

SEEKING A SOUL FRIEND?

“One of the most beautiful gifts in the world is the gift of encouragement. When someone encourages you, that person helps you over a threshold you might otherwise never have crossed on your own.”

John O Donohue (author of *Anam Cara* (Soul Friend))

If you would like someone to accompany you on your spiritual journey in this one on one way, please contact Diana at diana.lawrenson@gmail.com or through the office on (011) 728 7015.



FAMILY CROSS



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

This week's families (16 July)

07h30 Roger & Sue Tinsley
09h30 Tim, Lisl, Simon & Sarah Less
18h00 Tshepo Malinga

Next week's families (23 July)

07h30 Ray & Sandra Tricker
09h30 Carol & Dawn Lock
18h00 Lwanga & Phumla Maqula

Following week's families (30 July)

07h30 Maule & Angie Wright
09h30 Yvonne Loizou
18h00 Ruth Marcus

Thursday's family (3 Aug)

09h30 Ron & Pat MacKenzie

Our cushions are here!

They are being stored in the Baptistry—and if you would like to make use of them, please collect from there and return at the end of the service.

The contoured back cushions are for your back, please ensure that the zip is at the bottom and the curve faces your back.

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**

Rector: Revd David Edwards

Senior Assistant Priest: Revd Allan Williams

Assistant Priest: Revd Janette Ross

Deacon: Revd. Diana Lawrenson

NexGen Pastor: Jordan Theron

Senior Lay Minister: Richard Hatfield

Church Wardens: Camilla Leeds, Mario Kuisis, Gerhard Harris (alt) and Pamela Muchinguri (alt)

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

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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

16 July 2017

The Word of God

07h30 & 09h30 — Holy Communion

Celebrant: Allan Williams
Preacher: David Edwards

1st reading Ezekiel 37: 1 - 14

Psalms (07h30) Psalm 104: 26-3

2nd reading Romans 8: 1-14

Gospel John 14: 15-21

16h30—Power Hour

A Celebration with the Family
including Holy Communion

18h00 — Holy Communion

Celebrant: Allan Williams
Preacher: Margaret Southey

Reading Matthew 21:10-13

Thursday~09h30—Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: David Edwards

Reading Romans 8: 1-14

Gospel John 14: 15-21

The Spirit of Life

Today, in the fifth in our post-Pentecost series on the Holy Spirit, we look at the Spirit of life.

God offers the wonderful gift of eternal life to all who place their trust in Jesus.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” (John 3:16). The exact details of what eternal life will mean are not made known to us, but it is clear that such a future will be delightful beyond comprehension and perfect in every detail.

That is for the future. And, in addition to all this, we are assured of abundant life right now; that if we turn to Jesus rivers of living water will flow out of us (John 7:37-39)

Christ gives LIFE.

David

PRAYER FOCUS:

Thanksgivings:

- Mervyn Low and his team on the Worship Portfolio
- For Keira Leigh Gibson, Thomas James Gibson & Samuel Roger Myerscough baptised at Power Hour today

Our Parish

- Those who are suffering or ill, in hospital or at home: Beryl Bailey; (for complete healing), Stephen Black (chemo), Lorraine Gaillard; John Hanna, Tim Hart; Penny Mackrory, Pamela Muchinguri; Margaret Mulgrew; Joan Nourse, Penny Sinclair, June Smith; Tessa Thornton-Smith (shoulder op 31/7), Nicky Walsh
- For us all to develop a lively sense of God in our lives

Our Diocese and the Church

- Bishop Steve and his wife Lizwiwe
- 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
- Rain! Especially in the catchment areas
- For all of us to move from anger to grace, repentance & forgiveness
- For teachers, educators and learners
- For all policemen and women
- The homeless as the temperature drops
- For all who use our roads to do so responsibly

Our World

- All those living in the Middle East



Birthdays this week



- 17 Sherita Ngwenya
Hayden Schmidt
Nicole Spies
- 20 Paul Barron
Jeff Maaba
Shelley Shorten
- 21 Thando Mhlanga
Glynis van der Watt
- 22 Chris Adams
Carol Grauman
Bethany Harker



Anniversaries this week



- 21 Edward & Nomsa Sibanyoni 2001

We remember in love those who have died 16—22 July

- 16 July 2014 Brenda Glynis Aubonnet
- 17 July 2016 George Croote

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

Contacting the office . .

Please let us know if you (or someone else in the congregation) are ill or going into hospital. Please do not assume that we know, sometimes we don't.

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:

12h00—13h00: Prayers for our Country

Saturday (2nd Sat of the month)

09h00—10h00: Prayers for St. Luke's

themarriagecourse

a unique and practical seven week course starts on Monday 24 July at 18:30 at Andersons Nursery.

The course is open to couples (married and unmarried) and covers many challenging areas of marriage including money, communication, forgiveness, in-laws and sex.

The cost is R1500 per couple and includes all meals, drinks & materials (Payment terms can be arranged.)

Please contact Helen or Maria at the Church office (011-728-7015)

All names MUST be in by 11:00 Monday 17 July!

Dates to Diarise

- 24 Jul** *Marriage Course starts*
- 26 Jul** *Sue Tinsley's Camino Report Back*
- 2 Aug** *Staff Holy Spirit Morning (office closed till 2pm)*
- 16 Aug** *Evening of Refreshing*
- 1 Sep** *CD launch - Roger Tinsley details next week*
- 16 Sep** *SAINTS*
- 17 Sep** *Baptisms @ 09h30*
- 25 Sep** *Public Holiday*

YPC is on holiday

All the groups—Little Candles, Lighthouse, Crossings and One Life will be closed for the government school holidays ... reopening next week at 09h30.

Please pray for all the leaders as they have a chance to attend 'big Church' and get refreshed and revitalised.

Please join Sue Tinsley

as she speaks about and reflects on her
Camino De Santiago Experience

Wednesday 26 July 19h00

Sue will be sharing with pictures and a talk on her experiences

Tea and Coffee will be served

All Welcome!

Billy Graham's Guidelines for Christian Living

- **Read your Bible daily.** Do not be content to skim through a chapter merely to satisfy your conscience. Hide the Word of God in your heart. It comforts, guides, corrects, encourages – all we need is there.
- **Learn the secret of prayer.** Prayer is communicating. Every prayer that you pray will be answered. Sometimes that answer may be “Yes” and sometimes “No,” and sometimes it is “Wait,” but nevertheless it will be answered.
- **Rely constantly on the Holy Spirit.** We know that the Holy Spirit prays for us (Romans 8), and what a comfort that should be to the weakest of us. Stand aside and let Him take over all the choices and decisions of your life.
- **Attend church regularly.** The visible church is Christ's organization upon earth. Christians need one another, we need to gather together to worship God and nothing can take the place of church attendance.
- **Be a witnessing Christian.** We witness in two ways: by life and by word – and the two, where possible, should go hand in hand.
- **Let love be the ruling principle of your life.** Jesus said to those who followed Him, “By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one to another” (John 13:25). The greatest demonstration of the fact that we are Christians is that we love one another.
- **Be an obedient Christian.** Let Christ have first place in all the choices of your life.
- **Learn how to meet temptation.** Temptation is not sin. It is yielding that is sin. Let Christ through the Holy Spirit do the fighting for you.
- **Be a wholesome Christian.** Our lives and appearance should commend the Gospel and make it attractive to others.
- **Live above your circumstances.** Don't let your circumstances get you down. Learn to live graciously within them, realizing the Lord Himself is with you.

Guidelines for Christian Living is excerpted from “Peace with God” by Billy Graham, published in 1953, revised and expanded in 1984.

“Dear Lord and Father”

Roger Tinsley's *CD Launch*

When: Fri. 1st Sept 2017

Where: St Luke's Hall

Time: 5:30 for 6pm

Cost: R100 (or per couple)
which includes a CD

Roger has recorded 12 Songs - his own and joint compositions written over the years and including his own arrangement of “Dear Lord and Father”. Join us for an evening of celebration, thanks and blessing of the CD as it is launched. Hope to see you there....

Please RSVP to:

rtinsley@pixie.co.za or

011 887 5000 or tickets at the door.

(Drinks & light snacks provided)





Join

Sue Tinsley

as she speaks about
and reflects on her

Camino De Santiago

Experience

St Luke's Church

Lighthouse Hall

Wed 26th July

7pm

Tea and coffee will be served