

The Year of the – WORD

As for God, his way is perfect: the Lord's word is flawless;
he shields all who take refuge in him.

2 Samuel 22:31 | NIV

BIBLE CHALLENGE

(Answers will be in next week's leaflet)

1. To whom did Jacob go when he had to flee from home?
2. Who preached in the wilderness of Judea?
3. What nation took Judah into captivity?
4. On what mountain did Noah and his family leave the ark after the flood?
5. How many times did Jesus ask Peter if he loved Him?
6. What Old Testament man pretended to be insane to escape death?

Previous week's Challenge answers

1. To his Uncle Laban *(Genesis 27:42-43)*
2. John the Baptist *(Matthew 3:1)*
3. Babylon *(Daniel 1:1)*
4. Mount Ararat *(Genesis 8:4)*
5. Three *(Joshua 6:14-15)*
6. David *(1 Samuel 21:12-14)*



'I am the light of the world' (John 8:12)

We are a church in Umhlanga that connects people to God,
to others and to the needs of the world.

We're glad you're here.

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23rd MAY 2021 THE DAY OF PENTECOST

BIBLE READINGS

Acts	2:1-21	First Reading
Psalm	104:26-36	APB pg 734
Romans	8:22-27	Second Reading
Canticle	14 A Song of Love	APB pg 353
John	15:26-27	Gospel
Creed	Nicene	APB pg 104

COLLECT: Almighty God, with wind from heaven and tongues of flame you poured out your Spirit on the disciples: set our hearts on fire with joy and power and send us out as witnesses to the wonder of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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.

✿ Flowers in the Church in memory of Elaine Adams' Birthday ~16 May ✿

COVID-19 PRAYER

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

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, Marcus Smidt, Maeve Pearce, Margaret Ivins, Eddie Litchfield, Barbara Crossley, John Moorhouse

For family and friends: Courtney Hunt, Theo Prinsloo, Jessica Wilson, Caleb Camp, Natasha Heffer, Roy Dunster, Belinda Imscher, Chloe Sherwood, Bernard & Ann Chamberlin, Peter Erlank,

For Your Prayers & Reading of Scripture this week

Sunday 23 rd	Parishioner Birthday Years Mind John	Carol Leeuw Grant Hobbs, Jacqualine Sachane Elsie Hooton 15:26-27
Monday 24 th	Parishioners Birthday Years Mind Mark	Travis & Nadine Leeuw Lina Eginutuoha, Leeroy Hill Viola Woodville 10:17-27
Tuesday 25 th	Parishioners Mark	Peter, Heidi, Claudio & Mickle Lehman 10:28-31
Wednesday 26 th	Parishioner Mark	Tshegofatso Grace Lekgetho 10:32-45
Thursday 27 th	Parishioners Birthday Mark	Edward & Lynn Litchfield Barbara Thomas 10:46-52
Friday 28 th	Parishioner Birthday Mark	Ayanda Mabizela Dawie van der Merwe 11:11-26
Saturday 29 th	Parishioners Anniversary Years Mind Mark	Tyrone, Melissa & Blair Macpherson Colin & Joan Camp Peter Carter, David Potgieter 11:27-33

Pray for the Parish of St Elizaabeth, Westville, and in our Archdeaconry, the Parish of St Saviours/KwaMsindisi, Ntuzuma and their Rector Mduduzi Ninela



CHURCH SERVICES

Strict Covid protocols apply

WEDNESDAYS

9am

SUNDAYS

7am & 8.30am

ONLINE CHURCH SERVICES

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ST. MICHAEL'S ANGLICAN PARISH LIMHLANGA ROCKS

MONDAY

3pm Issues of Faith
Bible Study via Zoom
5pm Evening Prayer

TUESDAY

7am Morning Prayer

WEDNESDAY

9am Holy Eucharist

THURSDAY

7am Morning Prayer

SUNDAY

8.30am Holy Eucharist

MONDAY TO
THURSDAY

12noon - Daily Prayer

Please remember: Bible Study via Zoom on Monday 24th May at 3pm

Sunday & Wednesday Church Services Folk can also now attend the Sunday Morning Services at 7am and 8.30am and also the Wednesday Service at 9am.

Please can we appeal to everyone to arrive at **least 15mins before** the Services are due to start as there are Covid protocols to complete and the Services will commence promptly. Please remember to wear a mask, sanitize your hands, keep a social distance of 1.5m, no gathering outside the Church and no singing. Your co-operation at all times will be appreciated.

Corpus Christi Holy Eucharist Service ~ Thursday, 3 June at 9am
Please note there will therefore be NO Wednesday Service on 2nd June.

DIOCESAN ELECTIVE ASSEMBLY

Beloved in Christ,

After a day and a half of deliberating and voting, the members of our diocesan elective assembly did not reach consensus on electing a Diocesan Bishop. This results in the House of Bishops being entrusted with the right of electing a Bishop for our Diocese, which would take place most probably in February 2022. Dean Ndabezihle Sibisi remains our Diocesan Vicar-General until such time as the new Bishop is elected.

In light of this, I plan on us having a Parish Meeting this coming Tuesday 25th May at 6pm to reflect on our Diocese and our Parish during these challenging times. Everyone is invited.

It goes without saying that we are in desperate need of Episcopal oversight and parochial opinion needs to be expressed concerning the same.

Christo et Ecclesia

Fr Martin

NOTICES

Winter Blanket Appeal Please drop off a blanket at the Church or Office for the needy as Winter is approaching.

Baptism Those interested in Baptism for themselves or for their children, please contact Fr Martin or the parish office - being mindful that there is also a short baptism course to attend before the service of baptism.

Evening Yoga Classes Monday & Wednesday at 5pm in the Hall.
Please contact Sharon on 060 770 6555 if you are interested in joining.

Sacristans We are looking for some ladies or gentlemen to join our group of Sacristans who prepare the Altar, credence table and frontals for our Worship services. They also take care of the sacred vessels, candles, wine, wafers and vestments. Interested persons can speak to Helen or contact the parish office.

Sidespersons If you are interested in joining our group of ladies and gentlemen who carry out Sidespeople duty on Sundays at either the 7am or 8.30am Service, please speak to Quentin or contact the parish office.

Readers We need some parishioners who would like to read at either the 7am or 8.30am Service. Please contact the parish office.

Zapper The QR Code below is for St Michael's Parish. You can make payments by scanning this QR Code with your mobile. If you are making a payment for anything other than plate giving, please let Kerry in the office know, by phone, email or sms.

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Bank Details:

St Michaels Church,
ABSA 4068992982
Umhlanga Ridge,
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We invite you to join our Gifting Initiative.

We have boy & girl goodie bags for children aged 4 - 6.

Vodacom has donated the bags for the Milimani Educational Trust's Christmas Gifting ceremony.

The bags are 70cm x 30cm – with a blue ribbon for boys and red for girls.

Please put your name on a register and take a bag to fill with the following items each month – or as you wish.

The deadline for the completed gift is the end of September 2021.

Toothbrush

Toothpaste

Soap

Facecloth

Item of clothing: girl/boy - 4/5/6 years old

Toy (for same age e.g. a ball or small car for boys, and small doll or soft toy for girls)

Please mark on the bags which age group you have catered for, and feel free to write a little note to your lucky child.

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



FEAST OF PENTECOST

The Feast of Pentecost marks the final day of the Season of Eastertide. The gospel passage is from Jesus' promise to the disciples that they are to look forward to the Spirit who will come to empower them for the work ahead. The liturgical colour for the Feast Day is red, and the colour changes to green the following day as we begin the Season after Pentecost.



SEASON AFTER PENTECOST

The beginning of the Season of Sundays after Pentecost is determined by the date of Easter – and the related date of Pentecost, fifty days later. The Feast of Christ the King is its climax and conclusion and is always the 5th Sunday before Christmas Day, i.e. the Sunday before Advent begins. During the long Season of Sundays after Pentecost we encounter Jesus as Healer, Teacher and the One who is to suffer and die as the Saviour of the World.

The liturgical colour for the Season is green – green being the colour associated with the mission and work of the Church in the world. However, the first Sunday after Pentecost is celebrated as Trinity Sunday when the colour is white.

THANK YOU

Lois from Milimani Trust has asked us to share their deepest gratitude to you, the St. Michael's Parishioners, for the generous donation of clothes which they distributed to the communities in Sovane.



St Augustine of Canterbury

St Augustine of Canterbury (d.c.605) Italian missionary bishop. Augustine served as a monk at the monastery of St Andrew in Rome, becoming prior there, before being selected by the pope, St Gregory the Great, to lead a band of 40 missionaries to pagan Britain in 597. Once in England, Augustine won the support of St Ethelbert, King of Kent, who soon set an example for his subjects by converting to Christianity. Consecrated as Archbishop of the English, Augustine established his see at Canterbury and founded the monastery of St Peter and St Paul there (renamed St Augustine's). Over the next seven years he went on to organize two further sees, one for the East Saxons and one at Rochester. He had less success spreading the gospel in Wales and more distant parts of Britain, failing to establish the supremacy of Canterbury over other bishops. Other significant contributions included his role in advising King Ethelbert in drawing up the earliest extant Anglo-Saxon written laws. Augustine is remembered today as the most important figure in the early evangelization of Britain.

Feast Day (England) 26 May, (elsewhere) 27 May



A DAILY READING

I want you to know how safe and secure you are in My Presence. This is a fact, totally independent of your feelings. You are on your way to heaven; nothing can prevent you from reaching that destination. There you will see Me face to face, and your Joy will be off the charts by any earthly standards. Even now, you are never separated from me, though you must see me through eyes of faith. I will walk with you till the end of time and onward into eternity.

Although My Presence is a guaranteed promise, that does not necessarily change your feelings. When you forget I am with you, you may experience loneliness or fear. It is through awareness of My Presence that Peace displaces negative feelings. Practice the discipline of walking consciously with Me through each day.

*Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror;
then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part;
then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.*

1 CORINTHIANS 13:12

Also Read: PSALM 29:11

