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Diocesan Family Day



The **Diocesan Family Day** took place on Transfiguration Sunday, 2nd March 2025 at St George's Grammar School. The Presider was Bishop Joshua Louw and Preacher, Archbishop Thabo Makgoba. A special collection was taken for the Eluvukweni Church Building project. **Photographer: Malcolm Overmeyer**

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EDITORIAL

As the world grapples with conflict, inequality, environmental crises and personal struggles, the season of Lent offers a profound opportunity to recalibrate amidst the turmoil.

In a world that often feels fractured and uncertain, Lent invites us to seek healing and extend compassion to others. It's a journey that speaks not only to the faithful but to anyone yearning for meaning and hope in troubled times.

The headlines in the present time often highlight suffering and division, Lent urges us to be agents of hope and healing. In a time when despair can feel overwhelming, Lent teaches us that hope is not passive - it is something we cultivate through action and faith.

Lent can feel particularly heavy this year with raging wars, injustices and many carrying personal burdens that weigh heavily on their hearts. The 40 days mirror the struggles of life but they also point toward the promise of renewal.

There is always hope.

Love and Light, Rebecca

Editor: Rebecca Malambo

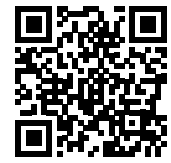
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MASQUERADE GALA DINNER
"Raising the Roof, Restoring Hope, One Sheet at a Time"

7th June 2025 | 17:30pm

Venue: Geoff Burton Hall, St Georges Grammar School, Richmond Road, Mossburn

Drinks Code: Non-Permissible Black Tea

More info: Dawn Chetty - 078 871 8046 | Candice Chetty - 082 407 1818

Autumn Market
CALLING ALL VENDORS

10 May 2025, 9AM - 1 PM

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Liturgical Resource Material for the season of Lent, as prepared by the Diocesan Liturgical Resource Team for use in our Diocese. It is available in IsiXhosa and English: <https://ctdiocese.org.za/diocesan-news/>

Lent Worship Material

Additional Worship Material for use in Parishes for Ash Wednesday & Sundays in Lent

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Diocesan Football Festival: This message serves a reminder and an invitation to those who have participated before but also to those who have not participated as yet to join us this year. It is a highlight of our common life together and this year promises to be more of the same.

Registration has officially opened – please use this link to register your parish team (s) <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfiByXrF7lx9cvbysAFqjNNOoRW4gZEhsTaww76YyPX2dl23uQ/viewform>.

We have a new format this year which includes 4 sections: Junior section (10 – 14 years) / Boys youth section (15 – 19 years) / Woman's section (15 – 23 years) / Men's senior section (20 – 25 years).

Parishes are allowed to enter into 3 sections but are only allowed to enter 1 team into either Boys youth section or the men's senior section.

If you have any questions of clarity please feel free to contact either Keegan Davids stsaviours.curate@gmail.com or John Paul Roberts johnpaul87roberts@gmail.com

Registration closes on the 23rd of March so please make haste, we look forward to a blessed time together.

18 MAY

GOSPEL Concert

CHALLENGE OF RECONCILIATION
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Teddy Bears, preowned or new. Be the reason for joy and smiles to the children in hospital.

See Jenny Gombler
Chairman to Paul Cross the Memorial Children's Hospital



Dear Friends,

Greetings to you in this very holy time of Lent.

Congratulations to all who have been elected as churchwardens for this coming year. May you lead with humility and dignity, knowing that you are not here for self-glorification, but to do the work of God.

Your calling is to discipleship and not volunteerism. I am saying this in response to the many times that I have heard people saying that they are volunteers, so the church must not make too many demands on them. In the church of God, there are no volunteers as we are all called to be disciples through our baptism and confirmation.

As disciples and followers of Jesus Christ, we are called to follow His example as He instructed us 'not to be served, but to serve.' At our baptism, we are called to 'fight valiantly against sin, the world and the devil and continue as Christ's faithful soldiers and servants.' And at our confirmation we promise, we with the help of God, 'will live lives in obedience to God's laws, as a loyal member of His Church.' If we are faithful to these promises, then we will be able to transform our homes, our churches, our communities and our country. We will build communities that are ready to do God's will irrespective of the resistance that we might get. With God's help and love, we will and can.

I want to thank you for your attendance at our Diocesan family day, which was such a beautiful occasion of togetherness. Thank you for your willingness to either make your service earlier or cancel it for the day. I think that it was worth the sacrifice as it was only for one Sun-

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day. In speaking to those present and the Archbishop, the feeling is that it should become an annual event on the Sunday of the Transfiguration. So prepare yourselves now already.



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Big thank you to all the parishes and individuals who have made special financial contributions towards the Church building fund for Eluvukweni, Crossroads. Your contributions are appreciated, but don't stop giving as we have not reached our budget. It was such a joy for me to visit the building site on Friday, 14 March 2025 and to witness the progress that has been made. We want to thank the contractors, and all involved in the project who continue amidst all the challenges. Let's ask God to keep his hand of protection over the project and those who work there.

We, as the body of Christ, have a special responsibility to ensure that everybody in our churches feels a sense of belonging and safety. Much is happening in our society and in our churches which threaten these values. It is for that reason that the Archbishop and Synod of Bishops have called on all dioceses to have their SAIC commissions, and for parishes to have 2 safeguarding officers per parish in place. Training will happen soon and details will be shared.

Special birthday wishes to our oldest parishioner, **Mr Clarence George from St Cyprian's, Retreat**, whose 103rd birthday is on 21 March. May God's hand of blessing continue to rest on him.

We have appointed **Honorary Michael Weeder** as interim priest-in-charge of St Paul's, Rondebosch and we pray for God's blessing for him and the parish.

As disciples of our Lord, Jesus Christ, let us continue moving forward in building God's Kingdom here on earth.

God bless! +Joshua Table Bay

Recent licensings in the diocese



Left to Right: NEW ARCHDEACONS - The licensing took place on 30th January 2025, at Bishops Diocesan College in Brooke Chapel. The **Ven Grant Damoes** is the Archdeacon of Ibongolethu and the **Ven Mcebisi Pinyana** is the Archdeacon to the Ordinary. **NEW CHAPLAINS** - The licensing took place on 01 March 2025, at St Mary Magdalene, Gugulethu. The **Revd Maseka Mapukata** as Chaplain to the Girls Boys Friendly Society (GBFS) and the **Revd Ronald Muller** as Chaplain to the Anglican Youth Fellowship (AYF).

Launch of the South African Council of Churches Climate Commission

"Let there be no waste!" (John 6:12)

Devotion and welcome

The brand-new SACC Climate Commission was officially launched by General Secretary Revd Mzwandile Molo on the 25th of February at St Stephen's Ethiopian Episcopal Church, Mendi Avenue, Langa. The event was held in partnership with the Langa Spiritual Leaders Fraternal. The event started with a devotion led by Climate Commissioner for the Uniting Presbyterian Church in SA Revd Mzwamadoda Mfene who unpacked the theme from John 6:12. After Jesus had fed the 5000, he called upon his disciples to collect up all the leftovers, saying, "let there be no waste". This challenges us all as individuals and communities. It is also a challenge the municipality to re-think how we handle waste! Rev Siyabulela Tshatshu, chair of the Langa spiritual leaders fraternal, welcomed us. The fraternal is a strong body with representatives from 44 churches!



Why we are here!

Revd Canon Rachel Mash, who is the convenor of the SACC Climate Commission and representative of the Anglican Church, explained the purpose of the gathering. The SACC Climate Commission has a three-year plan - the first year is waste, the second a tree growing campaign and the third year will be looking at preparedness for climate disasters. Reflecting on the need for tree planting she said that the difference in temperature between our 'leafy suburbs' and a shack with no trees and no insulation may be as high as 15 degrees!

Messages of support

Messages of support were brought from the Western Cape Council of Churches and SAFCEI (Southern Africa Faith Communities Environmental Institute). We are very grateful for the support of SAFCEI for this event! Messages were brought by local Fraternal, the City of Cape Town - Climate Change Directorate and the local Community Policing Forum. It was shocking to hear how crime spikes during hot temperatures! An encouraging message of support was sent from Revd Prof. Dr Jerry Pillay.



General Secretary World Council of Churches

"From contextual eco-spiritual reflections to agro-ecological projects, to engaging in social dialogue on alternative mining and Just Transitions, churches in South Africa have been leading the way and have much more to contribute to the growing faith-based movement for climate justice. We especially applaud the young people for their commitment in calling out ecological inequities and in co-creating alternatives for a flourishing planet. Once again, many congratulations to the new SACC Climate Commission! We pray that the SACC Climate Commission be blessed with wisdom, imagination and boldness as it moves forward. The climate emergency demands all hands, feet and hearts on board. Together, as a global ecumenical family, let us build a more just, peaceful and sustainable planet!"

The impact of plastic pollution in our communities

Zainab Adams from Environmental Humanities - UCT, led an interactive discussion on "The Impact of Plastic on Communities". The impacts are severe - attracting flies and rats, blocking drains which leads to flooding. Burning plastic causes toxic fumes and the production of plastic creates carbon emissions. She invited the churches of Langa to join an initiative called the "Critical zones project".

The official launch

Revd Mzwandile Molo the SACC General Secretary then led us in a challenging mes-



sage : when the church leaders are committed then everything is possible - we can act out of hope. He reminded us of the words of the song 'Mercy Mercy me', "things ain't what they used to be - where did all the blue sky go, poison in the air - how much more abuse from man can Mother Earth stand." Humanity must confess our arrogance - we don't take care of Nature yet it is Nature that takes care of us. The issue is not the survival of nature - nature will survive - the issue is the survival of the human species. Nature will spit us out and survive again.

The SACC Conference chose the theme 'Choose Life' - and knew that at the centre of God's creation is the earth - we are late comers. God so loved the whole world! When we talk about salvation we need to understand that that also involved Creation. Gods eschatological future - God's ultimate victory is not the victory of human beings but of a new Earth. We need to get our theology right. The church must be involved in behaviour change, starting with our hymns and preaching.

Revd Molo then lit a candle to symbolise the launch of the SACC climate Commission with Revd Mfene, Major Phore and Revd Rachel Mash, who represented the other Commissioners who are in different parts of the country.

Clean up in the streets of Langa

Major Phore SACC Climate Commissioner representative of the Salvation Army then prayed for us and sent us out to the streets of Langa for a clean-up, moving from the Ethiopian church to the New Holy Apostolic Jerusalem Church of SA in Langa where Bishop. Makalusa gave us the final blessing. The Clean-up effort was supported by the Litterboom Project who are working in the Community of Langa and are interested to form partnerships with the Churches. They collected over 1.2 tonnes of waste during the two days! Let there be no waste!

Siyahamba Ministry – a way of praying with our feet

Walking the Labyrinth at St George's Cathedral



St George's Cathedral has, since the return of our group of Pilgrims from a visit to Grace Cathedral, San Francisco in the early 2000's and following the installation of our own Classic Archetype eleven circuit Labyrinth in 2004 – been able to welcome local, national and international Pilgrims to walk (either individually or as groups) within the precinct. We are each individually on our own Spiritual Journey, and the Labyrinth assists us in remembering some of the "life etiquettes" while travelling with each other. More and more, individuals as well as those in corporate City businesses are seeking the quietness of such an activity of walking together.

The Siyahamba Labyrinth is an archetype, a divine imprint, found and used by all religious traditions in various forms around the world. By walking a replica of the Chartres Labyrinth, (originally laid in the floor of Chartres Cathedral, France, early 13th century), we are rediscovering a long-forgotten mystical tradition which is insisting to be reborn – praying while we walk.

The labyrinth has only one path so there are no tricks to it and no dead ends. The path winds throughout and becomes a mirror for where we are in our lives; it touches our sorrows and releases our joys. So, walk it with an open mind and an open heart.

There are three stages of the walk: Purgation or Releasing: on the inward spiral you may experience a sense of release, a letting-go of the details of your life. This is an act of shedding thoughts and emotions. Calmly, it quiets and empties the mind.

Illumination or Receiving: when you reach the Centre, stay there as long as you like. It is a place of meditation and prayer. Ask and receive what there is to receive, in prayerful communion with your Creator. Union or Returning: as you return, you may be conscious of joining God, your Higher Power, or the healing forces, at work in the world. Each time you walk the labyrinth, you become more empowered to find and do the work you feel your soul is searching for.

Guidelines for the walk: Clear your mind and become aware of your breath. Allow yourself to find the pace your body wants to go. You may 'pass' people or let others step around you, whichever is easiest, at turns. The path goes two ways; those going in will meet those going

out. Do what feels natural.

St George's Siyahamba Ministry does host facilitated walks and workshops. Arranged and coordinated through the Cathedral Office for various visiting Parish Groups, Business groups, other public tour groups, or pop-in visitors to the Cathedral, can contact +27 (0)21 424 7360 to arrange a diary date.

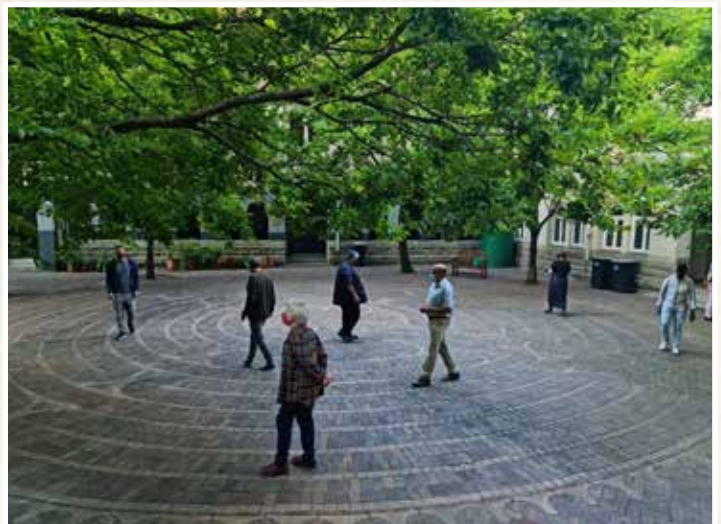


Self-walks are possible when the precinct is open, unless a facilitated walk is already being held.

Regular fixed date monthly walks are still planned to be re-instated. It is envisaged that the Quarterly Solstices and Equinoxes dates might determine four fixed date events, according to the Cathedral's Diary and the Pilgrimage request for the same.

An Annual World Labyrinth Day event is occasioned for the 1st Saturday of May – to be announced.

- **Ashley Judd**





Dear People of God

We held a meeting of the Synod of Bishops of real consequence last month, so this Ad Laos will focus on church-wide, i.e. Provincial matters.

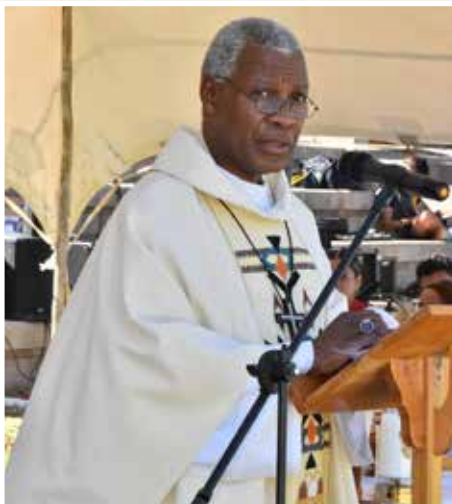
The first item on our agenda was a meeting of the Bishops with the Canon Law Council and Diocesan Chancellors and Registrars, which meant that our normal meeting of two dozen bishops was supplemented on the first day by nearly 60 people, mostly lawyers. Changes to our Canons, for example in the form of detailed Pastoral Standards, and the influence of South Africa's new labour legislation on church law, has brought about a transformation in the church in recent decades. Our joint meeting reflected this, and underlined the importance of integrating the observance of basic legal principles into pastoral ministry.

Most of the meeting was given over to a briefing by Advocate Ewald de Villiers Jansen SC, who chairs the new, formally-appointed Safe and Inclusive Church Commission. We also commissioned members of the Commission who were present.

The Commission now includes Bishop Brian Marajh, appointed by the Synod of Bishops as Liaison Bishop, the Deputy Provincial Registrar, Canon Rosalie Manning—who in an act of great dedication to our church has taken the lead in launching safeguarding in recent years—as well as two psychologists, Ms Sharitha Poodhun and Ms Nokubonga Phakathi, and two retired bishops, Bishop Margaret Vertue, a long-time campaigner against the abuse of women, girls and boys, and Bishop Eddie Daniels, formerly of Port Elizabeth. The Provincial Treasurer and Provincial Executive Officer also serve ex officio.

In its first communication to the Province, the newly-appointed Commission has called for every parish in the Province to consider ap-

Ad Laos - To the People of God



pointing two safeguarding officers. It has already scheduled three online training sessions in April and May, and has charted a way ahead which includes screening, assessing and training those to be licensed as safeguarding officers in parishes, archdeaconries and dioceses. For more details, including advice on who should serve on safeguarding teams, I urge you to read the Commission's first circular at: <https://anglicanchurchsa.org/anglican-safe-and-inclusive-church-commission-circular-march-2025/>

Among important contributions to the Synod of Bishops, we also heard a plea from Dr Mamphele Ramphele to step up our efforts to combat abuse and gender-based violence, and presentations by Bishop Luke Pato on a new book arising from the authors' concern that spiritual direction is diminishing in the church, leading to a decline in our capacity to follow a moral compass. Also of note was a presentation by Roman Catholic theologians, including recently-retired Archbishop Buti Tlhagale of Johannesburg, who argued against the compatibility of ancestral worship with Christianity. You can read more in the Synod's communique at:

<https://anglicanchurchsa.org/communique-from-the-synod-of-bishop-february-2025/>

In recent decades, growth in the church has resulted in a move away from appointing Suffragan Bishops, and towards establishing new dioceses. This process began with the "multiplication" of the dioceses of Johannesburg, Pretoria and Cape Town, starting more than 30 years ago, and more recently with the former Diocese of St John's becoming the dioceses of Mthatha, Mzimvubu and Mbashe, and Khahlamba being carved out of the Diocese of Grahamstown.

The Diocese of Natal has now chosen to follow a different route. After long and careful consideration over the past four years, it decided last year that it wanted to maintain diocesan unity. In consequence, the Synod of Bishops has approved the election of a Suffragan Bishop to help deal with the administrative and pastoral challenges of a Diocese stretching from Griqualand East to the borders of the Free State and Mpumalanga.

In another development, our Province and the Diocese of Botswana are discussing the possibility of that diocese joining us. Until now, Botswana has been part of the Church of the Province of Central Africa, but at their recent Provincial Synod, they decided to form separate provinces for Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The inclusion of Botswana in ACSA needs a lot of thought and work, and ultimately the approval of the Anglican Communion.

A number of bishops have retired recently, and so I ask you to pray for **Elective Assemblies in the dioceses of Port Elizabeth on May 8 and 9, Pretoria, May 15-16, Grahamstown, June 20-21, Natal (for the Suffragan Bishop) on July 17-18, and Johannesburg** later this year.

Lenten blessings to you all,
+ **Thabo Cape Town**

Synod of Bishops resolves that all parishes appoint Safe Church Officers

The Synod of Bishops has resolved that every parish in the Province should appoint safeguarding officials who will be dedicated to keeping people safe from abuse, Archbishop Thabo Makgoba has announced.

In a statement released after a meeting of the church's

Synod of Bishops in February 2025, the Archbishop said: "The bishops unanimously approved a set of recommendations I made for immediate action to improve safeguarding in the church. Each bishop has also individually committed to take action in his or her diocese.

Read the details: <https://anglicanchurchsa.org/bishops-resolve-to-establish-church-wide-network-of-safe-church-officers/>
Anglican Safe and Inclusive Church Commission Circular – March 2025: <https://anglicanchurchsa.org/anglican-safe-and-inclusive-church-commission-circular-march-2025/>

PHOTO: How to report abuse - a Gender Committee poster at the entrance to All Souls Church, Benoni.



Communiqué from the Synod of Bishops February 2025

Prophetic Dissenters – Barabbas or Jesus

The Synod of Bishops met at the Lakeview Lodge Conference Centre in Benoni, Gauteng, from Saturday 22nd February until Wednesday 26th February 2025, against the sombre backdrop of the pastoral, canonical and prophetic challenges currently facing our church.

Our Synods are undergirded by prayer, silence, and liturgical worship and facilitated Bible Study. The day starts with the Eucharist, with a sermon preached by one of the Bishops. We pause at midday for the Angelus and conclude the liturgical shape of the day with Evening Prayer. At this Synod, each day began with a Bible Study, led by Dr Jonathan May of the College of the Transfiguration in Makhanda, based on Mark 9: 14-41, which helped us explore the theme “spirituality on the way”.

Bishop Luke Pato gave presentations on “Spiritual heritage and moral fortitude in SA”, the new book he has compiled with Keith de Vos and McGlory Speckman, arising from their concern that spiritual direction is diminishing, leading to a decline in our capacity to follow a moral compass. Father Thulani Joel Skhosana of St. John Vianney Seminary, Pretoria, outlined new research on Ubungoma, clarifying its role in native religion, while former Roman Catholic Archbishop Buti Tlhagale addressed us on the theology of African spirituality, arguing inter alia against the compatibility of ancestral worship with Christianity. We also heard presentations from Advocate Muzi Sikhakhane SC on his book, “Odyssey of Liberation”, and from Dr Mamphela Ramphele OSC on the abuse crisis that faces South African society.

The presentations were delivered from a strong and authentic theological base, with theological thinking unfolding before our eyes. We were impacted in particular by the effects of the Church of England's Makin Report, which led to our Archbishop's appointment of a Panel of Inquiry, comprising Justice Ian Farlam and Dr Ramphele, which made important recommendations for improving our safeguarding processes. Thus the Synod commenced with the formal inauguration of the Safe and Inclusive Church Commission as well as of new members of the Canon Law Council.

Excellent presentations on Canon Law and Safeguarding underlined the tangible synchronicity between Canon Law and Safe and Inclusive Church, which between them equip us to maintain theological and pastoral vigilance in our ministry. Dr Ramphele emphasized the need for a healing ministry in the light of societal trauma, and the Synod endorsed a series of recommendations by the Archbishop for the appointment of safeguarding officers in every parish as well as protocols for holding each of us accountable.



The Bishops committed themselves to implement the recommendations in their Dioceses.

In this Synod the Bishops were once again powerfully and poignantly reminded of the breakdown of the social fabric and moral compass of our society. We are faced every day with violent crime, family breakdown, gender-based violence, the marginalization of minorities, such as people living with disabilities and the LGBTQI+ community, as well as the unfinished work of South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Two catch phrases emerged in our proceedings, arising first from Advocate Sikhakhane's striking reflection on how the notorious prisoner, Barabbas, and not Jesus, got the support of the crowd before the crucifixion. In subsequent discussion, Jesus was described as a “prophetic dissenter” who did not allow his voice to be captured but courageously spoke out against ignorance, corruption and abuse. The call echoed throughout our proceedings: Are we still trading Jesus for Barabbas? Are we still allowing Barabbas to go free to pursue his lust for power and his cruel methods of insurrection and abuse?

Informed social, political, economic and spiritual strategies for action emerged from this theological critique. The Archbishop pointed out that our experience encapsulated the “See, Judge, Act” formula – what we see enables us to make informed judgements, then to structure plans for action. The Bishops are being encouraged to establish Pastoral Teams to respond to the desperate needs of our society and, in Dr Ramphele's words, “to become wounded healers”.

Other matters which came before Synod included:

- Approval for a Suffragan Bishop for the Diocese of Natal;
- Encouraging us to experiment with the new liturgies on our website;
- The inclusion of the Diocese of Botswana in our Province;
- The challenges facing the Provincial Pension Fund;
- Disciplinary Canons 37-41, and the intersection of law and grace;
- Promoting a permanent diaconate and expanding Anglicare;
- Drawing up pastoral care strategies for the LGBTQI+ community;
- Provision for mediation and reconciliation in our procedures;
- Guidelines for burials in consecrated ground;
- Changes to Canons 21 and 22 which have come into effect;
- The granting of Permissions to Officiate to retired priests;
- The elections of new Bishops in the Dioceses of Grahamstown, Port Elizabeth and Pretoria; and
- Amending Canon 29 with respect to Alternate Church Wardens.

During our meeting, we were generously hosted by Bishop Charles May and the Diocese of the Highveld, and were grateful for the opportunity to worship and preach in parishes across the Diocese, as well as to visit the grave of Oliver (“OR”) Tambo, a committed Anglican, and the OR Tambo Cultural Precinct in Wattville.





Children's Ministry Workshop

We have recognised the need to host a workshop to engage on the challenges faced; discuss the experiences of our Sunday School teachers throughout the diocese and to capitalise on opportunities that will enrich our Children's Ministry.

Children's Ministry Workshop:

- Date: Saturday, 5th April
- Time: 9am - 12pm
- Location: Saint Aidan's Anglican Church, Lansdowne

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Children's MINISTRY WORKSHOP

WORKSHOP OUTLINE:

- ANALYSIS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
- REIMAGINING SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
- SPIRITUAL GROWTH & STRUCTURING

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

ST AIDAN'S LANSDOWNE

APRIL 5TH 9H00 AM

Workshop Outline:

- Analysis of Sunday School and Children's Ministry
- Reimagining Sunday School and Children's Ministry
- Spiritual Growth & Structuring

Please note and encourage that each parish is requested to send 2 representatives to this meeting. Please bring along a pen and notepad. Kindly assist with a plate of eats to share (muffins, donuts, fruit or savoury) or juice.

- Siphe Nyhaba

YPM & Green Anglicans Hike 2025

The Young Peoples' Ministry Council together with Green Anglicans held a hike from Cecilia Forest to Kirstenbosch Gardens on Saturday 15 March 2025. During the hike, we were reminded of our uniqueness and the significance of being different as children of God. The highlight for me was at the end of the hike, when one young person reflected "today taught me that in life we all move at different paces towards the same goal". We thank God, parents and parishes that ensured that the hike was a success and pray that more young people can join us in future.



The Diocese of Cape Town
CHRISM MASS 2025

Renewal of Ordination Vows,
the Blessing of the Oil of the Sick,
and Consecration of the Holy Chrism

Maundy Thursday
17th April 2025

In the Cathedral of St George the Martyr, Cape Town at 10h00

President
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