

name of Jesus Christ the hope of the world. *Pray for The Diocese of Masvingo – The Church of the Province of Central Africa (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 29-William Wilberforce, Philanthropist, 1833

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 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 The Diocese of Matabeleland – The Church of the Province of Central Africa (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 30-Mary and Martha of Bethany - International Day of Friendship recognized by the UN

Keep us, O God, from pettiness; let us be kind in thought, in word and in deed. Let us be done with fault finding and leave off self-seeking. May we put away all pretence and meet each other face-to-face, without self-pity and without prejudice. May we never be hasty in judgment and always be generous. Help us, O Lord, always to be kind. Amen. *Pray for The Diocese of Matana – The Anglican Church of Burundi (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SUNDAY 31-EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God, whose Spirit enfolds us, hold close to your heart those who are searching for work; encourage their spirits to persevere; soothe tense relationships that threaten to tear their families apart; turn our hearts toward them in compassion, generous support, and efforts to open doors of opportunity, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

The Archdeaconries of Breede Valley and Overberg 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**

JULY 2022

PRAYER THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

All that I do I commit to you Lord, and I pray that you will direct my thoughts

ARCHDEACONRY OF MITCHELL'S PLAIN

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 1-9 JULY

- 2 Fellowship of Vocation
- 2-3 SocDev Confirmation Life skills Camp
- 3 CMS QUIET DAY Lentegeur
- 3 Guild: St Mary Magdalene Exe St Peter Khay.
- 3 Helderberg New Layminister's Training
- 4-8 SocDev Holiday Club & visits (week 2)
- 8 CLGB Winter Ball
- 9 AWF Executive Meeting

FRIDAY 1

PRAYERS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF MITCHELL'S PLAIN

Creator God, we give expression to our faith in this beautiful Archdeaconry. We find the coastline on our border, together with the nature reserve. Soon the lilies will blossom and flower. And as we look at the lilies, we know that you care so much more for us. For this we thank you. We thank you for the most beautiful people of the Archdeaconry, in all our diversity. People who love and serve you so faithfully and overcome so many challenges by your grace. We pray for all government institutions and para-statal in Mitchell's Plain. Deal graciously with your people who have to overcome long queues everywhere, who must get up even before dawn to access health and social services or to travel to work and even school, facing many dangers on their way. Thank you for the resilience of your people, their wanting to make things work and to make life better for each other; the many CPF's to guard the streets at night and in the dark hours of the morning. We pray for the safety of all people and particularly women and children of Mitchell's Plain. We pray for the young people who are facing many challenges regarding their education, employment, substance abuse. As we thank you for thriving families, we pray for families struggling and deeply affected by the Covid-pandemic and the rising cost of living. We also pray for the safe keeping of all church properties and safety of clerical families. We give thanks for the many years that Revd Ruth served as the Archdeacon of Mitchell's Plain and her beautiful example of servant leadership. We pray for all parishes as we rebuild and re-imagine our way forward. We pray for the ministries of all the clergy in their parishes and at Lentegeur Hospital and we thank God for the dedication and total commitment of all clergy and

people to God's work in Mitchell's Plain. *Pray for The Diocese of Malek – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Jonglei Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 2

Lord, we pray for a world which struggles to live justly and for those who have to search for daily food or walk long distances for clean water. We remember with sadness those whose lives are cut short by disease or violence, and for those who have fled their homes in fear. We pray for those who meet persecution and torture with courage and dignity. We remember the weak, the oppressed, the neglected and the abused. May all obstacles to their healing and wholeness be removed through the outpouring of your love and hope. *Pray for The Diocese of Malek Rup – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Eastern Bahr el Ghazal Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SUNDAY 3-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Father God, we thank you for those whose influence has led us to come to worship in this place this morning. We remember family members, Sunday School teachers, church leaders, friends and colleagues who have encouraged us to follow in the Christian way. We give thanks for the fellowship which we find in this church which supports us as we seek to put our faith into practice in our daily lives. Strengthen us, Lord, in your service, so that we, in our turn, may be an encouragement to others *Pray for The Anglican Church of Tanzania (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 4-ST THOMAS, APOSTLE ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, STRANDFONTEIN:

Dear God, who is our Creator our Redeemer and our Sanctifier, we thank you for the parish of St. Francis of Assisi, Strandfontein. We thank God for the leadership of the parish and for all the lovely, faithful worshippers. Thank you, Lord, for their love and devotion, for the eagerness to serve you and for their kind compassion. We pray for every family, all households in Strandfontein. Grant us peaceable homes and a peaceable community. Please be with the people of the informal settlements, particularly Sewende Laan. We thank God for the generosity of the many churches, the mosque and other NGO's serving the community's various needs. We bring before God all schools and the clinic, SAPS, the Sporting fraternity and all who bring hope and light. Lord, we thank you for the beauty of nature surrounding us. Equip our young people to make good choices in their lives. Thank you for the ministry of Revd Cheryl Ahrends, Revd Cheryl Uren and hold their families close to your heart. *Pray for The Diocese of Malindi – The Anglican Church of Kenya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 5

Heavenly Father we pray for Archbishop Thabo, for Bishop Margaret and for the members of Chapter, give them the grace they need to fulfil your charge; pour into their hearts a true love for the people committed to their care; and so guide and govern them by the Holy Spirit that all they do may be for the welfare of your Church. *Pray for Te Pihopatanga o Manawa o Te Wheke – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia (Maori Tikanga) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 6 –Thomas More, Martyr, 1535 CHRIST THE REDEEMER, WESTRIDGE

God our Creator, Protector and Guide, we honour you with all our hearts. Thank you for your continued expression of unconditional love. In these uncertain times, help us to keep our eyes fixed on you, as we pray for the safety of our families. Comfort the many who are bereaved, and grant relief to all who struggle in some other ways. Bless our outreach efforts. As we embrace the 'new normal', may we reach out to each other with sincere hearts. Give wisdom and insight to our Par-

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 The Church in Wales (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 24-31 JULY

27-8/8 LAMBETH CONFERENCE UK

29 Mitchell's Plain Clergy/Spouse Fellowship

30 SocDev Confirmation Life skills workshop

30 AWF MARY/MARTHA Service Held.

MONDAY 25-ST JAMES, APOSTLE AND MARTYR LENTEGEUR PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL

Heavenly Father we give thanks for all institutions of healing. We pray especially for Lentegour Psychiatric Hospital. As the hospital is excited for the new CEO, we pray that God will give him the spirit of discernment and strengthen him with the huge responsibility at the hospital. We give thanks for the nursing staff as they celebrated Nurses Day last month, continue to give them the spirit of compassion and understanding as they care for the patients. We continue to pray for all other disciplines at the hospital as they strive to be a beacon of hope to the patients. More importantly we pray for the patients as they struggle with their mental illness and other social issues. We continue to pray for the Hospital Chaplain Rev Desiree as she ministers to the staff and patients at the hospital. *Pray for The Diocese of Masindi-Kitara – The Church of the Province of Uganda (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 26

Lord Jesus Christ, you have called us to be members one of another in a community of those created in the image of God: strengthen in us the sense of our common humanity that women and men, gay and straight people may celebrate their diversity, affirm their dignity and accord one another the respect they deserve as God's children. *Pray for The Diocese of Massachusetts – The Episcopal Church (I (1) Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 27

Almighty God, you teach your people the way of wisdom and lead them in the paths of righteousness: grant to all the Bishops at the Lambeth Conference, the grace to seek your vision for your Church, so that, anchored in the love of Christ, committed to your mission in your world, and transformed by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may all embody and proclaim your message of redemption in lives of faithful witness and service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Pray for The Diocese of Western Massachusetts – The Episcopal Church (I (1) Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 28

We pray for people whose humanity is denied by others; for those who have fled from oppressions within their own country; for those without homes and food; for those suffering from malnutrition, illness and disease; for those living in fear of the bombing. As we remember them, we now pray for those who work for peace and justice, and for those trying to show love and care to the desperate and helpless. May they succeed in bringing hope and purpose into their lives. We pray for an end to all conflict and suffering in all countries. Lord God, make us your rainbow people—glorying in our God-given variety, passionate for peace, trusting in your grace, in the

We pray for the suffering people of war torn countries in the world, forced to live amid deterioration, disease and despair. We raise our voices on their behalf, as truth-tellers we want to proclaim 'This is not good', it is not how God desires our world to be. Loving Father, look after the people of this sad but beautiful world. Care for the little ones, comfort the dying, and into this hour of darkness may the light of your new dawn begin to shine. Amen. *Pray for The Diocese of Masasi – The Anglican Church of Tanzania (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**WEDNESDAY 20
ST PAUL'S, PHILIPPI**

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of life. We thank you for blessing us with the Cathedral. Be with the congregation there, who accepted the call to allow their Parish to be the Cathedral of the Diocese. We pray for our first Dean, as he begins a new chapter in his ministerial book of life. We pray for peace and harmony in these challenging times in our country. We see signs of racism in all corners of our country, and we pray that it may come to an end. May the rainbow nation not just be a slogan, but be a reality in our land. We lift our children in prayer, as they continue with their exams and academic life. God the Holy Spirit, help us respect each other, no matter the gender, sexual orientation, colour of skin and/or bank balance. We remember all those who have lost their lives through Gender Based Violence. We love you God; we believe even in this hopelessness that you are in Control. We pray for a peaceful end to the war. We in a special way pray for all the Clergy who have been suspended or expelled because of falling, may they know there is life after Reconciliation. Help us God to be Pastoral towards them, because they too need your healing love through us your people. *Pray for The Diocese of Maseno East – The Anglican Church of Kenya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 21

We bring before you today those who devote their lives to research into the causes of the various viruses assailing our world by trying to find a cure. Help them to do their work successfully and to share their knowledge to the benefit of all who wish to see the ravages of these terrible diseases ended. Be with them at all times to guide and strengthen them in their constant search for the knowledge that will finally see an end to the suffering and heartache caused by this virus. *Pray for The Diocese of Maseno North – The Anglican Church of Kenya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

**FRIDAY 22-ST MARY MAGDALENE, APOSTLE TO THE APOSTLES
CHURCH OF ANNUNCIATION, WOODLANDS**

Thanks be to God for a blessed confirmation service and those teachers who diligently offered their time and talents in preparing these young people over the three years. We thank our parishioners for their sacrificial giving in money, time, and gifts. We give thanks for the Parish Council members in helping to do the admin work freeing our priest for community pastoral work. Praying for our communities that are gripped in fear as the result of kidnapping of children and young women. Our prayers for the various organizations who are struggling to find their feet again after a long lay off; for those facing mental illness, as a result of losing their jobs, may God's mercy and grace reach them. *Pray for The Diocese of Maseno South – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

SATURDAY 23

As we have been commanded to love one another and to serve each other's needs we ask for God's help in our homes, to be helpful and considerate, forbearing and forgiving, so that the harmony of our family life may be strengthened and sustained. We ask that the blessing of your peace rest upon us all. *Pray for The Diocese of Maseno West – The Anglican Church of Kenya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SUNDAY 24-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ish leadership, especially at this time. *Pray for The Diocese of Manchester – The Church of England (York Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 7

We pray for those for whom this day will seem long and hard; for those in hospital or ill at home; those struggling with despair or depression; those waiting for a job, or important news, or for a friend to call. Lord, we ask you to touch with your generous love all those who are in our hearts today because of their special need. May your love flood their lives with hope and healing in body, mind and spirit. *Pray for The Diocese of Mandalay – The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

FRIDAY 8

CHRIST THE RECONCILER, TAFELSIG

All honour and praise to God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Lord, we pray with the Psalmist 'you are our defender and protector, in whom we trust'. May we never lose hope; the hope we have in Jesus Christ. We give thanks and praise that our Church Hall has been approved by all relevant authorities. Praise for the community and congregation who have made many sacrifices through financial giving and availing of their resources. We give thanks for Revd Marlon Porter and his continued leadership and guidance. Give him and the Parish Council wisdom, knowledge and understanding as they lead us in this part of your vineyard. We pray for the community of Tafelsig and its many challenges: gangsterism, violence, abuse of women and children, the elderly, drug and alcohol abuse and broken families; may the light of Christ be a beacon of hope to all who suffer: the sick, the poor, the marginalised, the oppressed, and the abused. Amen. *The Diocese of Manicaland – The Church of the Province of Central Africa (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 9

We thank you Lord for families, friends and neighbours, for the joys of close relationships and for all they teach us of your love. Encourage the young, support the old, assist those who care for them, and those who care for the carers. Grant to all of us patience, understanding and good humour, and let our service to each other be patterned on the life of Christ, in the power of your Holy Spirit. *Pray for The Diocese of Maper – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Eastern Bahr el Ghazal Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 1st-16 JULY

- 11-14 Mitchell's Plain Clergy Retreat??
- 11-15 SocDev Holiday Club visits (week 3)
- 12 Blue Downs Archd. Chapter G/Drakenstein
- 16 AWF Branch Meetings
- 16 Post Ordination Training
- 16 Guild: St Mary Magdalene Council St Peter Khay.
- 16 Confirmation: Church of the Nativity, Blackheath

SUNDAY 10-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Special day of Prayer-Mission to seafarers

Lord of the great oceans, we praise and magnify Your Holy name. You have given us a highway on which we may travel to many nations and come to know many peoples. We give You thanks for all seafarers who navigate our ships and carry cargoes all over the world, for our lives are enriched through their labours. Forgive us when we forget how much we owe them and may we rejoice in the skills and courage they bring to their calling. Never leave or forsake

them but go with them as they sail the lonely seas and bring them safely home to those who love them. Through Jesus Christ our lord. AMEN. *Pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 11-Benedict of Monte Cassino, Religious, c.540

CHRIST THE KING, ROCKLANDS

Gracious God we pray for the Parish of Rocklands. We thank you for the ministry of Revd Greg Lamond and Revd Stanton Robertson to the people of Rocklands. We pray for the clerical families. We thank you for the diligence and faithfulness of all the people of the Parish. We bring before you all the needs and challenges of the Parish and the community. We pray for all places of learning and all teachers and learners. We pray for an end to crime and violence in our community and all other communities across the Cape Flats. We pray for the project on our doorstep to bring improved service delivery. We thank God for the many acts of love and kindness in the Parish and community. *Pray for The Diocese of Mara – The Anglican Church of Tanzania (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 12

Heart of Jesus full of love and mercy, watch over our sister and brother migrants. Have pity on them and protect them; they suffer mistreatment and humiliations on their way, looked on as dangerous by most, and marginalized for being foreigners. Help us to respect them and appreciate their dignity. Touch with your goodness the hearts of us who see them pass by. Take care of their families until they return home, not with broken hearts but with their hopes fulfilled. *Pray for The Diocese of Maralal – The Anglican Church of Kenya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

WEDNESDAY 13-Silas

CHRIST THE MEDIATOR, PORTLAND

We pray for the Parish as a whole, for God's continued blessings and protection. We thank God for the leadership of our Church Wardens, Parish Councillors, Organisations and Ministries. We pray for the elderly, frail, housebound and those who are ill at this time. Through the care of their families, caregivers, doctors and nurses, may they truly see God at work within them. May those who lost their jobs as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic find new opportunities of employment. We thank God for the faithfulness of all parishioners. We pray for our Clergy and their families: Revd. Canon Dean Apples, Revd. Ashley Ceylon and Revd. Nonceba Mdunyelwa, may they remain faithful to your calling. We pray for all people: for the bewildered and seeking, that they may find faith in you; for the unemployed and frustrated, that they may find spheres of usefulness and satisfaction; for those who have been led into paths of anarchy and violence, that they may find a way of escape. May our discipline be wise and just; and may our love make it easier for them to understand the love of God. *Pray for The Diocese of Marathwada – The (united) Church of North India (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

THURSDAY 14

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 fall more deeply in love with 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. We ask these things of You our Eternal Priest. *Pray for The Diocese of Maridi – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Western Equatoria Province)*

FRIDAY 15

CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD, EASTRIDGE

We thank God for the leadership of our Chapel Wardens and Chapelry Councillors. We thank God for the continued faithfulness of his people, despite the many challenges they face. We offer to God those challenges of gangsterism, gun shootings, drugs, high unemployment and violence. We pray that our communities will again become places of peace and free from these social ills. We pray for our government and all political leaders that they may first serve their communities. Lord our God, Father of all, you guard us under the shadow of your wings and search into the depths of our hearts. Remove the blindness that cannot know you and relieve the fear that would hide us from your sight. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Pray for The Diocese of Saint Mark the Evangelist – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

SATURDAY 16

Lord, look in mercy on those who are in the grip of drugs. Release them from the captivity into which their own actions have brought them; give them the will to accept a cure where such is possible; and restore to them the possibility of a new life, through the grace and power of our Lord. Pray for all to be confirmed today at the Church of the Nativity, Blackheath. *Pray for The Diocese of Marsabit – The Anglican Church of Kenya (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

EVENTS IN THIS WEEK: 17-23 JULY

- 18 Mandela Day
- 19 Schools Open
- 23 Blue Downs Archd. Council Mfuleni
- 23/24 Guild: St Mary Magdalene Commemoration Khay.

SUNDAY 17-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 The Episcopal Church (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

MONDAY 18- Nelson Mandela International Day, recognized by the UN

CHRIST THE SAVIOUR, LENTEGEUR

God of love, we thank you for your loving and abiding presence in our lives. We intercede for peace to prevail within our community. We pray for the wellbeing of our families and for the care of those who find themselves in the clutches of addiction. We long for an end to vandalism and theft and give thanks to those involved in outreach ministries, offering love and support to the vulnerable and the weak amongst us. We offer thanks for all involved in their respective ministries, especially our leaders and seek your blessing upon Revd Laurencious and his family. We carry in prayer those in our midst who seek inner peace and for those who are troubled and torn apart by lack of self-esteem – may our hope always be founded in you. We pray for our young people, seeking that they may worship you with complete joy, utmost zeal, and unconditional love. We pray for the ministry of the church and seek that we remain united in the love of Christ. *Pray for The Diocese of Maryland – The Episcopal Church (III (3) Province) (Anglican Cycle of Prayer)*

TUESDAY 19