

24 & 25 December

MIDNIGHT MASS AND CHRISTMAS DAY



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 MIDNIGHT MASS

Readings: Isaiah 62 : 6 - 12
Titus 3 : 4 - 7
Psalm: Psalm 97 (pg.726)
Gospel: John 1 : 1 - 14



THE READINGS CHRISTMAS DAY

Readings: Isaiah 52 : 7 - 10
Hebrews 1 : 1 - 4
Psalm: 98 (pg.727)
Gospel: John 1 : 1 - 14



THE COLLECT FOR MIDNIGHT MASS

Heavenly Father,
You made this holy night radiant
With the brightness of your Son Jesus Christ:
Help us to welcome him as
the world's true Light
and bring us to eternal joy in his kingdom;
Where he lives and reigns
With you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen

THE COLLECT CHRISTMAS DAY

O Christ, light of the world,
born into human pain and joy:
Let our celebration of your birth
make us bold witnesses of your love;
To the glory of God, Father, Son and Holy
Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen



MESSAGE FROM REVD ANASTASIA

Beautiful saints we have come to the end of our Advent waiting, and arrived at the promise of God made to every generation—*Vero Cras* “Truly I shall come”. The light that shines in the darkness and the darkness does not overcome it, is a promise we all need to hear particularly at a time like this. 2020 has been a very hard year in so many ways. Yet it has also been a year offering us new perspectives. Perhaps the invitation to a great re-set not only personally but also as a human family. So, as we enter this second wave of infections, let us remain vigilant and responsible yet without fear. Trusting in God’s unwavering commitment to what God has created, and particularly to our human condition. By entering the world as a vulnerable child, God embraces our vulnerability. By submitting to the complexity of family life, God embraces our complex family dynamics. By choosing to live and move among us, God seeks to encounter us in new and transformative ways. This is the great hope on which we build our relationship with God and one another. That God is present, active and committed to the world and all we encounter in it. *Vero Cras* “Truly I shall come”. This promise echoes through the ages and the appearance of the Star of Bethlehem on Monday after almost 1000 years, feels to me like a loving reminder from God that with Him all things are possible. *Vero Cras*...Come afresh and anew to us Lord Jesus. Enfold us in the light that you bring. Allow us to be transfigured and healed by the light that shines in our darkness. Be to us the Saviour we so deeply need. Fill us with hopeful expectation, a renewed trust in your love for us, and strengthen us with your life giving spirit.

As we enter this Christ Mass Season, we are offered a time of deep reflection on the choice God has made to “become flesh and dwell among us”. The mystery of the Incarnation and all that this implies invites us into fresh understandings of God at work in a broken and wounded world. May your Christ Mass Season be filled with unexpected and transformative encounters, and may you and your loved ones remain safely held in the hand of the One who made you, and died for you. Jesus the Christ has come. The hopes and fears of all this year are met in Him this season. Wishing you and yours a blessed Christ Mass filled with light and love. Pray for me, I am praying for you.

NOTICES

Rev Anastasia will be on leave from Sunday 27 December up to and including 10 January 2021. Deep gratitude to Rev Nigel who will be assisting with services while she is away.

Lectionaries : We still have lectionaries available at R30 each. Please take a copy from the table in the Narthex and the money can be placed in the envelope provide and put into the collection or the honesty box.

Thank you to everyone for the Christmas Collection for Rev Anastasia. If you have not been in service please consider making an EFT with reference “Christmas Collection”. Please make sure you use the new account details!

Mdu and Nomusa are on leave and will return to work on 9 January.

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 Poriakis, Rev. Bruce Smith, The residents of Evergreen Village, Arch Bishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Dilia DeCaires, John DeVilliers & Gerald and Margaret Ebertson, Cheryl & Bill Jearey, Rajan & Devendra Gounden & Clyde Van Zyl

Sign up for our services

We have one service only, on 27 December, 3 & 10 January at 08h30. Normal services resume on 17 Jan.

Sunday, 27 December 8:30 service (sign up link)

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THE WEDNESDAY SERVICES WILL RESUME ON 13 JAN 2021



Parents-In-Waiting

We welcome into our All Saints family,

Joelle Akuzike Kibundila Mugeni.

Congratulations to Jordy and Judith

Contact Heather:-(083-789-7311/
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