

# 28 February 2021

## Second Sunday in Lent



### 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: Genesis 17 : 1 - 7, 15 - 16  
Romans 4 : 13 - 25  
Psalm: 22 : 23 - 31 (pg.629)  
Gospel: Mark 8 : 31 - 38



#### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God of Sarah and Abraham,  
long ago you embraced your people in Covenant  
and promised them your blessing:  
Give us grace to recognise you as our God  
and serve you as your faithful people:  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### MESSAGE FROM REV'D ANASTASIA

##### “LIVING IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE”

Beautiful saints, planted by grace in this place, peace be with you.

In the Gospel today Jesus rebukes Peter with the words **“Get behind me Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”** These may seem like strong words, yet they hold a key truth that we need during this Lenten time. Jesus reveals to us that we need to discern whether our response to situations is being driven by a mind set on human or divine things. In other words, we need to take a “God perspective” on our situation. To do this requires us to draw closer to God, seeking to know and understand His will, and asking for the grace to respond from this perspective. I am trusting that as you continue choosing and following your particular Lenten Disciplines of prayer, fasting and alms giving—that these are increasing your ability to pay attention to how God is present and moving in your life.

Together, we also need to seek God’s perspective on our community of faith. We face a year that will be filled with uncertainties. Yet, one thing is certain, our church life will never be the same again. Our traditional models of “being and doing church” need to be fundamentally transformed. And in this we need to seek a God perspective. Parish Council met yesterday to be discerning the ways in which we can become more creative in how we enact and experience our common life as believers in the All Saints family. We were encouraged by the knowledge that as long as we remain prayerful, Jesus will lead us into this new vision. Over the next few weeks we will be sharing more of our discernment, and inviting each of you to be a part of this wonderful new thing God seeks to do in, and with, and through us. I am praying for you, please continue to pray for me. With love and light on you and yours.



## NOTICES

### Our January Financials are available on the website

**MESSY CHURCH: Sunday 14 March @ 3pm** is our next Messy Church. Bring your families and friends for a relaxed and creative afternoon building relationships and exploring the gospel in the context of a deeper, lived faith. All ages welcome. If you can't join us, please pray for us!

**In person Sunday School:** We are pleased to announce that today we are holding **in person Sunday school**. This will happen the LAST Sunday of each month. **Please ensure that you sign up for our first virtual session (Sunday 14 March) so you can receive the zoom link.** These virtual sessions will be the 2nd Sunday of every month. Sign up forms will be available during the week.

**Lent Course: "The Heart of God"** has begun! Please sign up for our next session on Tuesday 2 March @ 18h00. We can send you the zoom link on Monday.

**Deep gratitude to our Online Service Support team who took us live last Sunday and will be doing so again today!:** We need more people for this team - at least 3 people are needed per service. Please consider joining this ministry and contact the office.

**We are looking for a new Treasurer to assist Exco in managing the financials. Please let us know of someone who has the skills & availability**

### Please pray for

Louisa Snyman, Graham Taylor, Colleen Butler, Ernie Mutch, 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, Nadene Twidale, Tony & Sue Poriazis, Rev. Bruce Smith, The residents of Evergreen Village, Arch Bishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Dilia DeCaires, Gerald and Margaret Ebertson, Cheryl & Bill Jearey, Rajan & Devendra Gounden, Clyde Van Zyl, Malcolm Samuel, Maseri Seretlo, Caitlyn Oliver, Kurt Ellis, Christopher Botha & Agnes Msane

### **Sign up for our services**

Sunday, 7 March, 08h30 (in person service)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cbGRvs2U4hS-P\\_4pKzTyniKcn-fSiA1JUiyoZoLKxayo/edit?usp=drivesdk](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cbGRvs2U4hS-P_4pKzTyniKcn-fSiA1JUiyoZoLKxayo/edit?usp=drivesdk)

Sunday, 7 March, 08h30 (online service)

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1TYpMJitVNRVrczoRw7sUpqw1gxX2AqQXH4gFnpOwRO8/edit?usp=sharing>

03 March, 09h30 (in person service)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CerI7KwX4zGEoh\\_AFnG589XdbhKoTpAuQwO\\_A2rm2nrM/edit?usp=drivesdk](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CerI7KwX4zGEoh_AFnG589XdbhKoTpAuQwO_A2rm2nrM/edit?usp=drivesdk)

Just a reminder that in person services are limited to 50 people per service. All forms (in person and online) close at 5pm the day before. For those registered for online services, the link will be sent to you via email and/or WhatsApp.

**We remember in love those who have died**

(28 February - 6 March)

**Nadief Kgoleng  
Elfreda Eulri Elliot  
Leah Mphelo  
Douglas James Stephen  
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