

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.

17th May 2015 – The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Today's services

Time	Service	Preacher	Presider/Officiant
07h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Sub Dean Mzinzi Dyantyi	Sub Dean Mzinzi Dyantyi
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Sub Dean Mzinzi Dyantyi	Dean Andrew Hunter
17h00	Choral Evensong SAPB	Mr Zinzile Mdlulwa	Prof Paul Walters
19h00	Student Service	Mr Bruce Wooley	Student

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.

THIS WEEK; for your diary

Contact:

19 May	16h00	Easter Cantata follow-up	Cathedral	Dr A-J Bethke
21 May	17h15	SpiritFest meeting	Cory Room	Maggy Clarke
21 May	09h30	Holy Communion – CR Sisters	St Luke's	Revd Claire
21 May	17h00	Archdeaconry Council meeting	St Bart's	Dean Andrew

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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 with us this week as we pray for:

BIRTHDAYS: 17th: Siyanda Dyasi and Lungile Mxube; 20th: Tylo Bridger and Peter Breetzke; 21st: Steven Peter and Penny Whitford; 22nd: Mzinzisi Dyantyi.

PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER: Rose, Sally and Wilbert Kadye, Bob, Helen and Christopher Keeble, Matthew and Zinzile Kellen, Nxolo Kheswa, Imkhitha Konzani, Lydia and Lynn Kudya.

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

FRIENDS and FAMILY who are ill: Ronnie Burger, Michael Cassidy, Archdeacon Zamile Dlanjwa, Shona Domeris, Canon James Hoyle, Nolutho Mbolekwa, Owen Pearce (Ernest Bridger's son-in-law), Thembeke Peter, Bishop Eric Pike, Marguerite Poland, Gloria Sikampula (Lilitha Dyantyi's mother), Mark Walker, Helen Wilson.

DECEASED: Anthony Fielding (Revd Claire's cousin, in East London), Bridget Gillow (in Great Brak).

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

Monday	18	John 16: 29-33	Thursday	21	John 17: 20-26
Tuesday	19	John 17: 1-11a	Friday	22	John 21: 15-19
Wednesday	20	John 17: 11b-19	Saturday	23	John 21: 20-25
Sunday	24	Acts 2: 1-21	Psalms 104: 24-39	Romans 8: 22-27	John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

Services next Sunday, 24th May – The Day of Pentecost

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07h30	Communion SAPB	Dean Andrew Hunter	Dean Andrew Hunter
09h30	Communion AAPB	Dean Andrew Hunter	Revd Monwabisi Peter
19h00	Student Eucharist	Dean Andrew Hunter	Dr A-J Bethke

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To contact the Parish Office staff by email, use: office@grahamstowncathedral.org (Administrator) and admin@grahamstowncathedral.org (Parish Secretary).

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

Dean's letter, *Sunday, 17th May 2015*

Dear Cathedral family,

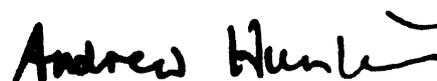
One of the things that the sub-dean and I are busy with at this time is a series of interviews with people who are exploring a vocation to the ordained ministry. Between now and the end of June, we and others on the panel shall be meeting with and interviewing about forty-five people. It is quite a daunting task. But it is also very exciting: people from a very wide range of backgrounds are on this journey, and we meet and interact with a number of remarkable men and women. By the time they get to this interview stage, most have been studying for a while, usually through TEEC, which is a correspondence college offering a wide range of courses in theology. If accepted for ordination, most will be ordained as self-supporting deacons or priests, and continue in their home parishes.

What are we looking for, when we interview people? A deep sense of calling; evidence of significant existing ministry in the life of the parish and the wider community; a growing love for God and for God's people; a yearning to share in the ministry of Word and Sacrament; a journey of faith. A stable personal life (including their family, where appropriate) is also very important. A number of those we interview are younger, but many are in the second half of their lives, have a life-time of work and experience behind them, have been part of the life of the church for many years, and are now exploring further ministry opportunities.

As Anglican Christians, our understanding of the ordained ministry is very similar to the Roman Catholic and Orthodox Churches. All Christians are called into ministry and witness. This is part of our baptismal vocation. But the Church has from the earliest times set people apart, through ordination, for the service of Christ and the Church in a special way. Jeffery John explains it like this: "From the first, Jesus set apart special individuals to preach, teach, heal, forgive sins and exercise authority in the Church.... At the earliest stage, as we can read in Acts and the Epistles, leadership [in the early Church] was exercised in a number of different ways. But in the second century, partly under the threat to unity from various splinter groups, leadership and authority in the Church became focused in the three ordained ministries: those of Bishop, Priest and Deacon."

To share in ministry and leadership with other Christians, both lay and ordained, to be given the responsibility of the Cure of Souls, to have oversight of a Christian community, is for me one of the most exciting things I could ever consider doing. It is to see the Holy Spirit at work in the lives of people, and a community, and in a small way to be part of it all.

My love to you all



GENERAL NOTICES

Revd Claire is at St Clement's this morning to conduct the service and to admit their newly elected Church Officers, on behalf of the Dean

New Lay Ministers: Namso Nyamela and Thelma Maloko were licensed and admitted as Lay Ministers on Passion Sunday, 22nd March. They will be receiving their licences during the 09h30 service this morning (17th May).

Day of Pentecost flag bearers: we are hoping to borrow a set of flags from various countries, for our 09h30 service on the Day of Pentecost, 24th May. We need volunteers to be flag bearers at that service, and who are able to come to a rehearsal on Friday 22nd May at 17h00. Please put your names and contact details onto the clip board list at the back of the Cathedral if you would like to be part of this.

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

MU Bazaar: Thabisa Yili, on behalf of the Mothers' Union, thanks all those folk who supported the MU Bazaar last weekend. She also extend her gratitude to the MU itself. A little over R2 100 was raised.

Homes needed: The late Beth Dickerson's two cats. Siki and Tigger (mother and daughter) need loving homes. Their inoculations are up to date and both have been spayed. Contact Elizabeth Breetzke 046 6226356 or 0760912715

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.

09h30 Altar Servers: Namso would like to see all the 09h30 Altar Servers after the 09h30 service on 24 May (next week) for a brief discussion. If anyone would like to become a server, please join her in the meeting. We will meet in the front pews.

Harvest Festival, Sunday 7th June: We again invite the Cathedral family to participate in our Harvest Festival, by bringing foodstuffs and suggesting names of deserving families within our community, who could most benefit from what is collected. Please give these names in at the Cathedral Parish Office. Revds Siphokazi Njokweni and Ndzondelelo Yili, together with Cathy Euijen and the Sub-Dean are making it all happen. Please contact Cathy on 076 858 4688 or e-mail her at c.euijen@kingswoodcollege.com if you can help.

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