



Cathedral of St Michael and St George in the City and Diocese of Grahamstown

A warm welcome to those who are visiting the Cathedral and Grahamstown. Please introduce yourself to us! If you are new to the Cathedral and would like follow up, please fill in the pink form at the west (High Street) door and give it to one of the clergy or sidespeople.

Please turn off your cell phone and keep your valuables with you at all times.

3rd May 2015 – The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Today's services

Time	Service	Preacher	Presider/Officiant
07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Dean Andrew Hunter	Dean Andrew Hunter
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Dean Andrew Hunter	Revd Claire Nye-Hunter
19h00	Student Service	Dr Andrew-John Bethke	Mr Paul Daniels II

Holy Communion is celebrated on weekdays, at 07h00, in our Lady Chapel.

Evening Prayer is presented in the same venue at 16h30 on weekdays

Today's meetings and events:

07h20 & 09h20 Pre-service prayers for readers, prayer ministers and altar servers in the Chapter House.

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05 May	17h15	Visitors' planning meeting	Cory Room	Jane Bradshaw
06 May	18h00	Weekly Bible study group	Cory Room	Revd Claire
07 May	09h00	Holy Communion	Somerset Place	Revd Claire
09 May	14h00	Quiet Afternoon	Monastery	Clergy

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- *Anchored in the love of Christ* ●
- *Committed to God's Mission* ●
- *Transformed by the Holy Spirit* ●

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www.grahamstowncathedral.org and [facebook.com/grahamstown.cathedral](https://www.facebook.com/grahamstown.cathedral)

Please join us in our intercessions this week as we pray for:

THE CHURCH: We pray for this cathedral parish, this diocese, province, and all of our parishioners and clergy. We pray, especially, for the students and staff at the College of the Transfiguration. And we thank God for their safe return to Grahamstown.

OUR COMMUNITY: We pray peace in a time of real conflict in our town and community: we pray, especially, for Rhodes University and its Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Sizwe Mabizela. We also pray for other community and national leaders, especially Jacob Zuma our president, and our national law enforcement, that they may be of wise mind and sincere heart as we learn live amongst each other, peaceably.

OUR WORLD: We pray for peace in all places of conflict in the world, especially Nigeria and Kenya. And we also pray for those lost in the earthquake in Nepal, for their families, and for the speedy renewal of that place.

BIRTHDAYS Daphne Rink (3rd), Imkhitha Konzani and Andrew Tracey (5th), Onwaba and Abongile Dongwana (7th), Andrew-John Bethke, Anet Peter, Simpiwe Myolwa and Asavela Mtuze (8th), Zinzile Kellen and Hlumela Maqwili (9th).

PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER: Eunice Ncwadi, Nomawethu Ndukwana, Thelma Neville, Samantha Niven, Siphokazi Njokweni, Alulutho Ntapane, Nomfuneko Ntapane, Aphiwe, +Ebenezer, Nocado and Zipho Ntlali.

PARISHIONERS who are sick or with long-term illnesses: Isabel Bridger, Fiona Coyne, Sr Dorianne and Paul Pillay.

FRIENDS and FAMILY who are ill: Ronnie Burger, Michael Cassidy, Shona Domeris, Ant Fielding, Canon James Hoyle, Nolutho Mbolekwa, Thembeke Peter, Bishop Eric Pike, Marguerite Poland, Mary-Clare Tracey-Craigen, Roland van Gogh, (Daphne Rink's son-in-law) Mark Walker, Helen Wilson.

DECEASED: Bhula Maarman

Here are the Gospel Readings for the fifth week of Easter:

Monday	04	John 14: 21-26	Thursday	07	John 15: 9-11
Tuesday	05	John 14: 27-31a	Friday	08	John 15: 12-17
Wednesday	06	John 15: 1-8	Saturday	09	John 15: 18-21
Sunday	10	Acts 10: 44-48	Psalm 98	1 John 5: 1-6	John 15: 9-17

Services next Sunday, 10th May – 6th Sunday of Easter

Time	Service	Preacher	Presider / Officiant
07h30	Communion SAPB	Mr Theo Tshazi	Revd Monwabisi Peter
09h30	Communion AAPB	Mr Deon Manuel	Dean Andrew Hunter
17h00	Choral Evensong AAPB	Mr Bruce Wooley	Revd Siphokazi Njokweni
19h00	Student Eucharist	To be advised	Dean Andrew Hunter

Dean's letter, Sunday, 3rd May 2015

Dear Cathedral family,

We extend a very warm welcome to Revd Ndzonelelo Yili who is a Permanent Deacon from St Augustine's. He will be worshipping with us for the next few months, as part of his training and formation.

The Pastoral Letters from the Bishop of Grahamstown regarding xenophobic attacks, and the destruction of statues, as well as comments and letters from the Archbishop, all serve to underline the serious situation in which we find ourselves as a country. Our recent trip as a family up to Johannesburg was an eye-opener. Most towns and communities have their attractive, well-kept and reasonably well-maintained residential areas, shopping centres, commercial and industrial buildings; but every town or city, without fail, is surrounded by low income housing, squatter camps, shanty towns and slums, signs of poverty, suffering, hopelessness, despair and squalor. I was appalled. We see this here in Grahamstown and know it all too well. On TV a few days ago, one commentator spoke of the seething anger and rage of so many people, especially those who have no work. The brutal murder of Emmanuel Sithole, which grabbed the attention of the nation after pictures of his death appeared on the front page of a Sunday newspaper, was probably not in itself a xenophobic attack – although Emmanuel was from Mozambique, and his killers were locals – but rather the dreadful reality of violence, crime, anger, cruelty, that is the daily lived experience of many. I found myself asking how it is that photographers were able to capture many of the scenes of violence and looting, but the police were no-where to be found. Many areas of our towns are not safe, and people walk and live in fear. Others sit behind locked doors, razor wire fences, burglar alarms, dogs, and security companies. What sort of a country have we become? Is this how we are going to live in the future?

As Christians we are called to be salt and light, to show by our lives and by our love for one another, that we are followers of the living Lord Jesus. "If there is this love among you, then all will know that you are my disciples." And we are called to love our neighbours as we love ourselves. Our neighbours are those from other countries, other languages and cultures; they are also our fellow South Africans. Let's do our best to reach out, to listen, to embrace, to understand. On a wider front, let us hold in our prayers the people of Nepal, following the devastating earthquakes there and the destruction of much of the infra-structure, together with huge loss of life. We hold before God all who have died, all the injured, all who are part of the work of rebuilding.

My love to you all

Andrew Hunter

GENERAL NOTICES

Out of Town: The Sub-Dean will be at a Post Ordination Training meeting in East London, 8-9 May

Newcomers Tea: Dean Andrew, Revd Claire and the Parish Council warmly invite ALL NEWCOMERS to the Cathedral (i.e. new in the past year or so) – adults, students, scholars, children - to join us for tea on Sunday 10 May immediately after the 09h30 service, in the Deanery garden (weather permitting, alternatively the hall). The Deanery is situated next to St George's Hall, at the bottom of Deanery Lane opposite King Pie in High Street. We look forward to an opportunity to meet you personally and begin to get to know you. Please sign your name on the list on the clipboard at the back of the church and come and join us! Queries to Revd Claire.

Reader's Roster: The Readers' Roster for May is on the glass-topped cabinet near the West Door. We are very dependent on our volunteer readers, whose contribution to our spiritual life is thoroughly appreciated! Please fill in your name/s and, if you'd like to discuss this form of ministry in advance, please see Jeanette Eve.

Lady Chapel Flowers: Similarly, the roster for the flowers in the lady chapel is open to your attention. This is a really rewarding way of remembering our own and varied personal anniversaries. See Peter and Ann Stockwell for more.

If you are a newcomer to the Cathedral, please fill in a pink form and an application to be placed on the parish roll (to be found near the west door) and hand them to one of the clergy or drop them off at the parish office.

Parish Visitors: Jane Bradshaw invites all current (2014) parish visitors and any others who would like to join this group to a planning meeting (for the next round of visiting). Join her on Tuesday, 5th May, at 17h15 in the Cory Room.

Feeding Friday: The Cathedral Student Ministry continues with its "Feeding Friday" feeding programme (FF). On FF the CSM students pass out sandwiches to those who are hungry and living on the streets. The students prepare sandwiches every Friday and, if you are able to help us, we'd highly appreciate it. Contact Paul Daniels .

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* Members of the Clergy are available for confessions and interviews by appointment – please feel free to contact us