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Diocesan Priests' Indaba

Between Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 24th August, history was made in the Archdiocese of Cape Town as it hosted its first Indaba for diocesan priests at Goudini Spa in Worcester. In the history of the Archdiocese to date, three Indabas have been held for all the priests, both religious and diocesan; but, at the last one held in 2016, a need was expressed to host also more frequently a diocesan priest Indaba so that the diocesan clergy could have the opportunity to reflect together on issues that particularly pertained to them in their pastoral situations.

It was decided by the Committee for the Ongoing Formation for Clergy, in consultation with the Archbishop, that the theme for the first Indaba should be the spirituality of the diocesan priest. Four talks were, therefore, structured over the two days to cover aspects of this spirituality.

After registration at midday on the Tuesday the first talk focussed on spirituality as rooted in the unique history of Cape Town and in his talk to the clergy, Mr Patric Tariq Mellet focussed on the diversity of peoples and cultures that have always characterized the unique charm and challenge of the region.

On the Wednesday, the two talks given by Mr Denzil Smit and Fr Joe Slattery focussed respectively on the spirituality of the diocesan priest as rooted in professional ethics and the pastoral realities of the different parishes. That evening a fulfilled gaudium was enjoyed by all after supper.

The final day was the highlight as the Archbishop addressed the priests on the topic of the spirituality of the diocesan priest as rooted in the mission Christ. This essentially implied five relationships

that had to grow continually in the spirituality of the priest: with himself, with his prayer life, with his parishioners, with his fellow priests and with the Archbishop.

Every day the clergy spent time praying the office of hours together and concelebrating Mass. On Tuesday we celebrated the Feast of the Queenship of Mary and Fr Peter-John Pearson, who was the main celebrant, spoke of a need to develop in our lives, like Mary, an attentiveness to the needs of others – especially the marginalized or disempowered. Monsignor Andrew Borello was the main celebrant the second day as we celebrated the feast of St Rose of Lima and the focus of his homily was on the call from the Householder to work in His vineyard. If he calls, he also empowers with his grace those whom he calls. The Archbishop celebrated the closing mass on Thursday before lunch as we celebrated the feast of St Bartholomew. He continued the theme of his talk by showing how Nathanael was invited by Christ to encounter him in relationship – so too we are invited to encounter Christ in the relationships that he has established for the priesthood.

As it was the first indaba for diocesan clergy and, as such, a learning curve for the organisers, there will be much room for improvements in the future. Nonetheless, it was the general consensus that the overall goals had been achieved and that the two days were days of spiritual enrichment and growth and a fine opportunity for the diocesan priests to grow all the five relationships that are at the core of their mission in Christ.

Fr Michael van Heerden



SNAPSHOTS FROM THE INDABA



A FESTIVAL OF NATIONS MASS was celebrated at Our Lady Help of Christians, Lansdowne on Sunday 24th September 2017 (Heritage Day). It was a very colourful and joyful event, with the bi-centenary of our Catholic faith in South Africa a central part of the celebrations. To this end, a model of St Mary's Cathedral was built and presented at the Offertory, as a symbol of the origins of our faith. From TOP: Gathering in unity around the table of the Lord, with principal celebrant, Fr Peter-John Pearson; a festival of flags and fashion after the Mass; Fr Pablo Velasquez CS, who built the model of St Mary's Cathedral

60th Jubilee celebrations for German-speaking Catholics

The 60th Jubilee of the German-speaking Catholic Community was celebrated with a solemn Mass by Frs Peter-John Pearson and Stefan Hippler at Nazareth House on Sunday 24 September. The parish council decided to celebrate this auspicious occasion on Heritage Day weekend with a music concert and speeches. The community was first led by Pallottine priest Fr Franz Xaver Marterer in 1957 and later by Fr Bernhard Rütting. When Fr Stefan Hippler came in 1997 the com-

munity grew to over a 1000 members. From the active life of the community many NGOs developed, HOPE being its most well known outreach project. The German-speaking Catholic Community wishes to thank all religious communities and the community in Bellville in the past that have given the community a place to worship and celebrate Mass every Sunday, and to the priests who continue to offer it support.

Ms Petra Schindler



Fr Charles recently spent three months in America visiting Life Teen, a movement whose aim is to lead teenagers and their families into a closer relationship with Christ and his Church. He writes:

How can one adequately sum up three months of craziness in a few lines?

Well, perhaps a few stats will help sketch the outline

- I packed up and moved about 13 times (through two countries and six states – I think)
- I tried to learn the names of about:
 - 130 summer missionaries (who volunteer for six or seven weeks)
 - 50 service crew (who volunteer for 13 weeks)
 - 75 full time staff and missionaries
- I ministered at 10 weeks of camps in four different venues (including four prep weeks)
- I ministered to hundreds of teams (averaging two hours of confession a day)
- I said Mass in about 12 different places, including mountains, forests – with more than 100 different priests.
- I attended three conferences in three different states (and declined a fourth in favour of one week of quiet without many pastoral duties)

A lot of people and a lot of place; from the air-conditioned comfort of a conference hall at a university in Kansas to the heat and squalor and poverty of Haiti; from the dry heat of the Arizona desert to the chill of the California mountains, from the busyness of downtown Atlanta to secluded campsites in the Georgia mountains.

But perhaps most important of all; a lot of lessons, including

- Its possible to be lonely in the midst of a crowd – but God is always there
- God is good and has a plan even when it isn't immediately obvious
- Cape Town is the best place in the



Mass on the mountain



One set of summer missionaries

- world to live
- A small group of people with missionary hearts on fire for Jesus can transform lives and communities
- so many wonderful people and be filled with hope about the future of the church – and to consider ways to implement some of what I learnt, here in Cape Town.

I am grateful for the opportunity to have so many new experiences, meet

Fr Charles Prince

IMPORTANT CHILD SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Annual Child Safeguarding Workshop

Who: All Parish CSP Co-ordinators

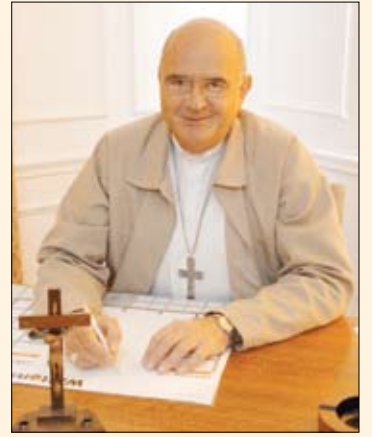
When: Saturday 25th November 2017, 09.00-12.00

Where: St Mary's Cathedral Leslie Johnson Centre

Agenda items include: Archbishop Stephen Brislin introduction; Parish co-ordinators implementation experiences and suggestions; CSP audit feedback; Childline presentation; additional CSP literature distribution

All parish CSP co-ordinators are urged to attend. In addition to the particular agenda items to be covered, this is a forum that facilitates mutual support for each other as well as providing practical feedback to the archdiocese about the effective implementation of the Child Safeguarding Policy.

From the HEART



Every time I celebrate Mass I give thanks to God for the great gift of the Eucharist. I have no idea how many Masses I have celebrated since I was ordained but it is in the thousands. Nonetheless, the celebration of the Eucharist is always new, strengthening and nourishing. How blessed we are as Catholics to have this wonderful Sacrament that brings us into such close communion with the Trinity and with each other, forging us into the Body of Christ.

Yet familiarity can make us blasé and complacent. We are fortunate in this Archdiocese, unlike many other parts of the world, not only to have the Eucharist in our own parish on Sundays and during the week, but also to be close to other parishes which we can easily visit. Familiarity should never cause us to forget that the focus during Mass is always on Jesus Christ. While each person is called to participate according to his/her role, everything is done in order to "do something beautiful for God". The focus should never be on the priest who leads the liturgy, on the choir whose task is to lead the congregation in singing God's praise, on readers, acolytes or liturgical dancers. Holy Mass is prayer from beginning to end. It is scriptural not only because it was instituted scripturally by Jesus, but because all the prayers used in the Mass are derived from Scripture.

We should never confuse the celebration of Mass with receiving Holy Communion. It is true that we receive Communion during Mass, but it is possible to receive Communion outside of Mass, for example, if we are in hospital or during a service in the absence of a priest ("Communion Service"). Mass is the memorial of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus – a memorial not in the sense of recalling history, but in

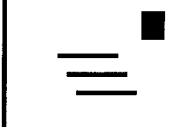
the sense of a living and present reality that has its roots in the past. It is during that memorial that the profound miracle of transformation takes place as the bread is transformed into the Body of Christ and the wine transformed into the Blood of Christ.

It is not surprising the bishops of the Second Vatican Council referred to the Eucharist as the "source and summit of the Christian life" (Lumen Gentium 11). All of our good works are bound up with the Eucharist and oriented towards it. It is through the Eucharist that we are strengthened and nourished by the life of Christ himself, Christ who is the vine and we who are the branches (cf. Jn 15:1-17). It is his life and grace working within us that enable us to do what is good and right – we celebrate all this goodness when we celebrate Mass.

It is gratifying that so many parishes have the opportunity for parishioners to deepen their Eucharistic adoration, not only within the celebration of Mass, but also through Holy Hours, Benediction or perpetual adoration (or, at least for some hours during the day). The depth and richness of this great mystery is certainly beyond human capacity to fully grasp. But it is not only about "grasping" it with our minds, it is much more about our relationship with Christ as we enter into an ever-greater unity with him through the Eucharist. We should never take it for granted, or allow ourselves during the course of Mass to be distracted from where our focus should be – on Jesus Christ, his mercy, forgiveness and love.

+ Stephen Brislin

**+Stephen Brislin
Archbishop of Cape Town**



Letters to The Editor

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World Day of Prayer for Creation



Archbishop Stephen Brislin, together with staff from the Centre for Pastoral Development, joined representatives of various faiths at the Tana Baru Kramat in Bo-Kaap on 1st September 2017 for an interfaith prayer service, to celebrate World Day of Prayer for Creation.

The service began with words from Laudato Si: "The poor and the earth are crying out. Help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future", read by Rev. Natalie Simons-Arendse. Ncumisa Magadla of the Green Anglicans then led with a Celtic Prayer: "This we know, the Earth does not belong to us – this we know, the Earth is the Lord's and so are all that dwell therein"; followed by prayers by



youth from the interfaith organisation GOAL, challenging us to change our lifestyle and attitudes to the planet.

Archbishop Brislin then addressed the gathering, urging us to become more aware and to conscientise ourselves about care for the environment – and to make it a way of life.

After the address, representatives of the different faiths from the Cape

Town Interfaith Initiative led with beautiful prayers reflecting the need to be good stewards of the Earth. Khoisan Chief Arries from the First Nation shared this prayer: "Our Father, Father of our Ancestors, let it rain upon us. Let our flocks live, let us also live. Please we are very weak from thirst and hunger. Let us eat fruits of the field and share in the riches of

our soil."

We then joined together in the words of the Laudato Si led by Father Bernard Makore, assistant priest at St Mary's Cathedral; Rev. Rachel Mash of Green Anglicans led the group in a commitment to being Guardians of the Earth and of the Water; and Francesca de Gasparis from SAFCEI prayed a moving prayer, which culminated in

a turning to each other, knowing that we are filled with love and solidarity in journeying together.

Anglican bishop Geoff Davies closed with a final prayer and the service ended with the planting and blessing of a tree by Canon Desmond Lambrechts.

Text (adapted) and pics with permission from a post on the Green Anglicans Facebook page.



25 YEARS: Bishop Reginald Cawcutt celebrated his Silver Jubilee of Episcopal Ordination on 26th August 2017. He celebrated the milestone with a few friends at a local restaurant.



VISIT FROM ARCHBISHOP MAKGOBA: Seminarians from St Francis Xavier Orientation Year Seminary in Athlone pose for a photograph with Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, Thabo Makgoba, who visited them earlier this year. Thirty students from all over southern Africa are studying at the seminary. After their orientation year they then go on to study Philosophy and Theology at St John Vianney Seminary in Pretoria, before ordination to the priesthood. (Picture: St Francis Xavier Seminary)



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CALLED TO SERVE: Consider Prison Care & Support Ministry

Crime and violence affects everybody, and like everywhere else in the world South Africa is no exception. The impact covers racial, social and economic lines and it is hardly surprising that most South Africans either know, or know of someone affected by crime – if not a victim or perpetrator themselves.

The desperate plight of the poor, dysfunctional family life and a lack of love often leads to negative behaviour. Far too often this results in serious crime and in turn to incarceration. Although society might feel that justice is being served through incarceration, there is a much larger impact on society. The family of the incarcerated inevitably is affected. Very often children are left destitute, stigmatised and rejected by society, especially when parents end up in prison.

In both the Old and New Testament, we see how God desires of us to show compassion to the poor and needy. He also says that those who show mercy to the poor, the sick, and the needy are in effect ministering to Him personally (Matthew 25:35-40) and will be rewarded accordingly.

Likewise, of the prisoner, God says in Galatians 6:1-2: "Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently...2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ."

If God has mandated us to reach out to the poor, imprisoned and affected, the question beckons: "what is the Catholic Church doing to fulfil this obligation?" Or closer to home, what is the Archdiocese of Cape Town doing to heed God's call?

The Prison Care & Support Network (PCSN), under the auspices of the Archdiocese of Cape Town, strives to create hope among the incarcerated, ex-offenders and their families and to restore a sense of humanity in our communities. The PCSN seeks to respond to the spiritual, emotional and material needs of those affected through the celebration of Mass, Bible study, individual consultations, scripture readings, praise and worship, Alpha programmes, and food and educational needs – to name but a few.

Although the work of the chaplain, priests and volunteers are challenging, it is done with tremendous love and selflessness. This is evident by their commitment through the number of years that many have served.

One of the very impactful programmes conducted by PCSN is the



Volunteer Team in training

Restorative Justice Programmes (RJ), run in the various prisons. The RJ team works closely with the willing offender to encourage them to understand the consequences of their actions on the victim and their family, as well as their own leading of stakeholders to restoration in relationship. The team ensures that the dignity of the victim, offender and families are respected and maintained without any form of discrimination or intimidation. Although these sessions are often very emotional the RJ team conduct these in a very professional way, with great compassion and humility. The aim is to restore relationships that are broken by crime and to facilitate forgiveness of self and reconciliation with the affected. However this is never forced.

In addition to the spiritual and emotional support given to the incarcerated, PCSN also strives in preparing the incarcerated for re-integration into society after release. With the financial assistance of donors, the incarcerated offenders are encouraged to better themselves by learning a skill which will assist them with employment opportunities upon release.

However, once released, the ex-offender often finds that his/her sentence is still not complete as the public's judgmental perception of the incarcerated is often the most difficult trauma to bear. Finding employment, even with skills, often proves to be nearly impossible. Very often the family of the ex-offender is unwilling to offer an olive branch and the latter is left destitute. In these instances PCSN, with the help of its donors, try to bring some relief by providing much needed food, nutritional parcels, school support and other needed goods. Although, not nearly enough, the assistance is much appreciated, especially in those families where there are children who suffer due to

malnutrition and lack of basic educational needs.

Over the past 20 years the PCSN has been able to undertake these initiatives through the support of funding agencies, church groups, local individual donors and through the Archdiocesan Prison Ministry Sunday collection taken once a year. Due to lack of funds from overseas and local funding fatigue, the PCSN is under tremendous financial constraints to sustain its much needed services to those on the margins of our society.

As you can imagine, with a spiralling crime rate and an increase in poverty across all social lines, the task is huge and the need is great. If you are inspired to assist, either as a volunteer, or with material or monetary donations, kindly contact the PCSN office on 021 531 1348 or email: prisoncarenetwork@gmail.com

PCSN Administration Team

This is another look at the Pater Noster, the Lord's Prayer:

OUR FATHER who reigns over us from Heaven,

we, your creatures proclaim the beauty and wonder of your awesome unspeakable name, I AM.

We long for your Kingdom – a kingdom of justice, love and peace; a kingdom of the meek, the pure of heart, the oppressed, the merciful. A Kingdom of compassion and healing.

Father, nourish your children in our daily labours and feed us with the Bread of Life.

Grant to us a joyful submission to your divine will, and also make us fruitful instruments of your peace on earth, forgiving all those who offend us, since you so mercifully forgive our pride, selfishness, envy, jealousy and greed.

Father, continue your ever-present protection against every evil, and graciously make us worthy, spirit-filled children of your Kingdom.

Fr Ralph de Hahn

An old man told his grandson
"My son, there is a battle between two wolves inside us all."

"One is Evil. It is anger, jealousy, greed, resentment, inferiority, lies and ego. The other is Good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, humility, kindness, empathy and truth."

The boy thought about it, and asked,
"Grandfather, which wolf wins?"

The old man quietly replied,
"The one you feed."



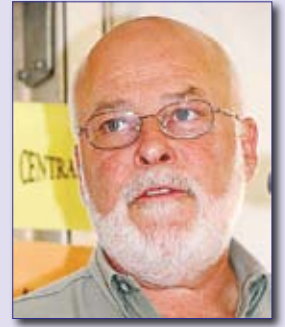
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Theology Today
Mgr Andrew Borella

As we continue to celebrate two hundred years of the Catholic Church in Southern Africa, we are drawn to reflect on the history that determines the reality of the present Church. While many people today have little time for history, it is a great teacher and there are many lessons to be learnt. This is not to glorify history, but rather to face it honestly in order to move forward.

The rapid expansion of the Church in Southern Africa (way beyond the initial expectations at the start) was largely due to the many men and women missionaries who came to the country from Europe. They came with a zeal to bring Christ to Africa and her peoples, making huge personal sacrifices. Most never returned to their families, but rather gave themselves completely to this mammoth task of Christianising whole communities of people. Their dedication to the task remains inspiring for us. They faced many challenges and lived in often really difficult and hard circumstances, with real personal self-denial. They were heroic.

Unfortunately, they were the product of their time and this where history begins to teach us a valuable lesson. It is not to blame those missionaries for any failure on their part, but to understand the whole issue of Mission. They were bringing Christ and Christianity to people who did not know him or anything about Christianity. They came as part of a Colonial movement with a sense of superiority which imposed Western values and ways as part of the process of Christianising heathens. They largely sacramentalised people rather than evangelising them, a task that would have forced them to understand the culture of the people for whom they were missionaries. They effectively laid a veneer of Christianity onto people rather than integrating Christianity into their culture.

With hindsight it is easy to pass this judgment, but they were doing heroically what their time informed them to do. Christianity was a Western reality that was right and good, which the people of a totally different cultural reality needed to receive in order to be saved. They provided education, healthcare and social welfare to a people in need of attaining the appropriate way of life that was acceptable to a Western standard. What it did was present a model of

the Provider Church which lacked any real sense of ownership or identification with the Church for the recipients of this missionary activity.

Today we have developed a whole branch of Theology devoted to the missionary activity of the Church – Missiology. There are institutes and organisations that devote themselves to this task of missionary activity, theological faculties dedicated to this new understanding and new missionary initiatives that embody this. The fundamental principle of Mission is simple and clear. The missionary does not preach the Gospel, but rather takes the time to enter into the cultural reality of a given people to discover the Gospel that is already there and then to connect the full Gospel to what is discovered there. In this way they will integrate Christianity into the cultural reality of that people. The underlying principle is that God is revealed in part through culture and the reality of a people's lives. Something of the Gospel is already there and needs to be brought out to be connected to the fullness of the Gospel as Christians know it.

Rather than a veneer of Christianity with its trappings of Western culture, this approach allows for an integration of Christianity and culture which does not have to be Western in its ways and values. Have we missed the boat? A consideration of re-evangelisation would suggest that this is the way that we need to move forward: Not dismissing what has been done, but starting a new process of evangelising people – a new wave.

When Pope Francis speaks of going among people as missionary disciples, he speaks of going to share their reality, loving and caring for them, entering into their reality and when they ask "Why such love and concern?", then to speak the Gospel. Placing this in the context of different cultural realities, then, it is to listen, to learn, and to discover the Gospel present and to fulfil it for them. A new wave of evangelisation is possible, but it requires a new way of being Church to build for the future of an integrated Christianity rather than an outward observance. This is true for all our communities and will be a huge challenge for all of us. The mission of Christ remains there for all of us to fulfil if we are ready to take our Christian faith seriously.



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Inspired by the first Apostles, members of the Neocatechumenal Way go on mission. They announce the Good news of the Gospel. Like the Apostles, they go on foot, two by two, without money, food, or a place to sleep.

From 11 to 21 August, to answer the call of Pope Francis, 72 men and women of the Neocatechumenal communities of South Africa were sent on such a mission, with nothing but a Bible in their hands, to announce the Good News in many places throughout South Africa, Swaziland, Botswana and Lesotho. The mission follows Jesus Christ's command, documented in Matthew

chapter 10: 'As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." You received without payment; give without payment. Take no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their keep.'

The group was blessed for their mission by Archbishop Stephen Brislin during a sending retreat in Cape Town, as he addressed them with the following words: "Through our Baptism we share, as the Apostles, in the ministry of Jesus Christ to proclaim the Kingdom of God... Evangelization in the modern time is not only for us to take Christ to those who have not heard of him, but

also to people for whom Christ has become irrelevant, to rekindle their faith. We proclaim hope! Because no matter what we have done in life, Christ always offers us forgiveness and salvation".

Archbishop Slattery of Pretoria sent the following message to the group: "Go with Jesus. Go to the towns and villages, go to the rich and the poor. Share your beautiful faith with all. You remind me of Galilee, you remind me of Assisi. May your faith set many hearts alight".

The Apostolic Nuncio to southern Africa, Archbishop Peter Wells, also sent a greeting, promising his prayers.

This same mission is currently being held in many parts of the world, as announced last year during the World Youth Day in Krakow, when more than 150 000 youth of the Neocatechumenal Way gathered for a vocational meeting. Kiko, the initiator of the Way, was visibly moved by the recent death of Carmen Hernandez, the person with whom he started the Way in 1965. He said 'Carmen has inspired us from heaven, a great thing: next summer thousands of youth, seminarians, priests and families will go on mission, without bringing anything with them, two by two, to announce the Gospel in the whole world!'

The Way was born when Kiko and Carmen left everything to go and live among the poor in the slums of Madrid. This is why they would then periodically invite all itinerant catechists of the Way to renew this experi-



With the Bishop of Rustenburg Diocese, Kevin Dowling CSsR

ence by going two by two, announcing the Gospel without money or a place to sleep or eat.

This year, after the death of Carmen and – according to Kiko – inspired by her, the mission has been held for the first time in all parts of the world, and was open to all. 'This mission is not just for consecrated people,' said Dino Furgione, responsible of the Neocatechumenal Way in South Africa. 'There are married people, single, young and old, priests and seminarians. This is the spirit of the Second Vatican Council, the body of the Church as a true presence of Christ. We have experienced the fact that Christ accompanies us. And to the question he poses to his disciples in the Gospel of Luke, "When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?" we can testify that we didn't lack anything! Some have indeed suffered some deprivations, but we all experienced the 'perfect joy' of Saint Francis, who

also used to send his friars out two by two.'

When the group gathered to share their experiences, everyone had the light of the risen Christ in their eyes. During the final retreat, after listening to some of the experiences of those who have been on mission, Archbishop Brislin said "You have presented to us how you have met Christ, how you have brought Christ to people, and brought light from darkness, thank you!"

Dino Furgione said: Along the way we certainly spoke with many people from different backgrounds and cultures who were suffering, and looking for answers to the existential questions that life presents to them. They were like sheep without a shepherd. We see in this the need to evangelize, to continue going out to announce Jesus Christ. It is true that today, everywhere, it is a land of mission.

Submitted by Dino Furgione



With the Archbishop of Bloemfontein Archdiocese, Jabulani Nxumalo (centre)

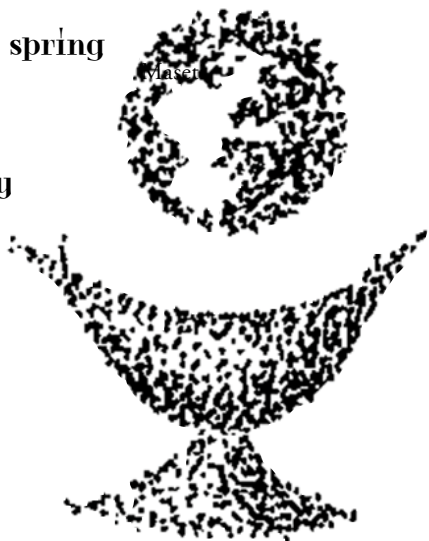
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A Just Energy Transition in South Africa: Sources, Ownership and Related Matters. 24 August 2017: L-R: Ms Tina Schubert, Ms Lebogang Mulaisi, Ms Palesa Ngwenya (Environment and Energy Researcher, CPLO), Mr Richard Halsey, Ms Tasneem Essop, and Mr Iago Davids



Lunch with James Selfe (Democratic Alliance), 4 July 2017. L-R: CPLO Liaison Bishop Kevin Dowling CSsR, Mr James Selfe, Adv. Mike Pothier (Research Co-ordinator, CPLO), and Ms Venessa Padayachee (National Advocacy and Lobbying Manager, NICRO)



Visit by Mr Volker Kasch, 6 July 2017: L-R: Adv. Mike Pothier, Ms Karen Morris, Fr Peter-John Pearson, and Mr Volker Kasch



Lunch with Bridget Masango (Democratic Alliance), 20 July 2017 L-R: Mr Albert Fritz, Ms Bridget Masango, Fr Peter-John Pearson



HOPE Cape Town's Community Health Workers visit the CPLO, 16 August 2017. Fr Peter-John discusses the work of CPLO with a group of doctors, nurses and other healthcare professionals of the HOPE Cape Town project

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The newly formed Holistic Women's Group at ST MARY MAGDALENE, LENTEGEUR had their first awareness talk on substance and alcohol abuse on Saturday 23 September 2017. The group wants to take this opportunity to thank the clergy at the parish for their wonderful support and guidance in arranging the talk. The women's group called on the services of the Cape Town Drug Counselling Centre and the director of the company, Mr Ashley Potts, is seen addressing the gathering. Attending the talk were members of our own parish as well as members from different denominations. The awareness talk was very informative and helpful and members discovered that help was indeed just on their doorstep and within their community. Many of the women thanked the group for this initiative in bringing this type of awareness to their community. The women's group also wish to extend their thanks to Mr Patrick Schultz from St Mary Magdalene Men for Change who assisted in doing the kitchen work.



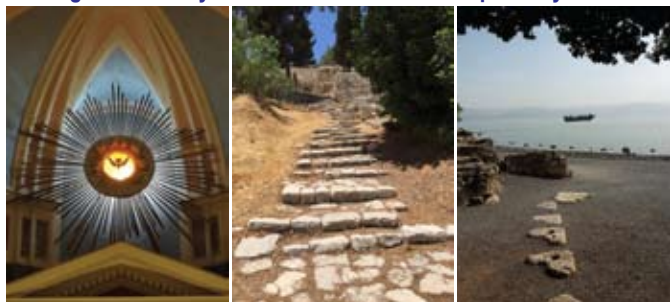
ST MATTHEW'S, BONTEHEUWEL mini debutante function was held at Parow Civic Hall on 15 June 2017. Pictured, left, are the St Francis de Sales Prayer Group members with parish priest Fr Peter Ziegler. Below, left: Winner at the mini debutant function, left: First Prince Tylor Fortuin; Centre: Queen Naska Kruger; Right: Second Prince Tyler Jacobs. Submitted by Ms J. Schippers, Bonteheuwel



24 new members (of which 9 are young adults) joined the **KOLPING FAMILY** in Kleinvlei in an inauguration ceremony celebrated during Sunday Mass. Fr Emmanuel Okika receives the new members into the Kolping Family with Jeremy Kiewitz and Jennifer Fredricks as Kolping Family representatives.

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In time of peace he gave himself wholly in Christian service to those in need.

Father and lover of all, we beg You to grant the favour we ask through his intercession (name the favour requested.....) so that his holiness may be recognised by all and the Church may proclaim him a Saint.

We make this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please acknowledge any favours received to: "Leonard Cheshire", c/o The White House, 21 Upperville, Paringind, Norfolk NR14 7SH

On the 7th September the cause for the canonization of Leonard Cheshire, founder of the Cheshire Homes was established. I had the privilege of assisting to create the Langa Home. Please could you publicize the attached prayer and invite the chaplains of each home to include this prayer.

Thank you.
Tony King

Abortion Warning

'The Pill' can abort, undetected, soon after conception. A medical fact. See www.humanlife.org/abortion_does_the_pill.php



TRAINING FOR ECCLESIA: A training day for Ecclesia co-ordinators, in preparation for the coming season of Ecclesia, was held at the Chancery atrium on 5 August. The participants were introduced to the theme of the new season, "Of the Lord's Vineyard". This theme tapped into the bi-centennial celebration by looking at the story of the growth of the Church in southern Africa.



Judith Turner's **FINAL PROFESSION** into the Little Company of Anawim was held on Friday 11 August at St Catherine's, Kleinvei. Mass was celebrated by Archbishop Stephen Brislin. On the right is Sr Cecilia Bailey, the Superior of the Little Company. There are now six finally professed members and three aspiring members.

What does Anawim mean?

Anawim is a Hebrew word which means those who made themselves poor and humble for the sake of God, trusting for all that they need on God's providence.

What does the Little Company of Anawim do?

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Who may join the Little Company of Anawim?

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Church, free from impediments and conscientiously seeking to deepen her life with God. Each member receives training and makes annual vows for three years before taking final vows.

Where do the members live?

Each woman continues to live in her own home environment, supporting herself financially, but coming together frequently with her Sisters to grow in the life of God.

For further enquiries, please contact: Sr Cecilia Bailey
9 The Sands, 84 Janssens Avenue Table View 7441. Tel: 021 556 6086
Email: ceciliaanawim@gmail.com

The Legion of Mary of **ST MARTIN DE PORRES, LAVISTOWN** arranged a Rosary Procession on Saturday 19 August 2017 to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima. The procession started at the Church and ended at the place where three young men were tragically killed because of gang violence that is plaguing the Bishop Lavis suburb.



The playroom at **ST JOSEPH'S HOME** for Chronically Ill Children was officially opened on 11 September as one of the final stages of the three-year renovation programme to the hospital. Rotary Signal Hill (District 9350) and Rotary Westerstede (Germany) donated R100 000 towards the renovation and changing of the playroom. Other donors were the Dieter and Bettina Wulkow Foundation (computers) and Conny Keller and friends (play equipment, chairs and tables). The playroom has a general play area for general activities, a television,



computers, and a small reading room with books and a music room. Pictured here are Thea Patterson (director), Seumas Reynolds (Rotary) and Mike Saxby (Rotary).

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Few people give much thought to rural children, but they are out there in large numbers, many struggling each day to stay in school, often without any food or proper clothing. Help the Rural Child Charity Shops supports the Goedgedacht Roman Catholic Trust Path out of Poverty Rural Youth Centres (POP) which gives these often forgotten children a chance to dream of a life without hunger, where they can be happy, be educated and eventually make a contribution to our country.

Goedgedacht run eight POP Centres. Six of them are in little towns and villages on the West Coast and two of them are on farms. They are in the process of building their ninth POP centre in Porterville. Approximately twelve hundred children and youth pass through the doors of these POP Centres on a daily basis and about another 2000 on a less regular basis. They run two baby units from 0-3 years old and two pre-schools from 3-6 years old. These POP Centres provide a whole range of exciting and worthwhile opportunities for rural children, including a safe, supervised space for children to do their homework, access to computers and a variety of activities that encourage team work and creativity. In addition to the activities that the POP Centres provide, each child receives a hot meal when they come from school. For many children this may well be the only meal for the day. Help the Rural Child sponsors the organic gardens at Goedgedacht which provides some of the vegetables used in the POP Centres.

Help the Rural Child has been in existence for 11 years and has 10 Charity Shops. Two bookshops in Mowbray and Kirstenhof; five clothing shops in Sea Point, Cape Town (Adderley Street), Retreat, Mowbray and Parow; one furniture shop in Retreat, a Mobile Bookshop that takes books to schools all over Cape Town and a Children's bookshop in Mowbray. These shops are all run by a team of paid staff and volunteers, wonderful people who are vital to the success of our shops. Because of their hard work and dedication, our shops are stocked with a great selection of goods in excellent condition at very good prices – come and see for yourselves – you won't be disappointed.

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5. We are very grateful to the nine Catholic parishes who have allowed us to have collection drives once a year on a particular weekend. A big thank you to the priests and parishioners for their generous support. If you are interested in having us come to your parish please call us on 021 685 2810 or e-mail operations@ruralchild.org.za

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Honouring the Heritage of Catholic Education

In her article "Honouring the Heritage of Catholic Education" in *Archdiocesan News*, issue 85 (July-September 2017) on page nine, Evona Rebelo gave a brief historical summary, but three precisions ought, in justice, to be made when acknowledging the earliest pioneers: schools existed in Cape Town well before 1863; there were schools in Grahamstown and Bloemfontein in the 1850s; and in all these schools, the role of priests and laity as teachers was indispensable.

The pioneers Ms Rebelo identified were six Cabra Dominican nuns from Dublin who reached Cape Town in September 1863, and French Marist brothers who arrived in 1867. Other French pioneers had passed through Cape Town in May 1864 on their way to Lesotho were four Oblates of Mary Immaculate (priests and lay brothers) and six Holy Family Sisters who were to teach weaving.

But the first missionary nuns were the French Assumptionist Sisters who, passing by Table Bay, reached Algoa Bay in December 1849 and took over what was said to be "the only good school" in Grahamstown with its thirty pupils. They also opened a free school in January 1850. By 1860 the fee-paying school had 36 day pupils and 14 boarders while the free school had 155 pupils.

As far back as 1821 Fr Patrick Scully obtained from the Burgher Senate in Cape Town a plot of land for a "Chapel, School, Priest's Dwelling, &c.". No school was built, but the parsonage was temporarily used for Bishop Griffith's "Mercantile and Classical Academy" for boys which opened there in January 1839. The teachers were priests and ecclesiastical students. At Bloemfontein there was a non-racial school from 1852 onwards, where Fr Hoendervangers taught classes streamed by language.

Griffith's Academy survived for over twenty years, but when Bishop Grimley arrived from Ireland in July 1861 he found only the free schools which his predecessor had established: that for boys had 60 on the roll, that for girls 50.

The premises were in a dire state and in September Grimley preached a charity sermon which raised £105. He summoned the congregation to appeal for further aid, and in December purchased a plot on Roeland Street for a school, which the Marists took over.

The colonial government made educational grants from 1841, but eligibility depended on daily Bible classes. Grimley objected to Sacred Scripture being treated as a textbook, so Catholic schools were excluded. He successfully agitated for this restriction to be removed, and just before the Dominicans arrived he was notified of an annual grant of £75 "for St Mary's Roman Catholic Schools in Cape Town" on condition that religious instruction was voluntary and conducted outside normal school hours.

The first principal of Griffith's Academy was another Irishman, Dr Aidan Devereux. In 1847 Rome appointed him first Vicar Apostolic of the Eastern Vicariate and he was instrumental in encouraging Rome to solicit the newly-founded Oblates of Mary Immaculate to take on the task of evangelising the vast territory lying east and north of the Eastern Cape called "Natal" by Rome, but including Lesotho and Swaziland and extending into Botswana as far as the Tropic of Capricorn.

Among his first lay helpers at Grahamstown were Frances Ford and her daughters Elizabeth and Janet. The "only good school" taken over in 1850 by the Assumptionists had been opened by Frances Ford and Janet, who had moved first to George and then to Grahamstown, having left Cape Town where she and her daughters had started a free school for poor children in July 1840. Upon their departure, it was the bishop's sister Margaret who took it over, assisted by Ms Barry.

These are the pioneers of education offered by Catholic priests, nuns and laity in South Africa in the 19th century, worthy of our homage.

Martin Keenan

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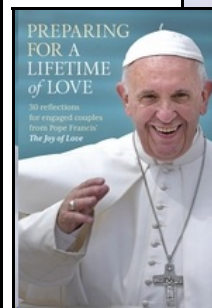
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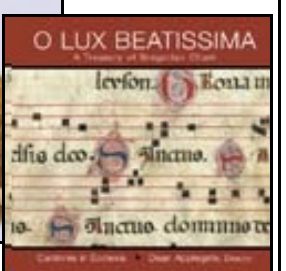
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A short story by Fr Ralph de Hahn



I remember it was Tuesday, 11th September 2001.

What Tommy Cleghorn experienced in New York City on that day will never ever be erased from his memory, or mine. Tommy was a true friend with a beautiful smile and was always reliable. He was born in Boston, an officer in the Boston Fire Department, who had been transferred to New York as a trainer to the NYFD. He was regarded as the best fire-fighting officer in the USA.

On that morning he was on the phone to his wife Liz in Boston, MA, "Hi darling, it's early I know, but I need to wish you and Clare a very pleasant flight to Los Angeles. You should be on your way already?"

"Yep, we're all set to go" replied the excited wife as their only daughter Clare carried the heavy luggage to the family car. "What flight are you on, Liz? American airlines?"

"No, no, honey" was the hurried reply "we're booked on the early United flight 175... must run... 'Bye. Love you..." and the line went dead.

In New York City Tommy Cleghorn made his way to the Fire Station in Manhattan, stopping on the way for his normal coffee and doughnut breakfast. He was hardly at the station, checking his equipment and studying the day's schedule with his trainees when what sounded like an explosion sounded around the city. Moments later there was another, and cries of anguish and fear filled the air. The fire alarm sounded and the fire bell rang out its warning. Ambulances poured in from all other centres. Chaos and terror embraced the great city.

Tommy and his team, with their engines fully equipped, raced down the avenues to the source of the explosions. What they witnessed was terrifying and unbelievable. Both the Twin Towers of the World Trade Centre had been hit by huge American Airlines. Surely an accident! Maybe a navigational error or the hazy atmosphere. It was about 9 am.

Within a short while it became evident that the USA was under attack by ter-

rorists who had hijacked the American planes and had used them to destroy the Twin Towers. Tommy was one of the many firemen and emergency workers who had rushed to the building amidst the threatening black smoke and burning metal, to assist the evacuation of thousands of workers desperately seeking escape from the lower stories and the terrifying inferno.

But worse was yet to come. The higher stories of this mighty structure began to crumble and crash to the earth. One could hear the painful cries of burning victims and as many as 200 bodies flung themselves from the inferno to certain death. Evacuation was extremely difficult, at many places impossible. The death toll was alarming. Almost three thousand people died a horrible death. Tommy tells me that 343 firemen, 411 medical workers and about sixty police officers had given their lives. It is estimated that about 3 000 children lost one or more parent.

Tommy himself was in that burning, crumbling building and consequently suffered serious bodily burns and had to be carried out to a medical tent within the danger zone. The heat was intense, with the black smoke engulfing the city, and many other buildings in the vicinity were also shattered. The screaming noises of machines and people was unstoppable. Chaos reigned. Men, women and young workers were crawling out from the burning wreckage, coughing and choking from the thick poisonous black smoke.

"Thank God" prayed Tommy, "my wife and daughter are safely on their way to California, away from this horror." While being treated in the emergency rescue tent, Tommy heard the radio news bulletin. It was shattering. Four American planes were hijacked; two hit the Twin Towers of New York, the third hit the Pentagon, killing 184 military personnel, but the fourth was frustrated in their wicked aim by the brave passengers who dared to attack the terrorists and crash the plane with no possible survivors. And then came the devastating, crushing news. Tommy's body froze, his head wanted to explode, his ears began buzzing, his mouth and tongue were parched. The second plane that hit the south Tower was a 767-222 United Airlines flight 175 from Boston destined for Los Angeles – and there are no survivors!

In the crowded emergency tent Tommy fell to his knees and sobbed. "O God, you wouldn't do this to me, my darling Liz, my daughter Clare. I cannot believe this. There must be some mistake. Oh my God, there must be!! Please, please... answer me."

Tommy lay on the ground sobbing and pleading, deeply hurt with no further desire to live an empty life without his loved ones when a staff nurse approached him and handed him a cellphone "This must be yours, Tommy, it could be a message for you."

More bad news! Sobbing heavily he took the little instrument and through blurry eyes could read nothing. He put it to his ear. His hearing was awakened, his eyes sparkled as he recognized the voice: "Tommy is that you? Thank God, I am with Clare at the Mercy Hospital in Boston. Our daughter fell and broke her arm when leaving home... we missed the flight."

(A true story)

Catholic School News

The third quarter of 2017 has been filled with a host of spiritual, cultural and sporting events.

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HOW TO DO THIS?

Research the history of your school or founding mother/father. You might also like to tell the story of someone who has played a special role in your school. You may present your Bi-centennial Heritage project in any of the following ways:

- An interview with a 'wisdom figure' in your community who can tell you about the history of your community
- An essay or report sharing your school's story or a chapter in the life of your school's story.
- A poem or song which captures the spirit of the history of your school
- A picture, collage, photographic album or visual timeline which tells the story of your community
- An essay titled, "If these walls could speak ..."

You may embark on this project on your own or as a group. Entries will be judged under the following categories:

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CATECHETICS FESTIVAL

The annual catechetical festival was held at Our Lady Help of Christians in Lansdowne on 30th September. The theme was "Looking at the Past with a view to the Future". This formed part of the Church's bi-centennial celebration for Catechists. Archbishop Stephen Brislin gave the welcome and a word of inspiration and encouragement to the participants. Fr Ralph de Hahn, in the opening talk, took the catechists down memory lane and recalled some of the stories from his early years in the Archdiocese, co-ordinating catechesis in the parishes and religious education in the Catholic schools. In the small group electives, Sr Alma Kohler HC, Alison Dunn, Fr Pablo Velasquez and Fr Noel Rucastle each shared their own story. Towards the end of the festival, catechists expressed their own hopes for the Church in the future.



RETIREMENT: Ms Tonci Cacchioli (above) retired from her position as Archdiocesan Archivist, and Ms Julia Mahomed (below) retired after 10 years of service as Accounts Clerk in the Chancery finance office. They will be greatly missed indeed. We are grateful for their friendliness, commitment and efficiency to the task.

Regarding the Archdiocesan Archives: every diocese has an archive where documents concerning the affairs of the church are properly filed and preserved. They are a place of historical memory and a storehouse of our immense and precious Catholic heritage. Documents and records have been preserved since the beginning of the Catholic Church in South Africa – and have been, and will remain in the future, the principal source for historical research. The archives are the memory of our Church in South Africa.



ECCLESIA: (Above). Shortly after his arrival in the Archdiocese of Cape Town, Archbishop Stephen Brislin established the Pastoral Plan Implementation Advisory Board to look at the most important and pressing needs coming from the Synod of 2007. Both laity and clergy were consulted, and the need to reflect upon, discuss and discover our faith and our relationship with the person of Jesus has emerged. Small Faith Sharing Groups was deemed the best model to use in order to achieve this. The Centre for Pastoral Development has therefore developed this current series of Ecclesia – Of the Lord's Vineyard to help us reflect on the past 200 years and to assist us to focus on lessons to be learned both for now and for the future.



TRINITY OF BIRTHDAYS: (Above, left). On Friday 6th October, Chancery staff celebrated the birthdays of Archbishop Stephen Brislin, Monsignor Clifford Stokes and Joan Armstrong, which all occurred around this time.

CPD PLANNING DAY: (Left). On 4th October the members of the Centre for Pastoral Development (CPD) gathered at Edmund Rice House in Green Point with their Vicar, Monsignor Andrew Borello and their Director Joan Armstrong to plan for the coming year.

At this meeting a calendar of CPD events, celebrations and gatherings was put together for 2018.

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Bonteheuwel	587.90	335.50	334.50	
Bothasig	8,694.90	4,158.80	6,560.00	4,418.30
Brackenfell	2,510.00	2,710.00	3,451.35	2,550.00
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Green Point	4,010.00	2,980.00	2,770.00	2,710.00
Gugulethu	527.50	300.00	527.50	
Hanover Park	2,280.00	2,110.00	1,460.00	1,170.00
Heathfield	5,538.00	6,707.20	5,867.00	7,247.45
Hermanus	2,497.50	2,708.70	144.00	1,854.90
Hout Bay	1,622.80	1,692.50	1,580.00	1,031.50
Khayelitsha QoA	150.00		210.00	
Khayelitsha St R	690.00	414.00	370.00	547.00
Kleinvele	2,213.00	2,282.30	1,844.00	1,153.20
Koelenhof	284.20	200.00	195.20	200.00
Kommetjie	2,188.90	1,650.00	1,696.90	1,902.50
Kraaifontein	1,846.10	1,313.50	1,510.60	1,325.10
Kuils River	2,891.20	1,477.70	1,830.00	1,075.00
Lambert's Bay	268.00	117.50	297.00	100.00
Langa	246.00	690.00	740.00	570.00
Lansdowne	5,950.90	6,019.40	5,767.60	5,218.80
Lavistown		1,540.00	1,502.00	1,963.00
Lentegour	2,674.60	3,703.30	2,494.90	2,850.30
Maitland	3,525.30	3,140.80	3,061.46	2,385.40
Malmesbury	310.20	336.30	329.00	420.00
Manenberg	667.40	858.10	721.20	753.60
Matroosfontein	2,330.00	2,500.00	1,610.00	705.00
Milnerton	2,170.00	4,190.00	4,180.00	3,830.00
Mowbray	2,544.60	2,792.10	2,553.90	2,755.90
Newlands	3,368.00	2,931.70	3,464.10	1,738.80
Nyanga		235.00		
Observatory	520.00	803.25	333.20	332.40
Overberg		250.00	879.50	140.00
Paarl	4,156.00	4,630.55	3,427.80	2,926.95
Parow	4,000.00	4,258.00	3,200.00	3,360.00
Parow Valley	2,438.00	1,050.00		1,130.00
Pinelands	2,532.50	3,227.15	2,566.20	2,665.45
Plumstead	4,771.30	5,959.00	4,165.50	6,581.10
Portuguese	561.70	663.70	607.00	425.90
Retreat	1,430.00		1,340.00	
Rocklands	1,287.00	1,461.00	1,252.00	1,485.00
Rondebosch	9,148.70	8,514.20	8,433.00	7,731.70
Sea Point	3,300.00	3,300.00	2,500.00	3,310.00
Simon's Town	2,570.00		600.00	
Somerset West	4,430.30	2,028.00	4,560.70	5,854.90
St James	2,006.70	1,720.60	1,870.80	2,225.20
Steenberg	2,428.70	2,563.00	2,152.00	2,440.00
Stellenbosch	2,833.15	3,000.00	3,115.80	3,500.00
Strand	4,380.00	5,270.00	2,100.00	3,240.00
Strandfontein	2,430.00	2,952.00	2,910.00	3,060.00
Table View	16,470.00	18,250.00	13,830.00	12,680.00
Tafelsig	470.30	640.80	496.40	813.80
Vredenburg	2,027.00	2,247.60	2,729.80	2,497.90
Welcome Estate	1,050.70	1,552.00	1,192.50	517.00
Westridge	2,200.00	1,300.00	2,000.00	no priest
Woodstock	500.00	600.00	500.00	610.00
Wynberg	4,782.80	5,865.70	4,560.00	3,479.75
TOTALS	R 182,803.70	181,879.05	162,636.26	155,928.70

Please Note: The above figures represent deposits made up until the end of September 2017

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS October-December 2017

St Anne's Girls of Gugulethu give back



The St Anne's Girls Sodality of St Gabriel's, Gugulethu organised and facilitated a campaign to donate sanitary towels and toiletries to young girls in need. The event was held on 23 September 2017 at the gates of the the parish church in order to reach as many girls as possible.

The event was aimed at young girls in the church community as well as in the Gugulethu community at large.

In our communities there are a large number of girls who miss out on school while they are having their periods, because they cannot afford to



afford sanitary towels. On the day, the girls also enjoyed snacks and finger foods with the sodality. This was a joyous occasion for the young girls and the sodality is thankful to everyone who donated to make this day a resounding success.

Vicky Dyantyi

Joy as St Anne's Girls celebrate 35 years

The St Anne's Girls Sodality began as the St Anne's Sodality project and was introduced in the Archdiocese of Cape Town in November 1982, under the leadership of the former Archdiocesan president Mrs Chubungu of St Gabriel's. The late Mrs Sifati, Mrs Sigege and Mrs Ngombo of St Gabriel's were appointed as the link between the sodalities.

The sodality had its roots in St Gabriel's and grew from there throughout the Archdiocese. It was decided that each parish should have a St Anne's member to give spiritual guidance to the girls, with assistance from the parish priest. Mrs Beja was appointed for St Raphael's and St Kizito, while Mrs Dyantyi was appointed for St Gabriel's. Mrs Shete assisted at diocesan level, and other mothers were appointed for other parishes around the Archdiocese.

The St Anne's Girls Sodality has spread throughout various dioceses in the country. Most recently, it was established and launched in Mthata Diocese in the Eastern Cape, where 24 members were vested in 2013. This year in July the St Anne's Girls of the Archdiocese of Cape Town were invited to a convention in Durban to be a part of its 11th anniversary in the Archdiocese of Durban.

As part of their 35th anniversary celebrations the sodality held a gala dinner at St Gabriel's on 16th June, where the former president of the St Anne Sodality, Mrs Shibana, with the sodality's chaplain, Fr Audcius Tindimwebwa. New members were vested at the Mass. As part of the celebrations they held a memorial service to honour the late members and all those who played part in establishing and growing the sodality. Amongst them was the late Deacon Mguda of St Gabriel's who was the former chaplain, and Fr Desmond Curran.

A special awards ceremony was also held as part of the day to honour and recognize all previous presidents of the sodality. The St Anne's Sodality president, Mrs Mbolekwa, presented gifts to the presidents: Nomakhaya Booie who was the 1st president, Nomlindelo Litholi, Bukiwe Madolo, Nonkosi Vena and Pumela Mtshamba,



ABOVE & BELOW: The girls went out to the beach after the service



The girls with Kokstad Diocese members



The president (left) and secretary (next to the president) representing the Archdiocese of Cape Town in Durban



Priests from different parishes came to celebrate the gala dinner with the girls



ABOVE: New members holding candles in memory of late members of the sodality; RIGHT: New members being vested



who is the current president. The president also presented awards to the hard workers of the sodality from different parishes.

Vicky Dyantyi



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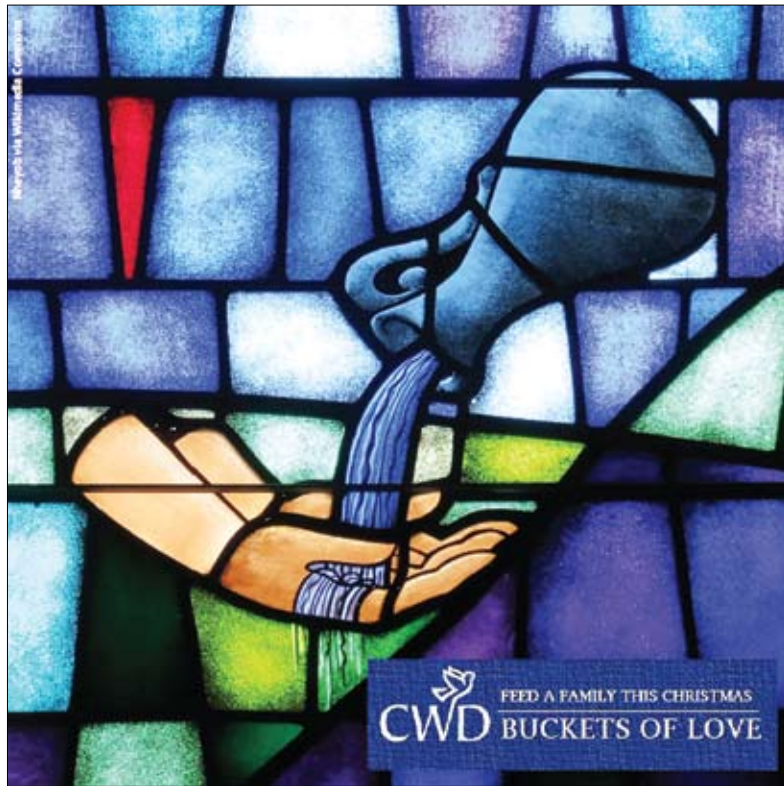
BUCKETS OF LOVE 2017: BIGGER AND BETTER

As we approach the festive season we are kickstarting our annual BUCKETSOFLoveCAMPAIGN. This year we have set a target of 6000 buckets – 1000 more than last year's target.

In total, we distributed 5525 buckets of love, that is 464 100 meals provided through the 2016 campaign.

While in previous years we have been driven by getting as many buckets out as possible, in 2016 we focused on quality as many of our supporters have encouraged us to ensure Buckets of Love are fitting for the Christmas festivities. We found three exciting ways to respond to these many requests.

1. We introduced an application form for the first time which allowed Catholic Welfare and Development to develop a database of recipients who are then supported throughout the year through our many interventions. Together with an extensive wellness and healing program that provides anything from traditional arts to hip hop classes, early childhood services, the school of development and humanitarian response, Buckets of Love is the gift that keeps on giving in connecting people facing economic hardships.
2. We replaced some more mundane items in the bucket, such as peanut butter, with luxury items, such as jam, while keeping the same nutritional value to ensure the contents feed a family of four over a week. Overall, the cost of the bucket increased with inflation and some of these modifications changed the budget, but the impact and thank you letters we have received show that you were all right.
3. Our second Buckets of Love event



introduced RECOGNITION AWARDS to promote the work our partners do to an audience of 250 people who are actively involved in identifying those most in need of buckets. This meant that smaller partner organisations were able to make services not provided by Catholic Welfare and Development available to our broader Buckets of Love family.

We thank you for your generous response to our appeal and to the encouragement to always improve Buckets of Love. This year we will start sending our mailings and emails as of the last week of October, into November, so keep your eye on those

mailboxes.

By the time of going to print our website for #BucketsOfLove2017 was still under construction – you can try and visit us though at <http://bucketsoflove.cwd.org.za/> or follow us on social media for updates:

[facebook.com/CatholicWelfareAndDevelopment/](https://www.facebook.com/CatholicWelfareAndDevelopment/)
 Twitter: @CathWelDev
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If you would like to join our database of supporters to receive email or direct mail appeals (in your letterbox) please email info@cwd.org.za and we will gladly add you to our thousands of supporters, or call: +27 21 425 2095 if you prefer telephonic communication.

The Spirit of Giving continues

Thank You to NEW KIDZ ON THE BLOCK who, through a collaboration, were able to give our Paul Otto Early childhood learning facility a “makeover” when they re-did the kitchen. Volunteers painted the kitchen and later donated appliances to use in the kitchen. On another occasion they also donated groceries, pillows and educational toys for the children.



IN BRIEF

Divestment from Fossil Fuel: This year, together with the Archdiocese of Cape Town and GCCM, Catholic Welfare and Development has made a conscious decision to invest ethically, with a departure from investment in fossil fuels which is destroying the climate and our Common Home

WHAT IS DIVESTMENT?
 Divestment is the opposite of investment—it is the removal of investment capital from stocks, bonds or funds. The global divest-invest movement is asking institutions to move their money out of oil, coal and gas companies for both moral and financial reasons.
 Approximately \$5.2 trillion has been divested thus far

40 DIVERSE CATHOLIC INSTITUTIONS...

4 DIOCESES
 1 BANK
 18 INSTITUTIONS
 10 ASSOCIATIONS
 3 EDU. INSTITUTIONS
 1 ARCHDIOCESE

1 BISHOP CONFERENCE
 1 YOUTH GROUP
 1 ABBEY

BEL 13 ITA 13 IRE 3 ZAF 2 GBR 2
 ARG 2 KEN 1 USA 1 DEU 1 AUS 1 SLE 1

...FROM 11 COUNTRIES DIVESTED

4x GROWTH IN CATHOLIC DIVESTMENT IN 5 MONTHS

Impact of Social Workers: This year we also want to acknowledge our social workers who have worked tirelessly in the most impoverished communities of the Cape Flats and have been recognised in news reports for their great work. One of the most heart-warming articles is from GroundUp where they were part of a process to find a home for a disabled mother at the Missionaries of Charity Mother Teresa Home in Khayelitsha.



New home for disabled Gugulethu mother
 Generous response to GroundUp's report on Cynthia Ntunje's plight
 GROUNDUP.ORG.ZA

RIP Michael Blake: This year we reported about Michael Blake's involvement in 100 Days of Social Action as he provided great insights into youth and housing. Here he is at Catholic Welfare and Development Cultural Hub addressing activists at our HOUSING CRISIS IN SOUTH AFRICA meeting in June. We will forever remember his commitment to issues of social justice.

