

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.

31st May 2015 – Trinity Sunday

Today's services

Time	Service	Preacher	Presider/Officiant
07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Mr Paul Daniels II	Revd Claire Nye-Hunter
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Mr Paul Daniels II	Revd Claire Nye-Hunter
19h00	Student Service	Revd Dr Vicentia Kgabe	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.

THIS WEEK; for your diary

Contact:

06 June	09h00	Delivery of produce for Harvest Festival	Cathedral	Cathy Euijen
06 June	10h00	Churchwardens' conference	E L	

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

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Services next Sunday, 7th June – Second Sunday after Pentecost

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07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Revd Monwabisi Peter	Revd Monwabisi Peter
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Revd Monwabisi Peter	Sub Dean Mzinzisi Dyantyi

Please join with us this week as we pray for:

THE CHURCH: all students and teachers of theology; the College of the Transfiguration, staff, students and their families; our CotT placement team; all who share in the ministry of preaching and teaching the Christian faith; our confirmation candidates; Archdeacon Robin Murray and Revd Vanessa Murray as they prepare for retirement; the parishes of St Paul's Port Alfred and St John's Bathurst during this time of transition; the archdeaconry of Albany; the parish of St Francis Mdantsane, their rector, churchwardens and parish council.

THE WORLD: All refugees; those involved in human trafficking; families displaced by civil war and violence; the countries who are receiving them; countries in turmoil, especially Burundi. We continue to pray for girls and women released from captivity under Boko Haram.

OUR COMMUNITY: Students and scholars preparing for exams; children who are victims of violence and abuse; the trustees, SGB, staff and pupils of the Good Shepherd School; the Community of the Resurrection of our Lord; the Order of the Holy Cross.

BIRTHDAYS: 2nd: Ayamnkele Dongwana, 3rd: Andrew Hunter, 4th Bunono Matomane, 5th Kyla Jack.

PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER: Axolile and Emihle Maliwa, Thelma Maloko, Hlumela and Zoleka Maqwili, Lynette Marais, Charlene, Joan, Melissa, Peter, Veronique and Waldo Marcus.

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

FRIENDS and FAMILY who are ill: Ronnie Burger, Michael Cassidy, Canon James Hoyle, Nolutho Mbolekwa, Owen Pearce (Ernest Bridger's son-in-law), Thembeke Peter, Bishop Eric Pike, Marguerite Poland, Mary-Clare Tracey-Craigen, Gwendolyn Vincent (Thelma Neville's sister).

The **LADY CHAPEL FLOWERS** this week are from Daphne Rink, in memory of her husband, Edmund.

DECEASED: Sr Dorianne C.R., Gloria Sikampula (Lilitha Dyantyi's mother), Sphamandla Sithole.

Here are the Gospel Readings for the second week after Pentecost

Monday	01	Mark 12: 1-12	Thursday	04	Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26
Tuesday	02	Mark 12: 13-17	Friday	05	Mark 12: 35-37
Wednesday	03	Mark 12: 18-27	Saturday	06	Mark 11: 27-33
Sunday	07	1 Samuel 8: 4-11, 16-20	Psalms 138	2 Corinthians 4: 13-5:1	Mark 3: 20-35

Dean's letter, Sunday, 31st May 2015

Dear Cathedral family

Today is Trinity Sunday, a “half-way mark” in our Christian calendar. We have spent the past six months or so, telling and reliving the great works of God that led to our salvation: the birth and ministry of Christ, his suffering, death, resurrection and ascension. Last Sunday was the Day of Pentecost, when we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Today on Trinity Sunday we stand back and ask ourselves – so what does all this say about our understanding of God? How do we understand the nature of God?

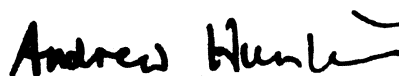
God is revealed to us as Creator (Father), Redeemer (the Son) and Sanctifier (the Holy Spirit). Three persons, one God. How does this make sense?

This is not just an academic exercise. As Christians we are a monotheistic religion: we believe in one God, not a multitude of gods and goddesses. Yet we encounter God in three different ways. We see the work and nature of God revealed in three Persons: God who created us; God who saved us; God who lives in us and makes us holy.

St Patrick of Ireland used the three-leafed clover to illustrate the Trinity: three leaves, one plant. Other illustrations are of water, ice and steam. The same, but different. The Nicene Creed begins by stating “We believe in one God” and then continues, in three distinct sections: “... the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth...” “We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God... begotten, not made, of one being with the Father...” “We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life...”

At the heart of the Trinity is the eternal relationship of love. At the heart of God is love. When we draw close to God, we draw close to the source of all love. And as we become more like God, we become more clearly signs of God's eternal and wonderful love.

My love to you all



*Archbishop Thabo Makgoba has written the following letter, **An Appeal to all our Young People***

Dear People of God,

It has struck me afresh again that it is our 21st anniversary of our democracy and most of our youth have just turned 21 or are still 20. I would like to hear from this age group (20 – 21) who have voted for the first time last year.

I would like to hear from you as I regard myself as the servant of God and what I would like to hear from you is:

1. What are the 2 main issues that you are currently wrestling with?
- 1.2. What are the values that you think that are missing in Southern Africa?
- 1.3. What are the important values you would like to hear from the Anglican Church of Southern Africa?
2. We have created a special e-mail address that will be open for a period of two months only for this project to enable me to respond directly to all. Please do disseminate the message to all in your parishes as this opportunity is open to all who would like to write to the Archbishop. The e-mail address is: **archbishop01@anglicanchurchsa.org.za**.

Yours in the service of Christ

† *Thabo*

GENERAL NOTICES

Dean Andrew is celebrating and preaching at St Mark's, Cambridge, East London, this morning, on the occasion of Fr Barry Wittstock's 35th ordination anniversary. He will also be chairing a parish meeting at St Francis, Mdantsane, during the course of today (Sunday). Our **Sub Dean, Revd Mzinzi**, returns from Mthatha early this week, following the funeral of Lititha's mother, Gloria Sikampula, yesterday.

Revd Yili is out of town this weekend, attending an Iviyo meeting

Harvest Festival: On Sunday (7th June) On Sunday, 7 June we will be celebrating Harvest Sunday at both morning services. Please may we appeal to all members of the congregation to collect fresh produce and to drop it off at the Cathedral on Saturday, 6th June at 09h00. The fresh produce will be displayed around the altar and then boxed and distributed to deserving families within our community. Please may we ask, if you know of a family in need, that you submit their name, address and your contact number so that we can deliver these parcels on Sunday afternoon. Should you have any queries or would like to assist please contact Catherine Euijen on 076 858 4688 or e-mail Cathy at c.euijen@kingswoodcollege.com.

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.

Farewell and thank you to Odule Odanayo: Odule has been a very faithful Children's Church/Sunday School teacher here at the Cathedral for some time. Today is, sadly, her last Sunday with us, as she returns home shortly. We thank her very warmly indeed for her ministry to our children, and we pray for God's blessing on her in all that lies ahead for her.

Feeding Friday: The Cathedral Student Ministry's "Feeding Friday" continues. If you can help or want to know more about it, please contact Paul Daniels (078 300 6061).

Operation Mobilisation is again bringing an art exhibition, and a team of Christian artists, to minister in the Festival. The free accommodation which their team used last year is not available, and they are appealing for people with one or two beds free. There are 17 of them (including two married couples). Dates: 2-12 July. Consider OM if you are looking for a house-sitter! Tel. Maggy 046 622 7803.

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); hand them to one of the clergy or drop them off at the parish office.

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* Members of the Clergy are available for confessions and interviews by appointment