



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



31 AUGUST 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: God of majestic glory, your Son humbled himself and became one of us: call us to walk the path of Christ’s humility and inspire us to show Christ’s hospitality, that at the last we will feast with Christ in glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

09h30 Celebrant:	Very Revd Moses Thabethe
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09h30 Synaxist:	Ms Joan Makwane

Processional Hymn	Captains of the saintly band	AMNS 299
Introit Hymn	Be thou my guardian and my guide	AMNS 217
Gloria	Xhosa	Insert
Kyrie	English	Insert
First Reading	Jeremiah 2: 4-13	Ms Modiegi Makai
Psalms	81: 1, 10-16	APB page 707
Second Reading	Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16	Ms Keamogetswe Matlhako
Hymn For The Gradual	Blest are the pure in heart	AMNS 238
Gospel	Luke 14: 1, 7-14	
Sunday School & Teens Hymn	God is building a house	Insert
Sermon		Very Revd Moses Thabethe
Nicene Creed	English	Insert
Prayers		Ms Keneilwe Mangoejane
Chorus After Prayers	Morena o tseba	Insert
Song For Peace	Peace is flowing like a river	SOF 458
Offertory Hymns	The Church of God a kingdom is Reetsa kwano, mowa wa me	AMNS 169 Setswana 196
Sanctus	English	Sung
Acclamations	Setswana	Insert
The Lord’s Prayer	English	Sung
Agnus Dei	Xhosa	Insert
Communion Hymn	Angifanele Nkosi eNgcwele Amazing grace	Zulu 236 SOF 19
Post Communion Hymn	As the deer pants for the water	SOF 658
Recessional Hymn	Now thank we all our God	AMNS 205

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:

- Cathedral Day Of Prayer For The Election Of A Diocesan Bishop – Sunday, 31 August 2025,
- Admission & Readmission of Lay Ministers – Sunday, 31 August 2025,
- Eco-Ministry Planting Project – Saturday, 06 September 2025,
- Retreat For Confirmation Candidates – Saturday, 13 September 2025 at 09h00,
- M.M.G Quiet Day – Saturday, 20 September 2025,
- Day Of Confession For Confirmation Candidates – Saturday, 20 September 2025 at 08h00,
- Confirmation Service – Sunday, 21 September 2025,
- M.M.G Raffle Winner Announcement – Sunday, 28 September 2025.

SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE ROSTER:

- Sunday, 31 August 2025 – Men's Fellowship,
- Sunday, 07 September 2025 – Choir,
- Sunday, 14 September 2025 – Youth.

THE SICK AND THE HOUSE-BOUND: Sylvia Bowker, John Mojapelo, Revd Martha Lebethé, Malesela Kale, Nobulali Nhantsi, Priscilla Motsogi, Ronny Chabalala, Pat Zeka, 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.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE: The service of Confirmation will be held on Sunday, 21 September 2025 during the 09h30 service.

M.M.G RAFFLE TICKETS: The M.M.G will be selling raffle tickets from July to September 2025. Prizes to be won include a Hamper Pamper for the first prize draw, and a Takealot Gift Voucher worth R 500.00 for the second prize draw. The winners will be announced on Sunday, 28 September 2025. Ticket will be sold at R 50.00 each. Don't miss out, get your ticket now and stand a chance to win big. Contact any St Mary Magdalene member to get your ticket.

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/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 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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Branch code: 051001

Reference: Use initials and Surname + Collection or Pledges, as applicable

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

Upcoming Highlights:

- Heritage Architecture Showcase – 24 September

Let's build together!

Contact: Churchwardens: Clement Sibiya (082 490 9191) | Sizakele Shongwe (072 643 4977)
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Fundraising Chair: V. Qwalela (079 032 3885)

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



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THE LICENSING OF A LAY MINISTER

The candidates are brought forward by the Priest who says

Reverend Father in God, I present to you *N* (and *N*) whom we have chosen as worthy to be licensed as lay ministers in this parish.

The Archdeacon addresses the congregation

If any of you know any valid reason why these persons should not be so licensed, I ask you to speak now.

The Archdeacon addresses the persons to be licensed in these or similar words

Christians by their baptism are called to share in the ministry of Christ to his people and in his mission to the world.

Within that calling you are now to be licensed as lay ministers with authority to ...

(Here the Archdeacon defines the function to which they are to be licensed)

Do you willingly undertake this responsibility?

Answer **I do, God being my helper**

The Archdeacon says

Let us pray

Almighty God, look with favour on these your servants and strengthen them with your grace for this ministry.
Amen

Make them diligent and humble in their service, and ready to obey those set over them in the Lord.
Amen

Give them the vision and courage to live lives worthy of the gospel of Christ
Amen

The Archdeacon takes the hand of the person to be licensed and says

N, I commission you as a lay minister in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit
Amen

Remember that you are a servant of Christ and his people. Lead an ordered and sober life, given to prayer.
May God grant you joy and peace in his service.

The Archdeacon may read the licence, which he gives to the lay minister.

The Archdeacon says

Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God
By your spirit the whole body of your faithful people
Is governed and sanctified:
Receive our prayers which we offer before you
For all members of your holy Church
That in their vocation and ministry
They may truly service you;
Through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen

Processional Hymn: AMNS 299

1. Captains of the saintly band,
Lights who lighten every land,
Princes who with Jesus dwell,
Judges of his Israel;
2. On the nations sunk in night
Ye have shed the Gospel light;
Sin and error flee away,
Truth reveals the promised day.
3. Not by warrior's spear and sword,
Not by art of human word,
Preaching but the cross of shame,
Rebel hearts for Christ ye tame.
4. Earth, that long in sin and pain
Groaned in Satan's deadly chain,
Now to serve its God is free
In the law of liberty.
5. Distant lands with one acclaim
Tell the honour of your name,
Who, wherever man has trod,
Teach the mysteries of God.
6. Glory to the Three in One
While eternal ages run,
Who from deepest shades of night
Called us to his glorious light.

Introit Hymn: AMNS 217

1. Be thou my guardian and my guide,
And hear me when I call;
Let not my slippery footsteps slide,
And hold me lest I fall.
2. The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
Around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
Thou quickener of the dead.
3. And if I tempted am to sin,
And outward things are strong,
Do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
And save my soul from wrong.
4. Still let me ever watch and pray,
And feel that I am frail;
That if the tempter cross my way,
Yet he may not prevail.

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

Kyrie: English

Kyrie Eleison (X3)
Krisite Eleison (X3)
Kyrie Eleison (X3)

Psalms 81: 1, 10-16

1. O sing joyfully to God our strength:
Shout in triumph to the God of Jacob.
10. 'I am the Lord your God
Who brought you up from the land of Egypt:
Open wide your mouth and I will fill it.
11. 'But my people would not listen to my voice:
And Israel would have none of me.
12. 'so I left them to the stubbornness of their hearts:
To walk according to their own designs.
13. 'If only my people would listen:
If Israel would but walk in my ways,
14. 'I would soon put down their enemies:
And turn my hand against their adversaries.
15. 'Those that hate the Lord would cringe before him:
And their punishment would last for ever.
16. 'But Israel I would feed with the finest wheat:
And satisfy you with honey from the rocks.'

Hymn For The Gradual: AMNS 238

1. Blest are the pure in heart,
For they shall see our God;
The secret of the Lord is theirs,
Their soul is Christ's abode.

2. The Lord, who left the heavens
Our life and peace to bring,
To dwell in lowliness with men,
Their pattern and their King;
3. Still to the lowly soul
He doth himself impart,
And for his dwelling and his throne
Chooseth the pure in heart.
4. Lord, we thy presence seek;
May ours this blessing be;
Give us a pure and lowly heart,
A temple meet for thee.

Sunday School & Teens Hymn

1. God is building a house,
God is building a house,
God is building a house that will stand.
He is building by his plan
With the living stones of man,
God is building a house that will stand.
2. God is building a house,
God is building a house,
God is building a house that will stand.
With apostles, prophets, pastors,
With evangelists and teachers,
God is building a house that will stand.
3. Christ is head of this house,
Christ is head of this house,
Christ is head of this house that will stand.
He abides in its praise,
Will perfect it in its ways,
Christ is head of this house that will stand.
4. We are part of this house,
We are part of this house,
We are part of this house that will stand.
We are called from every nation
To enjoy his full salvation,
We are part of this house that will stand.

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**

Chorus After Prayers

Morena o tseba,
Mathata a rona,
Morena o tseba,
Le seo re se hlohang.

Re bine hosanna,
Hosanna hodimo,
Hosanna hodimo,
Hodimo ho Ntate.

Thapelo tsa rona,
Di tla nyolohela,
Di tla nyolohela,
Hodimo ho Ntate.

Song For Peace: SOF 458

PEACE IS FLOWING LIKE A RIVER
Flowing out through you and me,
Spreading out into the desert,
Setting all the captives free.

*Let it flow through me,
Let it flow through me,
Let the mighty peace of God
Flow out through me.
Let it flow through me,*

*Let it flow through me,
Let the mighty peace of God
Flow out through me.*

Love is flowing
Flowing out through you and me,
Spreading out into the desert,
Setting all the captives free.

*Let it flow through me,
Let it flow through me,
Let the mighty love of God
Flow out through me.
Let it flow through me,
Let it flow through me,
Let the mighty love of God
Flow out through me.*

Joy is flowing
Flowing out through you and me,
Spreading out into the desert,
Setting all the captives free.

*Let it flow through me,
Let it flow through me,
Let the mighty joy of God
Flow out through me.
Let it flow through me,
Let it flow through me,
Let the mighty joy of God
Flow out through me.*

Offertory Hymn 1: AMNS 169

1. The Church of God a kingdom is,
Where Christ in power doth reign;
Where spirits yearn till, seen in bliss,
Their Lord shall come again.
2. Glad companies of saints possess
This Church below, above;
And God's perpetual calm doth bless
Their paradise of love.
3. An altar stands within the shrine
Whereon, once sacrificed,
Is set, immaculate, divine,
The Lamb of God, the Christ.
4. There rich and poor, from countless
lands,
Praise Christ on mystic rood;
There nations reach forth holy hands
To take God's holy food.
5. There pure life-giving streams o'erflow
The sower's garden-ground;
And faith and hope fair blossoms show,
And fruits of love abound.
6. O King, O Christ, this endless grace

To us and all men bring,
To see the vision of thy face
In joy, O Christ, our King.

Offertory Hymn 2: Setswana 196

1. REETSA kwano, mowa wa me; Jesu ke
yo, wa go bitsa:
Wa go botsa sentle, a re, "Moleofi, a oa
nthata?"
2. "Ke ne ka go rekolola, ka fodisa dintho tsa
'go,
Ka go busa o timetse, ka bonesa 'fifi ja
'go.
3. "A mosadi' a ka lebala ngwana wa
'bopelo sa 'gwe?
Ee, o ka mo gaka; – mme nna, ke senka
ke go lebala.
4. "Rato lwa me ga lo khutle kwa godimo le
kwa tlase;
Ga lo fete: lo tlhomame; mme lo thata
jaaka loso.
5. "Ke tla nama ke go bontsha kgalalelo
yotlhe ya me;
O tla busa mmogo le nna; – moleofi, a oa
nthata?"
6. Jesu, go botlhoko gore 'rato lwa me lo
nnyennyane;
Le mororo kea go rata; a ke go ratele ruri.

Acclamations: Setswana

Kreste o sule
Kreste o rudile
Kreste o tla tla gape

Agnus Dei: Xhosa

Mvana ka Thixo, esusa izono zehlabathi:
senzele inceba

Mvana ka Thixo, esusa izono zehlabathi:
senzele inceba

Mvana ka Thixo, esusa izono zehlabathi:
siphe uxolo lwakho

Communion Hymn 1: Zulu 236

1. Angifanele Nkosi eNgcwele
Ubungen' enhliziyweni yami
Khulum' izwi lomsa libe linye
Lona liyakhulula izoni.
2. Angifanel' ukub' uze kimi
Ub' indlu yakh' umphefumlo wami
Ungas' uvum ukungena kuwo
Khuluma Nkosi nami ngiphile.

3. Angifanele Nkosi yezulu
Ngokwala 'njan' uba wena uze
Wen' ongiphay' inNyama neGazi
Elisulay' amacala ami.

4. Au! Mana uze ngayo lemini
Phanake nam' ukudl' okuNgcwele
Ivam' uthando ize iqine
Lenhliziyo yam' eyonakele.

Communion Hymn 2: SOF 19

AMAZING GRACE! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Yes, when this heart and flesh shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there a thousand
years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

Post Communion Hymn: SOF 658

AS THE DEER PANTS for the water,
So my soul, it thirsts for You,
For You, O God,
For You, O God.
(Repeat)

When can I come before You
And see Your face?
My heart and my flesh cry out
For the living God,
For the living God.

Deep calls to deep
At the thunder of Your waterfalls.
Your heart of love is calling out to me.
By this I know that I am Yours
And You are mine.

Your waves of love are breaking over me.
Your waves of love are breaking over me.
Your waves of love are breaking over me.

Recessional Hymn: AMNS 205

1. Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.
2. O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God
The father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.