

GENERAL NOTICES

The Dean and Revd Claire are out of town today, returning tomorrow.

Many thanks to **Rose Spanneberg** and **Katie Appollis** and their team, and all involved in preparing for our **Hot-Nite!** And thank you to our wonderful supporters.

Sub Dean Mzinzi is currently not available on email. There has been a breach in security and so hackers managed to hack into his email. Emails have been sent to various people. We advise that if you receive an email stating that it is him, please do not respond. The matter has been reported and we will keep you posted with his new email address.

Children's FUN & GAMES afternoon: Our CSM (Cathedral Students Ministry) "Core Team" invite **all our children** to an afternoon of fun & games in St George's Hall on Saturday 19 August from 3-5pm. Don't miss it! Queries to Rosa 076 329 7922, Ayanda 083 528 9970 or Revd Claire.

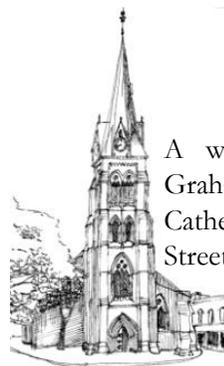
Kutlwano Kepadisa (Kepa) is looking for parishioners to host his family and friends who would like to attend his confirmation on Sunday, 10th September. Contact Kepa on 078 8690 880 or Lou-Anne 046 622 2445 at the office.

Deadline: All notices that needs to be inserted in the weekly pew leaflet to reach Lou-Anne at the office on Wednesday's not later than 12pm. Contact her at 046 622 2445 from 08:00-12:00pm

Our sermon series, with dates and preachers, is as follows:

20 August Topic: PERMISSIBLE BUT NOT BENEFICIAL: APPROPRIATE SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR

Preacher: Revd Claire



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.

10th Sunday after Pentecost 13th August 2017

Time	Services	Preacher	Presider / Officiant
07h30	Holy Communion SAPB	Mr Carlos Vaz Respeito	Sub Dean Mzinzi Dyantyi
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Mr Philile Lobese	Revd Idowu Akinloye
17h00	Choral Evensong AAPB	Revd Lunga Dongwana	
19h00	Student Eucharist – "When God seems distant- hope when the going gets tough"	Sub Dean Mzinzi Dyantyi	

Today's meetings and events:

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

Children's Church in the Choir Vestry

Lady Chapel flowers are from Lynette Marais in memory of her husband, Tony Johnson

This Week

09h30	17 Aug	St Luke's Communion	Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter
15h00	19 Aug	CSM games day	St George's Hall Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter

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

*Dean of Grahamstown The 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@grahamstowncathedral.org <i>(day off: Friday)</i>

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

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

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

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU!

Please join in prayer this week for:

OUR CHURCH: We continue to pray for our Cathedral dialogue on issues of human sexuality, giving thanks for the visit of the IAM team here. We pray also for our Choir, for Kepa (Music intern) and Cameron Luke (Director-designate of Music); for our confirmation candidates. In our diocese, we pray for the meetings of Cathedral Chapter and Diocesan Finance Committee this week, and for the preparations for the Diocesan Family Day.

OUR COMMUNITY: We pray for all students who took part in the Silent Protest, this past Friday; for all who are victims of abuse and violence. We pray for a change of heart and repentance for all who perpetrate violence and abuse on others.

OUR COUNTRY: We pray for all in authority, following the parliamentary vote of No Confidence this past week. During Women's Month, we give thanks for all women and girls, giving thanks for icons, leaders, caregivers, and wise counsellors.

OUR WORLD: We pray for all places of conflict and violence, especially Israel/Palestine.

BIRTHDAYS: 13th Tsebong Matlapeng; 15th Chenelle Tupiri; 16th Patrick Pringle; 17th Jane Maarman; 18th Rosa Msweli, Rosalie Breitenbach

PARISH CYCLE of PRAYER: Daniel, Isabella & Javier Martin; Kay & Rudi Marx; Gift Masocha; Greversid Matiki; Bongwiwe, Bunono, Lunga, Thembisa & Vusumzi Matomane; Sally Matthews; Khanya Mazibuko

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

FRIENDS and FAMILY who are ill: Jackie Shipster; Darren Moriarty (friend of Chantel Tesnar); Michelle Granger (Rev Claire's friend)

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

Here are the Gospel readings for the coming week:

Mon	14	Matthew 17:22-27	Thurs	17	Matthew 18:21-19:2
Tues	15	Matthew 18:1-5, 10-14	Fri	18	Matthew 19:3-12
Weds	16	Matthew 18:15-20	Sat	19	Matthew 19:13-15
Sun	20	Exodus 19:1-6	Psalm 51:1-10	1 Corinthians 6:12-20	Matthew 22:34-40

Services next Sunday – 20th August – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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07h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter	
09h30	Holy Communion AAPB	Revd Dr Claire Nye Hunter	Sub Dean Mzinzi Dyantyi
19h00	Student Service	Ms Vuyelwa Mguli	

Dean's Letter - Sunday 13th August 2017

Dear Cathedral family

All going well, Revd Claire and I should be returning from Cape Town tomorrow (Monday), after a series of engagements there, both personal and work/church-related, over these past few days. I am sorry to be missing the Sunday when two of our COTT students are preaching! We thank God for their ministry and their time amongst us as part of their formation and training. And my sincere thanks to our Sub Dean, Archdeacon Mzinzi Dyantyi, for leading three out of the four Cathedral services today, in our absence.

At the most recent meeting of the Cathedral PCC, the churchwardens were asked to address the Cathedral congregations on our financial picture. We are trying to do this each month, so that people are aware of the situation. As you will hear, July & March have been the only months this year when the amount of money given has met (and exceeded) the amount pledged (promised). In all our other months, the amount given has been well below the amount promised. Our expenses as the Cathedral are well in hand. We are watching carefully what is spent and are under budget in a number of areas. The problem is that our income is down. We have been eating into Cathedral reserves in order to pay salaries, keep up with monthly financial commitments, and do essential maintenance. This is not sustainable. I think that this is part of the economic downturn that our town, and SA, is facing. But to what extent is our giving also a sign of the life of the church? A barometer or indicator of our spiritual health? I look around at the life of the Cathedral and see and experience a wonderful, happy, energised community. But the finances, and drop in financial support, are both worrying and puzzling. What is going on?

A couple of years ago, PCC decided to acknowledge, at every Annual Vestry, all bequests received in the past year. We did this in 2017 and we shall do so again in 2018. Nevertheless, we wish at this time to thank and acknowledge very generous bequests received from the estates of the late **Desmond Eve, Eleanor Barker, Beth Dickerson, and David Hodgson**. Their generosity has enabled us to tackle some big projects in recent weeks. Thank you to them, and their families. And we ask all Cathedral parishioners to consider leaving a bequest to the Cathedral, in your will. It can make a tremendous difference.

The annual Diocesan Family Day is being held at the end of August. This is a time when the diocese comes together for worship, celebration, and fundraising. Given the financial crunch that many parishes are experiencing, and the consequent gap in monthly giving to the diocese, this annual fundraising is an essential part of the life of this diocese, and a number of others in the Province. Let's hold Archdeacon Mzinzi in our love and prayers as he carries the major load in the planning of the weekend.

My love to you all

Andrew Hunter