



CATHEDRAL OF ST ALBAN THE MARTYR
Anglican Diocese of Pretoria
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



26 OCTOBER 2025

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Cathedral 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”

– Ezekiel 36:28b

COLLECT: O God, our strength and hope: save us from pride and give us the mind of Christ, that in humility we may confess our sin and find our hope in you: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

09h30 Celebrant:	The Very Revd Moses Thabethe
09h30 Preacher:	The Very Revd Moses Thabethe
09h30 Synaxist:	Ms Liyanda Zungu

Processional Hymn	Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus	Insert
Introit Hymn	We plough the fields and scatter	SOF 585
Gloria	Xhosa	Insert
Kyrie	English	Sung
First Reading	Joel 2: 23-32	Tim Moloi
Psalm	65	APB page 679
Second Reading	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	Omphile Mokoena
Hymn For The Gradual	Rejoice! The Lord is King	AMNS 139
Gospel	Luke 18: 9-14	
Sunday School & Teens Hymn	God is so good	SOF 732
Sermon		The Very Revd Moses Thabethe
Nicene Creed	English	Insert
Prayers		Mr Mandla Mnyatheli
Song For Peace	NgoMoya kaThixo	Insert
Offertory Hymns	My hope is built on nothing less Matlo a 'go mantle jang	Insert Setswana 175
Sanctus	isiZulu	Insert
Acclamations	Setswana	Insert
The Lord's Prayer	English	Sung
Agnus Dei	English	Sung
Communion Hymn	Lord, I would own Thy tender care, Breathe on me, breath of God	Insert SOF 51
Post Communion Hymn	Father, we adore you	SOF 99
Recessional Hymn	O worship the King all glorious above	AMNS 101

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.

NOTICES

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Diocesan Golf Day – Friday, 31 October 2025,
- M.M.G Admission Service – Sunday, 02 November 2025,
- Elective Vestry – Sunday, 16 November 2025,
- Planning Meeting With Guilds/Ministries – Saturday, 22 November 2025,
- Baptism Service – Sunday, 23 November 2025,
- Thanksgiving Service – Sunday, 30 November 2025,
- Diocesan Family Day – Sunday, 07 December 2025.

SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE ROSTER:

- Sunday, 26 October 2025 – M.M.G,
- Sunday, 02 November 2025 – Men's Fellowship,
- Sunday, 09 November 2025 – Choir.

THE SICK AND THE HOUSE-BOUND: Sylvia Bowker, John Mojapelo, Revd Martha Lebethe, Malesela Kale, Nobulali Nhantsi, Priscilla Motsogi, Ronny Chabalala, those suffering from Covid-19 and all those suffering from incurable diseases.

WELCOME: We welcome everyone to our service of worship, 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 everything of the best. May God continue to shower you with blessings and joy. May He always keep you in His tender and loving care.

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

BAPTISM: Classes will commence on Sunday, 26 October 2025 with the baptism service being held on Sunday, 23 November 2025.

LECTIONARIES: Lectionaries for 2026 are now available. They may be purchased from the office for R 45.00 or from the Churchwardens after the Sunday services.

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.***

PARKING FEE: A few months ago, the Council conducted a survey relating to parking fees. Based on responses from the survey, respondents expressed the view that they are willing to contribute to the cost of parking on Sundays; the preferred parking fee is between R 100.00 and R150.00. The preferred frequency of payment is on Sundays in church and on a monthly basis. The preferred payment methods are a hand

held machine in church, and an electronic transfer into 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. Your generosity is truly valued by the congregation. 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 there is no adult supervision when the children are playing outside. Thank you for your continued support.

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

SERVERS' MINISTRY: The Servers' Ministry has begun training of the new servers. More information will be shared as they continue.

PARISH ROLL: Parishioners who wish to update their details may do so by either using the link <https://forms.office.com/r/zJqFGPtIEy> 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 the updating of their details on the parish roll, the Dean and the Parish Council have asked the Technical Team to help. Members of the Technical Team will be available with laptops to assist with parish roll registrations and update. 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.

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 do a fist or 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 clerics touching the communicant's mouth is unhygienic

PARKING: Parishioners who wish to make donations towards the payment of the monthly parking structure are encouraged to do so.

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).

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Name of account: St Alban's Cathedral

Account no.: 010 626 816

Bank Name: Standard Bank

Branch code: 051001

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

The Fundraising Committee is actively rolling out a variety of activities, and your support is needed. Planned fundraising efforts include:

- 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
- 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

Get Involved

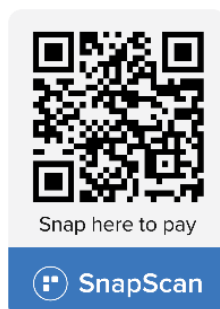
We need all hands on deck! You can:

- 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!

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Fundraising Chair: V. Qwalela (079 032 3885)

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



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Processional Hymn

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
And to take him at his word;
Just to rest upon his promise,
And to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!*

2. O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust his cleansing blood;
And in simple faith to plunge me
Neath the healing, cleansing flood!
3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!*

Introit Hymn: SOF 585

WE PLOUGH THE FIELDS and scatter
The good seed on the land,
By God's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all His love.*

He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star;
The winds and waves obey Him,
By Him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, His children,
He gives our daily bread.

We thank Thee, then, O Father,
For all things in bright and good;
The seedtime and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
No gifts have we to offer
For all Thy love imparts,
But that which Thou desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts.

*All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above;*

*Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all His love.*

Gloria: Xhosa

Uzuko ku Thixo ezulwini
Uxolo ebantwini bakhe emhlabeni

Nkosi Thixo, Kumkani waseZulwini
Thixo onguBawo ongamandla onke
Siyakunqula, siyakubulela
Siyakubonga ngenxa yobukhulu bozuko lwakho

Nkosi Yesu Krestu, okuphela koNyana kaYise
Nkosi Thixo, Mvana ka Thixo
Wena osusa isono sehlabathi
Senzele inceba
Wena uhleli ngasekunene koYise
Yiva umthandazo wethu

Ngokuba nguwe ongcwele
Nguwe wedwa oyiNkosi
Nguwe wedwa ophezu konke
Yesu Krestu, no Moya oyiNgcwele
Ebuqaqawulini buka Thixo uYise. Amen

Psalm 65

1. You are to be praised O God in Zion:
To you shall vows be paid you that
answer prayer.
2. To you shall all flesh come to confess
their sins:
When our misdeeds prevail against us
you will purge them away.
3. Blessed is the man whom you choose
and take to yourself to dwell within your
courts:
We shall be filled with the good things of
your house of your holy temple.
4. You will answer us in your righteousness
with terrible deeds O God our saviour:
You that are the hope of all the ends of
the earth and of the distant seas;
5. Who by your strength made fast the
mountains:
You that are girded with power;
6. Who stilled the raging of the seas the
roaring of the waves:
And the tumult of the peoples.
7. Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
are afraid at your wonders:
The dawn and the evening sing your
praises.

8. You tend the earth and water it:
You make it rich and fertile.
9. The river of God is full of water:
And so providing for the earth you provide
grain for men.
10. You drench its furrows you level the
ridges between:
You soften it with showers and bless its
early growth.
11. You crown the year with your goodness:
And the tracks where you have passed
drip with fatness.
12. The pastures of the wilderness run over:
And the hills are girded with joy.
13. The meadows are clothed with sheep:
And the valleys stand so thick with corn
they shout for joy and sing.

Hymn For The Gradual: AMNS 139

1. Rejoice! The Lord is King.
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*
2. Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above:
3. His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given:
4. He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to this command,
And fall beneath his feet:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

Sunday School & Teens Hymn: SOF 732

GOD IS SO GOOD,
God is so good,
God is so good,
He's so good to me.

He took my sin,
He took my sin,
He took my sin,

He's so good to me.

Now I am free,
Now I am free,
Now I am free,
He's so good to me.

God is so good,
He took my sin,
Now I am free,
He's so good to me.

Nicene Creed

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**

Song For Peace

NgoMoya kaThixo

uMoya kaBawo
Besenza inkonzo
Bevuya kunene.

Offertory Hymn 1

1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly trust in Jesus' name.

*On Christ the solid rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.*

2. When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

3. His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

*On Christ the solid rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.*

Offertory Hymn 2: Setswana 175

1. MATLO a 'go mantle jang
'Fatseng jeno ja maseng:
Mantle thata a a leng
Ka kwa, koo o busang teng.
Jesu, ke tla bona leng
Kgotso e e sa khutleng
Ya batshego ba e leng
Tsala tseno leseding?
2. 'Thaga di ipela jang
Tse di nnang kwa Altareng;
Ee, le ba ba agileng
Mabogong a sa khutleng.
Jaaka 'tsebe je le neng
Le romilwe kwa metseng,
Ba boela Arekeng,
Ba itapolosa teng.
3. Go tshegofaditswe jang
Ba ba go itigetseng:
Ba nwa mo komelelong,
Ba ja fela mo tlaleng,
Ba tswelala mo thateng,
Ba goroga leseding.
Baa go inam ela teng,
Wena yob a thusitseng.
4. Le nna, se ke se batlang
Ke go fitlha kwa o teng;
O nkaele mo 'fatsheng,
Ke se wele mo dibeng;

O nne le nna mo tseleng
Ya 'go e pitlaganyeng;
Fa o gone mo pelong,
Kana ke ka tlhoka eng?

Sanctus: isiZulu

Ngcwele, Ngcwele, Ngcwele, ingcwele
iNkosi
UNkulunkulu wamabandla,
Kungcwele'izulu nomhlaba' ubukosi,
Bakho, mawudunyiswe Wena, Wena,
Nkosi
Ophezu kwakho konke
Makabongwe ozayo ngegama le-Nkosi,
Hosana, Hosana, Hosana kweliphezulu
Hosana, Hosana

Acclamations: Setswana

Kreste o sule
Kreste o rudile
Kreste o tla tla gape

Communion Hymn 1

1. Lord, I would own Thy tender care,
And all Thy love to me;
The food I eat, the clothes I wear,
Are all bestowed by Thee.
2. 'Tis Thou preservest me from death
And dangers every hour;
I cannot draw another breath
Unless Thou give me power.
3. Kind angels guard me every night,
As round my bed they stay:
Nor am I absent from Thy sight
In darkness or by day.
4. My health, and friends, and parents dear,
To me by God are given;
I have not any blessing here
But what is sent from Heav'n.
5. Such goodness, Lord, and constant care,
I never can repay;
But may it be my daily prayer,
To love Thee and obey.

Communion Hymn 2: SOF 51

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.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure:
Until my will is one with Thine
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,

Till I am wholly Thine;
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of Thine eternity.

Post Communion Hymn: SOF 99

FATHER, WE ADORE YOU,
Lay our lives before You,
How we love You.

Jesus, we adore You.
Lay our lives before You,
How we love You.

Spirit, we adore You,
Lay our lives before You,
How we love You.

Recessional Hymn: AMNS 101

1. O worship the King all glorious above;
O gratefully sing his power and his love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of
Days,
Pavilioned in splendour and girded with
praise.
2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy
space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder
clouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the
storm.
3. The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old;
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless
decree,
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the
sea.
4. Thy bountiful care what tongue can
recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to
the plain,
And sweetly distils in the dew and the
rain.
5. Frail children of dust and feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the
end!
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and
friend.

6. O measureless might, ineffable love,
While angels delight to hymn thee above,
Thy humbler creation, though feeble their
lays,
With true adoration shall sing to thy
praise.