

The Year of the – WORD

The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful.

Matthew 13:22 / NIV

BIBLE CHALLENGE

(Answers will be in next week's leaflet)

1. Who said "Pick me up and throw me into the sea"?
2. Which one of these disciples was not a fisherman: John, James, Andrew, or Matthew?
3. To what did Jesus drive the demons of Gadara into?
4. Which state was known as the southern kingdom of Israel?
5. How many sons did Jacob have?
6. What is the eighth commandment?

Previous week's Challenge answers

1. Jonathan (1 Samuel 20:17)
2. James or Jude (Matthew 13:55, James 1:1, Jude 1)
3. Our pearls (Matthew 7:6)
4. Emmaus (Luke 24:13-15)
5. 1,2 and 3 John
6. Submit (Romans 13:1)



'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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27th JUNE 2021 **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

BIBLE READINGS

1 Samuel	1:1,17-27	First Reading
Psalm	130	APB pg 773
2 Corinthians	8:7-15	Second Reading
Canticle	3 We have a Strong City	APB pg 343
Mark	5:21-43	Gospel
Creed	Nicene	APB pg 108

COLLECT: Lord of life and death, your compassion is steadfast and never ends: touch us with your healing grace that, restored to wholeness, we may live as your resurrection people; through Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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.

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, Maeve Pearce, Margaret Ivins, Eddie Litchfield, Barbara Crossley, John Moorhouse, Lorna Exsteen, Brenda Thorpe, Rob Stock, Ish Cowan, Murt Murdoch

For family and friends: Courtney Hunt, Theo Prinsloo, Jessica Wilson, Caleb Camp, Natasha Heffer, Roy Dunster, Belinda Irmischer, Chloe Sherwood, Bernard & Ann Chamberlin, Peter Erlank, Esme Green, Diane Venter, Nicky & Grant Heroldt, Gary, Tracey & Nicholas Hardy, Lynton Lloyd

Rest in Peace David Oehley and Paul Rugg We give thanks to God for the lives of David Oehley and Paul Rugg, who He has called to eternal rest. May light perpetual shine upon them, and may their souls rest in God's eternal love. We pray for God's comfort on their families in their grief.

For Your Prayers & Reading of Scripture this week

Sunday 27 th	Parishioners Birthday Years Mind Mark	Geoffrey & Dianne Myers Peter James, James Pierson, Rob Stock, Martin Tiffin Bernard Wolfe-Daimpre 5:21-43
Monday 28 th	Parishioner Anniversary Years Mind Matthew	Prebashni Naicker Vusi & Zona Khuzwayo Victor Davoren 8:18-22
Tuesday 29 th	Parishioners Birthday Anniversary John	Brian, Cheryl, Amal, & Calum Naidoo Matt Brimacombe, Sheila Graves, Yolande Seetal Hugh & Lesley Wyatt 21:15-19
Wednesday 30 th	Parishioners Birthday Years Mind Matthew	Meena, Wesley & Bradlee Naidoo Joan Reeler Anthony Blom, Archibald Taylor, Derick Pattendew 8:14-25
Thursday 1 st	Parishioner Birthday Years Mind Matthew	Nellie Ngwenya Michelle Kapote, Maeve Pearce, Barbara Wright William Pennington, Arthur Selley, Molly Townsend 9:1-8
Friday 2 nd	Parishioner Years Mind Matthew	Smangele Ngwenya Graham Woodcock 9:9-13
Saturday 3 rd	Parishioners John	Richard, Samantha & Fynn Nicholson 20:24-29

Pray for the Parish of All Saints, Bellair, and in our Archdeaconsry, the Parish of Ekuvukeni, KwaMashu and their Rector Rev Phumlani Dlodla



CHURCH SERVICES

Strict Covid protocols apply

WEDNESDAYS

9am

SUNDAYS

7am & 8.30am

ONLINE CHURCH SERVICES

facebook LIVE HOME PILGRIMAGE
ST. MICHAEL'S ANGLICAN PARISH UMHLANGA 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

There will be Bible Study on Monday 28th June at 3pm

**Sunday Morning Church Service 27th June at 7am & 8.30am and
Wednesday Church Service 30th June at 9am**

Please note that these are the last physical Church Services until further notice. This will be reviewed on a fortnightly basis.

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.

NOTICES

Cancelled Parish Bring and Braai Sunday 27th June Please note that in light of the 'Third Wave', there will be no Parish Bring and Braai this Sunday.

Suspended Church Services as of 4th July

We are strongly aware of the dangers of even small gatherings given that the so-called Third Wave is apparently more contagious than its predecessors. Overlay this with the slow rate of vaccinations and the coming Gauteng school holidays and we have a recipe for serious spread of the disease.

It is the strong conviction on the part of Fr Martin, your Churchwardens and Council that we should act pre-emptively in this matter rather than waiting for further evidence of the inevitable.

It has thus been decided to suspend all physical church services as of Sunday 4th July until further notice. This coming Sunday 27th June will be the last Service until further notice. This decision has not been taken lightly and the situation will be reviewed on a fortnightly basis.

In the same vein, only in cases of emergency, will a pastoral visit take place at home but not in hospital.

Online services will continue as usual and you are urged to participate

Winter Blanket Appeal Please drop off a blanket at the Office for the needy

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.



Bank Details:
St Michaels Church,
ABSA 4068992982
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**PLEASE SCAN AND USE THIS FOR YOUR PLATE COLLECTION
IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE CHURCH SERVICES IN PERSON**

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

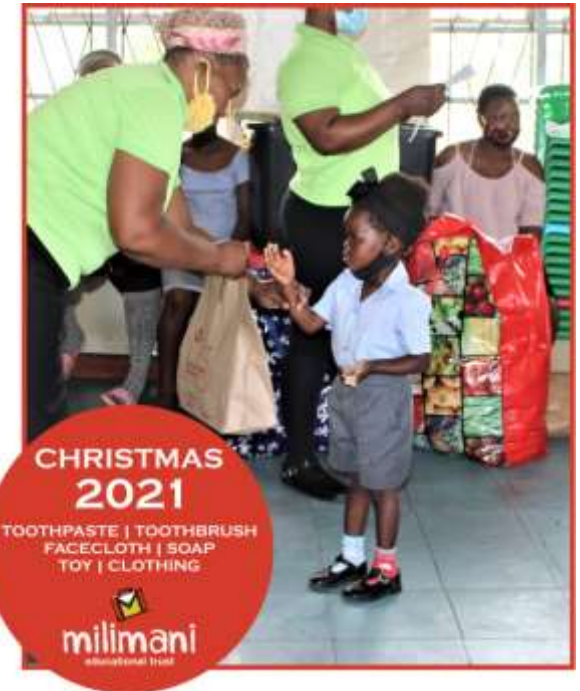
Facecloth

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.



THANK YOU

The three communities in Sovane were so grateful for the Covid food parcels, clothes and blankets that were donated on Saturday 19th June.

This is our fifth Covid donation, exactly a year from our first one which we did to celebrate Martin's birthday!

Thanks to everyone who continuously supports these communities.



Thank you St Michael's family for your generous giving through the "Basket Sunday Appeal". Please continue to support this essential ministry. R350 feeds a family of four, for two weeks.

Ngibona kakhulu, thank you very much.



A DAILY READING

Learn to laugh at yourself more freely. Don't take yourself or your circumstances so seriously. Relax and know that I am *God with you*. When you desire My will above all else, life becomes much less threatening. Stop trying to monitor My responsibilities – things that are beyond your control. Find freedom by accepting the boundaries of your domain.

Laughter lightens your load and lifts your heart into heavenly places. Your laughter rises to heaven and blends with angelic melodies of praise. Just as parents delight in the laughter of their children, so I delight in the hearing My children laugh. I rejoice when; you trust Me enough to enjoy your life lightheartedly.

Do not miss the Joy of My Presence by carrying the weight of the world on your shoulders. Rather, *take My yoke upon you and learn from Me. My yoke is comfortable and pleasant; My burden is light and easily borne.*

A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.

PROVERBS 17:22

Also read:

PROVERBS 31:25; MATTHEW 1:23; MATTHEW 11:29-30

