

We reflect on tomorrows palm branches; let them be for us signs of Christ's victory. Grant to us all, that even as we rejoice in Christ as our King, we may follow Him in his great humility to the cross. Accept our gratitude, our worship, our adoration and make us more worthy of all that Christ has done for us. Pray for all who will be confirmed today at Holy Trinity/
Greyton,Caledon. *Pray for The Diocese of Barbados – The Church in the Province of the West Indies (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SUNDAY 28-PALM SUNDAY

God of all hopefulness, God of our life on this holy day of Palms and Passions and through this the holiest of weeks, when our Lenten journey finds its completion through pain, sorrow and despair. Fill us we pray, with the ability to turn to you, kneeling before your grace. Open our spirits that we may take you in and receive you, into our hearts and minds and souls. Let you in, that we might turn to you. Transformed once more, this day, this week, into a new self. May we become a new people, a people of love and compassion, born anew from our deepest sorrow through the breadth of your forgiveness and love. Amen. *Pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*

MONDAY 29-MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK ANNUNCIATION, WOODLANDS

Thank God for our Church Wardens/councillors, their gift and time well spent with the administration work of the Parish; our parishioners kind financial generosity for the ongoing work of ministry. Our sincere condolences to families, parishioners and friends who have lost loved ones during Covid 19, as they grapple with the emotional and psychological trauma to move on with life. Pray for the families who lost their work as firms close down and find it difficult to put bread on the table. Pray for our congregants whose spiritual life suffered much, for the up coming vestry, the students who anxiously await matric results and registering for university entrance. *Pray for The Diocese of Bari – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Kaduna Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 30-TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

We give thanks to God for helping us to step on the right road as we ask for help in keeping us there. In this Holy Week we pray for all who have strayed from his path and for those who have very little faith. We keep in our prayers all the organisations that minister to those in need. We ask for strength that they may continue working in his name. *Pray for The Diocese of Baringo – The Anglican Church of Kenya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 31-WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

Almighty God, your Son came to us humbly on a donkey's back and now he sits exalted by your right hand. As we enter into Holy Week contemplating his path of suffering, help us to become loyal and steadfast disciples, that we may always hear his word, follow his teachings, and live in his Spirit. And prepare our hearts for that day when every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that he is Lord and King, to your eternal glory. Amen. *Pray for The Diocese of Barrackpore – The (united) Church of North India (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

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

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:

Thank you Father, that you never fail nor forsake us.

ARCHDEACONRY OF MITCHELL'S PLAIN

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 1-6 MARCH

- 4-6 Bernard Mizeki Provincial Council
- 5 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
- 5 M/Plain Arch Clergy/Spouse Social
- 6 Confirmation:Parochial District of Manche Masemola

MONDAY 1-David Bishop and Missionary in Wales, 6th century

Grant to us, Lord, lives marked by faithfulness, gentleness and self-control, patience, kindness and goodness towards all we meet, and by love, joy and peace within our hearts. So may the Spirit of Christ bear fruit in us, for His name's sake. We pray for our young people and children in our community at home and at school; watch over them and protect them from all evil, guide them into the ways of your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Pray for The Diocese of Armidale – The Anglican Church of Australia (New South Wales Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 2-Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, 672

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 The Diocese of Arochukwu / Ohafia – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Aba Province) (A Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 3-John and Charles Wesley, Priests, 18th century MITCHELLS PLAIN ARCHDEACONRY

Almighty God, we thank you for your continued blessings. We pray for the Archdeaconry of Mitchells Plain and all our Parishes, Parishioners and Clergy. We are grateful for the commitment of our people during this past year as we face the global pandemic COVID-19. Many of our loved ones succumbed to the virus and we continue to remember them in our prayers. We pray for daily strength for those who are still struggling in hospitals or at home. We give thanks for the recovery of all who have been ill. We also continue to pray for all front-line workers, especially during the time of the pandemic. Give strength and comfort to all bereaved families, especially as most were unable to be with their relatives close to, or at the time of death. Lord, heal the world and be with us as we embrace the new normal. Thank you, Lord, for the commitment of our people towards the Parishes and Diocese, even though we have experienced extended periods of not being able to have 'in-person' worship. We are grateful to our clergy and worship teams for the creativity displayed in preparing and presenting virtual services. Thank you, Lord, that families were able to worship together in their homes, and for special encounters we had with you. We thank you for our Task Teams who ensure that our church buildings are always safe spaces for worship, and who continue to ensure that all health protocols are observed. May this particular ministry be strengthened at our various parishes. *Pray for The Diocese of Aru – Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 4

O God, for your goodness and generosity in giving us all we need; this week help us to praise you. O God, in every circumstance of life, in good times and bad; this week help us to trust you. O God, in love and faithfulness, with all that we have and all that we are; this week help us to serve you. O God, as we speak, write or listen to those nearby or far away; this week help us to share your love. O God, in all our plans and work for ourselves and for others; this week help us to glorify you. O God, in every thought, word and deed, by the power of your Holy Spirit; this week may we live for you. Amen. *Pray for The Missionary Diocese of Asaba – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Bendel Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 5– Special Day of Prayer; Women's World Day of Prayer LENTEGEUR PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL

We give thanks to God for he never dozes nor sleeps but constantly watches over us. We thank God for the management and all the staff at Lentegeur Psychiatric Hospital. Thank you, Lord that you have been the staff's source of strength during this difficult time. We are grateful that currently we have no Covid 19 positive cases at the hospital. We commend the patients for their patience during this time when they are not allowed to have family visits. We give thanks to their families for their understanding and willingness to support the staff while they strive to do their best during this difficult time. We remember the people in the community who have occasionally showed their appreciation by handing gifts to the staff and giving their assurance of their constant prayers. We pray for Rev Desiree Jackson, the Hospital Chaplain, for the role she plays in the lives of the staff and patients. *Pray for The Diocese of Asante-Mampong – The Church of the Province of West Africa (Ghana Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 6

We give thanks to God for our priests and pray that they may be holy and competent pastors, capable of leading even in the complex and difficult times in which we live. We pray for them, that their faith may not fail, that they may feel themselves surrounded by the caring love of their people and of the whole Church. Pray for all to be confirmed today in the Parochial District of Manche Masemola. *Pray for The Diocese of Saint Asaph – The Church in Wales (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SUNDAY 7-THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MONDAY 22– World Water Day, recognized by the UN

The water that God called into being is at the heart of all that live. Mindful of the many ways water affects our lives; let us pray for our waters and for the life of the world around us. We pray for the leaders of nations, corporations, and communities around the world, that they may exercise wise stewardship over the waters of their lands, so that all people may have clean water to drink and live free from waterborne diseases. We keep in our prayers all who suffer from too much water in the destruction of flood, storm, tsunami, and ice; and for those people and creatures who suffer as the glaciers and ice floes vanish. We offer prayers for all who thirst for water, for health, for love, for wisdom, for God, that their cups may be filled to overflowing. Blessed God, in your wisdom you uphold creation and renew it again and again. Help us to see all water as holy water, and all our concerns as bathed in the living water Christ gives us, in whose name we pray. *Amen. Pray for The Diocese of the Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands – The Church in the Province of the West Indies (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 23

Lord, we pray that world-wide churches may always be ready to travel along your way and in your direction. Bless and guide our ministers and leaders. As we come to the end of our Lenten season of penitence and discipline, help us to be alive to your Spirit, who searches all our hearts and renews our lives as we offer our faith and obedience. *Pray for The Diocese of Bakuru – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Jos Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 24– World Tuberculosis Day, recognized by the UN and WHO

Jesus, embolden health workers to emulate Your model of healing to those living with TB. Encourage those who are sick to be faithful in their treatment so the disease will not spread or become drug-resistant. We need your help to create new forms of treatment and testing to eradicate this disease. Please guide the hands of researchers and doctors to find a simple, effective treatment. Allow your hope to invade the hearts of families struggling with the disease as we pray for healing and strength to live a life as normal as possible. *Pray for The Diocese of Ballarat – The Anglican Church of Australia (Victoria Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 25-THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

International Day of remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, recognized by the UN

Holy Creator, empower us to fight and to prevent the horror of human trafficking that is expanding all around us each day in the darkness. Help us to shine light into that darkness, to not be blinded by the darkness but to overcome our own blindness, our own refusal to acknowledge what is happening to so many others. *Pray for The Diocese of Bangor – The Church in Wales (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 26

ST PAUL'S, PHILIPPI

God the Creator, thank you for the gift of Life. We are bruised by the deadly virus that has infected as well as affected us. We are bruised by the rise of Crime and decline of the economy. We do not know what awaits us tomorrow, but we are comforted by the knowledge that you will never forsake us. We pray for the children who will be reopening Schools for the first time without the support of their parents. We pray for the parents, who are struggling to put food on the table. Bruised and broken as we are, we remain hopeful that our God will not forsake us. We pray for the strength to move forward, taking one day a time as we find our feet in these challenging times. Amen. *Pray for The Diocese of Banks & Torres – The Anglican Church of Melanesia (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 27

candidates as they seek the infilling of God the Holy Spirit upon their lives. God of grace we pray for our forth coming vestry, may your will be done in this parish. Gracious God it is our will that we should live our lives free from violence. Keep our communities safe, inspire us to breed a people who will denounce violence, respect themselves, and respect the rights of woman and children and the vulnerable. Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us. Heart of Jesus, full of love and mercy watch over our sisters and brothers and all migrant workers. Have pity on them and protect them. They suffer ill-treatment and humiliation (xenophobia). Take care of their families until they return home or try to make a home here amongst us. Touch with your goodness the hearts of all who see them pass by. *Pray for The Diocese of Ayod – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Jonglei Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 20-Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 687

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, STRANDFONTEIN

We give thanks to God for the people of the parish of St. Francis, for their faith and hope in the Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you, Lord, for our common lives together in the village of Strandfontein, for years of good neighbourliness and friendships and the way people care for each other, particularly when we are vulnerable. We pray for: all institutions in Strandfontein, for Schools, the Clinic, for the Churches, Mosques, SAPS, Educare Centres, all NGO's, feeding schemes, services rendered by medical, legal and other professionals, retail, many self-employed people who have been hard-hit by the pandemic. We pray for all who have lost livelihoods; for alternative and creative measures of employment. We pray for every food, vegetable, fish and general stall on every corner of our village. Encourage us Good Lord, to support each other. We bring before God the many challenges of our community at this time, in 7de Laan, bushdwellers and on surrounding farms, in our homes and in our country. We pray for the many who are sick and all who have passed on from this life to the next. We give thanks for all the signs of Light: newborn babies, children going to school and educare, young people going to study, couples finding love and seeking the Sacrament of marriage, parents providing solid foundations for their children, for the many recoveries from Covid and all other illnesses. We especially give thanks for the many, many cancer-survivors, for frontliners fighting the pandemic so bravely, for the arrival of vaccines. We give thanks for our clergy and people together. Help us in the pounding of the waves and the ebb and flow of the tides to know You are still in control, dear Lord. May we be strong in faith, persistent in good deeds, abounding in Love. Amen. Pray for all to be confirmed today at St Matthew, Bella Vista. *Pray for The Diocese of Badagry – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Lagos Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 21-30 MARCH

21 HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

27 Confirmations: Holy Trinity/Greyton, Caledon

28 PALM SUNDAY

28 28-4 Apr **Ordinands Plunge – All Saints Bredasdorp**

31 School Close

SUNDAY 21-FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT– International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination recognized by the UN

Creator of all people, in our amazing diversity of size, shape, colour, and giftedness: guide us, by your grace, to recognize the beauty and fitness of all whom you have made in your own image. Give us gifts of humility and generosity of spirit to recognize in all people the face of our Saviour, Jesus, and to practice his commandment to “love one another,” toward the end of bringing harmony and peace among persons of all colours, origins, and abilities, for the sake of your Kingdom. Amen. *Pray for The Church of England (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

We pray for all families represented here today. Each one is made up differently and faces the normal ups and downs of family life in different ways. We pray that each family finds a place in it for the love of Jesus Christ and that special peace which it brings. We pray especially for families known to us who are coping with illness, poverty, racial hatred or tragedy. Show us where we can lend a sympathetic ear, speak a word of comfort or offer practical help and so show your love in action. Pray for all to be confirmed today at Christ the King, Rocklands. *Pray for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo (A C of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 7-13 MARCH

7 Confirmation: Christ the King, Rocklands

7 Vestry: Portland

11 Mountain Bay Arch Clergy Fellowship F/hoek

13 Confirmation: St Peter the Fisherman, Hermanus: St Andrew, Hawston

13 AWF Executive Meeting @ Rotterdam

13 Guild: Servants of Sanctuary Committee B/Valley

13 Bernard Mizeki Council St Michael Harare

MONDAY 8

We thank you, Lord Christ, that by the travail of your passion you brought to birth the new re-deemed family of the Church, in which your love transfigures all our relationships. Draw us as believers closer together at the foot of the cross. Teach us to welcome and care for one another in obedience to your word; and unite us in a fellowship of compassion as members of the one family, to serve our Father's kingdom and to do his will, to the glory of his name. *Pray for The Diocese of Athabasca – The Anglican Church of Canada (Rupert's Land Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 9-Maqhamusela Khanyile of Zululand, Martyr, 1877

Almighty and everlasting Father, have mercy on all nations that are presently experiencing crisis in their economies. Revamp and stabilise their economies. Remove poverty and scarcity from their lands and supply their needs according to your riches in glory. Father, guide every country in the proper management of their resources and help them to use them judiciously, carefully and objectively. Bless the natural and man-made resources of every nation. *Pray for The Diocese of Athooch – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Jonglei Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 10

CHRIST THE SAVIOUR, LENTEGEUR

We remember in prayer, the faithful and committed people of Christ the Saviour- Lentegeur. We hold its leaders, the compliance team and the ministry of the interim Priest- in-Charge, Revd Laurencious, Melony and their family in our prayers. As the Lockdown continues, please pray for all our Parishioners as they seek healing, peace and a sense of normality. We sadly mourn every person who died as a result of this virus and recognise the pain and added indignity with which many Loved Ones had hurriedly been buried, with minimal celebration of such a Loved One's life. As we prepare to journey through the Lenten period, our prayer is for all to be afforded an opportunity to look deeply within ourselves. May we cherish the moments where we can connect with God and God's people in a very special way, so that our lives could be renewed and revived. At this time, as we look at the Cross, we know that beyond the Cross, lies the radiance of your Resurrection. *Pray for The Diocese of Atlanta – The Episcopal Church (IV (4) Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 11

O God, the Father of humankind, to whom alone is known the mystery of suffering, hear our

prayers on behalf of those in hospital who are bearing the burden of sickness or pain, or have to undergo operations. In their weakness and anxiety draw near to them with your comfort and strength, and give them the assurance that, sharing their suffering, you will also share with them your peace. *Pray for The Diocese of Auckland – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia (Pakeha Tikanga) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**FRIDAY 12-Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome and Teacher of the Faith, 604
CHRIST THE RECONCILER, TAFELSIG**

Gracious God, we thank you for all the blessings you bestow on us as a Parochial District. Keep us committed in our service to you and our care for each other. We thank you for the leadership of Reverend Netta Gallant, as our incumbent in 2020. We pray for her and the family as they have relocated. We are grateful for the time spent together and the ministry we shared. During the interregnum, we pray for all who will minister to us. We also ask you to guide Bishop Margaret and the Diocesan Chapter in their discernment with regards to appointing our next incumbent. Guide the Churchwardens and Parish Council as they, together with the Archdeacon, ensure the smooth running of the Parish. Thank you, Lord, for the commitment of all our parishioners. *Pray for The Diocese of North West Australia – The Anglican Church of Australia (Western Australia Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 13

In this Lententide we pray that we will make a commitment to seek the presence of God in prayer and we ask Him to guide us to see the graces He gives us as gifts not rewards, and to respond with gratitude and humility, not pride and selfishness. Amen. *Pray for The Diocese of Aweil – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Northern Bahr el Ghazal Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 14-20 MARCH	
14	Confirmation: Holy Trinity, Kalk Bay
14	MOTHERING SUNDAY
15-18	EXTENDED CHAPTER
20	Confirmation: St Matthew, Bella Vista
20	Breede Valley Archd. Lay Training – Robertson
20	Post Ordination Training
20	AWF Branch Meeting Visitation

SUNDAY 14-FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Mothering Sunday

Lord Jesus, you know well the blessings an earthly home can bring: receive our thanks for all the love we have enjoyed in our homes, especially from those who have nurtured us in our earliest years; and hear our prayers for mothers everywhere, that they may never lose heart, nor ever be taken for granted, but may, with Mary your mother, receive the honour they deserve. O Lord Jesus, bless them and keep them, now and forever. Pray for all to be confirmed today at Holy Trinity, Kalk Bay. *Pray for Iglesia Anglicana de Chile (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 15

CHRIST THE REDEEMER, WESTRIDGE

God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, we worship you through all the seasons of our pilgrim journey. Thank you for continued blessings on us as a Parish. We pray for our Clergy and Parishioners especially at this time of Lockdown. We remember and give thanks to God for so many of our parishioners who have passed on during these past few months. Lord, give

comfort to those who are bereaved. With gratitude we pray for those who continue to remain committed to the Task Team, Administration, ongoing Maintenance work and Compassionate Care to those in need. Lord, we commend to you all our plans for this year. Give us fresh enthusiasm to offer our services to your church and our community, as your kingdom is extended here on earth. *Pray for The Diocese of Awerial – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Eastern Bahr el Ghazal Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 16

We thank you, Father, that from the days of the apostles you have chosen and prepared people to exercise leadership and oversight in the Church, to guard its faith and guide its life. We pray for those who are called to the ministry, that they may be holy and humble people, strong and courageous, sensitive to the Church's need; and may they so exercise their responsibilities that your people may be built up in faith and knowledge and equipped for work in your service. *Pray for The Diocese of Awgu / Aninri – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Enugu Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 17-Patrick, Bishop and Missionary in Ireland, 461

CHRIST THE MEDIATOR PORTLAND AND CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD, EASTRIDGE

We give praise to God, for he is worthy to be praised! Covid 19 has made us realise that we have so much to be grateful for. We thank God for all frontline workers who are committed to their calling. We commend to you, Lord, all the families mourning the loss of a loved one, while we thank you for the many people who have recovered from the virus. We give thanks to our clergy Revds. Dean, Ashley, and Desiree as they strive to be a beacon of hope to all those you are discouraged at this time. While the country is in lockdown, we give thanks to the media team who make it possible for the parishioners to be nourished spiritually through the media. We are grateful to the task team who diligently make sure that the safety protocols are in place. While we look forward to the reopening of the churches we thank God for his faithfulness as he watches and protects us every day. *Pray for The Diocese of Awka – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Niger Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 18-Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Teacher of the Faith c.386

We make our prayers to you, O Lord our God, for those who are to be set apart for the work of ordained ministry. Grant them the abundance of your grace that, in the power of the Holy Spirit, they may faithfully fulfill their calling in building up the life of your Church and in furthering your kingdom in the world. *Pray for The Diocese of Awori – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Lagos Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 19-Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 1711

CHRIST THE KING, ROCKLANDS

Faithful and never failing God, as we journey through the season of Lent, we focus on the many challenges that we are facing in the world, our country, our community and our respective parishes. We thank you for enabling us to be trustworthy custodians of your ministry to your people everywhere. We praise and thank you for the gift of our parish family, for the many dedicated parishioners who religiously pray and work for the extension of your kingdom here on earth. We pray for the Executive and Parish Council and all who work tirelessly during this stressful time to maintain this parish as a beacon of hope. Lord of sea and sky you have heard your people cry. Thank you for your bountiful blessings you give us. We pray for all our organizations, particularly during this lockdown. Heavenly Father we commend to your care all who are suffering distress through unemployment, illness in its various forms, particularly the pandemic. Lord be gracious to them in their hour of need. To those who have lost loved ones, we pray for healing as they reach out to the Holy Spirit and seek comfort. We pray for our confirmation