

**29 November 2020**

**1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

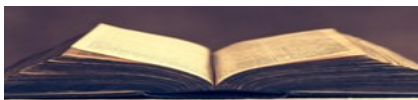


## **All Saints Anglican Church**

*Encountering the love of God in our relationships, sharing our journey as we discover God in the plan and learning to trust God in and for every situation.*

### **THE READINGS FOR THE DAY**

Readings: Isaiah 64 : 1 - 9  
1 Corinthians 1 : 3 - 9  
Psalm: 80 : 1-7, 17-19 (pg.705)  
Gospel: Mark 13 : 24 - 37



### **THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

Almighty Father,  
Your Son came to us in humility as our Saviour  
and at the last day he will come again in glory as  
our Judge; give us grace to turn away from darkness  
to the light of Christ  
that we will be ready to welcome him;  
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen

### **MESSAGE FROM REVD ANASTASIA**

Beautiful Saints planted by grace in this community, peace be with you. Today we begin our liturgical year with the Season of Advent. It was Pope Gregory 1 (590-604) who settled the Season as four Sundays prior to Christmas, with a very clear emphasis on the Christian hope of the Coming of Christ.

Bernard of Clairvaux (d 1153) summarises the theology of the Season of Advent as the three comings of Christ, past, present and future. In the first Christ was our redemption, in the last he will appear as our life; in this middle coming, he is our rest and our consolation. It has also been suggested that one cannot fully understand Jesus' birth without first understanding that he is Saviour and Lord. Our first 2 Sundays of Advent focus us on the second coming of Jesus as our hope, and in the prophecies of the First Covenant.

This Advent coincides with the 16 Days of Activism saying NO to women and child abuse, as well as World Aids Day on 1 December. May it be a time of deep reflection for each of us, on the claims that Christ has upon our lives and particularly His concern for our relationships with others. We have placed at the church a "graffiti board" where each person can make a pledge or commitment in response to these two significant times of prayer for the most vulnerable in our society. As we enter this time of hopeful expectation, may it also be a time of finding rest and consolation from a year filled with uncertainty. Please continue to pray for me and be assured that I am praying for you. With love and light on your week ahead.



## NOTICES

### October Financials available on our website & notice board

**SAVE THE DATE : 12 DECEMBER 2020 from 12h00 for our First Annual Auction. Details to be communicated on WhatsApp and on our website.**

Dedicated Giving—is our way to show gratitude to God for all his mercy, love and faithfulness. If you have not yet signed a DG form please be sure to pick up a copy at church or ask the office for a virtual link

**We have sent out our wish-list. Thank you for all those who have already begun responding! This week we are focused on the request for paint. If you are able to assist please contact the office for details.**

**Our new Lectionaries have arrived!** Please purchase either at the service or through the office. @ R30 per lectionary.

**Friday 4 December @17h30**—we are inviting all the men in our parish to a time of Fellowship. Please join us for this bring and braai by contacting Jerome on 082 892 2889.

Our next Messy Church is **Sunday 6 December @ 15h00**—please join us for a time of all-age worship in a relaxed atmosphere

**Please continue to pray for those writing exams.**

### Please pray for

Louisa Snyman, Graham Taylor, Colleen Butler, Ernie Mutch, The Lamble Family, Ronel Briers, Barbara Morrison, Gwen Alexander, Elaine Elliott, Shona Flemming, Peter McMurray, Talfryn & Liz Davies, Tish White, Esness Motsa, Thelma Muir, Luleka Mekane, Thembi Ndlovu, Jane Chithila Kapanga, Ada Rebelo, Judith & Colin Sims, Dorothy Carey, Adrian Krige, Mike & Carol Zingel, Nigel & Nadene Twidale, Tony & Sue Poriazis, Rev. Bruce Smith, The residents of Evergreen Village, Arch Bishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Dilia DeCaires, John DeVilliers & Gerald and Margaret Ebertson



We remember in love those who have died

(29 November - 5 December)

Mpebe Ngwepe  
Mangaliso Mcwabeni  
Rantikwane Leqwale  
Kabelo Letlaka  
Lesley Gumede



### December /January service times

**24 December : 22h00**

**25 December : 08h30**

**27 December : 08h30**

**03 January : 08h30**

**10 January : 08h30**

### Parents-In-Waiting

Judith & Jordy Mugeni



Contact Heather:-(083-789-7311/  
hmaccserv@mweb.co.za) for any additions.

### Sign up for our services

(Please note that the forms are only available from Monday morning until they are full)

Sunday, 06 December 7:30 service

<https://forms.gle/JLnU4uRv2ZriZZjU8>

Sunday, 06 December 9:30 service

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cbGRvs2U4hS-P\\_4pKzTyniKcn-fSiA1JUiYzOLKxayo/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cbGRvs2U4hS-P_4pKzTyniKcn-fSiA1JUiYzOLKxayo/edit?usp=sharing)

Wednesday 02 December 9:30 service

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