



## DIOCESE OF THE HIGHVELD

DIOCESAN, PARISH AND CLERGY NEWS

for

WEDNESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2019

***Mission of the Diocese of the Highveld  
To be a unified Diocese where the spiritual growth of an increasing  
number of people is fulfilled through experiencing the fullness of God***

### BISHOP'S DIARY

Day	Date	Time		Venue
Thurs	6th	09h00 -13h00	Clergy Day (Unisa Ethics and Sustainability Workshop)	LT
Sat	8th	09h00 09h30 14h00	Sunday School teachers AMF Renewal of Vows Link Meeting	LT Vosloorus Cathedral
Sun	9th	09h00 17h00	St Augustine's (C) St Michael's (C)	Ratanda Boksburg
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup> – 14th		Bishop conducting clergy retreat	Swaziland
Sun	16th	10h00	St Paul's Wesselton (C)	
Mon	17th	09h00	Servers Guild Day, Christ the King	Tembisa
Sun	23rd	08h00	St Bernard Mizeki Patronal Festival, St Matthias	Etwatwa

#### Gazette:

- **CALLING EVERYONE TO PLEASE PRAY:  
LOVE CAPE TOWN CITYFEST – 2 to 16 November 2019.**

We are appealing to all Anglicans to please pray for this huge ecumenical endeavour which kicks off with a launch event on Wednesday 29 May.

- **Clergy Day: 6<sup>th</sup> June 09h00 – 13h00:** This will take the form of the Unisa Ethics and Sustainability workshop by Prof. Angelo Nicolaides. It is a follow-up on the last Clergy Day ethics talk. Please make every effort to attend – it will take the place of the Clergy Day originally set for 11<sup>th</sup> June.
- **Aids Day:** Please find the liturgy attached to be used for the Diocesan Aids Day service to be held on the 13th June in individual parishes. If no service is held on the 13th we would like to encourage parishes to use it on the 16th June which is national youth day.

Parishes with outreach social responsibility projects attached to their parishes are encouraged to invite everyone from the projects to participate. Please remember to send a photo to the HABSR office to be included on the webpage.

- **Happening/Vocare.** See attached notices re Vocare weekend 28-30<sup>th</sup> June.
- **Sunday School teachers:** A meeting will take place on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June in the Lecture Theatre of all Sunday School teachers and those involved in youth ministry.
- **St Bernard Mizeki Guild:** Choir competition – see attached notice of event
- **AMF Renewal of Vows:** See attached notice of event.
- **HABSR NOTICE: Unisa training** :Please see attached notice
- **Outreach and Partnership Launch: All Saints Primrose, 7<sup>th</sup> June.** See attached notice

➤ **THY KINGDOM COME** May 31st to June 9th 2019

➤ **CALL TO PRAYER:**

- <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/resources/5-ways-churches-can-get-involved-thy-kingdom-come>

*"In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities."*

**Archbishop Justin Welby**

For resources visit <https://www.cpo.org.uk/thykingdomcome>

- **Week of prayer for Christian Unity:** 30<sup>th</sup> May – 9<sup>th</sup> June
- **Siyalalela:** All interested parties, especially clergy, are invited to the next Siyalalela meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July. Prof Maria Frahm Arp will be speaking on the fourth industrial Revolution and the rise of miracle churches and what it means for us as Anglicans.
- **Godly Play:** Our next Godly Play Core Training will take place at Northfield Methodist Church between 23 and 31 August. It will run over 2 weekends: Friday evening and full day Saturday. Come and be enriched by learning more about children's spirituality and nurturing it through this wonderful method of story-telling and being with children.
- **HABSR FOODBANK:** Confirmation candidates should please remember to bring non-perishable items for the HABSR foodbank on the day that they are confirmed.
- **The College of Transfiguration** will be hosting a Clergy and Lay person's spring school from the 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019.
- **Diocesan Counselling Board:** there are no counselling courses scheduled for 2019. However, interested persons can give their names to the Bishop's secretary and, should there be enough people to warrant a course, then such courses will be arranged and advertised accordingly. Names can be submitted with immediate effect.
- **Ministerial Practice Declaration:** all those in the parish who hold office should fill in the form to be kept on file in the parish

- **Diocesan Youth Indemnity Form:** All people in charge of young people's ministry, groups or organisations, are reminded by the PYC and the Diocese to:
  - get the permission of the Rector/Priest in Charge to transport youth especially those 18 years and under
  - complete the Diocesan Indemnity forms and hand over to Churchwardens; and
  - send a list of those young people to the Bishop's office prior to the trip/journey. This is to protect all those in youth ministry. Failure to do so becomes your own liability.

➤ **From the Administrator's desk:**

➤ **Unidentified Items:**

The following deposit has been made with no proper reference:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reference</u>
23/10/2018	R660.00	CHURCH CHOIR
26/10/2018	R700.00	CASH
02/03/2019	R250.00	CASH - LUNGISWAMGEDLE

- **Bookings for Diocesan Venues:** Please note that the Diocesan Administration Offices and facilities are normally open from 08:30am until 16:00pm from Monday to Thursday and from 08:30am until 13:00pm on a Friday. **For security reasons, no access to the property or the facilities will be allowed outside of these times unless proper arrangements have been made.**

Please note that **all** after hour's use of the Diocesan facilities for meetings must be booked through the **Administrator's Office**. Please use the correct booking forms for this purpose.

- Saturday meetings must please be completed by **3pm** and any car-guard must be arranged privately at your own cost.
- Access will not be granted if proper bookings are not done.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

**N.B. – no bookings on a Sunday as the campus is closed on Sundays**

- **From the Library:** David Willows and John Swinton have edited *Spiritual Dimensions and Pastoral Care: Practical Theology in a Multidisciplinary Context*. James Newton Poling wrote on it: "It would be difficult to find a more distinguished collection of authors than the ones in this volume, or a more timely subject – the spiritual revelations that God gives to common believers. This book promises to move all theology forward in its carefully developed and often inspiring essays". The contributors critically explore the way in which the spiritual dimensions of pastoral care have entered into constructive dialogue with other disciplines and ways of thinking, including psychiatry, psychology, counselling, intercultural studies, educational methodology, narrative theory and political studies. The Church Times reviews it thus: "The two editors have assembled a collection of essays that illustrate the wide range of concerns of some of those who, in recent decades, have agreed on one thing if nothing else: that theology should do something useful". "For those involved in pastoral care, who seek to find essays that speak, in theological terms, to the realities of their own lives and to their 'caring ministry', this collection of essays will be both informative and useful... The editors represent constructive dialogues with other disciplines such as psychology, political studies, educational methodology, and counselling, and the attention to pastoral issues, including suffering, sexuality and ethics, makes this book a resource for ministers and practitioners". This is from *Regents Reviews*. This book is recommended. [253.21 SPI]

Our next book is by Joachim Jeremias and as is usual in his work, it is short but is filled with scholarship and wisdom. It is *The Central Message of the New Testament*. The book consists of four essays. The first one evaluates what is uniquely revelatory in Jesus' proclamation of the fatherhood of God by studying the title 'Abba' in relation to the meagre and later Jewish allusions to God as Father. Secondly, the author brings his personal exegetical insights to bear upon the sacrificial interpretation of Jesus' death, with special reference to the Servant Christology which he has long defended as authentic not only in the early Church but in the message of Jesus himself. In the third essay he turns to the developed theology of St Paul to analyse afresh the difficult concept of justification by faith. The final essay learnedly treats a key to a particular Christology of the fourth Gospel, the Prologue and its logos concept. [226 JER]

➤ **Birthdays:** Happy birthday to:

5th Fr Atholl Selkirk

5th Dianne Goller

7th Ivy Matthews

9th Fr Edward Sithole

11th Fr Peter Mbatha

5th Fr Basil Matthews

6th Eleanor Khumalo

8th Fr Joseph Khanye

10th Zicca Litabo