

ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF PRETORIA

CATHEDRAL OF ST ALBAN

THE MARTYR



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

26 APRIL 2026

| 09h30 SERVICE | |
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| Celebrant | The Very Revd Canon Moses Thabethe |
| Preacher | Revd Elias Lekoro |
| Synaxist | Prof Sheila Mokoboto-Zwane |
| Prayers | Mr Alex Nyokong |

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

Good Shepherd, you are the gate that secures the sheepfold: grant that all who hear your voice may know you who calls us each by name, and follow where you lead; for you live and reign in the unity of the Blessed Trinity, one God, for ever and 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.

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| Processional Hymns | God is here; as we his people | AMNS 464 |
| Introit Hymn | Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us | AMNS 224 |
| Gloria | English | Insert |
| Kyrie | seTswana | Insert |
| First Reading | Acts 2:42-47 | Bongiwe Kuzwayo |
| Psalm | 23 | AMNS 426 |
| Second Reading | 1 Peter 2: 19-25 | Somila Sikrweqe |
| Hymn For The Gradual | The King of love my shepherd is | AMNS 126 |
| Gospel | John 10: 1-10 | |
| Sunday School & Teens Hymn | This little light of mine | Insert |
| Sermon | | Revd Elias Lekoro |
| Nicene Creed | English | APB page 108 |
| Prayers | | Mr Alex Nyokong |
| Song For Peace | Jeso wa makatsa | Insert |
| Offertory Hymns | How sweet the name of Jesus sounds Malusi oyintanda | AMNS 122 Xhosa 402 |
| Sanctus | English | Sung |
| Acclamations | English | Sung |
| The Lord's Prayer | Tsonga | Insert |
| Agnus Dei | English | Sung |
| Communion Hymn | All people that on earth do dwell Christ there is no east or west | AMNS 100 AMNS 376 |
| Post Communion Hymn | For the bread which you have broken | AMNS 456 |
| Recessional Hymn | To God be the glory | SOF 559 |

PARISH NOTICES

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday, 02 May 2026 – Fellowship Of Vocations Open Day
- Saturday, 02 May 2026 – Youth Hike
- Sunday, 03 May 2026 – Easter Envelopes Stop
- Sunday, 10 May 2026 – Pentecost Envelopes Start
- Sunday, 10 May 2026 – Bishop's Cathedral Archdeaconry Visit
- Sunday, 24 May 2026 – Pentecost Sunday
- Sunday, 07 June 2026 – Pentecost Envelopes Stop
- Saturday, 13 June 2026 – Diocesan Ordination Service
- Sunday, 28 June 2026 – Patronal Festival

SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE ROSTER

- Sunday, 19 April 2026 – Compassionate Committee,
- Sunday, 26 April 2026 – Clergy/Lay Ministers/Servers,
- Sunday, 03 May 2026 – Mothers' Union.

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, Lerato Yvonne Koitheng, 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.

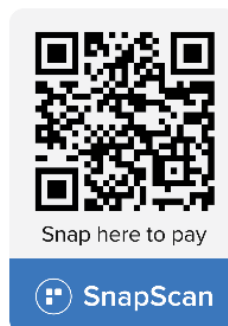
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BANKING DETAILS

Name of account: St Alban's Cathedral
Account no.: 010 626 816
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

EARTH DAY 2026 THEME - OUR POWER, OUR PLANET: Earth Day takes place annually to mark the importance of environmental protection. Environmental progress and protection does not depend on any single official department, ministry, or committee. The daily actions of people, families, and communities sustain it. The power is in our hands to protect our precious environment where we live and work. ***Get involved and grow your support for Earth Day.***

EASTER OFFERING: At Easter, it is our custom to make a special Easter Offering for the Dean as Rector of the Parish. This is a once-a-year opportunity for the Cathedral community to say “thank you” in a practical way for his ministry, leadership and pastoral care among us. We invite parishioners, guilds and friends of St Alban’s to consider making a generous contribution towards this Easter Offering. The full amount received will be given as a personal gift to the Dean, as a sign of our appreciation and encouragement in his work of preaching, teaching, presiding, pastoral care and guiding the life of our parish. Contributions to the Easter Offering may be placed in the specially marked envelopes in the pews, or made by EFT using the reference “***Easter Offering – Dean***”.

YOUTH HIKE: The Youth invites all interested participants to join them on a hike at Groenkloof Nature Reserve on Saturday, 02 May 2026, from 07h00.

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.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 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

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| Cathedral of St Alban the Martyr | 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:

- Music Concerts at the Cathedral
- Golf Day (August/September)
- Youth Movie Day with popcorn and wows 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!

Contact: Churchwardens: Clement Sibiyi (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

INSERTS

Processional Hymn: AMNS 464

1. God is here; as we his people
 Meet to offer praise and prayer,
 May we find in fuller measure
 What it is in Christ we share.
 Here, as in the world around us,
 All our varied skills and arts
 Wait the coming of His Spirit
 Into open minds and hearts.
2. Here are symbols to remind us
 Of our lifelong need of grace;
 Here are table, font and pulpit,
 Here the cross has central place;
 Here in honesty of preaching,
 Here in silence as in speech,
 Here in newness and renewal
 God the Spirit comes to each.
3. Here our children find a welcome

In the Shepherd's flock and fold,
 Here, as bread and wine are taken,
 Christ sustains us, as of old.
 Here the servants of the Servant
 Seek in worship to explore
 What it means in daily living
 To believe and to adore.

4. Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom,
 In an age of change and doubt
 Keep us faithful to the gospel,
 Help us work your purpose out.
 Here, in this day's dedication,
 All we have to give, receive.
 We, who cannot live without you,
 We adore you, we believe.

Introit Hymn: AMNS 224

1. Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
 O'er the world's tempestuous sea;

Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For we have no help but thee;
Yet possessing every blessing,
If our God our Father be.

2. Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:
All our weakness thou dost know;
Thou didst tread this earth before us,
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;
Lone and dreary, faint and weary,
Through the desert thou didst go.
3. Spirit of our God, descending,
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
Love with every passion blending,
Pleasure that can never cloy:
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,
Nothing can our peace destroy.

Gloria: English

Glory be to God in heaven,
Songs of joy and peace we bring,
Thankful hearts and voices raising,
To creation's Lord we sing:
Lord we thank you, Lord we bless you
Glory be to God our King. (X2)

Lamb of God, who on your shoulders
Bore the load of this world's sin,
Only Son of God the Father,
You have brought us peace within:
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Now your glorious reign begin. (X2)

You, O son of God are holy,
You we praise with one accord,
None in heav'n or earth is like you,
Only you are Christ the Lord:
With the Father, and the spirit,
Ever worshipped and adored. (X2)

Kyrie: seTswana

Morena, re utlwele botlhoko
Morena, re utlwele botlhoko

Kreste, re utlwele botlhoko
Kreste, re utlwele botlhoko

Morena, re utlwele botlhoko
Morena, re utlwele botlhoko

Psalm 23: AMNS 426

1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.
2. My soul he doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for his own name's sake.
3. Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For thou art with me, and thy rod
And staff me comfort still.
4. My table thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint
And my cup overflows.
5. Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling-place shall be.

Hymn For The Gradual: AMNS 126

1. The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine for ever.
2. Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.
3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home rejoicing brought me.
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.
5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!
6. And so through all the length of days

Thy goodness faileth never:
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 Within thy house for ever.

Sunday School & Teens Hymn

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!
 This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!
 This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!
 Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!
2. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine!
 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine!
 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine!
 Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

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

Jeso wa makatsa
 Jeso wa makatsa
 Jeso wa makatsa
 Jeso wa makatsa

A ntsha pelo ya lejwe
 A kenya pelo ya moya
 Jeso wa makatsa
 Jeso wa makatsa

Offertory Hymn 1: AMNS 122

1. How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
 In a believer's ear!
 It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
 And drives away his fear.
2. It makes the wounded spirit whole,
 And calms the troubled breast;
 'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
 And to the weary rest.
3. Dear name! The rock on which I build,
 My shield and hiding-place,
 My never-failing treasury filled
 With boundless stores of grace.
4. Jesus! My Shepherd, Brother, Friend,
 My Prophet, Priest, and King,
 My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
 Accept the praise I bring.
5. Weak is the effort of my heart,
 And cold my warmest thought;
 But when I see thee as thou art,
 I'll praise thee as I ought.
6. Till then I would thy love proclaim
 With every fleeting breath;
 And may the music of thy name
 Refresh my soul in death.

Offertory Hymn 2: Xhosa 402

1. Malusi oyintanda,
 Gcina imvana yako;

Akoyiswa nto Wena,
Andingehlutwa kuwe.

2. Msindisi oyintanda,
Wafa 'kuze sipile,
Uzolule izandla,
Ukub' usikelele.
3. Ndohlala ndikubonga,
Ndenze intando yako,
Njengabo bapezulu,
Behleli ngokonwaba.
4. Sondela, Malusi wam,
Mandiliv' i-Zwi lako,
Ndize ndingapambuki
Kulendlela imxinwa.
5. Ndohamba ngendlel' ako,
Ngokukokelwa nguwe,
Ndide ndiye ngakuyo
I-Terone ka-Bawo.

The Lord's Prayer: Tsonga

Tata wa hinal'anga matilwen',
Vito ra Wena a ri hlawuriwe
Akute ku fuma ka Wena
Ku rhandza ka Wena
K'endliwe misaveni
Tani hi loko k'endliwe
K'endliwe etilwen'
U hi nyika namuntlha vuswa bya hina
Vuswa bya siku rinwana ni rinwana (x2)
U hi rivalela swidywoho swa hina,
Tani hi loko na hina hi rivalela.
Hi rivalela lava hi dyohelaka
U nga hi yise e miringweni
Kambe U hi ponisa ka lowo biha
U hi ponisa e ka lowo biha (x2)
Hikuva kufuma ka Wena
Ni matimba, ni ku twala,
Hi laha kungaheriki. Amen

Communion Hymn 1: AMNS 100

1. All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him, and rejoice.
2. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,

And for his sheep he doth us take.

3. O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.
4. For why? The Lord our God is good;
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.
5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel-host
Be praise and glory evermore.

Communion Hymn 2: AMNS 376

1. In Christ there is no east or west,
In him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth
2. In him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord,
Close binding all mankind.
3. Join hands, then, brothers of the faith
Whate'er your race may be;
Who serves my Father as a son
Is surely kin to me.
4. In Christ now meet both east and west,
In him meet south and north;
All Christlike souls are one in him,
Throughout the whole wide earth.

Post Communion Hymn: AMNS 456

1. For the bread which you have broken,
For the wine which you have poured,
For the words which you have spoken,
Now we give you thanks, O Lord.
2. By these pledges that you love us,
By your gift of peace restored,
By your call to heaven above us,
Hallow all our lives, O Lord.
3. In your service, Lord, defend us,
In our hearts keep watch and ward;
In the world to which you send us

Let your kingdom come, O Lord.

Recessional Hymn: SOF 559

TO GOD BE THE GLORY! Great things He
hath done!

So loved He the world that He gave us His
Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

*O come to the Father through Jesus the Son;
And give Him the glory, great things He hath
done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He hath taught us, great things
He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the
Son:
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

*O come to the Father through Jesus the Son;
And give Him the glory, great things He hath
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