

## *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.

### **21<sup>st</sup> June 2015 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

#### **Today's services**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Preacher</b>	<b>Presider/Officiant</b>
07h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Dean Andrew Hunter	Dean Andrew Hunter
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Dean Andrew Hunter	Revd Claire Nye Hunter
17h00	Choral Evensong SAPB	Revd Vic Graham	Revd Monwabisi Peter

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, Children's Church teacher/s and altar servers in the Chapter House.

#### ***THIS WEEK; for your diary***

#### ***Contact:***

24 June	09h00	Meditation Group	Deanery	Revd Claire
24 June	17h30	PCC meeting	Cory Room	The Dean

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**The Anglican Church of Southern Africa seeks to be:**

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

**Please join with us this week as we pray for:**

**THE CHURCH:** the parish of St Philip's, Grahamstown, following the Admission of its Church Officers today (Sunday 21st );for their clergy, churchwardens, parish councillors in their work of governance and financial administration; for lay ministers as they share in leading worship and in pastoral care. We continue to pray for our final preparations for Spiritfest. May we as the church be a sign of the light of Christ

**OUR COUNTRY:** we pray for all leaders and rulers in Africa, following the African Union summit and meeting of heads of state, last weekend. We pray for all refugees from Africa; for countries where there is civil war; for the work of the African Union parliament. We pray for the work of the International Criminal Court (ICC) as it addresses war crimes and acts of genocide. May all in authority embrace the values of peace, justice and human dignity

**OUR COMMUNITY:** students at Rhodes and the College of the Transfiguration, and all school pupils, as they write exams and complete assignments; all who are travelling home for the holidays at this time; for safety on the roads. May all our young people know the presence of the Lord during times of stress.

**BIRTHDAYS:** 21<sup>st</sup>: Yamkelani Magwa, 27<sup>th</sup>: Jo-Anne Laurence.

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

**PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER:** Lusanda and Zikhona Mtwa, Lorraine Mullins, Liniah Mumbengegwi, Mary Munatsi, Patricia Murowe, John Murray, Denis, Gustav and Yolande Mutesasira.

**PARISHIONERS who are sick or with long-term illnesses:** Isabel Bridger, Fiona Coyne, Celia Jameson, Jeanette Hodgson 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, Annie Pienaar (mother of Bismarck & Angus, in Grahamstown), Marguerite Poland, Mary-Clare Tracey-Craigen.

**DECEASED:** John Rivett-Carnac (Jane Bradshaw's cousin) in Johannesburg, Kyanya Ndimba (RU 3<sup>rd</sup>-year student), Margaret Vinnecombe, sister of John Murray.

**Here are the Gospel Readings for the fourth week after Pentecost**

Monday	22	Matthew 7: 1-5	Thursday	25	Matthew 7: 21-29
Tuesday	23	Matthew 7: 6-14	Friday	26	Matthew 8: 1-4
Wednesday	24	Matthew 7: 15-20	Saturday	27	Matthew 8: 5-17
Sunday	28	2 Samuel 1: 1, 17-27	Psalm 130	2 Corinthians 8: 7-15	Mark 5: 21-43

***Services next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> June – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost***

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07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Revd Claire Nye Hunter	Revd Claire Nye Hunter
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Revd Claire Nye Hunter	Dean Andrew Hunter
19h00	Taizé service		

## Dean's letter, Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2015

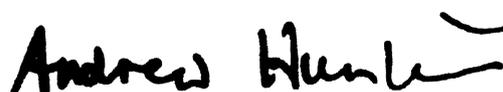
Dear Cathedral family,

I have asked our Sub Dean, Revd Mzinzisi Dyantyi, to conduct the services at St Philip's, Grahamstown, and to admit the Church Officers on my behalf, at its Sunday services this morning. Over the years I have got to know people in the parishes of our archdeaconry reasonably well, and it is good to see stability in parishes, and the deep commitment and dedication of churchwardens and parish councillors – so crucial for good governance and the peace and order of the parish. I value immensely the smooth working relationships and friendships with churchwardens and parish councillors that I have enjoyed over the years, in various parish communities. To them all, past and present, I say a very sincere thank you for their support, wisdom, hard work and love.

The work of Parish Council is diverse and never dull; a lot of it happens behind the scenes; it is in times of crisis and decision that a Parish Council has to rise to the occasion, grasp the nettle and deal with the matter at hand. Shared leadership and counsel are so valuable at such times. Some of you have been asking about my on-going involvement in one of our Mdantsane parishes in this regard. I am glad to say that my meeting last Sunday afternoon with their parish council was worthwhile, considerably longer than anticipated, with a late return to Grahamstown on Sunday night, but at least I felt that we took another couple of steps up the mountain. I just don't know how high the mountain is! I appreciated the way in which their parish council is attempting to address the issues. A special vestry is now being planned for the end of June, and their annual vestry meeting in July. Please continue to pray for them all, and for the Diocesan Pastoral Team and for me as its chair and convenor. And please pray for the Bishop, who has to deal with the final outcome of all that is happening.

I enjoy, for complete escapism, the fictional character Jack Reacher, a former US Army cop who drifts around America, rootless, but somehow arrives where his deep commitment to justice and fair play is most needed. He is something of a messianic figure, who comes to unsettle the status quo and save the oppressed. In our Gospel readings Sunday by Sunday, we encounter Jesus as the Messiah, who comes to calm the storm, heal, and set free. At other times he creates turmoil, evokes a response, unsettles and destabilises – he challenges our easy assumptions and comfortable positions. He questions and shakes up. All who lead or who have authority need something of that shake-up and that challenge. The efforts to have the Sudanese president, Omar Al Bashir, arrested during his visit to SA last week, to face charges for alleged war crimes and genocide during the Darfur conflict, are part of the shake-up that many need.

My love to you all,



## **GENERAL NOTICES**

**Out of the Parish:** Our Sub Dean Revd Mzinzisi Dyantyi is admitting church officers this morning at St Philip's, on behalf of the Dean.

A **request for accommodation** during the RU vac and NAF has been received from Tebogo Matshana, a member of our congregation and second year fine art student at Rhodes. She will be performing during the arts festival and will also be working as a gallery assistant. She is searching for accommodation from 24th June - 19th July. If anyone is able to assist her, she can be contacted via email at [g14m1268@campus.ru.ac.za](mailto:g14m1268@campus.ru.ac.za)

A **Single key and remote alarm controller** were found on Church Square after the 07h30 service last week. They have been handed in at the Parish Office where the owner may identify and collect them.

**Rental Accommodation** sought urgently by Michael and Pasha Alden for themselves and Pasha's guide dog. Must be within  $\pm 10$  minutes' walk of the Library for the Blind and comprise a minimum of two bedrooms. A secure garage as well would be a blessing. Needed from 01 July. Contact Mike at 072 587 6027 or at [vanishaspice@vodamail.co.za](mailto:vanishaspice@vodamail.co.za).

**Our love, prayers and condolences** are with the family and friends of Kyanya Ndimba, the RU 3<sup>rd</sup> year student who was knocked down and killed in New Street last weekend. Our prayers are also with the driver of the vehicle and his family.

**Student services:** our 19h00 student services will recommence on 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

**Reading Camp** (the 8<sup>th</sup> annual edition!) begins at Assegai Trails on Saturday led by Kary McConnachie, Principal of the Holy Cross School, Br Roger OHC and Revd Br Daniel OHC. Cathedral folk involved are Marian Walwyn and Thelma Maloko.

**Readers' roster:** We are trying a new system for Sunday readers. If you have not read before but would like to be on the roster, please give your name, email address and contact number to Revd Claire or Chris Walwyn at the Parish Office. We shall allocate readers by working our way systematically down the list of names, to ensure everyone gets a turn. You will be contacted in the week prior to reading on Sunday, via email or phone.

**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.

Please feel free to contact us.