

On duty next week at the 09h00 service (15 April 2018)

Welcome Table : Russel & Natasha Bailey
Tea : Tshepiso Motau
Readers : Maseri Seretlo (1st) & Lindi Kekana (2nd)

In Church This week (9-15 April)

Monday: No Services or Meetings Scheduled
Tuesday: NA Weekly Meeting 19h00
Wednesday: NAC Service (Church) 19h00—21h00
Bible Class (Fr. Mikes Office) 19h00
Thursday: No services or meetings scheduled
Friday : No services or meetings scheduled
Saturday: SDA Service 09h30-16h00
Bible Class 13h00
Sunday: Said Eucharist 07h30
Eucharist 09h00
NAC Service 12h00—14h00

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All Saints Fourways Gardens

8 April 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

1st Sunday after Easter

**We welcome all who are worshipping with us today to our service,
Particularly our newcomers and visitors.
May God bless your encounter with Him.**

COLLECT FOR TODAY

God of mission,
You raised Jesus Christ as the first born of the dead;
By your Holy Spirit, empower us to witness to him
So that those who have not yet seen
May come to believe in him
Who was and is and is to come,
And who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen

Today's Readings

1st Reading : Acts 4 : 32-35
Psalm : Psalm 133 (Pg. 775)
2nd Reading : 1 John 1 : 1—2:2
Gospel : John 3 : 14-21



Next Weeks Readings (15 April 2018)

1st Reading : Acts 3 : 12-19
Psalm : Psalm 4 (Pg. 609)
2nd Reading : 1 John 3 : 1-7
Gospel : Luke 24 : 36b-48

YEARS MIND : Vernon Samuel

Prayers of the Church : Renette Johnson (on dialysis awaiting a transplant)
Fr. Gerald Steward (unwell), Louisa Snyman (unwell)

"Thanks to everyone for your good wishes & prayers when I went for my nose op. Very much appreciated." Ernie

SERVICES TODAY

07h30 Said Mass
09H00 Sung Mass
15h00 Messy Church

Thank you to Heather Mutch for tea after the 07h30 service and to Samantha Petersen for Tea after the 09h00 service.



Mums-in-waiting: Kirsty Webb, Wendy-Lee Louwrence, Sheridan Seller
Please contact Heather (0837897311 / hmaccserv@mweb.co.za) or the Church office for any additions and/or changes

NOTICES

- Once again Rotary are offering us **blankets** to hand out. We need to order by May. The price has not yet been confirmed but we expect that it will be in the region of R80. Please put your name and order on the list on the noticeboard
- **Bible Class**—Join us as we continue to trace the body and blood of Jesus all through the Bible. Every week on Wednesday's 7.00 - 8:30 pm and Saturday's 1:00-2:30 pm. For more details contact Mango +27818542459
- **Youth bible study/ Confirmation classes** - The monthly youth bible study began on 2nd March as part of the Debs & Squires program. This will serve as a "confirmation class " and will be held every 3rd or 4th Friday of the month subject to changes. For more details contact Mango +27818542459
- **100 Club draw held on 1st April - results** : 1st prize R765 No 27 Cheryl Jeary, 2nd prize R460 No 45 Nadia Horley, 3rd prize R310 No 6 Jerome Samuel. 30 members who had not yet paid for their chosen numbers were included in the draw. Please pay before 8th April. 11 numbers still available for purchase if you would like to be a member. For more details see Ernie after service
- On Saturday, the **21st of April 2018**, the Fund Raising Committee and Debs & Squires will be hosting a **Shisanyama Chill Session** at our premises. The event will commence at 15h00; more details to follow.
- Please bring your friends and families to join us at our once-a-month Messy Church **TODAY 8th April** from **3-5pm**. In a relaxed and comfortable setting, we will creatively explore the theme of new life and share a light meal together. Suitable for all-ages wanting to grow and learn and have some fun! For more information, please contact Jean 083 2343371.
- Please note the date of the **next Baptism Class is 30 June @ 09h00**. Please contact the office if you would like to have a child or adult Baptism or if you require any further information.

HE IS RISEN
alleluia

Meditation from CENTRE FOR CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY

"The Stones are Crying Out..."

Part 1

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" "I tell you," Jesus replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." (Luke 19: 39, 40)

It's Palm Sunday and Jesus is making his way into Jerusalem on the donkey when he responds to the Pharisees' rebuke by indicating that even if the people stopped shouting out the truth about him (*Hail, King of the Jews, Hosanna in the Highest*) – then the stones themselves would do so...

During the weeks of April – our Friday Meditations will explore what the stones may be crying out to us. Amongst many truths, there are I believe, at least the following three....

1. Hear O Humankind, everything is incarnate!
2. See, O Contemporary Ones, your 'self' may not be who you are!
Understand anew, O People of God, your Saviour is no victim!

It is our hope to explore these notions or truths over the following weeks.

Within our Christian faith, we appear afraid to engage in deep and profound truths being revealed to and shared with us by those of other faiths, but more importantly, by those outside our theological circles – those whose primary lens is psychology or anthropology or physics, for example.

Jesus is the revelation of God. He is the one full and wonderful human revelation of all that God is. But he is a *relational revelation* – not a *transactional revelation*. What does this mean? It means that the truth he reveals is to be discovered in *relational terms* – through a living, exploring, breathing relationship which as is every relationship, a dynamic and ever-revealing interconnected-dependency. It is *within* a relationship that we discover things – about life, about love, about fear and failure, about hope and sharing and compassion, about betrayal, grief and loss – about truth in all its many parts. Jesus invites all humankind into such a relationship and within it, is willing to reveal the fullness of God (see Colossians 2: 9 – *in him dwelt the fullness of the Godhead...*)

Our theology (that is, our study or exploration or knowledge of God) needs to be rooted in such a relational experience of God which is why God cannot be studied in a *transactional* manner – in a functional, static, reductionist manner.

We never really understand God when we are looking at God from the outside. But diving in – risking the solid ground of our certainty – we begin to swim in a 'cosmic soup' so rich and meaningful we may require years and years of swimming to fully comprehend the depth and height and breadth of where we are...

BLESSINGS