

Pray for National Indigenous Archbishop (Canada) The Most Revd Mark Lawrence MacDonald; Ahoada (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Clement Ekpeye (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)

THURSDAY 28

ST JAMES THE GREAT, WORCESTER.

We hold before God our Parish as well as the Church throughout the world as we face the unknown in this unprecedented pandemic, causing fear, pain and panic. Thank you, Lord, for our clergy, Fr's Clive, Patrick and Hugh for their leadership and guidance amidst the stress of this pandemic and for their families and the support given to them. We also pray for newly elected Parish and Chapelry councils, give them strength and wisdom to serve your Church and lead us throughout the year. We pray for all leaders and members of our different ministries that they may find joy and fulfilment in their different callings in building up the Parish as well as the communities at Worcester, Zwelethemba, De Doorns, Touws River. Father we pray that you will deepen our desire to serve and share our gifts, talents and time to the building up of your kingdom. We pray for all families in our congregation affected by unemployment and who find it difficult to survive another day. We pray for our young people who continue to be drawn to drugs, gangsterism and the exposure of violence. Give peace and hope to all who are infected and affected by this Corona disease. Give strength to all medical staff and carers as we continue to battle to stop the spread of the virus. Keep us all healthy and safe. We pray God to have mercy and compassion on humanity, and help us to remain kind to one another and to show love for our brothers and sisters in Jesus name. Amen. *Pray for Navajoland Area Mission (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd David Bailey; Aipo Rongo (Papua New Guinea) The Rt Revd Nathan Ingen; Ajayi Crowther (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olugbenga Oduntan (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 29-International Day of UN Peacekeepers, recognized by the UN

O God of hope and peace, protect the more than 100,000 UN peacekeepers deployed around our world to bring warring parties to negotiate peace, enforce ceasefires, and rebuild hope, as well as societies devastated by war. Inspired by their courageous and selfless service, may we become peacemakers and peacekeepers in our home, community, and in the political process in our community, province and nation. *Pray for Ndokwa (Nigeria) The Rt Revd David Obiosa; Akobo (South Sudan) The Rt Revd John Jock Chol (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 30

This day help us to praise you, O God, for your goodness and loving kindness and all the blessings of this life. This day help us to trust you, in every circumstance of life with hearts that are steadfast and strong. This day help us, to serve you with love and faithfulness, with all our powers of body, mind and spirit. This day help us to glorify you, in all our thoughts and words and actions, from the beginning to the end. *Pray for Nebbi (Uganda) The Rt Revd Alphonse Watho-kudi; Akoko (Nigeria) The Most Revd Gabriel Akinbiyi; Akoko Edo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Jolly Oyekpen; Iowa (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Alan Scarfe (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SUNDAY 31-THE DAY OF PENTECOST

We pray for all those in local and national government and for those who hold positions of authority in providing health care. As they allocate resources and plan services please grant them the wisdom, strength and compassion to ensure that everyone has access without delay to the best treatment and care. May they not forget the needs of families and carers and the importance of funding research to find a cure. Bless them Lord in their work and sustain them in the responsibilities they bear. *Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia; The Most Revd Leonard Dawea - Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Melanesia and Bishop of Temotu (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

The Archdeaconry of Mountain Bay to submit their prayers by 6 May

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

MAY 2020

PRAYER THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

Lord, living my life under Your guidance I have inner peace, serenity and confidence.

PLEASE NOTE: All Diocesan and Archdeaconry meetings are planned well in advance. It is assumed that these will no longer take place due to Covid 19 lockdown.

ARCHDEACONRIES OF THE OVERBERG AND BREEDE VALLEY

FRIDAY 1-ST JOSEPH

God our Maker, in the beginning, you called men and women to be stewards of the earth you created and gave them meaningful work to do. Still today you call us to do your work and bless us in our activities. We praise you when we find meaning for life as well as the means to our daily bread in our jobs and careers. We thank you for the variety of our vocations, which add richness to society and fill needs in our communities, our nation, and our world. Give your grace to all who labor in our land and across the globe, so they may glorify you through what they do. *Pray for Mthatha (formerly St John's) (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Hummingfield Ndwandwe; Yei (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Hilary Adeba Luete (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 1-9 May

- 1 WORKERS DAY
- 1-3 Com: Spirit & Steward. Men's Retreat @ Malmesbury
- 2 Tutorial Day Grassy Park
- 2 Mountain Bay Cluster Meeting(F/Hoek, O/View, S/Town, K/Bay)
- 2 Girls Bafana Friendly Society Talent Show @ Mandela Park
- 2 Consecration – Bishop of Table Bay @ Cathedral
- 3 Confirmation: St Matthew, Delft
- 3 Bernard Mizeki Guild Dexco @ Muizenberg
- 3 Helderberg Archdeaconry training new layministers
- 3 Muizenberg Admission of PCC
- 3 St Philip Gordon's Bay PCC Admission
- 3 Church Lads/Girls Brigade (Brig. Sunday) O/View
- 5 Breede Valley Clergy Chapter @ Worcester
- 6 Ocean View Admission of PCC
- 7 Mountain Bay Clergy Fellowship – Fish Hoek
- 9 Churchwardens Forum (Urban)
- 9 Mountain Bay Layministers Training – G/Park

SATURDAY 2-Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria and Teacher of the Faith, 373

We thank you Father for your many miracles of healing, and we pray for all who work with the sick and infirm. We name in our hearts those we love who are in need of your healing touch. We pray that your blessing be upon them and those who love and care for them, and we pray that they may find encourage-

ment and peace, that their sorrows and concerns be transformed into comfort, and their loneliness into fellowship with you. We remember those whom we love but see no longer. Almighty Father, be with all those who are grieving today over the loss of a loved one. Jesus Christ is the light of the world, a light which no darkness can quench. We remember before God those who have died and light a candle to symbolise the light of Christ, which eternally shines and brings hope. *Pray for Muhabura (Uganda) The Rt Revd Cranmer Mugisha; Yeri (South Sudan) The Rt Revd John Abraham Nyari; Ijumu (Nigeria) The Ven Paul Olarewaju Ojo (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SUNDAY 3-FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Christ our Lord, when we remember the sacrifice you made for the world, remind us that we are called to care for the world and its people, and challenge us to see how our actions change the world. Be with us as we act to make a difference. Christ, whom we remember in the bread, remind us of those who are hungry, and challenge us to see how our actions change the world. Christ, whom we remember in the wine, remind us of those who are thirsty, and challenge us to see how our actions change the world. *Pray for the Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan); The Most Revd Nathaniel Makoto Uematsu - Primate of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai & Bishop of Hokkaido (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 4-ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES THE ARCHDEACONRY OF THE OVERBERG

God our Father, we pray for your blessings on the people of our Archdeaconry. Bless those who derive their existence from the orchards, farmlands and oceans. Grant good rains for the crops and a good harvest. Bless those who provide a source of income for our people. Protect and keep us safe Lord during this time of uncertainty as a result of Covid-19 as we pray for a timely solution and eradication of this pandemic. God bless all the clergy in this Archdeaconry as they provide guidance to our people *Pray for Mukono (Uganda) The Rt Revd James William Ssebaggala; Yewa (form. Egbado) (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Michael Adebayo Oluwaro-hunbi; Ikara (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Yusuf Janfalan (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 5

God our Father, in good times may we live in such a way that we will be strengthened for the difficult times that all of us face in our lives. Lead us now to make positive choices, to value friendship and loyalty, and develop attitudes and values, treasuring all that is lasting and important. Throughout difficult times may we build on the positive choices of our past, looking outward in the service of others and avoiding self-pity. May we grow in the faith that, whatever our circumstances, we need have no regrets but may entrust our past to your mercy, our present to your love, and our future to your Providence. Amen. *Pray for Multan (Pakistan) The Rt Revd Leo Rodrick Paul; Yiról (South Sudan) The Rt Revd David Roch Angong; Nyang (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Paul Tokmach Lual; Aluakluak (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Isaac Nyaryiel Aleth; Ikeduru (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Maduwike (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 6-ST JOHN

ST PETER'S BOT RIVER with St Augustine, Villiersdorp; St Mary's, Houw Hoek; St Nicholas, Kleinmond; Helderstroom and Lebanon

We uphold in prayer Revd Randall Gallant, as he begins this journey as Rector having relocated from East London. We pray for his wife Patricia and sons, Randall and Kaylin. We pray God's blessing on them as they settle in the parish. In prayer we remember Revd Edward Delport and Revd Dr Johann vd Bijl and their wives Elizabeth and Louise as they render assistance to the parish. We bring before God, the Visagie, Hull, Stewart and Baadjies families, who lost loved-ones in the parish of St Peter Botrivier. We pray for all students, learners and pupils, who are busy preparing in this uncertain time. We pray that God would rid us of anxiety and fear and fill us with hope that this too will come to an end. Yet we stay thankful that the church continues in our hearts and homes. *Pray for Mumbai (Formerly Bombay) (North India) The Rt Revd Prakash Patole; Yokohama (Japan) The Revd Ignatius Osamu Irie (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 7

Lord you teach us to love one another as you love us. Give grace to us, our families and friends and neighbours and this community. We pray that in this coming week we may be able to make a difference, to offer a word of understanding or sympathy, a smile or a greeting to plant the love of Christ into a needful heart. Lord, watch over our children and grandchildren and all sick children who are too little to understand what is happening to them. We ask for your blessing on all parents, teachers and carers, may they be blessed with patience and understanding. *Pray for Mumias (Kenya) The Rt Revd Joseph Wandera; Yola (Nigeria) The Rt*

sultative Council; For the Secretary General, The Most Revd Dr Josiah Idowu-Fearon; For the staff at the Anglican Communion Office in London and the UN offices in Geneva and New York (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)

	EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 24-31 May
: 24	Lavender Hill Admission of PCC
25-29	Child Protection Week
: 28	DIOCESAN CHAPTER
29	Helderberg Arch Clergy Fellowship
: 30	Mount Bay C/W&Treas/Administrator training - L/River
30	AWF AGM @10am - Mitchell's Plain
: 30	St Mary Magd. Guild AGM @ St Peter, Khayelitsha
31	PENTECOST
: 31	B/Valley Pentecost/Family Day Robertson
31	Mitchell's Plain Combined Arch. Pentecost Service
: 29-31	MU GBV Workshop SocDev
31	MU – Feast of Visitation
: 31	Blue Downs Arch. Combined Pentecost Service
31	Overberg Archdeaconry Pentecost Service Elgin

MONDAY 25-The Venerable Bede, Teacher of the Faith, 735

ST. MATTHEW'S, BELLA VISTA & ST. MARK'S, PA HAMLET

Eternal God and Father of all, we pray for the ministry of our parish, chapelry, and outstations and we especially pray for our Rector and her family, our newly elected churchwardens and councillors. Hear our prayer dear Lord, as we pray for the aged, homeless, orphans, the lonely, abused, unemployed, vulnerable during this time of uncertainty. We also continue to uphold our confirmation candidates in our prayers as they will be confirmed in June. We ask that they continue to be faithful to the promises that they are about to make. Lord, you are our only hope, many are experiencing fear and anxiety because of the coronavirus. May those who are affected and infected by the virus find that peace which is the fruit of the death and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. *Pray for Nasir (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Simon Lual Bang Jal; Agra (North India) The Rt Revd Prem Prakash Habil; Indianapolis (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 26-Aufustine, First Archbishop of Canterbury and Missionary, 605

O God, the Father of the helpless, we pray for handicapped people and all who suffer from any kind of disability. Give them courage to face each day and the comfort of the knowledge that you love and care for them. Give sympathy, patience and gentleness to those who minister to their needs, and to those dear to them who share the strain of their illness; and make known your healing love and power *Pray for Natal (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Dino Gabriel; Aguata (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Dr Samuel C. Ezeofor (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 27

PARISH OF ROBERTSON

Lord we thank you for the gift of life that you bestowed upon us and for entrusting your earth into our care. We give thanks for the Parish of Robertson and for the years that we were able to minister and be an Anglican presence in this village, surrounding areas and its people. We pray for our Rector Revd. Richard M. Dunsdon, our Curate Revd. Clarence Swanepoel, our Retired Clergy Revds. Kenneth September and Rashaad Abraham residing in the parish together with their respective spouses and families as they and all other lay people minister to us in this part of God's vineyard especially during this trying time that we face as a country, together with the whole wide world as a result of the Corona Virus (COVID-19). We thank you for the gift of all medical people, health workers, volunteers and all others putting their own lives at risk to continue fighting against this virus, use them and us vigorously as instruments in your hands. Help us as the community in faith to be obedient to the rules and regulations laid down by president and his cabinet to curb this virus. We thank you for all progress made through the miracle of your healing hand ensuring healing for those infected and affected by this Virus. Inspire our hearts and minds to never lose our faith during this trying time. May your Holy Spirit infuse our hearts and minds in order for us to be true to who you call us to be. We pray that you will reveal your presence to those who might feel lonely, fearful, lost, sick, wondering what will be next in their lives during this time of crisis.

(Scotland) The Rt Revd Anne Dyer; Ile - Oluji (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Abel Oluyemi Ajibodu (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)

WEDNESDAY 20

ARCHDEACONRY OF THE BREEDE VALLEY

With our feet into the new decade, we are indeed blessed with the ministries of Revd. Clarence Swanepoel, Revd. Cheryl Ahrends and Revd. Yasmile Smyth and lastly our 1st Canon for the Archdeaconry, God indeed blessed us with a "Clergy Fellowship" as God allowed us to give expression to our gift of socialisation. In moving forward with our Archdeaconry agenda, we are more aware of our unique choices and challenges, as we throw our weight behind the call to prayer for the Covid-19 pandemic. Although our future looks bleak and dark, we assemble around the words of Revd. Courtney Sampson: "Hopelessness is not an option." Against this background we bring before God; our 1st celebration of our Diocese and our Archdeaconry program that includes: a Pentecost family day, Laytraining, Visit to Table Mountain, Fellowship, Chapters, Fishing-trip: Struisbaai. Lastly, we bring before God our unity and community in diversity, in order to give rise to the many talents and gifts that the people of the smallest Archdeaconry can exercise. *Pray for Namibia (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Luke Pato; Abuja (Nigeria) The Most Revd Henry Chukwudum Ndokuba (Primate)*

THURSDAY 21-ASCENSION DAY

We pray for the Church, that through its prayers, actions and public statements it may continue to work towards a world where all are free from the pain of hunger and the terror of war. We pray for world leaders, that they may be inspired to work together to tackle the causes of poverty and injustice, and to use their power, not for their own glory, but for the good of all. We pray for ourselves, that we may have the courage to be witnesses to the power of sharing and to the values of global community. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. (Written by Linda Jones) *Pray for Namirembe (Uganda) The Rt Revd Wilberforce Kityo Luwalira; Abyei (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Michael Deng K Bol; Accra (West Africa) The Rt Revd Daniel Sylvanus Mensah Torto (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 22

ST. ANDREW'S, CERES

In going to the press, our Parish embarks on preparations for our 160th patronal festival, celebrating in November. We are indeed moved by God's Spirit, as this Parish and all our chapelries and outstations are in a celebrative united spirit, as God allowed us to already kickstart our anniversary with; conversations with stalwarts in planning the launch of our 160th book; our family services that showcase our kaleidoscopic talents within our distinctive chapelries; to initiate various projects. We give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed on us, through the gifts of the clergy, leaders of organisations and many other role-players who help build the Parish. We lay before God the Ministries of Revds. Joseph, Koopman and Ahrends and their families. We give thanks to all who help our Parish realize our theme for 2020: "Each one, Reach one, Teach one." *Pray for Nandyal (South India) The Rt Revd Eggoni Pushpalalitha; Adelaide (Australia) The Most Revd Geoffrey Martyn Smith (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 23

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty. *Pray for Nasik (North India) Vacant; Afikpo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Paul Udogu; Ilesa (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Samuel Ohubayuwale; Ilesa South West (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Samuel Egbebumni (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SUNDAY 24-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Special Day of Prayer: Anglican Communion Sunday us pray for the Church of Christ throughout the world: for areas where Christians are persecuted for their faith; for small churches struggling to hold together as a worshipping community. We pray that all congregations who meet in Your Name, be they large or small, may be fulfilled in their mission to reach out, to bring the love of Christ to their community, and to encourage people to follow Him. In this church, we give thanks for all people who quietly serve, maybe on cleaning or flower duties, in maintaining the buildings and gardens, each using their own talents in your service. Encourage each one of us to find ways to serve you better in this place from day to day as an act of dedication. *Pray for all members of the Anglican Communion around the world; For the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, and all primates and bishops; For members of the Anglican Con-*

Revd Markus Ibrahim; York (England) The Most Revd & Rt Hon Dr John Sentamu (Anglican C of Prayer)

FRIDAY 8

ALL SAINTS BREDASDORP with The Church of the Holy Spirit; St Mary's Struisbaai; St Andrew's, Arniston; St Saviour's, Napier; St John's, Klipdale; St Peter's, Ouplaas and Hasiesdrif. Most gracious and loving God we thank you for your guidance and blessings on this Parish as we celebrate 165 years of ministry and 157 years of consecration in this community of Bredasdorp and the surrounding areas. Thank you for the faithfulness and commitment of your people in serving you and your Church. Give us the grace and boldness to become committed Christians in the communities in which we serve. We give thanks to God for the steady growth in our attendance in all our services through the parish. We pray for each Chapelry in our Parish as they face many challenges with unemployment and social challenges. We give thanks to God for the leadership of our Parish. We pray for all those preparing for Confirmation, Baptism, Bible Class and Sunday School, together with the facilitators. We give thanks to God for the dedication of the clergy team under the leadership of Revd Francois who are assisting with services during the week and on Sundays. We pray for Revd Vincent, Revd Christoffel, Revd Lilian and Revd Francois, their spouses and families. We pray for our youth, the unemployed, the poor and those who are suffering addiction, praying for God's Holy Spirit to intervene in each situation. We give thanks to God for our Lay Ministers who faithfully minister to the sick and housebound parishioners with reserved sacrament and continue to pray for those who are bereaved. *Pray for Mundri (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Bismark Monday Avokaya Azumu; Ysabel (Melanesia) The Revd Ellison Quity (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 9

Creator and Father, giver of life and health: comfort and restore those who are sick, that they may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your unfailing love. Bless them, and those who serve their needs, that they may put their whole trust in you through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Pray for Mundu Area (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Samuel Lomue Eluzai; Yukon (Canada) The Rt Revd Larry David Robertson; Ikka (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Godfrey Ekpenisi (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 10-16 May

10	Ottery Admission of PCC
10	MOTHERS DAY
11-14	CLERGY FORMATION WEEK
15-17	SocDev Gender Support Weekend
16	Churchwardens Forum (Rural)
16	Mountain Bay Parish Council training – Muizenberg
16	Com: Spirit&Steward. Meeting @ Worcester
16	Bernard Mizeki Council @ St Peter Hermanus

SUNDAY 10-FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Prayer for a Moral Regeneration of our Society in South Africa

O heavenly Father, Physician of our souls and bodies, heal us all in this troubled but beautiful county of ours - South Africa. We understand that all trials of life are under Your care. We beg that You change our fears into courage, anxieties into serenity, distress into tolerance and hate into love, that we may learn to practice Your "unconditional love". Protect us in this violent society that we have unwittingly created. Heal the wounds also of victims who may be destroyed by crime and lawlessness. Protect us with Your shield that we may be unscathed by the evils that surround us. Lord we pray for a miraculous transformation of our society, a "moral regeneration" that will bring an end to the crime and violence that is sweeping through our country. Penetrate the souls of those who are responsible for these evils, help them to repent of the wrong they are doing and turn to You for strength and healing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. *Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya; The Most Revd Jackson Ole Sapit - Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 11

HOLY TRINITY, CALEDON

Creator God, we are thankful for our Parish and all her people. We pray your grace and blessings on all those who generously share with others in terms of their skills and talents. Empower the leadership who stepped forward following our Vestry meetings. Our prayers are for the frail and homebound. Keep the

pastoral team who minister to these people steadfast and faithful. Deep prayers for the Chapelries of Holy Trinity, St Michael and All Angels, St. Andrew, Holy Cross, St. Barnabas, St. Paul, St. Thomas and St. Mark. We pray to God for all people who suffer from addiction. We pray for an end to abuse in our communities. Lord, we seek your grace and guidance on current challenges we face especially the Corona virus. We pray for the leaders of all our organisations. We pray for the clergy Reverends Patty Edwards, Anthony Clarke, Paul Oliver and Edwin Arrison for their guidance and leadership. Lord strengthen them in your ministry. Bless their respective families. Accept these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Pray for Muranga South (Kenya) The Rt Revd Julius Karanu Wa Gicheru; Zaki-Biam (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Jezreel Vandeh; Ikwerre (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Blessing Enyindah (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 12-Simon of Cyrene

Almighty and eternal God, who created us in your own image and gave us the will to seek all that is good, true and beautiful, especially in the person of Our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for the freedom of communication. Grant, we pray you, that through our journeys in the ability to communicate freely, we may be led to charity, prayer, patience and greater understanding of each other and that we may discern, more closely, your will for your pilgrims here on earth. To the glory of the Word made Flesh. Amen. *Pray for Muyinga (Burundi) The Rt Revd Paisible Ndacayisaba; Zanzibar (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Michael Hafidh; Ikwo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Kenneth Ifemene (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 13-Elizabeth Paul

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, ELGIN with The Church of the Holy Family, Applethwaite; St Andrew’s, Arrieskraal; St Mary of Bethany, Greymead; Boesmansrug; Eikenhof; De Rust and Oudebrug We pray for our Rector and Archdeacon, The Venerable Neil February, as he shepherds the parish, his wife Beverley-Anne. We give thanks for the work done by Revd David Hanevil during his tenure as Priest in Charge since 2016 and pray God’s blessing on him and his wife Elizanne as they settle in at the Parish of Good Shepherd, Grassy Park. We pray for Revd Glenda Jordaan as she recovers after breaking her ankle, also for her husband Neville and all the respective clergy families. We pray God’s blessing on our Lay-ministers and laypersons who unselfishly serve the people of this parish in so many facets of using their God-given gift for ministry. We pray for continuous growth both numerically as well as spiritual in this parish. We give thanks to God that even though we were in a state of lockdown, the essential services, fruit producing farms and local transport service continued to be a source of income for our people. *Pray for Zaria (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Abiodun Ogunyemi Saliu Bello (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 14-ST MATTHIAS

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 Myitkyina (Myanmar) The Rt Revd John Zau Li; Zonkwa (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Jacob Kwashi; Zululand (Southern Africa) Vacant (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 15

ST ANDREW’S HAWSTON

Lord of our fears and worries, we give you thanks for our 150th anniversary and the historical heritage we celebrated. We thank you for the ministry of our Rector Rev Franklin Davids, his wife Gaylene, son Davian and daughter Gabby in this part of the vineyard. In the midst of uncertain economic times we give you thanks for your providence and promise to be with us always. Strengthen our Church communities through this pandemic of Covac -19 virus to grow in our belief and trust in You. Give guidance to our Church and political leaders. Provide a vaccine to heal us and make us whole again. Restore our families, the economy, the church and our country in these uncertain times. *Pray for Nagpur (North India) The Rt Revd Paul Dupare; Aba (Nigeria) Vacant (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 16

Almighty God, we commend to your continual care the homes in which your people live. Put far from us, every root of bitterness, the desire of vainglory, and the pride of life. Fill us with faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, and godliness. Keep together in constant affection those who, in marriage, have been made one. Turn the hearts of the parents to the children, and the hearts of the children to the parents; and so encourage charity among us all, that we may be kind and loving to one another;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Pray for Nairobi (Kenya) The Rt Revd Joel Waweru Mwangi; Aba Ngwa North (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Nathan Kanu; Ikwuano (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Chigozirim Onyegbule (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 17-23 May	
17	Post Ordination Training
17	Church Men’s Society Gospel Afternoon @ Macassar
17	CLGB Thanksgiving Service Portland
21	ASCENSION DAY
21	Kalk Bay Admission of PCC
22-24	Church Men’s Society Provincial Council @ Arniston
22-24	Dio, Young Peoples Min. Council Plan. W/shop (LTP)
23	Confirmation: All Saints, Belhar
23	Breede Valley Council @ Ceres
23	SocDev Holiday Club training: all Archdeaconries
23	SocDev Board Meeting – Worcester
23	St Mary Magd. Guild Executive Meeting

SUNDAY 17-SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Let us pray for the Church of Christ throughout the world. For areas where Christians are persecuted for their faith, for small churches struggling to hold together as a worshipping community. We pray that all congregations who meet in Your Name, be they large or small, may be fulfilled in their mission to reach out to bring the love of Christ to their community, and to encourage people to follow Him. In this church, we give thanks for all people who quietly serve, with cleaning/flower arranging or in maintaining the building and gardens, each using their own talents in your service. Encourage each one of us to find ways to serve you better in this place from day to day as an act of dedication. *Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea; The Most Revd Moses Nagjun Yoo - Primate of Korea and Bishop of Daejeon (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 18

ST PETER THE FISHERMAN, HERMANUS

We give thanks to God for new beginnings. We are thankful for our new clergy: Revd. Jerry Gelant his wife Patricia and their sons, Revd. Nitano Muller and his mother Gillian. We thank God for all who have ministered in the Parish over the many years, and for the generosity and support of the people; praying especially for the newly elected Churchwardens, our Parish and Chapelry Councils. May they lead the Parish with passion, vision and dedication. We give thanks for the ministry and leadership of Revd. Lyndall Murray during the period of transition and Deacon Joan Jones who ably assisted her. We pray for God’s continued blessing on our **Chapelries of St Patrick’s, Mount Pleasant and All Saints, Zwelihle** and the challenges faced in the respective communities. We ask God, our Sustainer, to be with all our many young people and to guide them in their decision making; especially for our candidates being confirmed in May. We remember our elderly, sick and frail parishioners at home or living in care facilities in the area. We pray for God’s blessing on our maintenance plans, especially the finishing touches being done to our new hall at St Patrick’s and other projects under the oversight of Rolf Beunnick. May we be blessed as we step into the future in the light of God during this Eastertide. *Pray for Nakuru (Kenya) The Rt Revd Joseph Muchai; Abakaliki (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Monday Nkwoagu; Ilaje (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Fredrick Olugbemi (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

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Dear Father God, bless all families with your boundless love. Help all parents, whether single or sharing responsibilities with a spouse, to use wisdom, understanding, and consideration for the entire family unit when making decisions that will affect all those in their households. Open their minds and hearts so that discipline is just, effective, and kind yet firm, teaching the children in their families that there are consequences to their actions. May all the members of each family love and respect the others, recognizing that we are all your children; and that they extend this love and respect to people outside their own families as well. We pray that the standard of a godly family will be restored to our nation, and there will be a resurgence of its benefits in the public forum. May it become apparent to those who form public opinion that our family values as represented in Scripture are the path in which to lead our nation's families back to you. Amen. *Pray for Nambale (Kenya) The Rt Revd Robert Magina Barasa; Aberdeen & Orkney*