# The Year of the - WORD

So is my word that goes out from my mouth: it will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. *Isaiah* 55:11/ *NIV* 

#### **BIBLE CHALLENGE**

(Answers will be in next week's leaflet)

- 1. What group of people captured the ark of the covenant?
- 2. Who was God's chosen disciple to the Gentiles, Kings, and the children of Israel?
- 3. What did Job have all over his body?
- 4. Where did Samuel go to anoint David as king?
- 5. How many men in the Bible are known to have never died a mortal death?
- 6. What is the ninth commandment?

#### Previous week's Challenge answers

1. Jonah(Jonah 1:12)2. Matthew(Matthew 10:3)3. A herd of swine (pigs)(Matthew 8:32)4. Judah5. Twelve(Genesis 35:22)6. You shall not steal(Exodus 20:15)





'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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# 4<sup>th</sup> JULY 2021 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### **BIBLE READINGS**

| 5:1-5,9-10 |
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| 48         |
| 12:2-10    |
| 6:1-13     |
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First Reading APB pg 662 Second Reading Gospel

**COLLECT:** Lord Jesus Christ, we are often blind to the miracles you work among us: conform our minds to yours and sustain us by your mighty power; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, in the Unity of the Blessed Trinity, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

<u>A PRAYER FOR OUR CONTINENT</u> 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, 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 Irmscher, Chloe Sherwood, Bernard & Ann Chamberlin, Peter Erlank, Esme Green, Diane Venter, Nicky & Grant Heroldt, Gary, Tracey & Nicholas Hardy, Lynton Lloyd

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

| Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>    | Parishioner<br>Birthday<br>Anniversary<br>Mark                   | Annette Noble<br>Dee Chili, Jennifer Pennington<br>Thokozani & Dee Chili<br>6:1-13  |
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| Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>    | Parishioner<br>Matthew   | Ann Norris<br>9:18-26   |
| Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>   | Parishioner<br>Birthday<br>Years Mind<br>Matthew                 | Sethu Nsele<br>Ann Hill, Helen Smidt<br>Bryan Spencer<br>9:32-38  |
| Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> | Parishioners<br>Birthday<br>Matthew                              | Troy, Daemen & Keegan Oakley<br>Hester Shadbolt<br>10:1-7   |
| Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Parishioner<br>Anniversary<br>Matthew                            | Constance Oehley<br>Craig & Shaye-Lynn Joyce<br>10:17-33  |
| Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>    | Parishioners<br>Birthday<br>Matthew                              | Jamie, Katy, Alison & Elizabeth O'Neill<br>Nicholas Taylor<br>10:16-23  |
| Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> | Parishioners<br>Birthday<br>Anniversary<br>Years Mind<br>Matthew | Brendan, Chantal, Brittany Ottino<br>Dee Ahrens, Jade Angel<br>Eric & Alison Hulbert<br>Rose du Toit, Roy Smith<br>10:24-33 |

Pray for the Parish of St Thomas, Berea, and in our Archdeaconry, the Parish of St Peter, Newlands and their Rectors Rev Pinky Nyoni and Rev Lovington Nyoni

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| st MICHAELS CHURCH fa | cebook LIVE   | HOME PILGRIMAGE   |
| MONDAY                | 3pm<br>5.30pm | Issues of Faith<br>Bible Study via Zoom<br>Evening Prayer |
| TUESDAY               | 7am<br>5.30pm | Morning Prayer<br>Evening Prayer                          |
| WEDNESDAY             | 9am           | Holy Eucharist  |
| THURSDAY              | 7am<br>5.30pm | Morning Prayer<br>Evening Prayer                          |
| SUNDAY                | 8am<br>5.30pm | Holy Eucharist<br>Evening Prayer                          |
| MONDAY TO<br>THURSDAY | 12noon        | Daily Prayer<br>28/6/2021                                 |

# **COVID-19 PRAYER**

KEEP US, GOOD LORD, UNDER THE 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.

## **NOTICES**

### Suspended Church Services as of 4<sup>th</sup> July

All physical church services as of Sunday 4th July have been suspended until further notice.

Online services will continue as usual and you are urged to participate. Sunday Online Holy Eucharist at 8am. Wednesday Online Holy Eucharist at 9am.

**Plate Collection** With the suspension of physical Church Services, we would like to avoid losing the plate collection during this time. Please can we ask if you could either slip an envelope under the Office Door, do an eft, or Zapper (as below) for your plate collection.

**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 Umhlanga Ridge, 632005

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.

## **BASKET SUNDAY APPEAL**



Food doantions to Muswawenkosi Creche Mbaliyetu Creche Anglican Parish Prince of Peace in Inanda.

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**

Wait patiently with Me while I bless you. Don't rush into My Presence with time-consciousness gnawing at your mind. I dwell in timelessness: *I am, I was, I will always be.* For you, time is a protection; you're a frail creature who can handle only twenty-four-hour segments of life. Time can also be a tyrant, ticking away relentlessly in your mind. Learn to master time, or it will be your master.

Though you are a time-bound creature, seek to meet Me in timelessness. As you focus on My Presence, the demands of time and tasks will diminish. *I will bless you and keep you, making My Face shine upon you graciously, giving you Peace.* 

But as for me, I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Saviour; my God will hear me. MICAH 7:7

Also read: NUMBERS 6:24-26; REVELATIONS 1:8

The man whispered, "God, speak to me." And a meadowlark sang. But the man did not hear.

So the man yelled, "God, speak to me!" Thunder rolled across the sky. But the man did not listen.

The man looked around and said, "God, let me see you." A star shone brightly. But he noticed it not.

And the man shouted, "God, show me a miracle." And a life was born. But the man was unaware.

So, the man cried out in despair, "Touch me, God, and let me know that you are here!"

Whereupon God reached down and touched the man. But the man brushed the butterfly away and walked on.

Moral: Don't miss out on a blessing because it isn't packaged the way you expect.

Source Unknown