



## DIOCESE OF THE HIGHVELD

DIOCESAN, PARISH AND CLERGY NEWS

for

WEDNESDAY – 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019

*Mission of the Diocese of the Highveld*

*To be a unified Diocese where the spiritual growth of an increasing number of people is fulfilled through experiencing the fullness of God*

### BISHOP'S DIARY

Day	Date	Time		Venue
Thurs	21st	10h00	Gender Sensitization Workshop	LT
		10h00	Altar Guild AGM	Room 7
Sat	23rd	09h00	Fellowship of Vocation	BR
Sun	24th	07h00	Boksburg p/v (St Gabriels)	
		09h00	Boksburg (St Michaels)	
Sat	30th	14h00	Admission of Councillors at Igwa West	St Joseph's, Secunda
Sun	31st	09h00	St Andrew's p/v	Kwa Thema
Tues	1st	09h30	ABE meeting	St John's College
Thurs	4th	18h00	St Dunstan's College Council	
Sat	6th	09h00	MU Lady Day	Alberton
Sun	7th	08h15	St Boniface Germiston p/v	

#### **Gazette:**

- Please continue to pray for Fr Thabang and Chiratidzo Mkaronda who are still in hospital

- **Gender Sensitization Workshop:** this will be held on **Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> March** in the Lecture Theatre from 10h00 to 15h00. See attached notice.

- Dear Friends

I hope your vestries went very well. Please don't forget to send the returns and reports to the office. Peter Miller, the Bursar, will be looking at the returns and give a feedback.

I would like to remind you about the quarterly financial statements to the Archdeacons.

May your Lent journey be a blessing.

I have asked Fr Justice to be the co-ordinator of the Growing the Church in the Diocese. Please give him the support as he assumes this responsibility.

+Charles

- **LENTEN APPEAL:**

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

At the last Diocesan Council meeting at St Peter's Chains in Katlehong, I mentioned that we need to have a Lenten Appeal for the Development of St Agnes Balfour. The Council received this request.

We are asking that all congregations advertise and send monies received for this appeal to the Diocesan office. Deposits to be made to Trust Board account with the reference "Lenten Appeal 500-079".

The envelopes marked Lenten Appeal will be given to all congregations with the post on Saturday.

May God bless you as you consider making a difference in the life of the congregation of St Agnes Balfour.

+Charles

See attached.

- **Cross of Christ:** Palm Sunday: See attached poster
- **Diocesan Counselling Board:** there are no counselling courses scheduled for 2019. However, interested persons can give their names to the Bishop's secretary and, should there be enough people to warrant a course, then such courses will be arranged and advertised accordingly. Names can be submitted with immediate effect.
- **Fellowship of Vocation:** meeting to be held on Saturday **23rd March** at 09h00 at the Diocesan Office.
- **Happening Ministries:** #84 5-7<sup>th</sup> April; #85 4-6 Oct. See attached notices for more details.
- **Ministerial Practice Declaration:** all those in the parish who hold office should fill in the form to be kept on file in the parish
- **Diocesan Youth Indemnity Form:** All people in charge of young people's ministry, groups or organisations, are reminded by the PYC and the Diocese to:
  - get the permission of the Rector/Priest in Charge to transport youth especially those 18 years and under
  - complete the Diocesan Indemnity forms and hand over to Churchwardens; and
  - send a list of those young people to the Bishop's office prior to the trip/journey.This is to protect all those in youth ministry. Failure to do so becomes your own liability.
- **From the Administrator's desk:**
- **Unidentified Items:**  
The following deposit has been made with no proper reference:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reference</u>
23/10/2018	R660.00	CHURCH CHOIR
26/10/2018	R700.00	CASH
20/11/2018	R225.00	Book Table Goods

- **Bookings for Diocesan Venues:** Please note that the Diocesan Administration Offices and facilities are normally open from 08:30am until 16:00pm from Monday to Thursday and from 08:30am until 13:00pm on a Friday. **For security reasons, no access to the property or the facilities will be allowed outside of these times unless proper arrangements have been made.**

Please note that **all** after hour's use of the Diocesan facilities for meetings must be booked through the **Administrator's Office**. Please use the correct booking forms for this purpose.

- Saturday meetings must please be completed by **3pm** and any car-guard must be arranged privately at your own cost.
- Access will not be granted if proper bookings are not done.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

**N.B. – no bookings on a Sunday as the campus is closed on Sundays**

➤ **Birthdays:**

22<sup>nd</sup> Fr Justice Mhlungu

23<sup>rd</sup> Margaret Morris

24<sup>th</sup> Regina Tsubella

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DIOCESAN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON  
FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH**