross, lies the radiance of your Resurrection. Thank you for being the Light of the World. We continue to pray for the Parishes in our Archdeaconry. Thank you Lord for Vestry Meetings at which leadership for the Parishes were elected. We are mindful that some were difficult and painful. Help us to refocus, so that your will may be done at all times. Into your loving hands we continue to place our community, where many live in fear on a daily basis. Protect all people from evil that lurks around. May your peace reign in our homes and in our hearts. Thank you for all service providers in our Community. May we join hands to promote growth in all aspects. *Pray for Meru (Kenya) The Rt Revd Charles Mwendwa; West Malaysia (South East Asia) The Most Revd Ng Moon Hing; Idaho (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Brian Thom (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 7-HOLY WEEK-Day of remembrance of the victims of the Rwanda Genocide-recognized by the UN

Father, you have given all peoples one common origin. It is your will that they be gathered together as one family in yourself. Fill the hearts of mankind with the fire of your love and with the desire to ensure justice for all. By sharing the good things you give us, may we secure equality for all our brothers and sisters throughout the world. May there be an end to division, strife and war. May there be a dawning of a truly human society built on love and peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. *Pray for Mexico (Mexico) The Rt Revd Carlos Touche-Porter; West Tennessee (The Episcopal Church) The*

dance of this earth through justice and peace, cherishing the beauty in each other, and in all your created world. Amen. Pray for Moray, Ross & Caithness (Scotland) The Most Revd Mark Strange (Primate); Windward Islands (West Indies) The Rt Revd C. Leopold Friday; Wondurba (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Matthew Taban Peter (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)

FRIDAY 24

CHRIST THE RECONCILER, TAFELSIG

We give praise and thanks to Almighty God for our Church, its clergy, Revd Netta Gallant, our church leadership, the lay leaders, our parishioners for the ministries that flow out from this community in Tafelsig, Mitchells Plain. We thank God for the generous love of our Church family which is reflected in their commitment to complete our Multipurpose centre. We thank God for His grace and love so generously shared with us and in those serving at Christ the Reconciler. We pray too for the leadership-elect, for commitment and compassion for God's people. We thank and praise God for the wonderful Children's ministry and for the various leaders for their sacrifice to teach and develop our young people. We pray to God the Father for an end to unemployment, violence and crime in our community, and that our young children, especially our girl children will be safe. Bless our community as we seek to love God with all our heart, soul and body. *Pray for Morobo (South Sudan) The Rt Revd James Kenyi Elia; Worcester (England) The Rt Revd John Inge (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 25-ST MARK

World Malaria Day recognized by the UN and WHO.

We pray for the people of Africa who die each day from malaria: Lord God, our most merciful Father, in this fallen and sinful world, death is the constant and impartial enemy of all. We humbly ask you to show mercy on all those who are suffering from malaria today. If it be Your will, restore the afflicted to full health. Surround them in their time of illness with Your love, especially the children who are weak and afraid, through the family and friends who minister to them. Comfort those who have already lost a loved one to malaria or will, especially the parents of young children who have died. By Your power, end this disease. Bless the education and relief efforts, educators, physicians, health care providers and missionaries; may they be powerfully and fully equipped to bring an end to the human suffering and death in Africa caused by malaria. Through the Gospel of Your Son Jesus, proclaimed through Word and Sacrament, strengthen our faith and lead others to see that a life in His grace leads only to an eternal existence in Your loving presence. *Pray for Morogoro (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Godfrey Sehaba; Wulu (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Zacharia Mangar Apeti' Ijesa North East (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Joseph Olusola (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 26-30 April

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| 26 | Servers Guild (St Clare) Chapter Breede Valley |
| 26 | Simonstown Admission of PCC |
| 26 | Fish Hoek Admission of PCC |
| 26 | St Andrew Strand PCC Admission |
| 27 | FREEDOM DAY |
| 28 | Helderberg Archdeaconry: Facing the Canon – Macassar |
| 29 | Parkwood Admission of PCC |
| 30 | DIOCESAN CHAPTER |

SUNDAY 26-THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Let us pray. God our Father, be with us in this time of prayer, and grant us living touch with you. Give us an insight of your Kingdom, a vision of your purpose, and the guidance of your wisdom and grace, to be fellow workers with you in doing your just and loving will. During this period of Easter-tide, give us an awareness of your unique sacrifice on our behalf, and teach us to be humble in acknowledging that all our gifts come from you for the service of people and the spread of your Kingdom. May you live in us so that in all our little acts of sacrifice, the light of your resurrection may shine through and give them meaning. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. *Pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East; The Most Revd Michael Lewis –Archbishop, Jerusalem &*

SUNDAY 19-SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

We give praise and thanks to God for this joyful Eastertide as we celebrate again the great redemption won for us by our Lord Jesus Christ and his victory over death. Grant us by your grace to enter into his triumph and to share in his risen life. We pray for all who were unable to make their Easter Communion and we uphold all who have not yet found or felt the power of prayer. *Pray for the Church of Church of Ireland; Vacant (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 20**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, STRANDFONTEIN**

We give thanks to God for 40 years of ministry at St. Francis of Assisi. We are thankful for the clergy and people who have founded the parish, for all who have contributed in so many different ways to the workings of the parish. May God continue to bless us for many more years to come. We bring before God all our plans to celebrate our 40th birthday. We thank God for those who have served as Wardens and Parish Councillors in the past and pray for the leadership elected by Vestry. May they be your heart, hands and feet as they lead the parish into the future. We bring before God all the needs of our community, in particular the insecurity around the safety of drinking water. We ask you, our Creator, to guide our young people to choose life in every decision they make. We pray for the many elderly and lonely, the sick in hospital and at home. We pray for Strandfontein SAPS and all faith communities in Strandfontein. We pray for our clergy and all our families. May we be blessed as we journey forwards in Eastertide. May we encounter and share your love and compassion generously throughout our congregation. Amen. *Pray for Montana (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd C. Franklin Brookhart; Wiawso (West Africa) The Rt Revd Abraham Kobina Ackah; Igbomina - West (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olajide Adebayo (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 21-Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury and Teacher of the Faith, 1109

Healing God, bring healing to those who are sick with the Coronavirus and be with their families and neighbours. We pray especially for those who are isolated, that they may know your love. Stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. God of Strength, accompany all those who serve us with such love and generosity in the medical profession and in all our healthcare facilities. We give thanks for their continued work in the service of people. We ask you to bless them, strengthen them and guide them with your abundant goodness. God of Wisdom, we ask you to guide the leaders in healthcare and governance; that they may make the right decisions for the wellbeing of people. *Pray for Montreal (Canada) The Rt Revd Mary Irwin-Gibson; Willochra (Australia) The Rt Revd John Stead; Ijebu (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Ezekiel Awosoga; Ijebu - North (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Solomon Kuponu (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 22**CHRIST THE SAVIOUR,LENTEGEUR**

Almighty God, we thank you for our congregation and our Rector Revd Rodney Uren. We pray for our wardens, parish council and all leaders. We thank you for all our organisations and ask God's blessing on them. We are thankful for the tenure of Revd Rodney and pray for him as he prepares to leave us to work in Simonstown. We thank you for every experience we shared with him and for his pastoral leadership, care and concerns for Lentegeur. We thank the parish of Strandfontein for their kindness to us, particularly in hosting our Rector. We pray for the community of Lentegeur as violence erupts once again. When this happens, we must postpone all activities in our community and that is sad. We pray dear Lord for the safety of all. We pray for an end to GBV and a greater awareness of the plight of all who are facing abuse. We pray for our hospitals, schools, Lentegeur SAPS, ECD's, NGO's and children's places of safety. Lord, fill our hearts with kindness towards each other and may we appreciate all that you have given us. Amen. *Pray for Moosonee (Canada) The Rt Revd Thomas Corston; Winchester (England) The Rt Revd Tim Dakin (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 23-George, Martyr, 4th century

Lord of all creation, give us the eyes to see your earth and every element with its intrinsic beauty and value; all people as sisters and brothers. Help us to build up a world where we can share the abun-

Rt Revd Don Johnson Ideato (Nigeria) The Most Revd Caleb Maduoma (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)

WEDNESDAY 8-HOLY WEEK**CHRIST THE KING, ROCKLANDS**

Thank you, Almighty God, for the love that you have for us. You created us in your image and blessed us abundantly. We pray for each other, all sisters and brothers in Christ. In our country and community, we pray for the safety of our children. We pray for the time that our children could feel free, be in the community without being attacked or abducted. Most blessed God, whose will it is for us to live free of violence, we pray for families and friends and those who have been victimized, bullied or ill-treated in any form. We pray for your comforting balm to surround them in their time of struggle. In our parish we welcome Father Dean and Mrs Lyn Farrell as they join the parish family. We give thanks for a very successful vestry and we look forward to the work of ministry in the parish. Lord we give thanks for each and every parishioner, and we thank you for their ministry. We remember the aged, infirm, the lonely, unemployed. God the compassionate one, whose loving care reaches the entire world, bless our people of many nations and many faiths. Bring us all closer to you and each other. *Pray for Michigan (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Bonnie Perry; West Texas (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd David Reed (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 9-MAUNDY THURSDAY

Son of Man, who on the night before your passion took towel and water and washed the feet of your disciples: give us understanding of what you have done and teach us to follow the example of your humility, that by love we may serve one another. Lord Jesus, in the sacrament of your body and blood, you have graciously given us a way to remember both your sacrifice for us and your presence with us. May we receive your salvation in its fullness and give ourselves gladly in the service of others. Today, especially, we hold our Archbishop, Bishops, Priests and Deacons in prayer as they renew their priestly vows. We pray that the Lord may bless them with the fullness of his love and make them faithful stewards and teachers of the faith. We pray for strength that they may be leaders in the way to salvation. *Pray for Milwaukee (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Steven Miller; West Virginia (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Willam Michie Klusmeyer; Western Izon (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Edafe Emamezi (Anglican C of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 10-GOOD FRIDAY

Jesus, our advocate in the darkness of Gethsemane; you wept for us. Jesus, our redeemer on the way to the Cross; you suffered for us. Tortured, spat upon and despised you carried our burdens. Jesus our Saviour on the hill of Calvary; you died for us. Crucified and hung upon a tree you released us into freedom. Son of the living God, Redeemer, Saviour, Advocate, through the journey of suffering, in the place of darkness, you overcame death forever and gave us new life. God, as we walk through this day may we remember that, beyond sin there is love inexhaustible; beyond death, there is life unimaginable; beyond brokenness, there is forgiveness incomprehensible, beyond betrayal, there is grace poured out eternally. May we remember and give thanks for the wonder of your love. May we live this day in the knowledge of your pain. May we live this day in the assurance of your love. May we live this day in the hope of the resurrection. *Pray for Minna (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Daniel Abu Yisa; Western Kansas (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Michael Milliken (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 11 -HOLY SATURDAY

God the Father sent his Son, Jesus, to bring unity to the human race through his suffering and death. Let us offer our prayers for the whole world; that all Christians may embrace the joy of this Holy Saturday with a commitment to repent of past sins and strive for holiness; that Church leaders may proclaim with courage and conviction the gospel of Christ crucified; that world leaders may reflect the sovereignty of Christ as they work to eliminate unnecessary suffering from their countries. We pray to the Lord that the crucifixion of Christ for all people may teach us that there is no such thing as a worthless life, or a person God does not love; that those preparing to enter the Church this Easter may be protected from evil and grow in holiness. We pray to the Lord, that those who have died

may find everlasting joy in the Father's kingdom. Father, you allowed your Son to suffer for the salvation of the world; as you answer our prayers, give us grace to follow the example of Jesus, for he is Lord forever and ever. *Pray for Minnesota (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Brian Prior; Western Kowloon (Hong Kong) The Rt Revd Andrew Chan; Idoani (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Ezekiel Dahunsi (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 12-18 April	
12	EASTER
13	FAMILY DAY
18	Mitchells Plain Archdeacon/Wardens Meeting @ Woodlands
18	Blue Downs Archdeaconry Council @ Mfuleni
18	Anglican Youth Fellowship Council – All Saints, Somerset West

SUNDAY 12-EASTER DAY-THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Lord God, our Heavenly Father, we thank you for the glory of this Easter Day and for our opportunity to join together here in worship on this joyous morning. We thank you for the love that you have shown us in the gift of your Son Jesus Christ. We thank you for raising him up –and for the sure hope that you will raise each of us up in newness of life. We pray that, day by day, we may draw closer to Christ, and, experiencing his love, so be able to extend your love to others. May we, through your grace, hold and keep this resurrection experience that we may share it with all who do not comprehend it and with all who have need of it. *Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem and the People of the Land of the Holy One (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 13 ST. PAUL'S, PHILIPPI

As the Parish of St Paul, we pray for gangsters, drugs and drug dealers who are killing our young generation. We pray for house breaking to stop in our societies and so for our people to not live in fear. We ask God to protect us from hijackings as it has become a daily exercise. We are a community of different backgrounds, but through God's grace we are faithful and believe that prayer will set us free. We pray for gender- based violence victims. May God cover us under his wing, and unite us at all times and chase away ungodly thinking. We ask God to grant us strength and wisdom to protect the youth from the social evils that surrounded them. We pray for people living with HIV/AIDS, rape victims and orphans. We remember all those who have been victims of violence and abuse and those who lost their loved ones. God, please show us the way in which we can open our homes to be a place of safety to those in need. May we be the beacon of hope to the community at large. Extend your hand of mercy over our community of Philippi. God strengthen us to be united, to make us one family with unconditional love for each other. We also ask you to strengthen us to be able to build our Rectory and so develop our church. We pray that our congregants be blessed with their wishes and continued commitment into working towards a Godly Church family. *Pray for Mishamikoweesh (Canada) The Rt Revd Lydia Mamakwa; Western Louisiana (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jacob W Owensby; Ife (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olubunmi A Akinlade; Ife East (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Oluseyi Oyelade (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 14-Tuesday in Easter Week

Lord, in this Eastertide we ask you to increase our faith, our hope and our love. Give us the faith that overcomes the world and enables us to face both life and death, calmly and unafraid. Give us the hope that looks beyond this mortal life and grasps hold of the things unseen and eternal. Give us the love that binds us more closely to one another, and to you our risen Lord; to whom be the glory and praise, dominion and power, now and for ever. *Pray for Mississippi (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Brian Seage; Western Massachusetts (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Douglas Fisher; Ifo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Nathaniel Oladejo Ogundipe (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 15-Wednesday in Easter Week

CHRIST THE MEDIATOR, PORTLAND

At this time of searching and deep reflection, amidst the business of this World, we are confronted

as St. Peter was, when Jesus ask the question: "Who do people say I am." We offer this prayer as we continue our Lenten Journey with excitement and deep reflection. "Lord, take our small offering of self-denial this Lent, as a sign of our great longing for you. We hunger for your presence in our life, and we thirst for your love. We hunger for justice for those who are wronged and oppressed, and we thirst for your peace. We hunger for a glimpse of your glory, and we thirst for your stillness in our heart. God of giving, God of longing, God of pain, we hunger for you." We give thanks for the successful vestry and the election of new leadership. We give you thanks for the opportunity of welcoming Revd. Ashley Ceylon as he joins the current team of Revd. Dean Apples and Revd. Desiree Jackson. May God bless their ministry in this parish. God bless all the people of this parish with the abundance of your grace. May its leaders lead and direct this parish to bear much fruit, so that the needs of the community we serve be met where it matters most. Make us aware of the needs of the poor and hungry in our midst. *Pray for Missouri (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Wayne Smith' Western Mexico (Mexico) The Revd Ricardo Joel Gómez Osnaya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 16

We pray for all who have been or will be baptised this Eastertide. Heavenly Father and giver of all grace, we ask your blessing on those who in baptism have received the seal or the new covenant and been made heirs of your heavenly kingdom; that through the prayers, the teaching, and the example of those who love and care for them they may grow up in the faith of Christ and in the fellowship of his Church, to serve you faithfully all the days of their life. *Pray for Mityana (Uganda) vacant; Western Michigan (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Whayne Houglan; Western New York (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd William Franklin (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 17

CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD, EASTRIDGE

We thank God for the Chapelry leadership and for the conclusion of their annual vestry. We thank God for the elected new leadership and their willingness to serve. Continue to work within us, so we may respond with compassionate hearts to the needs of the vulnerable. "Lord, in these days of mercy, make us quiet and prayerful; in these days of challenge, make us stronger in you; in these days of emptiness, take possession of us; in these days of waiting, open our hearts to the mystery of your cross." *Pray for Mombasa (Kenya) The Rt Revd Alphonse Mwaro Baya; Western Newfoundland (Canada) The Rt Revd John Organ; Western North Carolina (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd José Antonio McLoughlin (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 18

We pray for the Church, the body of Christ, longing for its healing, strengthening and openness to your will. We thank you for calling us into the company of those who trust in Christ and seek to obey his will, and we ask that your spirit guide and strengthen us all in mission and service to your world. Lord, we pray for the world, for all the nations longing for peace and tranquillity, justice, mercy and forgiveness. We think especially of the people of strife ridden areas throughout the world, help them to bear themselves with courage and fortitude and refrain from bitterness. Help us all to love one another like brothers and sisters, and help each of us to do our part, however small it may be, to bring peace and happiness to others. *Pray for Monmouth (Wales) The Rt Revd Cherry Vann; Western Tanganyika (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Sadock Makaya; Igbomina (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Adekola (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 19-25 April	
19	St Paul Faure PCC Admission
22	Grassy Park Admission of PCC
22	Blue Downs Archdeaconry Clergy Fellowship Rotterdam
23	DTB/DFB
23	Lotus River Admission of PCC
23-25	Bernard Mizeki Guild Provincial Council @ Paarl
25	St Mary Magd. Guild Council Meeting @ Sibanye