

## Financial Report

These are our financial results to the end of October 2016.  
*"Praise God for all He allows us to do with HIS finances."*

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	3 660 235.00	3 689 476.00
Expenses	(3 779 826.00)	(3 937 872.00)
Net Income	(119 591.00)	(248 396.00)

## Think about this .....

We are the feet and hands of the body of Christ and the body only functions properly when every part is doing its bit!



There are so many ways to contribute to this smooth functioning. What about being a sidesperson, a pray-er, a tea pourer, a helper in the Stew Kitchen, a contributor of meals for the sick and housebound?

There are many more areas to get involved ... please chat to one of the staff and we can fill you in.

The office is looking forward to hearing from you!!!

## FAMILY CROSS



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

### This week's families (11 Dec)

07h30 Danny Gumbi  
 09h30 Sandra & Justin Fleurs  
 18h00 Dambu Dube

### Next week's families (18 Dec)

07h30 Donald & Barbara Halley  
 09h30 Gill Gallagher

### Families on 8 Jan 2017

07h30 Richard & Pat Hatfield  
 09h30 John, Nomkhozi & Umi Gamedze  
 18h00 Peter & Amanda  
 Nurcombe-Thorne

## Anglicare at St. Luke's

We have trained counsellors available to meet with you if you need to talk to someone about anything that might be troubling you. There is no charge for this service and complete confidentiality is guaranteed.

**Call 011-728-8888**

# 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

**11 December 2016**

## Holy Seeing

How do you see the world? As a place of hope, or of despair? A place of abundance, or of scarcity? A place of joy, or of sadness? Your answers to these questions might reveal your worldview. Each of us has a worldview, whether it is conscious or not. It is the sum of the assumptions and values we use to filter the information we need to process daily. It helps us to make decisions, and to understand and cope with life.

A Christian worldview is one that sees the world through the eyes of Jesus. It gives us an awareness of the eternal continuity of life and the values and actions requires of us.

As we patiently await the celebration of the birth of Christ we are more blessed than the crowds were at the time of John the Baptist – we know the truth. We know that Christ is the Messiah. We know that he has come to save us. We know that he is available to us , and through him we are able to become people of compassion and love, sharing his light with the world .  
*David*

## The Word of God

### 07h30 & 09h30— Holy Communion

Celebrant: Allan Williams  
 Preacher: David Edwards

1st reading 2 Kings 4: 1-7  
 Psalm (07h30) Psalm 139: 1-10  
 2nd Reading (07h30) James 5: 7-11  
 Gospel Matthew 11: 2-11

### 18h00— Holy Communion

Celebrant: Allan Williams  
 Preacher: David Edwards

1st reading 2 Kings 4: 1-7  
 Gospel Matthew 11: 2-11

### Thursday-09h30—Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: David Edwards

1st reading 2 Kings 4: 1-7  
 Gospel Matthew 11: 2-11

**Rector:** Revd David Edwards

**Senior Assistant Priest:** Revd Allan Williams

**Assistant Priest:** Revd Janette Ross

**NexGen Pastor:** Jordan Theron

**Church Wardens:** Charles Sarjoo, Camilla Leeds, Isaac Takawira (alt) and Mondo Mazwai (alt)

**Office Hours:** 9.00 am to 1.00 p.m., 2.00 to 4.30 p.m.

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## PRAYER FOCUS:

### Thanksgivings:

- Jenni Gous and her team on the Home Group Portfolio
- Marli (née du Plessis) & Martin Terblanche married yesterday

### Our Parish

- Those who are suffering or ill, in hospital or at home: Beryl Bailey, Fiona Hopkins, June Smith, Anthea Cereseto, Jill Lawson, Margie Hoffe, Shirley Long, Douglas Gibson, Penny Mackrory, Margaret Mulgrew, Pam Gibson, Shirley Difford
- For us all to develop a lively sense of God in our lives

### Our Diocese and the Church

- Bishop Steve and his wife Liziwe
- God's wisdom and discernment for all clergy

### Our Country

- For our Government in these times especially all those in positions of authority
- For Herman Mashaba, Mayor of JHB
- For integrity in all our leaders
- For all policemen and women,
- People to spend wisely at this time of year
- For all who use our roads to do so responsibly
- Our parishioners on holiday—protection for both them and their properties
- Rain! Especially in the catchment areas—and protection on those living in low areas from floods

### Our World

- All those living in the Middle East
- Victims of violence & terror
- Creativity in solving the drug crisis



## Birthdays this week



11	Linda Williams	
12	Barbara Altaras	
13	Nina-Jin Atkinson	
	Kirsty & Kelly Orji	
14	Denise Braun	Ntonga Zulu
15	Beryl Bailey	Elizabeth Lane
17	Don Chellew	Thabang Modiba



## Anniversaries this week



11	Tom & Janet Cloete	1979
	Stewart & Candice Horne	1982
13	Bruce & Janet McMurray	1958
14	Steven & Olga Goncalves	1985
15	Noko & Dimakatso Makgato	2001
	Peter & Amanda	2012
	Nurcombe-Thorne	
	Kirshan & Robyn Ruthunsamy	2012
16	Stephen & Nicole Black	1989
	Mandla & Batlalefeng Mtshali	2006
17	Digby & Christa Young	1994

## We remember in love those who have died 11—17 Dec

17 Dec 2015 Eunice Rouse

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

## Corporate Prayer @ St. Luke's

### Monday—Friday:

08h30—09h00: Morning Devotions

16h30—17h00: Evening Prayer

### Monday

17h30—18h30: Prayers for St. Luke's

### Thursday:

12h00—13h00: Recess till mid January

Saturday (2nd Sat of each month)

09h00—10h00: Prayers for St. Luke's

All Welcome

## Holy Living

### How then shall we live?



Join us for a time of quiet reflection as we wait...

Wednesday evenings  
19h00—19h45 in the church

14 December - Holy Seeing

21 December - Holy Birth

## Children's Christmas Service

Calling all families with young children... Come and join us on 24 of December @ 16h00 as we celebrate the "Ultimate Gift" this Christmas season.



## Carols by Candlelight

Sunday 18 December @ 19h00

Please join us on the lawns outside the Church—or in the hall if it rains.

## The Annual Carol service is next week!

If you wish to sing or play, the rehearsals will be:

Thur 15 Dec 19h00—20h30 (singers)

Sat 17 Dec 13h00—14h00 (singers)

14h00—16h00 (all)

Sun 18 Dec 16h30 (rehearsal)

Service starts at 19h00.

Contact SUE (083 4542640)



### Sunday 18

07h30 Holy Communion

09h30 Holy Communion

19h00 Carol Service

### Saturday 24

16h00 Children's Service

23h30 Holy Communion (with Carols)

### Sunday 25

07h30 Holy Communion (with Carols)

09h30 Holy Communion (with Carols)