

## GENERAL NOTICES

The **Sub Dean** is out of town today; returning this afternoon.

**Dean Andrew** begins his three month cumulative leave (sabbatical) w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> August. He will be attending Provincial Synod on behalf of the diocese, at the end of September, with the result that his sabbatical leave will continue until Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November. He then attends the Deans' Conference that week, and so effectively will be back in the parish from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

**Parish Office Administrator:** The office staff welcomes **Chantel Tesnar** to its complement; she has succeeded Anet Peter, who has resigned.

We welcome our **CotT placement team**, who are rejoining us today. The CotT and RU 3<sup>rd</sup> terms are quite short: due to commitments at CotT on the 1<sup>st</sup> and last Sunday of the term, they will only be with us for three weeks before their short September break. They then rejoin us on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September.

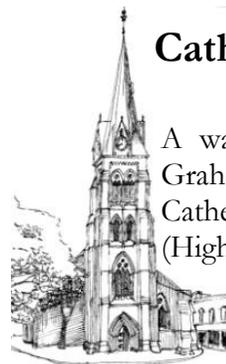
Our **19h00 Student Services** recommence today, for the 3<sup>rd</sup> term.

**Seniors' Tea:** Revd Claire and the Cathedral Student Ministry Core Team warmly invite our Seniors to tea as part of their 'Women's month' celebrations. Wear a hat and come and be spoilt! Please sign the list at the back of the church if you will be honouring us with your presence (men are welcome too!). Any offers of plates of tasty eats would be greatly appreciated – see the separate list. **Date:** Saturday 13 August **Venue:** St George's Hall; **Time:** 15h00.

**The Diocesan Development Trust** has been granted funds to assist graduates who need to do their internships. Possession of any degree, diploma as well as TVET Learners and NCV will suffice for entry. The grant is intended to help unemployed graduates gain work experience through placement with employers. All persons seeking to benefit from this internship must be unemployed and have obtained a qualification from a University or University of Technology. **A further grant** is aimed at placing unemployed learners from TVET colleges with employers to gain work experience in line with the qualifications towards which they are studying. Applicants must have completed N6 theory from a public TVET college and be in need of 18 months' workplace experience in order to graduate. Further enquiries should be directed to: Revd Nkosazana Maqoma 083 663 9019; Ms Babalwa Bali 072 464 9192; Ms Nyameka Jabane 071 384 7593 or email: nyamekajabane@icloud.com; or Dudu Nghona 082 577 5622 (Chairperson of Skills Development Programme) Faxed queries may be sent to: 086 663 6571 or 086 515 2429

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## 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 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.

**31<sup>st</sup> July 2016. Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Time	Services	Preacher	Presider / Officiant
07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Revd Canon Ezra Tisani	Dean Andrew Hunter
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Revd Canon Ezra Tisani	Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter
19h00	Student Eucharist with Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter: <i>If only I was prettier, smarter, wealthier will I ever be good enough? God's perspective on self-esteem.</i>		

### 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.
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### *Forthcoming events and THIS WEEK; for your diary*

			Contact:
04 Aug	09h00	Somerset Place Communion Service	Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter

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

### 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:**

**OUR CHURCH:** We pray for preparations for Provincial Synod to be held in September; for the newly installed Provincial Executive Officer, Fr Horace Arenz; for the Provincial legal officers of our church; for diocesan representatives to Provincial Synod. We pray also for the chaplain-elect to St Andrew's College, Canon David Stansbury; for the Prep Chaplain, Fr Monwabisi Peter.

**OUR COMMUNITY:** We pray for all at Fort England psychiatric hospital, during the strike, for patients, clinical and nursing staff, kitchen and grounds and cleaning staff; administrative and managerial staff.

**OUR COUNTRY:** We continue to pray for preparations for the Local Government Elections; for all candidates; for the IEC.

**OUR WORLD:** We continue to pray for all places of conflict and violence, particularly for Zimbabwe and all its people; for Zimbabweans living and studying here in Grahamstown.

**BIRTHDAYS:** 31<sup>st</sup> Sergio Peters & Peter Stockwell, (August) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ilse de Vos, Siphosethu Nyarashe & Marian Jayes, 5<sup>th</sup> Mary Munatsi.

**PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER:** Zikhona Mtwa, Lorraine Mullins, Liniah Mumbengegwi, Mary Munatsi, Patricia Murowe, John Murray, Denis, Gustav & Yolanda Mutesasira, Bubele, Khanya, Lulama, Luzuko, Nomfundo & Zintle Mvula.

**PARISHIONERS who are sick, convalescing, or with long-term illnesses:** Isabel Bridger, Richard Brooks, Jeanette Hodgson..

**FRIENDS and FAMILY who are ill:** Steve Ashcroft, Pierre Nye (Revd Claire's brother) and Jackie Shipster (Chris Mann's sister), Iviwe Tshabe.

The **FLOWERS** at the West Door this week are from Thelma Neville in memory of her husband, Geoffrey.

**Services next Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> August – 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Time	Services	Preacher	Presider / Officiant
07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter	
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter	Revd Percy Chinganga
19h00	Student Service	Dr A J Bethke	

**Here are the Gospel readings for the 12th week after Pentecost**

Mon	01	Matthew 14: 13-21	Thurs	04	Matthew 16: 13-23
Tues	02	Matthew 14: 22-36	Fri	05	Matthew 16: 24-28
Weds	03	Matthew 15: 21-28	Sat	06	Matthew 17: 14-20
Sun	07	Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20	Psalms 50: 1-8, 24	Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16	Luke 12: 32-40

**Dean's letter, Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016**

Dear Cathedral family,

Who are the wealthy amongst us? Those with large houses, smart cars? Or those with riches and depths of learning and wisdom? Or our artists and poets, with their ability to put life onto canvas, or create music in words? Or our musicians, who can transport us into other realms with sound and beauty? Those with big hearts of love and compassion and understanding? What is wealth? What does it mean, in the final words of today's Gospel reading (Luke 12:13-21) to be rich towards God? To treasure and collect and savour and delight in the things of God?

In the first few verses of our Gospel reading, Jesus takes a not uncommon family dilemma – the division of a family inheritance – to warn against greed “for one's life does not consist of the abundance of possessions.” Then follows the parable of the rich fool, who amassed wealth and belongings, tried to hoard it all, saying to himself, “Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry. But then God says to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?”

Every week brings its crises and concerns. The daily developments in Zimbabwe, and closer to home at Fort England, impact on many of us here in Grahamstown. Acts of terror and random violence have hit people hard in France and Germany. We are not always as aware of violent deaths in parts of Africa, or the Middle East; but our prayers are with all who are suffering and who are caught up in terror and are victims of violence. We do not know who will be struck down next.

In these uncertain and fragile days, this is not a time for complacency, thinking that all will go well with us, for ever. To be rich towards God – to be rich in our worship, our love for those around us, our care for one another, our delight in the small daily gifts and insights – is the way to life.

I begin my sabbatical tomorrow (1<sup>st</sup> August) and am very grateful to the Sub Dean, to our Senior Assistant Priest, and other clergy colleagues and lay staff, churchwardens and PCC, and our many wonderful volunteers, for all that they will be doing in the months ahead. Please keep them in our prayers. And please pray for me during this time of (hopefully) intense study and reflection

My love to you all.

*Andrew Hunter*