

11 July 2021

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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: 2 Samuel 6 : 1 - 5, 12b - 19
Ephesians 1 : 3 - 14
Psalm: 24 (pg.631)
Gospel: Mark 6 : 14 -29



THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty Father, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts:
Take and receive our freedom and bring us into the glorious liberty of the children of God;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and for ever. Amen

MESSAGE FROM REVD ANASTASIA

Beautiful saints of God, planted by grace in this community, peace be with you.

I left you with an invitation last week to lean into God's response to Paul - **"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."** And offered that perhaps in these times it is about learning to trust God more deeply. I know that this invitation has been timely for me and the family as we navigated our first set of COVID positive results. During this time a deep sense of peace came over my heart and mind. A peace that was grounded in trusting that whatever may come, and whatever may happen, God would remain present to me and those I love and pray for. Perhaps this is the **"glorious liberty of the children of God"** that our collect for this week speaks about? The freedom from fear and anxiety, at a deep level, that comes from knowing to whom we belong?

We read in our Gospel today how John the Baptist is murdered for speaking truth to power. And it got me wondering about how he was feeling and what he was praying for as he sat in chains? Did he too have a sense of peace, that he had been faithful to God's call on his life? Or did he believe that God would somehow save his life? These questions may feel heavy, but I do believe that as this 3rd wave rips through our world—they are perhaps timely questions to ask. Jesus too goes to his death for speaking truth and love to the power structures of his day. So, we know that just because we are believers, children of God, we are not exempt from death. Yet we are called to **live in the glorious liberty of the children of God**. Free from the fear of death, sickness or any other adversity. Echoing Jesus' invitation to us two weeks ago—"Do not be afraid, only believe". Believe in God's great love and grace. Believe in God's power to bring healing and restoration. Believe that God seeks us out in the broken and lost places of our lives. Believe that He withholds no good thing from those He loves. Believe that no matter what may come, God will never let you go. Pray for me, I am praying for you..



NOTICES

Financials for May 2021 are available on our website



At Home

With the current lockdown restrictions, Messy Church will take the form of **Messy Church at Home** this month. We will be exploring John the Baptist and Jesus. You'll be able to access the activity sheet and short video message at <https://www.allsaints.co.za/messy-church/>. If you want to meet up online for a coffee or cooldrink and

chat on **Sunday 11 July 2021, from 15h00 to 15h30**, you are more than welcome. You can request the link by contacting Jean Pienaar via email jean@hit.co.za or using the following details— . **Meeting ID: 880 808 1078**
Passcode: 7i5vun

Please note that Lorelle is on leave until Monday 26 July. Please contact either the Church Warden or Revd. Anastasia should you need assistance.

100 Club :Congratulations to our June Winners! The next draw will take place on **Sunday, 1 August** .Contact Ernie – 066 2012 103 or mutchie@mweb.co.za or Heather on 083 789 7311 to purchase a number or for more info.

Children's Church: are closed for the public school holidays and are expected to re-open after 26 July.

Please pray for

Louisa Snyman, Colleen Butler, Ernie Mutch, Barbara Morrison, Gwen Alexander, Elaine Elliott, Shona Flemming, Peter McMurray, Talfryn & Liz Davies, Tish White, Thelma Muir, Luleka Mekane, Thembi Ndlovu, Jane Chithila Kapanga, Ada Rebelo, Judith & Colin Sims, Dorothy Carey, Adrian Krige, Mike & Carol Zingel, Tony & Sue Poriadis, Rev. Bruce Smith, The residents of Evergreen Village, Arch Bishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Dilia DeCaires, Gerald and Margaret Ebertson, Rajan & Devendra Gounden, Clyde Van Zyl, Maseri Seretlo, Caitlyn Oliver, Kurt Ellis, Craig Martins, Carol Falck, Beth Elliot, Drew Holman -Fitzpatrick, Dieneke Boom, Moira Smith, Thandiwe Ngculu, Thabiso Teleki, Revd. Anastasia and family, Sharon Ellis, Lindsay & Kate de Villiers & Irvin Johnson .

Mdu

Mdu is available to work privately doing general maintenance and gardening from **12h30 Friday to Wednesdays, or a full day on Thursdays.**

Please contact him directly on 076 125 9619

Sign up for our services are currently suspended. We await further communication on the reopening of services. In the meantime please go to our website to check out our virtual ministry offerings.



We remember in love those who have died
(11 - 17 July)

Desmond Young
Marion Watson Fraser
Michael Moore

We pray for Jenny Stacey and family (at the loss of her dad) and continue to pray for Dorothy Carey and the Sutter family during this time of bereavement



Parents-In-Waiting

Contact Heather:-(083-789-7311/hmacserv@mweb.co.za) if you or a friend or family member are expecting and would like to be added to the prayer list.

Mario & Carla Lawrence
Lennard & Eileen Schunemann

New Arrival : Hilma Honey Brigitta



Interim Rector: Rev. Dr. Anastasia Huntley

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