

## The Year of the – WORD

For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.

*Psalm 33:4 | NIV*

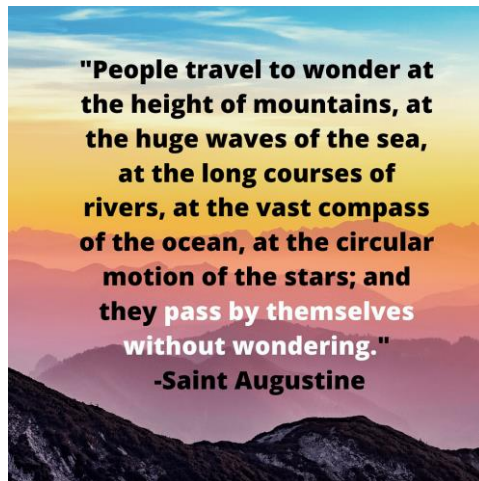
### **BIBLE CHALLENGE**

*(Answers will be in next week's leaflet)*

1. Who was the last judge mentioned in the book of Judges?
2. Whom should we love as much as ourselves?
3. What did John the Baptist say he was unworthy to untie?
4. Instead of going to Nineveh, where did Jonah try to go?
5. On which day did God create animal life?
6. Which of the Old Testament prophets said, "Here am I, send me"?

### **Previous week's Challenge answers**

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| 1. Israel  | (Genesis 32:28)  |
| 2. A woman of Samaria                              | (John 4:7)       |
| 3. A den of robbers                                | (Mark 11:17)     |
| 4. Canaan  | (Genesis 12:5-7) |
| 5. Seventy-five years old                          | (Genesis 12:4)   |
| 6. Because she was the mother<br>of all the living | (Genesis 3:20)   |



'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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## **29<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2021 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

### **BIBLE READINGS**

Song of Solomon	2:8-13	First Reading
Psalm	45:1-2,6-9	APB pg 659
James	1:17-27	Second Reading
Mark	7:1-8,14-15,21-23	Gospel

**COLLECT:** O God of eternal light, your word is truth: make us quick to listen and slow to speak that the word implanted in us will take root to nourish all we say and do; 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.



### **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, Brenda Thorpe, Murt Murdoch

**For family and friends:** Courtney Hunt, Theo Prinsloo, Jessica Wilson, Caleb Camp, Natasha Heffer, Belinda Irmischer, Ann Chamberlin, Peter Erlank, Esme Green, Diane Venter, Lynton Lloyd, Nicola Jessop, Lesley Witherspoon, Xochitl Ayala

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

Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioner Mark	Anthony Thawe 7:1-8,14-15,21-23
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioners Birthday Anniversary Years Mind Luke	Anthony & Barbara Thomas Margot Graham Robert & Janet Leckie-Cuzen Ronald Maytham, Lina Roux 4:16-30
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Parishioner Years Mind Luke	Lindsay Thompson Kenneth Close 4:31-37
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Parishioner Birthday Matthew	Dylan Thompson Cheri-Ann Angel, Nicola Peirson 28:16-20
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Parishioner Birthday Anniversary Luke	Sandi Thorpe Celine Baker Mike & Pam Schubach 5:1-11
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Parishioners Years Mind Luke	Robert & Brenda Thorpe Gilbert Voster 5:33-39
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Parishioners Birthday Luke	Martin, Linda, Christopher & Melissa Tiffin Janade Whiteboy 6:1-5

Pray for the Parish of St Philip, Dundee, and in our Archdeaconry, the Parish of St Michael, Umhlanga and our Rector, Rev Martin Tiffin



## **CHURCH SERVICES**

Strict Covid protocols apply

**WEDNESDAYS**

**9am**

**SUNDAYS**

**7am & 8.30am**

### **ONLINE CHURCH SERVICES**

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**LIVE**

**HOME PILGRIMAGE**

ST. MICHAEL'S ANGLICAN PARISH UMHLANGA ROCKS

**MONDAY**

**6pm** Issues of Faith  
Bible Study via Zoom

**TUESDAY**

**9am** Morning Prayer  
**6pm** Evening Prayer

**WEDNESDAY**

**9am** Holy Eucharist

**THURSDAY**

**9am** Morning Prayer

**SUNDAY**

**8.30am** Holy Eucharist

**MONDAY TO THURSDAY**

**12noon** - Daily Prayer

27th August '21

### **BIBLE STUDY**

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

#### **"Mary Mother of our Lord"**

Monday evenings 6pm - 7pm

Join Fr Martin on Zoom

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

Pass code: 2FHF4n

Meeting ID: 902 806 1305

Those desiring **Baptism** for themselves or a child to speak to Fr Martin or contact the parish office.

Those interested in **Confirmation** to speak to Fr Martin or contact the parish office.

Fr Martin – 083 707 1344

Kerry – 031 561 3658

### NOTICES

**Parish Bring and Braai & 123 Club Draw on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August at noon**

Please join us for fellowship. You do not have to belong to the 123 Club. Please bring your own meat, salad and drinks.

**Patronal Festival Braai on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** Please diarize this date.

**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.

**Holy Communion Wine** We will be offering the blessed wine for those who would like it. We have consulted with a Doctor in the Parish to ensure we keep Covid precautions. The Lay Ministers will sanitize their hands, carry and tilt the Chalice so you can dip the wafer in the wine. Please ensure that you do not touch the wine with your fingers.

**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 to complete Covid protocols; 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.

**Bank Details** Below are our banking details should you wish to make a transfer to our bank account:

**St Michaels Church, ABSA 4068992982, Umhlanga Ridge, 632005**

### READING FOR TODAY

Trust Me in the midst of a messy day. Your inner calm – your Peace in My Presence – need not be shaken by what is going on around you. Though you live in this temporal world, your inner-most being is rooted and grounded in eternity. When you start to feel stressed, detach yourself from the disturbances around you. Instead of desperately striving to maintain order and control in your little world, relax and remember that circumstances cannot touch My Peace.

Seek My Face, and I will share My mind with you, opening your eyes to see things from My perspective. *Do not let your heart be troubled, and do not be afraid.* The Peace I give is sufficient for you.

*“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”*

JOHN 16:33

*Also read: PSALM 105:4; JOHN 14:27*

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PLEASE SCAN THIS WITH YOUR MOBILE FOR YOUR PLATE COLLECTION  
IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE CHURCH SERVICES IN PERSON

## 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.

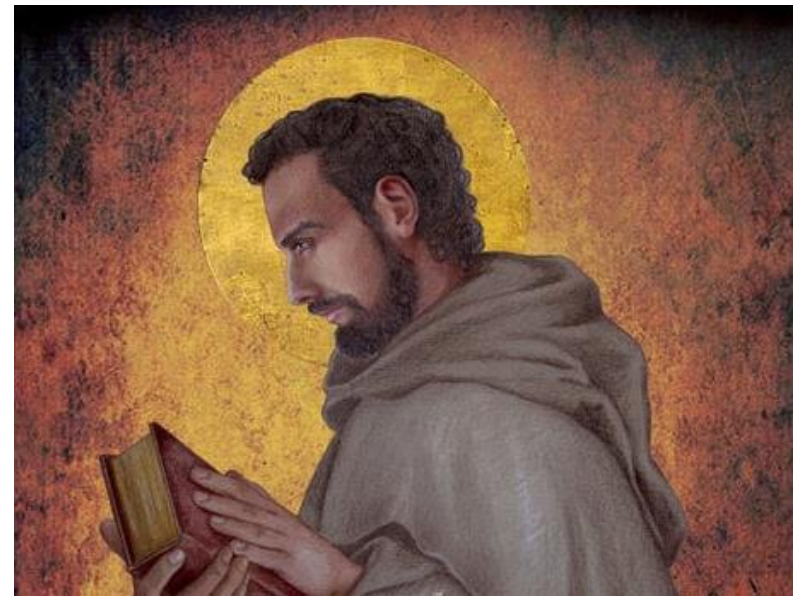
As you know **Church services** have resumed, with the necessary protocols in place. Our **social initiatives such as 123 Club** will probably start again soon, but with some restriction; more about this soon. Whilst many of us have been vaccinated the threat of Covid infection remains and we need to 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 60 bags have been filled with a further 90 to come.
- Our **Capital Reserve account** currently stands at R83200 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



**Saint Augustine of Hippo (350-430)** Bishop and theologian. Born in Tagaste (modern Algeria) in North Africa, the son of a pagan father, Augustine lived a dissolute youth that he subsequently came to repent. He founded a school of rhetoric in Milan in 383 and soon began to feel the need to reform, finally converting to Christianity in 386 while in Milan, Italy (partly through the influence of the teachings of St Ambrose). He returned to Africa that same year and was ordained a priest at Hippo in 391. He was raised to the rank of bishop in 396 and for the next four decades won recognition as the most prominent figure in the North African church. He founded a number of monasteries and also defended the orthodox position against various heresies. His extensive writings, which included Confessions, an account of his immoral early life, and On the City of God, a defence of faith written at a time when Rome was under siege by the Goths in 410, had a profound and lasting influence upon Christian theology. He died in Hippo while the city was being besieged by the Vandals. Considered second only to St Paul as the most influential figure in the early history of the Christian Church, Augustine is revered as both Western Father of the Church and Doctor of the Church. He is also honoured as the patron saint of theologians. His emblem is a pierced, broken or burning heart.

*Feast Day: 28 August*



# COVID BASKET SUNDAY

**R350**  
per food parcel

**PLEASE DONATE**  
TO NEEDY FAMILIES IN THE  
ANGLICAN ARCH DEACONRY

Bank Details: St Michael's Church,  
ABSA Acc 4068992982,  
Branch Code 632005 Ref: Basket Sunday



## COVID-19 PRAYER

KEEP US, GOOD LORD UNDER THE SHADOW OF  
YOUR MERCY IN THIS TIME OF UNCERTAINTY & 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.

**CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER  
DURING THE  
COVID PANDEMIC**



## We invite you to join our Gifting Initiative.

**More bags have arrived, please come and collect from the parish office.**

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

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.

