



## DIOCESE OF THE HIGHVELD

DIOCESAN, PARISH AND CLERGY NEWS

for

WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 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	28th	10h00	Pension Board meeting	BR
Sun	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	09h00	St Barnabas (C)	Kwa Thema
Wed	4th	10h30	Chapter	
Sun	8th	08h30 11h00	All Saints (C) Golf Day	Primrose Reading Country Club
Tues	10th		Clergy lunch	Diocese
Sat	14th	14h30	Ordinations, St Andrew's	Kwa Thema
Sun	15th	09h00	Standerton, Sakhile (C)	
Tues	24th	23h00	St Dunstan's Cathedral	

#### **Gazette:**

- **Message from Fr Brian and Jane Luff:**  
"As previously discussed with the Bishop, Jane and I have decided to return to the UK. We fly out on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019. We just wish to thank you and the Diocese for allowing me to minister for 28 years as Deacon and Priest, which includes the seven years in the Diocese of Zululand. They have been special years and have brought much joy. We will hold up South Africa in our prayers and the Church. Love and prayers, God bless"  
We thank God for their contribution to the Diocese over these many years. May God bless them both.
- **Ordination:** Please pray for Kholo Sithole and Deacon Nandipha Dudula as they prepare for their ordination to the diaconate and priesthood respectively on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at 14h30 at St Andrew's Kwa Thema.
- **End of year Clergy lunch:** All clergy, spouses and retired clergy and spouses and clergy widows are invited to the Diocese on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December for an end of year lunch. Please pass on the invitation and rsvp to the Bishop's secretary for catering purposes.
- **Choirs Fellowship:** Members of the Diocesan massed choir will be taking part in an Anglican Music Festival on the 30<sup>th</sup> November at St Ethelthreda (Woodlands) in Durban.
- **Invitation to St Bernard Mizeki Guild's Closing Revival:** See attached

- **The 16 Days of Activism** run from 25 November (the International Day against Violence Against Women) to 10 December (International Human Rights Day). See attached notice.
- **Makarishi Institute:** 9 Ntemi Piliso Street, Johannesburg, 2000  
Interested students or their parents/guardians can submit names of those students who have passed Grade 12 and their results to the Diocesan office.  
**The dates for open days at the above Institute** are as follows:
  - Saturday, 04 January 2020 at 09h30
  - Saturday, 11 January 2020 at 09h30
  - Saturday, 25 January 2020 at 09h30

All are welcome
- **St Peter & St Paul, Springs:** We will be holding a Christmas Carol Concert in conjunction with the Cenestra Male Choir on the 7th of December at 2pm. See attached notice. Interested parties can contact the Parish Office on 011 811 2587.
- **Siyalalela Counselling Courses:** We are pleased to announce that the following courses will take place in 2020:
  - Basic:** 1/8/15/22 February and 7/14/28 March and 4<sup>th</sup> April
  - Marriage Prep:** 20/27<sup>th</sup> June
  - Trauma:** 15/22 August
  - HIV/AIDS:** 12/19<sup>th</sup> September.

Please give your names to the Bishop's Secretary
- **St Andrew's Day Appeal 2019. Message from Archbishop Thabo:**  
God has been using the International Anglicans Ablaze Conferences to encourage and equip our people for mission and ministry, in accordance with our Provincial Vision and Priorities. I am looking forward to Anglicans Ablaze 2020 in Johannesburg from 23rd to 26th September next year.  
**Our goal is to make it possible for 1000 young people to attend, at a subsidised cost of R495 each.** Adult costs are R725 & R775. To help with this we are reviving the **St Andrew's Day Appeal**, which was a tradition in ACSA for many years in support of the Mission of the Church.  
**I am therefore asking you please to take a special collection in church on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December (St Andrew's Day is 30<sup>th</sup> November) and to send it to: GtC Teaching and Training, Standard Bank, Constantia, Account Number 243 374 151, Branch Code 051001.** You are also welcome to encourage your people to give directly via EFT by giving them the banking details.
- **Bishop's Golf Day for his 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary to the ordained ministry: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at the Reading Country Club.** Proceeds will go towards Bishop's discretionary fund. More details to follow. **Please tell all the golfers in your parishes! Names can be given to Bishop's secretary.**
- **The Official Launch of Anglicans Ablaze:** Please see attached poster.
- **HABSR FOODBANK:** Confirmation candidates should please remember to bring non-perishable items for the HABSR foodbank on the day that they are confirmed.
- **EDEN PARK(St Matthew & St Luke) 5km Walk against Drugs and Substance Abuse** Please come and stand in solidarity for advocacy against

Drugs and Substance abuse, let us protect the **“future of our communities and our country”**

- **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 deposits have been made with no proper reference:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reference</u>
10/10/2019	R500.00	DONATION SAMU

- **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 Sunday**

- **Birthdays:** Happy birthday to:

28<sup>th</sup> Mthokozisi Mthembu

29<sup>th</sup> Valerie Taylor

30<sup>th</sup> Fr Derek Irvine