

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.

Today's services: 11th October 2015 – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Time	Service	Preacher	Presider/Officiant
07h30	Holy Eucharist (SAPB)	Revd Monwabisi Peter	Revd Monwabisi Peter
09h30	Sung Eucharist (AAPB)	Revd Monwabisi Peter	Sub Dean Mzinzisi Dyantyi
17h00	Choral Evensong AAPB	Revd Siphokazi Njokweni	Revd Monwabisi Peter
19h00	Student Eucharist	Theme: How does God guide us? Sub Dean Mzinzisi Dyantyi	
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.
09h00	The Amasango documentary "Issues of faith" will be broadcast on SABC2.

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

Forthcoming events and THIS WEEK; for your diary

			Contact:
15 Oct	09h30	Holy Eucharist at St Luke's	The Dean

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 families and family units in our church; for people who live alone; for our life as a community of love and welcome. May we be a place of belonging, hope and healing.

OUR COMMUNITY: We pray for all matrics as farewells are held this week, and final preparations for exams are made. We pray for all victims of violent crime, and for all who live in fear of their neighbours; for the Rainbowkidz pre-school, for Niels and Charis Vandereyken and their children as they engage with the community during their time here with us in Grahamstown; for the Eluxolweni shelter, the boys and those who care for them. May we be instruments of God's love and healing.

OUR COUNTRY: We pray for our police, those in the prisons service, magistrates, judges, lawyers and social workers.

THE WORLD: We continue to pray for all refugees, for the communities receiving them; for Syria and other places of conflict and destruction.

BIRTHDAYS: 12th: Margie Antrobus, 15th: Bongive Matomane, 17th: Jayden Conroy and Sandisa Pantshwa, 21st: Zikhona Mtwa, Melissa Marcus and Bulelwa Mtuze.

PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER: Michelle, Ronaldo, Tristyn and Tyreece Burger, Jongikhaya Cetu, Blessings Chinganga, Sivuyile Citwa.

PARISHIONERS who are sick, convalescing, or with long-term illnesses: Isabel Bridger, Roger Embling, Kerry Jane Gutridge, Celia Jameson, Thelma Neville and Paul Pillay.

FRIENDS and FAMILY who are ill: Steve Ashcroft, Revd Ruth Brandt, Ronnie Burger, Canon James Hoyle, Nolutho Mbolekwa, Lihle Njokweni, Owen Pearce, Thembeke Peter, Bishop Eric Pike, Marguerite Poland, Angela Stuurman, Mary-Clare Tracey-Craigen, Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Graham Whitford.

The **LADY CHAPEL FLOWERS** this week are from Yoliswa Dongwana, in memory of her brother, Litha.

DECEASED: Sally Ashby (the wife of former Dean Godfrey Ashby), David Hodgson.

Services next Sunday, 18th October – Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Time	Services	Preacher	Presider / Officiant
07h30	Holy Eucharist (AAPB)	Revd Roderick Walsh	Revd Claire Nye Hunter
09h30	Sung Eucharist (AAPB)	Revd Roderick Walsh	Revd Roderick Walsh
19h00	Student Service	Dean Andrew Hunter	

Here are the Gospel Readings for the twenty-first week after Pentecost

Mon	12	Romans 1: 1-7	Thurs	15	Romans 3: 21-31
Tues	13	Romans 1: 16-25	Fri	16	Romans 4: 1-8
Weds	14	Romans 2: 1-11	Sat	17	Romans 4: 13-18
Sun	18	Job 38: 1-7	Psalm 104: 1-9, 35-36	Hebrews 5: 1-10	Mark 10: 35-45

Dean's letter, Sunday, 11th October 2015

Dear Cathedral family,

I was privileged, a few weeks ago, to attend a lecture by Advocate Thuli Madonsela, the Public Protector, on values-based leadership. The occasion was the inaugural lecture of the Archbishop Thabo Cecil Makgoba Development Trust, and was hosted by the Rhodes Business School. After the lecture, Archbishop Thabo awarded Advocate Madonsela with the Archbishop's Award for Peace with Justice. The award acknowledges people who make outstanding contributions in their communities which reflect the values espoused in Micah 6:8: *He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?*

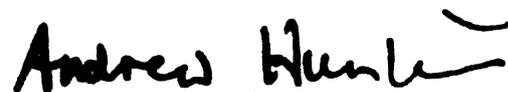
In her address, Advocate Madonsela likened her role as Public Protector to the Venda chief's paternal aunt known as the *makhadzi*, a non-political figure who "gives the people a voice while giving the traditional leader a conscience". She spoke of the power of the value of love, rather than the love of power; and the need for courage to be a consistent voice in condemning corruption and wrong-doing. She identified three challenges we face as a country: achieving equality; freedom and dignity; and equal rights for all. She told the story of four men in a leaking boat, and the two who said, "I am so glad that it's not my side of the boat that is leaking" – but of course if the boat is leaking, we all sink or swim together - "together we perish, together we thrive." She argued that social justice is not an act of charity, but of selfishness (and a much-needed one at that). She suggested that the value of human solidarity underpins the SA constitution, and that our constitution is "our greatest heritage, our collective lode-star" in our efforts to improve the quality of life for all.

She argued that the transformation of our society demands ethical leadership. She identified some of the rights and values in the Constitution: freedom, equality, accountability, transparency. She suggested that if leaders needed the courts or the police to tell them what was right or wrong, then they should not be in a position of trust; that if leaders did not have a moral compass, then those who trusted them were doomed.

It was an inspiring and sobering address; we are aware of the challenges that she faces in her work, and the way in which her office has been attacked and undermined in recent times.

As Christians, we note that human rights, especially the value of human life, all life, are God-given; and that values of truth, honesty, integrity, peace and love are central to the Gospel and to Christian discipleship. When we live these out in our daily lives, and in our places of work, we are being a witness to Christ; and we are building and strengthening our country.

My love to you all,



GENERAL NOTICES

Pledge forms: Our churchwarden and treasurer has prepared pre-filled pledge forms for our existing pledge givers. These can be found on the glass cabinet near the West Door (main entrance). Blank pledge forms are also available for new pledgers.

Weekday services in the Cathedral are held every day **except Tuesdays**. They follow the office of Morning Prayer, on Mondays and Wednesdays and the Holy Eucharist on Thursdays and Fridays. The services start at 07h00.

Student Farewell Tea: Sunday 18 October will be our last student service for the year. After the 19h00 service, we will have a farewell tea and end of year celebration in the Chapter House. Any offers of savoury snacks or cookies would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to help, please sign the list at the back of the church or speak to Revd Claire.

Students from the WHITWORTH UNIVERSITY, SPOKANE, WASHINGTON, USA are again to visit Grahamstown on Sunday 17th and Monday 18th January 2016. They need accommodation for their students for those two nights and, as before, have approached Trinity Presbyterian Church and the Cathedral. Please phone or email Anet if you are able to help with accommodation (office@grahamstowncathedral.org). As before, Whitworth University will make a donation towards any costs you incur. The letter we received from Prof Gordon Jackson is on the notice board at the back of the church. The Cathedral is being asked to accommodate nine students & staff. This is a link we need to encourage.

Rhodes University Student Leadership Award: The Cathedral joins with ANSOC, in congratulating and acknowledge **Simphiwe Gumede** on his award for demonstrating and emulating good leadership skills throughout his academic studies and other areas of involvement. He has been Anglican Society (ANSOC) chairperson, as well as being on the committee for the past four years.

Confirmation 2016: if you have not been confirmed, and would like to be prepared for Confirmation next year, please speak to the Dean. If you are still at school, you need to be in Grade 10, or older, in 2016. Students and adults are also very warmly welcome. Classes will start towards the end of February. We meet regularly, once a week, during school and university term time, for an hour each a week. The Confirmation is normally at the end of August.

A **Quiet Day** for Lay Ministers, Prayer Ministers, PCC and any others who would like to have a day of prayer and reflection will be held on Saturday 24th October, at the uMariya uMama weThemba monastery. We plan to start at 09h00 and end just before 17h00. The day will be conducted by Br John OHC. There will be two addresses, plenty of silence, teas, lunch, and a short discussion time towards the end of the day. The cost is R70 per person, payable to Anet at the Cathedral office, please. We need to let the monastery know our expected numbers, so please confirm your attendance by Monday 19th October.

St George's Fair is to be held on 31st October (see the insert in today's leaflet) and if you are keen to run a stall please let Marian Jayes know on 072 342 2312 or marian@jayes.org

The **Rhodes University Chamber Choir** will present its final concert for 2015 on Thursday 15 October at 19h00 in the Rhodes Chapel. Entrance is free with optional retiring collection.

Please see our web and FB pages for more information:

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