

## GENERAL NOTICES

**Sub Dean Mzinzi Dyantyi** is on leave until Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017.

**28 February is Shrove Tuesday**, which we all know as Pancake Evening. We are looking for donations towards the ingredients, if there are any volunteers to assist that day please contact Sally Terry on 0466224470.

**Annual Vestry:** The deadline to submit any reports is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February at noon. Contact Chantel at 046 622 2445 or email her at [office@grahamstowncathedral.org](mailto:office@grahamstowncathedral.org)

**Ash Wednesday** is on the 1<sup>st</sup> March. Please return last year's crosses by the 19<sup>th</sup> February. June Venn will be collecting all returns.

**Charity Concert** in the form of an evening of song will be held at the Cathedral on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 18h00. It is a fundraising event in order to help underprivileged children. Donations in form of sanitary towels, school shoes or any form would be accepted at the door the evening of concert.

**Young Adults Connect Group (20-30s):** If you're looking to deepen your faith with an academic background and understanding, we're looking at starting a small bible study type group (Connect Group) to connect people, ideas, debates, difficult questions, study, reality and opinion. The idea is to bring and share a meal and dig into the nitty gritty of God as a reality. A space to ask questions and have them answered by passionate, well-studied people. Please contact Anna if you'd like to be part of it ([a.talbot@ru.ac.za](mailto:a.talbot@ru.ac.za)), or speak to Revd Claire.

**Readers for 2017:** if you would like to be part of the reading roster at 9.30am services during 2017 (young and old alike, previous and new readers welcome), please sign the list at the back of the church, or speak to Revd Claire. There will be training available for new readers. **A meeting of 09h30 readers TODAY after church.**

**Children and communion:** A number of our Cathedral children are now receiving communion. We suggest that children intinct their wafer, by dipping it into the chalice. This will make it easier for lay ministers, and the children. If parents have any questions about children and communion, please speak to one of the clergy.

### Series on Corinthians- Part 1:

**15 Jan** – 1Cor 1:1-9, Interpreting the scriptures- The call to be Holy; - **Revd Claire**

**22 Jan** – 1Cor 1:10-17 & 3:1-9, 'Follow my leader! 'Divisions in the church; - **Revd Claire**

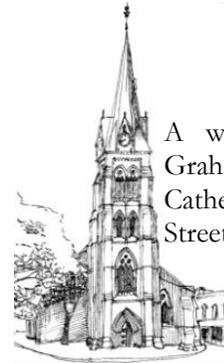
**29 Jan** – (07:30 only) 1Cor 1:18-31, Where is true wisdom to be found? ; - **Dean Andrew**

**5 Feb** – 1Cor 12:12-27, "But I'm just a baby toe!" - **Dean Andrew**  
One body, many parts: where do I fit in?

**12 Feb** – 1Cor 8:1-13, "Have you eaten food sacrificed to idols?"; - **Revd Claire**  
"No, so what has this got to do with me?"

**19 Feb** – 1Cor 14:26-40, 'Women be silent in the churches! ; - **Revd Claire**  
'No place for women at worship?

**Part 2 of series will resume from 16 July with more exciting topics to follow!**



## 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 sides people. Please turn off your cell phone and keep your valuables with you at all times.

### 05<sup>th</sup> February 2017 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Time	Services	Preacher	Presider / Officiant
07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Dean Andrew Hunter	
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Dean Andrew Hunter	Revd Dr. Claire Nye Hunter
19h00	Taizé Service	Dr. AJ Bethke	

#### Today's meetings and events:

07h20 & 09h20      Pre-service prayers for service leaders and participants

Week 4 of our series from 1 Corinthians

Today's theme: "But I'm just a baby toe!" One body, many parts: where do I fit in?

#### This Week

06 Feb	17h15	Lay Ministers' Meeting	Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter
09 Feb	17h00	Archdeaconry Meeting	Ven. Cynthia Webstock
09 Feb	17h15	SpiritFest Meeting	Maggy Clarke
11 Feb	14h00	Quiet Afternoon	Monastery Brothers

Evening Prayer	16h30	Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
Holy Eucharist	07h00	Thursdays

#### Stipendiary clergy contact details and Cathedral Parish Office (046 622 2445):

*Dean of Grahamstown Very Rev Andrew Hunter.	082 308 8654	046 622 3976	dean@grahamstowncathedral.org <i>(day off Friday)</i>
*The Sub Dean Ven. Mzinzi Dyantyi	073 604 5232	046 622 5633	angaavile@live.co.za <i>(day off: Monday)</i>
*Senior Assistant Priest Rev Dr. Claire Nye Hunter	046 622 2445	046 622 3976	claire@kingsleyemail.co.za <i>(day off: Friday)</i>

To contact the Parish Office staff by email, use: [office@grahamstowncathedral.org](mailto:office@grahamstowncathedral.org) (Administrator - Chantel) and [admin@grahamstowncathedral.org](mailto:admin@grahamstowncathedral.org) (Parish Secretary).

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

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

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

**Deans Letter - Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

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

**OUR CHURCH:** We pray for our lay ministers; for churchwardens and PCC; for the Cathedral Sunday School and Children’s Church ministry. May we be signs of the love of Christ in all that we do.

**OUR COUNTRY:** We pray for our schools and universities and colleges; for scholars, teaching and academic staff, and all in oversight and leadership. May we find the way forward for the well-being of all.

**OUR WORLD:** We pray for countries experiencing violence and conflict; for the USA in this time of transition under a new president; for refugees and others denied entry at border posts.

**BIRTHDAYS:** 6<sup>th</sup> Tolani Adesina; 8<sup>th</sup> Ronaldo Burger, Tisetso Morobi, Khanya Mazibuko, Ernest Bridger; 9<sup>th</sup> Delia Arends, Buntu Bam, Carolyn Stevenson-Milln; 10<sup>th</sup> Isabella Martin; 12<sup>th</sup> Zoleka Maqwili

**PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER:** Wendy Mfawze; Lewis & Gaynor Miles; Selokwane Morake; Tisetso, Liniah Morobi; Ayanda Mpofu; Rosa Msweli; Justice, Buyelwa & Asavela Mtuze.

**PARISHIONERS who are sick, or house bound:** Isabel and Ernest Bridger & Thelma Neville.

**FRIENDS and FAMILY who are ill:** Jackie Shipster, Judith Duk (Rev Claire’s sister), Michael Gainsborough, Chris De Wet, David Barker.

*These names will remain for a month, unless requested otherwise.*

**Here are the Gospel readings for the coming week:**

Mon	06	Mark 6:53-56	Thurs	09	Mark 10:17-31
Tues	07	Mark 7:1-13	Fri	10	Mark 7:31-37
Weds	08	Mark 7:14-23	Sat	11	Mark 8:1-10
Sun	12	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Psalms 119:1-9	1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Matthew 5:21-27

**Services next Sunday – 12<sup>th</sup> Feb –Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**

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
17h00	Choral Evensong	Revd Lunga Dongwana (Officiant)	

Dear Cathedral family,

The start of the academic year, for schools and our universities and colleges, is an exciting and a challenging time. New school uniforms (or hand-me-downs, from older siblings) and eager faces for our Grade 1s; nervous Grade 8s launching out into the deep sea of high school, away from the comforts of primary school; matrics heading into their final year of school; and our students, young adults, with school behind them, taking the first big step into adulthood. This year, 2017, very likely will see us continue to engage with the crises and the struggles of last year, on our campuses and increasingly in our high schools. We as followers of Christ, together with all faith communities, are called to be deeply involved in what is happening and as things unfold. We stand as parents, students, pupils, academics, support staff, school and university leadership – we are all connected, all involved, we are all part of what is happening. What happens to one affects us all. We are all connected.

I hope that in the months ahead, even when – and especially when – tensions rise, we do not lose sight of one another’s humanity; that we do our best to connect across divisions and barriers; that we are open to the serendipitous moments – the gift and guidance of the Holy Spirit – that make new things possible. As much as some may want everything to fall, even if it means a bloodbath, I hope that we can find a better way forward. Destruction and violence are simply that: destructive and violent. Let’s not fool ourselves into seeing that as a good tactic or best strategy to follow.

Some questions for us all:

**Will we who are scholars or students** strive to do our best in the year ahead? Will we respect our teachers and lecturers and co-operate with them? Will we be diligent in our studies? Will we do our best to protect our schools and our universities from vandalism and theft? Will we care for our fellow students and stand against all intimidation, bullying and violence?

**Will we who are teachers, academics, education officials,** commit ourselves to education as a calling and vocation? Will we be a role model for others, and aim to do only what is in the best interests of our students and scholars? Will we use our gifts, skills and qualifications to encourage learning and give our students the best education that we can?

**Will we who are parents or guardians, or community leaders,** take an interest in our children’s studies and concerns? Will we do all we can to encourage them and walk alongside them, in what they are facing? Will we be generous in praise and affirmation of their efforts? Will we make time to listen to them and support them when they are struggling?

And let our answer be **“With God’s help, we will!”**

My love to you all

*Andrew Hunter*