

ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF PRETORIA

**CATHEDRAL OF ST ALBAN
THE MARTYR****THE DAY OF PENTECOST**

24 MAY 2026

09h30 SERVICE	
Celebrant	All Clergy
Preacher	Revd Deacon Tshepo Moreothata
Synaxist	Mr Liyanda Zungu
Prayers	Ms Masivuye Sangoni

MISSION STATEMENT

We shall be a spiritual home in which the Love of God, His Compassion and His Living Word comforts and enlivens all God's people through various ministries.

DIOCESAN THEME

The holy people of God, a Covenant people.

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ORDER OF SERVICE**COLLECT PRAYER**

Almighty God, with wind from heaven and tongues of flame you poured out your Spirit on the disciples: set our hearts on fire with joy and power and send us out as witnesses to the wonder of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Heavenly Father, you are the source of all blessings. With hearts full of gratitude, we present our offerings and tithes, offered electronically and physically. Help us to be generous givers, dear Lord, of our money, our gifts, and our lives; that through them, we may extend your kingdom in this church and the wider world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR HEALING AND WELLNESS

O Lord of light and endless compassion, we are always in need of your mercy and grace. Amid sickness and infirmity, heal the sick, bind up the broken-hearted, and forgive sin. Give us comfort in our anxiety and fear, courage and strength in our suffering, patience and compassion in our caring, and consolation in our grieving. Strengthen our faith and hope, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Processional Hymns	Christians, lift up your hearts	AMNS 444
Introit Hymn	Holy Spirit, come, confirm us	AMNS 471
Gloria	seTswana	Insert
Kyrie	isiZulu	Insert
First Reading	Acts 2: 1-21	Zenande Sangxu
Psalm	104: 26-36	APB page 734
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13	Randy Phasha
Hymn For The Gradual	Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire	AMNS 448
Gospel	John 20: 19-23	
Sunday School & Teens Hymn	All over the world the spirit is moving	SOF 12
Sermon		Revd Deacon Tshepo Moreothata
Nicene Creed	English	APB page 108
Prayers		Ms Masivuye Sangoni
Song For Peace	Ke tla e jarela sona sefapano se	Insert
Offertory Hymns	Wind, wind, blow on me Filled with the Spirit's power	SOF 609 AMNS 359
Sanctus	English	Sung
Acclamations	tshiVenda	Insert
The Lord's Prayer	Xhosa	Insert
Agnus Dei	seTswana	Insert
Communion Hymn	Plea for Africa Breathe on me, Breath of God	Insert AMNS 157
Post Communion Hymn	Sweet Sacrament divine	Insert
Recessional Hymn	Who will save our land and people	Insert

(The children to join in the procession, walking ahead of the servers with some holding red balloons during the processional hymn)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: AMNS 444

*Christians, lift up your hearts,
And make this a day of rejoicing;
God is our strength and song;
Glory and praise to his name!*

1. Praise for the Spirit of God,
Who came to the waiting disciples;
There in the wind and the fire
God gave new life to his own:

*Christians, lift up your hearts,
And make this a day of rejoicing;
God is our strength and song;
Glory and praise to his name!*

3. Praise that his love overflowed
In the hearts of all who received him,
Joining together in peace
Those once divided by sin:

*Christians, lift up your hearts,
And make this a day of rejoicing;
God is our strength and song;
Glory and praise to his name!*

5. Come, Holy Spirit, to us,
Who live by your presence within us,
Come to direct our course,
Give us your life and your power:

*Christians, lift up your hearts,
And make this a day of rejoicing;
God is our strength and song;
Glory and praise to his name!*

2. God's mighty power was revealed
When those who once were so fearful
Now could be seen by the world
Witnessing bravely for Christ:

*Christians, lift up your hearts,
And make this a day of rejoicing;
God is our strength and song;
Glory and praise to his name!*

4. Strengthened by God's mighty power
The disciples went out to all nations,
Preaching the gospel of Christ,
Laughing at danger and death:

*Christians, lift up your hearts,
And make this a day of rejoicing;
God is our strength and song;
Glory and praise to his name!*

6. Spirit of God, send us out
To live to your praise and your glory;
Yours is the power and the might,
Ours be the courage and faith:

INTROIT HYMN: AMNS 471

1. Holy Spirit, come, confirm us
In the truth that Christ makes known;
We have faith and understanding
Through your helping gifts alone.

3. Holy Spirit, come, renew us,
Come yourself to make us live,
Holy through your loving presence,
Holy through the gifts you give.

2. Holy Spirit, come, console us,
Come as Advocate to plead,
Loving Spirit from the Father,
Grant in Christ the help we need.

4. Holy Spirit, come, possess us,
You the love of Three in One,
Holy Spirit of the Father,
Holy Spirit of the Son.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to everyone here present and those joining in worship online. May we have a meaningful encounter with the Spirit of God as we worship together on this Pentecost Sunday.

CALL TO WORSHIP
(Led by A Lay Minister)

- LM: Today we celebrate Pentecost.
Spirit of God, we have gathered together in this sacred place to pray.
- All: Give us faith, that when you come like the wind,
though we do not see you, yet we may hear what you are saying to us and discern your movement.**
- LM: Give us courage, that we may not fear the tongues of flame:
All: let all that is unworthy, impure, and sinful be burned from our lives. May we know that it is love that burns so brightly and love that strips away our sin.
- LM: Give us an open mind, Lord,
that the truth you bring may make its home with us:
All: truth to set us free, truth to guide us and inform us, truth to lead us in the way of your will.
- LM: Give us an open heart, Lord,
**All: that we may seek all people for your kingdom,
and set no limits to the proclaiming of your word.**
- LM: Holy Spirit, with the whole church, we wait for you in every place and in every generation.
All: Come, wind. Come, fire. Come, truth. Come, love.

By Michael I. Walker, 20th century English minister

(Introduction to the Eucharist continues as normal)

- Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia
- Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you
- Synaxist: Praise the Lord.
All: Praise him you servants of the Lord
- Synaxist: Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
All: Blessed be his Name now and for ever

THE GLORIA

Kgalalelo go Modimo kwa godimodimo
le kagiso go batho ba gagwe mo lefatsheng.

Morena Modimo, Kgosi ya legodimo
Modimo Mothatiyotlhe le Rara
re a go obamela, re go naya ditebogo
re go bakela kgalalelo ya gago.

Morena Jesu Krete, Morwa-esi wa Rara
Morena Modimo, Kwana ya Modimo
O tlosa boleo jwa lefatshe:
re utlwele botlhoko;

O ntse fa, 'atlang se se siameng sa Rara:
amogela thapelo ya rona.

Gonne wena wesi O yo o Boitshepo
wena wesi O Morena
wena wesi O Godimodimo
Jesu Kreste
mmogo le Mowa o o Boitshepo
mo kgalalelong ya Modimo Rara. Amen

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Let us pray

Almighty God
to whom all hearts are open
all desires known
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit
that we may perfectly love You
and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord

THE KYRIE

Nkosi, sihawukele
Nkosi, sihawukele

Kristu, sihawukele
Kristu, sihawukele

Nkosi, sihawukele
Nkosi, sihawukele

CALL TO CONFESSION

L M: On the Day of Pentecost, the Spirit came like wind and fire.
Walls trembled. Hearts awakened.
Fear gave way to courage.
Silence gave way to praise.

Yet we confess that we often resist the Spirit's movement.
We cling to what is safe.
We build divisions where God desires communion.

So let us come honestly before God,
asking that the fire of the Spirit burn away all that keeps us from love.

L M: And so we confess:

CONFESSION

**Spirit of the Living God,
All nations, tribes, and tongues belong to you.**

**All glory, honour, and praise are due to your name.
Therefore, we confess that we have been a divided people—
Mother from child, Brother from sister, and neighbour from friend.
Have mercy on us and send your power upon the church,
That we may know, once more, that you have baptised us
in one baptism, one faith, one Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Tear down the walls of hatred and the towers of sin in our lives.
May your Spirit descend upon our lives
and make us holy and one.
In the name of your son, Jesus Christ, we pray.
Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Priest: Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you; pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

COLLECT FOR PENTECOST

Almighty God,
with wind from heaven and tongues of flame
you poured out your Spirit on the disciples:
set our hearts on fire with joy and power
and send us out as witnesses to the wonder of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Acts 2: 1-21

Psalm 104: 26-36

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| <p>26. Lord how various are your works:
In wisdom you have made them all
And the earth is full of your creatures.</p> | <p>27. There is the wide immeasurable sea:
There move living things without number
Great and small</p> |
| <p>28. There go the ships to and fro:
And there is that Leviathan
Whom you formed to sport in the deep.</p> | <p>29. These all look to you:
To give them their food in due season.</p> |
| <p>30. When you give it to them they gather it:
When you open your hand they are satisfied
with good things.</p> | <p>31. When you hide your face they are troubled:
When you take away their breath they die and
return to their dust.</p> |
| <p>32. When you send forth your spirit they are
created:
And you renew the face of the earth.</p> | <p>33. May the glory of the Lord endure for ever:
May the Lord rejoice in his works.</p> |
| <p>34. If he look upon the earth it shall tremble:
If he but touch the mountains they shall smoke.</p> | <p>35. I will sing to the Lord as long as I live:
I will praise my God while I have any being.</p> |

36. May my meditation be pleasing to him:
For my joy shall be in the Lord.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever, Amen.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13

GRADUAL HYMN: AMNS 448

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| <p>1. Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire,
Let us thine influence prove;
Source of the old prophetic fire,
Fountain of life and love.</p> <p>3. Expand thy wings, celestial Dove,
Brood o'er our nature's night;
On our disordered spirits move,
And let there now be light.</p> | <p>2. Come, Holy Ghost – for, moved by thee,
Thy prophets wrote and spoke –
Unlock the truth, thyself and key,
Unseal the sacred book.</p> <p>4. God, through himself, we then shall know,
If thou within us shine;
And sound, with all thy saints below,
The depths of love divine.</p> |
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Gospel: John 20: 19-23

SUNDAY SCHOOL & TEENS HYMN: SOF 12

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| <p>1. ALL OVER THE WORLD THE SPIRIT IS
MOVING,
All over the world as the prophet said it would
be;
All over the world there's a mighty revelation
Of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the
sea.</p> <p>3. Right here in this place the Spirit is moving,
Right here in this place as the prophet said it
would be;
Right here in this place there's a mighty
revelation
Of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the
sea.</p> | <p>2. All over His church God's Spirit is moving,
All over His church as the prophet said it
would be;
All over His church there's a mighty revelation
Of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the
sea.</p> |
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SERMON

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We believe in one God
The Father, the Almighty
Maker of heaven and earth
Of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ
The only Son of God
Eternally begotten of the Father
God from God, Light from Light
True God from true God
Begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;

Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven
Was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
And the Virgin Mary
And was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
In accordance with the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
To judge the living and the dead
And his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
The giver of life
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son
Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped
And glorified
Who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead.
And the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With confidence, let us pray to God, who gave birth to the Church through the gift of the Holy Spirit:

We pray for the worldwide Church, for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa and for Thabo, our metropolitan; Vicentia our Bishop, all our leaders, that strengthened in Christ and sustained by the Holy Spirit, they may lead and respond with compassion to the challenges confronting the world during this time.
Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for our country and for the world, particularly leaders of governments and institutions called to exercise leadership during these trying times. God of mercy and compassion, pour your Spirit of power upon all your children in all troubled areas:, that violent encounters may be replaced by peace and justice for all.
Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

Empower with your Spirit, Lord, those who serve our Cathedral parish, our clergy, Parish Councillors and Wardens, Lay Ministers, our administrative staff, the ground staff, Children's Ministry Team, Teen and Youth Leaders, our Guilds, all men and women of this church, young and old, in ministries of charity and service that build up this holy place. May they be the hands and feet, the eyes and voice of Jesus Christ our Lord in the wider community.
Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray that you pour out your Holy Spirit upon our parish, on every one of our members, may your Holy Spirit renew us and build the unity among us so that we may grow into a spiritual dwelling. Bless all those engaged in ministry and those who support them. May our pastoral life be guided and directed by your Holy Spirit.
Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

Lord God may your Holy Spirit cover us and envelop us in your care and keeping. Make up for the brokenness in our bodies and in our spirit. Bless those who mourn the dead, and grant eternal life to those who passed

away during this time. May we all experience a special share of your Spirit, calling us to bring the Good News to the ends of the earth.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

Merciful Father, accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Risen Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

THE PEACE

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Peace with you

SONG FOR PEACE

Ke tla e jarela sona sefapano se
Mo mahetleng aka

OFFERTORY HYMN 1: SOF 609

*WIND, WIND, BLOW ON ME,
Wind, wind, set me free.
Wind, wind, my Father sent
The blessed Holy Spirit.*

1. Jesus told us all about You,
How we could not live without You,
With His blood the power bought,
To help us live the life He taught.

*Wind, wind, blow on me,
Wind, wind, set me free.
Wind, wind, my Father sent
The blessed Holy Spirit.*

3. When unto the church You came
It was not in Your own but Jesus' name.
Jesus Christ is still the same,
He sends the Holy Spirit.

*Wind, wind, blow on me,
Wind, wind, set me free.
Wind, wind, my Father sent
The blessed Holy Spirit.*

2. When we're weary, You console us;
When we're lonely You enfold us;
When in danger You uphold us,
Blessed Holy Spirit.

*Wind, wind, blow on me,
Wind, wind, set me free.
Wind, wind, my Father sent
The blessed Holy Spirit.*

4. Set us free to love our brothers;
Set us free to live for others,
That the world the Son might see,
And Jesus' name exalted be.

OFFERTORY HYMN 2: AMNS 359

1. Filled with the Spirit's power, with one accord
The infant Church confessed its risen Lord.
O Holy Spirit, in the Church to-day
No less your power of fellowship display.

3. Widen our love, good Spirit, to embrace
In your strong care the men of every race.
Like wind and fire with life among us move,
Till we are known as Christ's, and Christians
prove.

2. Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire,
That unity may be our great desire.
Give joy and peace; give faith to hear your call,
And readiness in each to work for all.

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Heavenly Father, you are the source of all blessings. With hearts full of gratitude, we present our offerings and tithes, offered electronically and physically. Help us to be generous givers, dear Lord, of our money, our gifts, and our lives; that through them, we may extend your kingdom in this church and the wider world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Blessed are you. Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. **For us it becomes the bread of life. Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you. Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. **For us it becomes the cup of salvation. Blessed be God for ever.**

THE THIRD EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give him thanks and praise

Father, it is our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ.

(Proper Preface – page 136 APB.)
(The Day of Pentecost)

And now we give you thanks because by the Holy Spirit we are led into all truth, and are given power to proclaim your gospel to the nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

And so we join the angels and the saints in proclaiming your glory as we say:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the fountain of all holiness. Let your Spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy, so that they may become for us the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Before he was given up to death, a death he freely accepted, he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: 'Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you.

'When supper was ended, he took the cup. Again, he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples, and said: 'Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and

everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.'

So we proclaim the mystery of faith

Kristo O Dzama
Kristo O Vuwa
Kristo O Da Vhuya

In memory of his death and resurrection, we offer you, Father, this life-giving bread, this saving cup. We thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. May all of us who share in the body and blood of Christ be brought together in unity by the Holy Spirit.

Lord, remember your Church throughout the world; make us grow in love, together with Vicentia, our bishop, Thabo our Metropolitan, and all the clergy.

Remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again; bring them and all the departed into the light of your presence.

Have mercy on us all; make us worthy to share eternal life with Mary, the virgin mother of God, with the apostles, and with all the saints who have done Your will throughout the ages.

May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through +him, with +him, in +him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours almighty Father, for ever and ever.

(Sung) Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER: isiXhosa

Bawo wethu' osezulwini
Mali'ngcwaliswe iGama lakho
Mabufike ubu'kumkani bakho
Mayenzi'we intando yakho
emhlabeni nje'ngasezulwini
Siphe namhlanje iso'nka sethu semihla ngemihla.
Usixole'le izono zethu
njengokuba nathi sibaxole'la abo basonayo.
Ungasiyeke'li ekulingweni
koko sisindi'se enkohlakalweni.
Ngokuba boba'kho ubukumkani, namandla, nozuko,
ngoku nangona'phakade. Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying

The bread which we break is it not a sharing of the body of Christ?
We, who are many, are one body for we all partake of the one bread.

**Kwana ya Modimo O tlosa dibe tsa lefatshe
re utlwele botlhoko.**

**Kwana ya Modimo O tlosa dibe tsa lefatshe
re utlwele botlhoko.**

**Kwana ya Modimo O tlosa dibe tsa lefatshe
re neye kagiso.**

THE COMMUNION

**We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord.
Trusting in our own righteousness
But in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table
But you are the same Lord
Whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord so to eat
The flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and
To drink his blood that we may evermore
Dwell in him and he in us.**

Draw near and receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Priest and people receive the sacrament.

Minister: The body of Christ (given for you)
Amen

Minister: The blood of Christ (shed for you)
Amen

COMMUNION HYMN 1

1. Give a thought to Africa,
'Neath the burning sun;
There are hosts of weary hearts,
Waiting to be won.
Many lives have passed away;
And in many homes
There are voices crying out,
To the living God.

*Tell the love of Jesus,
By the hills and waters;
God bless Africa,
And her sons and daughters.*

2. Breathe a prayer for Africa,
God the Father's love
Can reach down and bless all hearts,
From His heav'n above.
And when lips are moved by Grace,
They so sweetly sing,
Pray for peace in Africa,
From the loving God.

*Tell the love of Jesus,
By the hills and waters;
God bless Africa,
And her sons and daughters.*

COMMUNION HYMN 2: AMNS 157

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.

2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure;
Until with thee I will one will,
To do and to endure.

3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly thine;
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with thy fire divine

4. Breathe on me, Breath of God:
So shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life
Of thine eternity.

POST COMMUNION HYMN

1. Sweet Sacrament divine,
Hid in thine earthly home,
Lo, round thy lowly shrine,
With suppliant hearts we come;
Jesus, to thee our voice we raise
In songs of love and heartfelt praise:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

2. Sweet Sacrament of peace,
Dear home for every heart,
Where restless yearnings cease
And sorrows all depart;
There in thine ear all trustfully
We tell our tale of misery:
Sweet Sacrament of peace.

3. Sweet Sacrament of rest,
Ark from the ocean's roar,
Within thy shelter blest
Soon may we reach the shore;
Save us, for still the tempest raves,
Save, lest we sink beneath the waves:
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

4. Sweet Sacrament divine,
Earth's light and jubilee,
In thy far depths doth shine
Thy Godhead's majesty;
Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray,
That earthly joys may fade away:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

PRAYER FOR THOSE WRITING EXAMS

Gracious and loving God,
We lift before you all learners and students who are writing examinations at this time. Grant them calm minds, clear thinking, and steady hearts. In moments of anxiety, give them your peace. In moments of fatigue, renew their strength. Help them to remember all that they have studied and to use their knowledge with wisdom and confidence.
Surround them with your presence and guide them through each paper and every challenge they face.

We pray too for parents, teachers, lecturers, and all who support and encourage them during this demanding season. Grant them patience, wisdom, and compassion.

Lord, teach us all that true wisdom begins with reverence for you, and that learning is a gift through which we may serve others and contribute to the good of the world.

May your Holy Spirit guide, strengthen, and uphold every student today and in the days ahead. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONCLUSION

Priest: Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious
All: God's mercy endures for ever

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Priest: Spirit of Life, breathe new life into us.
We are weary from the events of the world;
we are drawing inside and becoming numb
because of all the devastation we experience around us.
Breathe new life into us, so that our own spirits may rise again.
Breathe new life into us, so that we may be renewed and restored.
Breathe new life into us, so that we may once again

hear Your call to go as healers into a broken world.
 Breathe new life into us, so that we may encourage one another.
 In the name of Christ, who taught us how to breathe in this world.

All: Amen.

Father almighty
 we offer ourselves to you
 as a living sacrifice
 in Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Send us out into the world
 in the power of the Holy Spirit
 to live and work
 to your praise and glory.

THE FINAL BLESSING

Priest: May you go out into God's world filled with the spark of the Holy Spirit.
 Let love guide your actions. Listen for the Spirit of Truth.
 Spread the peace of Christ and remind everyone you meet
 that each one is a beloved child of God
 and the blessing of God almighty,
 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
 be among you and remain with you always. Amen

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia
All: In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, Alleluia

RECESSIONAL HYMN

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| <p>1. Who will save our land and people?
 Who can rescue us from wrong?
 We are lost - faint, false, and foolish
 We have slighted God too long.
 Save the people, Lord, our Saviour,
 Guide us home from country far;
 Holy Fire, consume our rancours:
 Your Kingdom come - in Africa.</p> <p>3. We believe God is our Saviour;
 Christ enough to heal our land.
 Use, O Lord, the Church, your servants:
 We on earth your stretched-out hand.
 May the Church in loving service,
 Show to all whose path is rough,
 Give a clear, united witness,
 And proclaim: "Christ is enough!"</p> | <p>2. Make our land as clean and wholesome
 As the white of sea-washed sands;
 Stretch our vision vast and boundless
 As our brown-spread, dusty lands.
 Make our people strong and steadfast
 As the hills that claw our sky;
 Hear our prayer for land and people:
 "God bless Africa", we cry.</p> <p>4. Christ enough to break all barriers;
 Christ enough in peace, in strife;
 Christ enough to build our nation;
 Christ enough for death, for life.
 Christ enough for old and lonely;
 Christ enough for those who fall;
 Christ enough to save the sin-sick;
 Christ enough for one - for all!</p> |
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PARISH NOTICES

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, 24 May 2026 – Pentecost Sunday
- Thursday, 04 June 2026 – Discipleship Course - Commencement
- Sunday, 07 June 2026 – Pentecost Envelopes Stop
- Saturday, 13 June 2026 – Diocesan Ordination Service
- Saturday, 20 June 2026 – Men's Day of Reflection
- Sunday, 28 June 2026 – Patronal Festival

SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE ROSTER

- Sunday, 24 May 2026 – Men's Fellowship
- Sunday, 31 May 2026 – Choir
- Sunday, 07 June 2026 – Youth
- Sunday, 14 June 2026 – Sunday School
- Sunday, 21 June 2026 – Compassionate Committee

HOME VISITS

Parishioners who wish to receive a visit from the clergy, whether for pastoral reasons or for sick communion, are encouraged to contact the office.

SICK AND HOUSE-BOUND

Sylvia Bowker, John Mojapelo, Revd Martha Lebethe, Malesela Kale, Nobulali Nhantsi, Priscilla Motsogi, Ronny Chabalala, Tony Amurjeeth, those who are afflicted by serious illness, and all who live with chronic or incurable disease.

WELCOME

We welcome everyone to our worship service, especially those joining us for the first time. May you be refreshed and renewed through this act of worship today. Should you wish to join our parish, feel free to contact one of the Churchwardens (contact details are on the first page).

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

We wish all parishioners who will be celebrating their birthdays and wedding anniversaries this coming week the very best. May God continue to shower you with blessings and joy. May He always keep you in His tender and loving care.

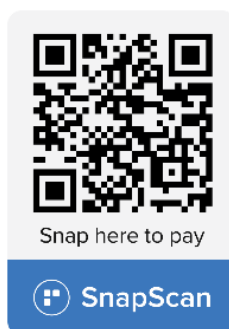
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BANKING DETAILS

Name of account: St Alban's Cathedral
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Bank Name: Standard Bank

Branch code: 051001
Reference: Initials + Surname + Purpose for transfer (J Doe Collection OR J Doe Pledge)



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KEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PENTECOST OFFERING: At Pentecost, it is our custom to make a special Pentecost Offering for the Assistant Clergy of the Parish. This is a once-a-year opportunity for the Cathedral community to say “thank you” in a practical way for their ministry and pastoral care among us. We invite parishioners, guilds and friends of St Alban’s to consider making a generous contribution towards this Pentecost Offering. The full amount received will be given as a personal gift to the Assistant Clergy, as a sign of our appreciation and encouragement for their work. Contributions to the Pentecost Offering may be placed in the specially marked envelopes at the back of the church, or made by EFT using the reference “*Pentecost Offering*”.

DISCIPLESHIP COURSE 2026/2027: The Dean will be running a Discipleship Course starting on Thursday, 04 June 2026 at 18h00. This is aimed at those who would like to deepen their spiritual lives. Individuals who want to learn more about Anglicanism and Spirituality are welcome.

MEN’S DAY OF REFLECTION: The Dean will be hosting a men’s day of prayer and reflection on Saturday, 20 June 2026, at Padre Pio Retreat Centre beginning at 09h00. Associated costs will be determined by the total number of men interested in attending. Kindly use the following link to RSVP: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/bLSwyBGB4H>

MOTHERS’ UNION: Mothers who wish to join the Mothers’ Union are kindly requested to see Mama Tokie, the parish leader, after the service.

A.W.F GBV CAMPAIGN: Fellow parishioners, for 365 Days, let us actively campaign and prevent all forms of violence against women and children under the theme *UNITE to End Digital Violence against All Women and Girls*.

WEEKLY PAYMENTS: Following a meeting of the Parish Council, guilds and ministries are urged to consider planning their withdrawals from their savings accounts rather than requesting a withdrawal on Monday for Friday (for example). This request follows an in-depth review of the additional charges associated with the office's weekly payments. To mitigate these additional charges, attempts will be made to load and release payments only twice a month, i.e., mid-month and month-end. Exceptions from this will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

CALLING ALL SINGERS: The St Alban’s Cathedral Choir is calling... and it might just be calling you! Whether you’re a seasoned chorister or someone who sings happily in the car or shower, young or young-at-heart, we’d love for you to join us. Singing is better when we come together as a community. Be part of something beautiful (and joyful) – your voice will truly make a difference. Curious? Our Chairperson, **Chaile Makaleng (082 374 1364)**, will be delighted to give you the lowdown on becoming a choir member.

PARKING FEE: A few months ago, the Council conducted a survey relating to parking fees. Based on survey responses, respondents expressed willingness to contribute to the cost of parking on Sundays; the preferred parking fee is between R 100.00 and R150.00. The preferred payment frequency is on Sundays in church and monthly. The preferred payment methods are a handheld machine in the church and an electronic transfer to the Cathedral account. The reference should be *Parking*, followed by the name of the Parishioner.

SERVING TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY SERVICES: The Parish Council would like to express sincere gratitude to the Guilds, Ministries, and Individuals for their faithful commitment to serving tea and coffee after the 07h30 and 09h30 services. The congregation truly values your generosity. May we continue to grow together in this spirit of fellowship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: There is a need for vigilance in safety and security on the church premises. Parents are kindly asked to sit with their children after the communion/blessing as teachers return to their pews in the church, and to remain with them when the children are playing outside, as there is no adult supervision. Thank you for your continued support.

RECYCLING: The parish has a recycling project for plastic, glass and ordinary bottles. Parishioners are welcome to bring their recycling bottles from home. Let us contribute towards a cleaner environment.

PARISH ROLL: We encourage parishioners who wish to update their details on the Parish Roll to do so by either using the link <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/zJgFGPtIEy> to access the membership form, or by visiting the website <https://www.stalbanscathedral.org.za/> and clicking on the “membership form” button at the bottom of the page, or by contacting the office via e-mail at bookkeeper@stalbanscathedral.org.za. For those who would like assistance with updating their details on the parish roll, the Technical Team members are available to help after the service. They will be available with laptops to assist with parish roll registrations and updates. In accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), the Cathedral Office, the clergy, Churchwardens, and Parish Councillors are duty-bound to take adequate precautions in collecting, processing and storing personal information, solely for pastoral connection with parishioners.

REGULATION ON THE SHARING OF PEACE: Parishioners are reminded that the sharing of peace is limited to the forms we currently follow; we continue to wave to each other. If people feel comfortable, they may give a fist bump or a handshake.

REGULATION ON COMMUNION: Parishioners are reminded that communion in two kinds has been made available for those who wish to share in the common cup. As has always been the case, persons who wish may continue to choose to receive communion in one kind only. Intinction (by placing the host into the blood by either the minister or the communicant) is not permitted for health reasons. The person’s hand touching the contents of the cup or the clergy touching the communicant’s mouth is unhygienic.

COMMUNICATION: Parishioners who do not receive communication from the Cathedral office are requested to submit their communication details to the office via e-mail.

COLLECTION AND PLEDGES: Kindly use the banking details provided below for contributions to the collection and pledges.

“The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 (ESV).

CATHEDRAL RENOVATION & RESTORATION APPEAL

“Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labour in vain.” – Psalm 127:1

The St. Alban’s Cathedral has embarked on a R2.99 million renovation project to restore and preserve our sacred and historic place of worship. The renovation includes urgent roof repairs, improved lighting, walkway and driveway upgrades, waterproofing, crack sealing, bathroom refurbishments, and restoration of heritage features. This effort reflects our commitment to maintaining the Cathedral as a safe, dignified, and welcoming space for all generations to come.

How We’re Raising Funds

YouTube: St. Albans Cathedral_SA	Facebook: The Cathedral Church of St Alban-Pretoria	www.stalbanscathedral.org.za
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The Fundraising Committee is actively rolling out a variety of activities, and your support is needed. Planned fundraising efforts include:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Concerts at the Cathedral • Golf Day (August/September) • Youth Movie Day with popcorn and wors rolls (June) • High Tea for the Cathedral • Walk for the Cathedral | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring Market & Merchandise Sales • Cathedral Merchandise Sale (clothing, candles, and more) • Gala Fundraising Dinner & Auction • Individual Pledges and Donations • SnapScan, EFT, Card Machine and Envelopes available |
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Get Involved

We need all hands on deck! You can:

- Join the Fundraising Team
- Pledge monthly (Reno25_Surname_Initial as reference)
- Offer your time, talent, or resources
- Suggest sponsors or funding leads
- Invite friends and family to our events

Let’s build together!

Contact: Churchwardens: Clement Sibiya (082 490 9191) | K. Mulaudzi (082 840 0881)
 Alt. Churchwarden: Pontsho Moraba (082 646 0930)
 Fundraising Chair: V. Qwalela (079 032 3885)

“God loves a cheerful giver.” – 2 Corinthians 9:7