

## *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.

**28<sup>th</sup> June 2015 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

### Today's services

Time	Service	Preacher	Presider/Officiant
07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Revd Claire Nye Hunter	Revd Claire Nye Hunter
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Revd Claire Nye Hunter	Revd Claire Nye Hunter
19h00	Taizé service		

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:*

02 July	09h00	Holy Communion	Somerset Place	
02 – 12 July daily		SpiritFest events – see separate Festival programmes and notice boards		
05 July	14h30	Interment of Bet Hancock's ashes	Christchurch	Revd Claire

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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:** We pray for our life and witness as the Cathedral, together with other churches, during the National Arts Festival; for St Augustine's Grahamstown as their Church Officers are admitted today (28<sup>th</sup> June); for the parish of St Francis Mdantsane as they hold their Special Vestry this morning. May we as Christians be signs of the light and love of Christ.

**OUR COMMUNITY:** We pray for all who are coming to Grahamstown during the National Arts Festival; for safety on the road; for all performers, musicians and artists; for school pupils and students on holiday; for the work of the Makana Civil Society Coalition, convened by Jonathan Walton. May we be united in our love and support for one another through difficult times.

**OUR COUNTRY:** We pray for all victims of abuse, violence and rape; for those standing trial in these cases; for family and friends; for all who are without work. May we find ways to bring hope and light into the darkness

**BIRTHDAYS:** 29<sup>th</sup> Charlene Marcus, 30<sup>th</sup>: Alexa Jack, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob Keeble and Alulutho Ntapane.

**LADY CHAPEL FLOWERS** this week are jointly from Elizabeth and Peter Breetzke, in memory of Dimmie Randall, whose birth date (29 June) they are recalling, and Marian and Chris Walwyn on the 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary (26 June) of their marriage.

**PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER:** Bublele, Khanya, Lulama, Luzuko, Nomfundo and Zintle Mvula; Hlumi, Liphwiwe, Lisa, Lulama and Lungile Mxube.

**PARISHIONERS who are sick or with long-term illnesses:** Isabel Bridger, 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:** Those who died in the shooting at the AME church in Charleston, USA; Dr John Godlonton; Magdalene Mangwendu Njokweni (Revd Siphokazi's cousin, who was shot dead in Tsolo last week); Ntombizodwa Maqanda, mother of Samkela and Olwethu.

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

Monday	29	Matthew 8: 18-22	Thursday	02	Matthew 9: 1-8
Tuesday	30	Matthew 8: 23-27	Friday	03	Matthew 9: 9-13
Wednesday	01	Matthew 8: 28-34	Saturday	04	Matthew 9: 14-17
Sunday	05	2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10	Psalm 48	2 Corinthians 12: 2-10	Mark 6: 1-13

***Services next Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost***

<b>Time</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Preacher</b>	<b>Presider / Officiant</b>
07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Prof Michael Whisson	Sub Dean Mzinzisi Dyantyi
09h30	Festival Eucharist AAPB	Revd Canon Dr Vicentia Kgabe	Dean Andrew Hunter

**Dean's letter, Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

Dear Cathedral family,

Last week our Sub Dean returned home from St Philip's at about 3.30 p.m., having conducted their morning service, which included the archdeaconry commemoration of the feast of Bernard Mizeki, and the induction of the archdeaconry Executive of the Bernard Mizeki Guild.

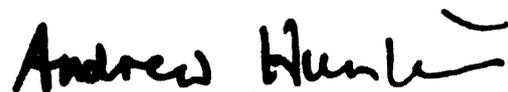
Bernard Mizeki, who we remember as a martyr, is a fascinating figure in the life of the church in southern Africa. He was from Mozambique, and as a young boy travelled to Cape Town in search of work. There he became a Christian and was baptised under the ministry of the Cowley Fathers, who were based in Chapel Street, District Six. The first Bishop of Matabeleland, Bishop Knight Bruce, asked Bernard, then age 25, to join him in the mission to what was then Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe. Bernard settled as a catechist, teacher and medical worker in Marondera, amongst the Shona-speaking people. There was friction between the local people and the settlers who were beginning to arrive, and people like Bernard were caught in the middle, possibly being seen as tools of the white invaders. He was attacked and killed, dying on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1896, during what was known as the Matabeleland Rebellion, or the First *Chimurenga* (revolutionary struggle).

Bernard's life and ministry, and his death, illustrate something of the uneasy relationship between the church's efforts to spread the gospel of Christ, and the move of settlers into the area. Some have said, cynically, that when the settlers arrived, they had the Bible and the local people had the land; the missionaries said "Let us pray", and when everyone opened their eyes, the local people had the Bible and the settlers, the land. Nevertheless, he is revered and held in great honour as an evangelist, teacher and martyr, and we give thanks for his faithfulness even to death.

His shrine and place of burial is the focus for an annual pilgrimage and great gathering of Christians from all over central Africa, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and the northern parts of SA. During the bad times for the Anglican Church in Zimbabwe, there were efforts by the excommunicated former bishop Nolbert Kunonga to prevent Anglicans from attending. The first pilgrimage after Kunonga had finally been sidelined, in 2013, was a great celebration of the triumph of good over evil, and an occasion for thanksgiving and renewal of faith.

I am at St Francis Mdantsane this morning, for their Special Vestry. For the first time since issues there came to my attention at the beginning of May, I am feeling quite anxious of what might occur today. There have been threats to lock the gates of the church property and prevent today's Sunday service from taking place; and after the service last Sunday a group of people confronted the PCC and ordered them to leave the building, in an attempt to disband the PCC and take over the governance of the parish. I know that many are praying for that parish, for the Diocesan Pastoral Team, and for me. Please keep on praying.

My love to you all,



## *GENERAL NOTICES*

**The Sub Dean** is at St Augustine's, Grahamstown, this morning, for the Admission of Church Officers, on behalf of the Dean (in his capacity as Archdeacon of Grahamstown.).

**Parking outside St George's Hall:** the space between the yellow-wood tree and the Deanery gate (against the wall) is for use by the Long Table only from 29 June until the end of Festival. Diocesan office and parish staff park in the Deanery grounds. We are not able to accommodate any other cars. Please keep Deanery Lane clear at all times.

**Weekday services** (7 a.m. and 4.30 p.m.) at the Cathedral are not held during the National Arts Festival (2<sup>nd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> July).

**The Cory Room** is used for Spiritfest exhibitions during the NAF and is not available for meetings w.e.f. Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June, until after the NAF. The same constraint applies to St George's Hall which is, as usual, used by the Long Table during the NAF.

**Fiona Coyne** has written: "Basil and I were overwhelmed by the love and support given to us by the Cathedral family during my illness. In gratitude"

**Spiritfest programme:** see the separate yellow flyer for details, including special Cathedral services.

**Ordination:** Some years ago (12 November 1978) a young Andrew Race was confirmed in our Cathedral by Bishop Kenneth Oram. On Sunday next (05 July), he is to be ordained Deacon in St Oswald's church, Ashbourne by +Alastair, Bishop of Derby. He has written to us asking for prayers.

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

**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.

**Beth Dickerson's** two cats. Siki and Tigger (mother and daughter) still need a loving home or two! Their inoculations are up to date and both have been spayed. Contact Elizabeth Breetzke 046 622 6356 or 076 091 2715

**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.