

St. Luke's Coffee Shop

The coffee shop is no longer open every Saturday. It will operate on those Saturdays when there is some activity taking place at the Church e.g. prayer meeting, which happens on the 2nd Saturday of each month (9 – 10 a.m.); lay ministers training also on the second Saturdays and Saints seminars.

The following are confirmed dates when the coffee shop will be open:

- 13th August
- 10th and 17th September
- 8th and 22nd October
- 12th November

Stew Kitchen

Every Thursday morning approximately 100 homeless people are served warm stew in our hall. The group who do it need volunteers to come alongside them and help. It would require the whole Thursday morning ... please consider joining this rewarding ministry.

FAMILY CROSS

Please pray for the recipients of the family cross every day during the week



This week's families

Next week's families (7 Aug)

07h30 Shirley Difford
09h30 Nonku, Funde, Khanye & Taiwe, Britton
18h00 Peter, Jennie & Michelle Hall

Next week's families (14 Aug)

07h30 Derrick & Lorna Dodkins
09h30 John & Tessa Browne
18h00 Ann Hepple

Following week's families (21 Aug)

07h30 John & Pam Durrant
09h30 Grant, Louise, Caitlin & Rhys Buchanan
18h00 Pauline, Amy & Jess Hepple

Thursday's family (1 Sept))

09h30 Candice Horne

St. Luke's Church, Orchards



St. Luke's seeks to build God's Kingdom by helping believers to develop a *covenant relationship* with God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—that will enrich our daily lives and equip us for service to others

7 August 2016

Meaningless Offerings

It is not an uncommon phenomenon in churches that appeals for donations of whatever to help whichever cause or group of people is met by the generosity of God's people.

Sadly, it is also not uncommon for some of the donations to be of such poor quality that one can only wonder that they have not long ago been discarded.

This is the difference between acceptable offerings to God and meaningless offerings.

How does our self-giving stack up as a gift to God?

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The Word of God

07h30 & 09h30— Holy Communion

Celebrant: David Edwards
Preacher: Allan Williams

1st reading Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20

Psalm Psalm 50: 1-8, 24

2nd reading Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

Gospel Luke 12: 32-40

18h00— Holy Communion

Celebrant: David Edwards
Preacher: Allan Williams

1st reading Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20

Psalm Psalm 50: 1-8, 24

Gospel Luke 12: 32-40

Thursday-09h30—Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Allan Williams

1st reading Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20

Psalm Psalm 50: 1-8, 24

Gospel Luke 12: 32-40

Rector: Revd David Edwards
Senior Assistant Priest: Revd Allan Williams
Assistant Priest: Revd Janette Ross
Youth Minister: Vacant
Church Wardens: Charles Sarjoo, Camilla Leeds, Isaac Takawira (alt) and Mondo Mazwai (alt)
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PRAYER FOCUS:

Thanksgivings:

- Mervyn Low and his team on the Worship Portfolio
- The answer to prayer in successfully appointing Jordan Theron
- Peaceful elections

Our Parish

- RIP Elaine Binder; we pray for Harold and Tyrone
- Those who are suffering or ill, in hospital or at home: Kathleen Vincent, Rodney van Wyk, Beryl Bailey, Fiona Hopkins, John Hanna, June Smith, Anthea Cereseto, Jill Lawson, Margie Hoffe, Pauline Hanna, Marie Myhill
- For us all to develop a sense of God in our lives

Our Diocese and the Church

- Bishop Steve and his wife Liziwe
- For the power of the Holy Spirit to be evident in all our clergy

Our Country

- For our Government in these times
- For integrity in all our leaders
- For all policemen and women, esp for Lt. Gen. de Lange (the Commander in our area), Revd Musa Shihambe (Chaplain) and Const Mashabaphala (Com Liaison for Orchards)
- For all who use our roads to do so responsibly
- All those without shelter in the cold
- Creativity in solving the drug crisis
- For all educators, for them to remember the reason they 'teach'

Our World

- The all those living in the Middle East
- Refugees everywhere



Birthdays this week



- 7 Sne Ndzabandzaba
David Phillips
- 8 Grant Buchanan Douglas Gibson
- 9 Carol Dixon Sarah Myerscough
Janet Poole Liezel Wyngaard
- 10 Leon Barron Cosmas Muchinguri
Julie Whitlock
- 11 Jane Chocho Ben Garrad
Angela Mhlanga
- 13 Ian Thomson



Anniversaries this week



- 11 Peter & Julie Frolich 2007

We remember in love those who have died 7—13 August

- 7 Aug 2013 Stella Vice
- 9 Aug 2011 Iris Webber
- 13 Aug 2009 Margie Dawson

"The God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles" 2 Cor 1:4

Home Communion

If you would like to receive Holy Communion at home because you are sick or house bound please let the office know.

Corporate Prayer @ St. Luke's

Corporate prayer is an important part of the life of the church. Corporate prayer edifies and unifies us as we share our common faith.

Please consider joining one or all of the Prayer Meetings that take place in our Church weekly. You are also welcome to join for just part of the prayer time.

Monday—Friday:

08h30—09h00: Morning Devotions

16h30—17h00: Evening Prayer

Monday

17h30—18h30: Prayers for St. Luke's

Thursday:

13h00—14h00: Prayers for our Country

Saturday (13 August)

09h00—10h00: Prayers for St. Luke's

All Welcome

Next Generation Pastor

I'm pleased to advise that Council has agreed to appoint Jordan Theron as our "Next Generation Pastor".

Jordan has an honours degree in theology and will be charged with the task of building our community, particularly in relation to young people from three years old up to young married couples. This will be done through ministry, discipleship and teaching.

Jordan and his wife, Helen, will join us on 5 September 2016.

Dates to Diarise

- 9 Aug** Public Holiday
- 17 Aug** Holy Spirit Refreshment
- 21 Aug** Baptisms (09h30)
- 27 Aug** Quiet Morning
- 4 Sept** Sea Sunday
- 5-11 Sep** Simon Reed Visit—Creating Community (details next week)
- 17 Sept** SAINTS with Bishop Steve
- 16 Oct** St. Luke's Day

You are invited to a A Quiet Morning On Saturday 27 August 2016

"Sabbath and the Sanctification of Time"

Jesus said....

"The Sabbath was made to meet the needs of the people, and not people to meet the requirements of the Sabbath." (Mark2:27 NLT)

"Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28 NIV)

Come and spend time in the presence of God...

7.30-10.30 with a closing Eucharist

Breakfast included (Donation box available)

Bring a blanket, Bible, notebook and the "ears of your heart."

Please let the office know for catering purposes...011 728 7015

