## <u>The Year of the - WORD</u>

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1 | NIV

#### **BIBLE CHALLENGE**

(Answers will be in next week's leaflet)

- 1. Who encouraged his brothers to sell Joseph rather than kill him?
- 2. What two men did Peter, James and John see talking with Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration?
- 3. How will the Day of the Lord come?
- 4. What city did Abraham ask God not to destroy?
- 5. For how many years did the Israelites find manna on the ground?
- 6. Which book records the only female judge of Israel?

#### Previous week's Challenge answers

1. Jacob	(Exodus 1:1-4)	
2. The Pharisee	(Luke 18:11)	
3. A table	(Psalm 23:5)	
<i>4. In the temple</i>	(Luke 1:9-15)	
5. Five (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy)		
6. Sarah	(Genesis 17:15-16)	





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# 24<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2021 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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BIBLE READINGS			HYMNS		
	Job	42:1-6,10-17	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Processional	MP640
	Psalm	34:1-8	APB pg 642	Gradual	MP31
	Hebrews	7:23-28	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Offertory	MP13
	Mark	10:46-52	Gospel	Communion	MP567, MP702
	Canticle	19	APB pg 358	Recessional	MP496

**COLLECT:** Merciful Lord, you heard the cry of the blind beggar when others would have silenced him: give us courage to be persistent in prayer, to ask plainly what we need and to follow where you lead; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

**A PRAYER FOR OUR CONTINENT:** God, bless our Country and Africa, protect her children, direct her leaders and give her peace with justice; for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen* 

We are called to "know Jesus and make Him known"

GOD'S PROMISE: He made you. He loves you. And He is always with you.

### FOR YOUR DAILY PRAYERS

O God, my Father, silence everything in me that would keep me from hearing what you have to say. Control my mind, that all my thoughts may be concentrated on you. Help me find here a light to shine upon my path and strength to walk in it through Jesus Christ my Lord.

#### THE SICK (JAMES 5:13-16)

**For our Parishioners:** Anand Rapiti, Stan Bromley, Mike Sturgess, Don Attwood, Laurelle Barnett, Maeve Pearce, Eddie Litchfield, Barbara Crossley, John Moorhouse, Murt Murdoch, Marcus Smidt, Brenda Thorpe, Fiona Finlayson, Jennifer Sugden

**For family and friends:** Courtney Hunt, Theo Prinsloo, Jessica Wilson, Caleb Camp, Natasha Heffer, Belinda Irmscher, Ann Chamberlin, Peter Erlank, Esme Green, Diane Venter, Nicola Jessop, Lesley Witherspoon, Xochitl Ayala, Sandra Brown, Warren Ozard, Kyle Walker, Kelsey Dract

#### For Your Prayers & Reading of Scripture this week

Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioner Birthday Mark	lan Baxter-Bruce Sheila Lambert, Thembelani Ncayiyana 10:46-52
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioner Luke	John & Marita Berning 13:10-17
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioner Years Mind Luke	Daphne Blackbeard Vic Hardy 13:18-21
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioner Luke	Marion Blake 13:22-30
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioner Birthday Luke	Bette Blom Harry May 6:12-23
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioner Luke	James Bodek 14:1-6
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioner	Paul, Tshepo, Kutloano, Kgosi, & Khumo Bokaba
	Birthday Luke	Keith Barnett, Charmian Wightman 14:1,7-11

Pray for the Parish of St Philip, Enwabi, Umlazi, and in our Archdeaconry, the Parish of St Michaels, Umhlanga, and our Rector, Rev Martin Tifflin

CHURC	CH SERVICES	
ST MICHAELS CHURCH Strict	Strict Covid protocols apply	
WEDNESDAYS	9am	
SUNDAYS	7am & 8.30am	

## ONLINE CHURCH SERVICES

facebook LIVE HOME PILGRIMAGE

MONDAY	6pm	Issues of Faith Bible Study via Zoom
TUESDAY	9am 6pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
WEDNESDAY	9am	Holy Eucharist
THURSDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer
SUNDAY	8.30am	Holy Eucharist
MONDAY TO THURSDAY	12noon	Daily Prayer

9th Sept '21

## **BIBLE STUDY**

### **A Series on - WOMEN IN THE BIBLE**

"Mary Magdalene"

Monday evenings 6pm - 7pm

Join Fr Martin on Zoom

Send him a SMS (083 707 1344) requesting the study material,

Meeting ID and Pass code:

## **NOTICES**

**Live streaming upgrade** Our grateful thanks for 2 cellphones and donations for our livestreaming upgrade. We need 2 more cellphones, if you have spare cell phones which you can donate to the church, or would like to donate an amount, it doesn't matter how much people give, we would be very grateful.

**Share with us** ... Parishioners are invited to share anything that they have found helpful in these troubled times and which may be of value to others. Please share with us on the understanding that your contribution may appear in the Pew Leaflet.

**Volunteers to prepare Communion Wine** We are looking for 4 volunteers to pour the Communion Wine into little glasses before the Eucharist Services. Please speak to Fr Martin or Kerry in the office if you are able to help.

**Volunteers to man the Recording Camera** We need a few volunteers who could alternate working the cameras for the recording of the Sunday Service. Please speak to Fr Martin or the office.

**Flowers in the Church** We welcome families to bring flowers or a bouquet for the Church Services or to make a donation to the Flower Fund.

**Sunday & Wednesday Church Services** Please can we appeal to everyone to arrive at least 15mins before the Services. Please remember to wear a mask, sanitize your hands, keep a social distance of 1.5m, no gathering outside the Church.

#### **Bank Details**

St Michaels Church, ABSA 4068992982, Umhlanga Ridge, 632005



# Milimani Christmas Bags



# **A SMALL PARISH WITH A BIG HEART!**

We have been so overwhelmed by the positive response to the Milimani Christmas bags.

Thank you for bringing so much joy to the kids of Milimani!



#### So, what's happening at St Michael's?

What with successive Covid lockdowns one might be forgiven for thinking that very little is happening at St Michael's.

Nothing is further from the truth; indeed, many of our activities have returned after the relaxation to level 3 and some have continued unabated even in the harshest level of lockdown.

As you know **Church services** have resumed, with the necessary protocols in place. Our **social initiatives such as 123 Club** will probably start again soon, but with some restriction; more about this soon. Whilst many of us have been vaccinated the threat of Covid infection remains and we need to take care.

Our core 'giving' initiatives have continued unabated with many parishioners participating in cash or kind. These include:

- **Food hamper project** which involves a contribution of R350 per month and which feeds a family of 4 for a fortnight
- **Goody bag Christmas initiative** of toiletries, clothing and goodies for the children of Milimani in Zululand. So far 180 bags have been filled.
- Our Capital Reserve account currently stands at R89700 with a target of R350000, aimed at restoring our Reserve funds which were badly depleted during the severe Covid lockdown.
- Last but not least, the **'Random acts of Kindness'** initiative which involves doing something unexpected for a stranger (or even a friend or family member). Whilst this will often involve financial help, equally important would be a prayer, kind word or even a friendly greeting.

It is our prayer that all of our parishioners participate in all of these projects in some way.

God bless all of you. The Churchwardens

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## **DAILY READING**

In order to hear My voice, you must release all your worries into My care. Entrust to Me everything that concerns you. This clears the way for you to seek My Face unhindered. Let Me free you from fear that is hiding deep inside you. Sit quietly in My Presence, allowing My Light to soak into you and drive out any darkness lodged within you.

Accept each day just as it comes to you, remembering that I am sovereign over your life. *Rejoice in this day that I have made,* trusting that I am abundantly present in it. Instead of regretting or resenting the way things are, *thank Me in all circumstances.* Trust Me and don't be fearful; thank Me and rest in My sovereignty.

> Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. 1 PETER 5:6-7 Also read: PSALM 118:24 and 1 THESSALONIANS 5:18



## **ST SIMON AND ST JUDE, APOSTLES**

**Simon the Zealot** (1<sup>st</sup> century) Apostle. Few details of the life of Simon are provided in the Bible, where he is variously called Simon the Canaanite or Simon the Zealot (possibly a reference to his former association with a strict Jewish sect). He is listed among the 12 apostles by Matthew and is said to have preached the gospel in Egypt and Persia after the Crucifixion. Tradition maintains that he was martyred in Persia, possibly alongside St Jude. His emblem is a boat or a falchion (a sickle-shaped sword or saw with which he is supposed to have been cut in two by pagan priests).

Feast Day 28 October



**St Jude** (1<sup>st</sup> century) Apostle. Often identified with **Thaddaeus**, the brother of James and the author of the Epistle of Jude in the new Testament (not to be confused with Judas Iscariot, the betrayer of Christ). Tradition has it that after Christ's death Jude was martyred in Persia alongside Simon for preaching the gospel, but nothing else is known about his life. He is honoured today as the patron saint of hospitals and of lost causes (an association that may have arisen through the similarity between his name and that of Judas, as a result of which he is thought less likely to be approached by many petitioners and thus ready to answer even the most hopeless prayer). His emblem is a club (a reference to the weapon with which he supposed to have been killed).

Feast Day 28 October