

St Columba Gugulethu, under 14's are the junior champs of the Diocesan Soccer Tournament once again



The Diocesan Soccer Tournament took place on 1st May 2017 at Chukker Road. As the team manager of St Columba, I would like to thank all parties involved in making this prestigious tournament a success. The boys had fun and they learned a lot. It was a competitive tournament and our junior team won the title for the second time in a row, we hope to make history by winning it for the third time next year. Thirteen year old Siphe Majodina from St Columba was the junior goalkeeper of the tournament. He only had two goals scored out of the six matches played. Amahle Ngonzi was also an outstanding player, he managed to score eight goals and one of them was the winning goal in the finals. We are very proud of our team, well done to all the other teams who participated. - **Coach Nkosinathi Magida**

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EDITORIAL

“Your child is my child, my child is your child”
It does indeed take a community to raise a child but how tragic when the very same community members are the ones responsible for the deaths of so many innocent children. 19 children have been murdered in the Western Cape since January 2017. These senseless and brutal killings are a clear indication that society has lost its moral compass. So what do we do as Christians? We are touched by the Resurrection and the Ascension of Jesus. We are a spark of God, so go out and tell and share in the good news. Light triumphs over darkness.

Love and Light, Rebecca

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EVENTS AND NOTICES

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Snack Dance: St Mark's Athlone presents a snack dance on 14th July 2017 at the Wittebome Civic Centre from 20h00 - 00h45. The band in attendance will be Cool Sounds and admission is R120. Cheese and wine from 19h30 - 20h30, please bring your own platters and xyz. For more information contact Lorraine McKinnon 021 696 3071 or the parish office at 021 697 1357.

PROVINCIAL YOUTH

A dialogue about the future of our Church and what can, and should, be done to lay the necessary spiritual foundations in the young of our church. Who should attend? Sunday school teachers, children's workers, youth leaders, bible study teachers, confirmation teachers, lay training coordinators, parish church councillors, clergy and everybody who has the oversight over the children and youth ministries. When: Saturday 29th July 2017 from 08h30 - 12h30, venue to be advised. For more information contact info@aysa.org.za or call 021 763 1304.

What's on in 2017

- 3 February - Who is God?
- 9 March - Who is Jesus?
- 7 April - Easter
- 5 May - Who is the Holy Spirit?
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As I write this column in mid-May, the political focus is very sharply on the much talked about and anticipated “Zuma - no confidence debate” due to happen in parliament. Some hope that this will provide a real moment to begin the pull-back from the woeful state that we have reached as a nation under the present political leadership. Others see it as simply another awkward blip on the political radar that will soon see everything back to “business as usual”, at least until the next crisis! However there can be no denying the negative impact and effect of the ongoing spate of revelations around corruption, injustice and abuse of power driven by unrestrained greed, self-interest and personal agendas that has overtaken our society. This especially at the expense of the poor and vulnerable of our society, particularly when all had welcomed our hard earned democracy with so much hope and enthusiasm when it dawned.

Here I’m reminded of the words of Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu quoted in a little booklet called: *The Blessing – A Personal Testimony*. “Our victory is your victory. We are free at last but it has been hard work. Let us not forget the awful price of our freedom. May we continue to honour it with vigilance”. A salient warning and encouragement which, sadly, now appears to have been forgotten or ignored by many, amongst them several of the very people who laid themselves on the line and sacrificed so much to gain this victory and the liberation of the nation as a whole. The recent responses of many across the broad South African society giving expression to their growing dissatisfaction and willingness to refute and challenge the questionable leadership and betrayal of the people

by those meant to serve them, is to be welcomed and supported by us all. Together, as in the past, we must be together in saying, “Enough is enough! - South Africa (and all her resources) belongs to all who live in it”. As the Easter people of God whose lives and witness is directed by Holy Scripture, we can boldly testify to the sovereign rule of the Lord of the Kingdom before whom no human authority, especially unjust and corrupt ones, will remain standing. By God’s grace let us never forget the price that gained our freedom and remain steadfast and vigilant in honouring it always. May we, especially at this time, continue to pray without ceasing for our beloved nation, all her people and leaders, so that true justice, transformational growth and development and willing, servant leadership may become the hallmarks of our proud and beautiful land.

ELUVUKWENI BUILDING FUND: My thanks to the parishes who have responded to our Lenten appeal to kick start the funds that will be needed to realise the building of a permanent church structure for this developing congregation. To date the contributions received have been disappointingly less than anticipated. I urge those who made the appeal during Lent to forward your parish contribution to the Diocesan Office as soon as possible. This is going to be a long term project, so I encourage parishes who were unable to share in the Lenten appeal, to seriously consider how you may show practical support and assistance to help realise the dream and vision of our brothers and sisters of Eluvukweni. Should any individual or family in the diocese wish to contribute towards the project, you may also do so by contacting my office for further details. (021 469 3774)

DIOCESAN SYNOD 2017: Please continue to pray for our upcoming Synod in August



and for the Advisory Committee, the Archbishop, St. Thomas’ Rondebosch (host parish) and Fr. Karl Groepe as the synod manager. Fr. Karl has stepped down as rector of St. Paul’s Church, Cape Town and Archdeacon of the Waterfront from 31 May following his appointment to assist the diocesan administration in preparation for synod and the task of ensuring the follow-up on the resolutions passed by synod, including the preparation, printing and distribution of the new Diocesan Acts and Resolutions.

I will be away in Kenya from 13-24 June attending the 8th Consultation of Bishops, followed by a review of the Peer-mentoring workshops which Frs Joshua Louw, Grant Damoes and I attended.

Grace and Peace
+ **Garth Counsell Table Bay**

65th Session of Diocesan Synod

The **Opening Eucharist** will take place at the **Cathedral Church of St George the Martyr, Cape Town** on **Thursday 17th August 2017 at 19h00**.

The **Synod will reconvene** at the parish of **St Thomas’ Rondebosch** on **Friday 18th and Saturday 19th August 2017 at 06h00**.

Synod Prayer

Lord of every generation,
you call your people to gather together in Synod
and to move out to follow your way in the world:
Forgive us where we have fallen short of your will for us,
encourage us to build up your people in community,
and direct us to re-affirm our covenant in your Son
that we can continue securely on the foundations that have been laid;
in Jesus Christ our Lord
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit
one God, now and forever.
Amen



Diocesan Soccer Tournament from page1



This year's Diocesan Soccer tournament was evenly contested where all or most churches had the opportunity to walk away with the main prize of being crowned champions for 2017. St Mark's District Six at their second attempt achieved that. They beat St Andrew's Steenberg in a tightly contested final on penalties. There was no score at the end of normal and even extra time, and so it had to be decided by penalties. Both goalkeepers kept their teams in the game with some fine saves. Congratulations to our new champions!

The Silver section was won by St John's Crawford who was just too hot for Church of the Holy Spirit Heideveld to handle. It seemed that this was the year of St John's for not only did St John's Crawford win the silver section, St John's Wynberg won the bronze section by beating St Aidan's Lansdowne in that final. The Junior section was won by St Columba Guguluthu for the second year running. They were just too strong for St George's Silvertown. My sincere thanks to all the churches who participated on the day Well done to all the referees for keeping the players in check. St Andrew's Steenberg hosted the event and catered for everyone with all the delicious food sold. Well done to the committee for putting everything together. See you all at next year's tournament God willing.

- the Revd Basil Davids / Photographer: Malcolm Overmeyer



Implementation of the Work Integrated Learning (WIL): a proactive approach by our Church to increase graduate employability

HOPE Africa is a Social Development programme of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, which stands for Health, Opportunity, Partnership and Empowerment in Africa. As expressed succinctly in HOPE Africa's mission, the organisation was established to pro-mote and implement social development programmes for the Anglican Church in Southern Africa for the improvement of the spiritual, physical and emotional well-being of the poor and oppressed people of Africa on a non-denominational basis. Hope Africa's vision is "empowering communities through integral mission".

In operationalising the concept of empowerment and opportunity creation around September 2016, HOPE Africa in partnership with the National Skills Fund (NSF) of the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) kick-started the implementation of the Work Integrated Learning (WIL) programme in the Western Cape and Eastern Cape provinces. The purpose of this initiative is to integrate young people, particularly graduates from the Technical and Vocational Education and Training Colleges (TVET), Universities and Universities of Technology into the mainstream economy.

Key strategic objectives of the WIL programme includes: offering workplace experience to graduates from TVET Colleges and Universities of Technology (UoTs); providing opportunity for internships; increasing household income; reducing the growing margin of graduate unemployment; and assisting in the implementation of community projects. So the implementation of WIL programme by our church is a step in the right direction, and it resonates well with HOPE Africa's mission and vision of empowering communities and increasing opportunities through partnerships.

Development scholars will agree with me that at the center of community development is empowerment and the creation of sustainable opportunities through partnership. As envisaged by HOPE Africa, the implementation of the Work Integrated Learning (WIL) programme is but one way of empowering graduates by providing skills that will ultimately increase their chances of employability.

Undoubtedly the implementation of WIL by HOPE Africa is a sign of an observant church to the needs of its communities, a church that is committed to forging partnership with both Government and the Private sector in order to find alternative means to mitigate the challenges facing our tertiary institutions, where graduate outputs had increased but placement opportunities had decreased due to the nature and structure of our economy.

We are all aware that for any graduate to be competitive in the market, the industry requires reasonable practical experience and know-how of the job. WIL or any Placement Programme helps graduates and students to gain practical experiential learning; deepens their understanding of the complex causes of social and economic problems and offers an opportunity for graduates to translate theory into practical skills. **continues on page 7**



Caring for seafarers
around the world

A welcoming facility serving all seafarers visiting the Port of Cape Town



Two workshops were held in April 2017 and facilitated by Paul Durrant from Clearstream Consulting, the first of its kind for the staff and management committee. The objective was to plan the way forward to make the Mission more viable and sustainable. **Photos: Dougan Johnson**

Like a lighthouse radiating light to anyone at sea; cautioning of possible danger ahead while providing a sense of safety, so the Mission to Seafarers exists with its 'flying angel' as the icon. When the doors are opened daily, it's as if the red carpet is rolled out to welcome the seafarers of the world.

According to Wikipedia, The Mission to Seafarers was started by an Anglican priest, the Revd John Ashley. The idea was borne in 1835 when his son asked him while standing on the shore at Clevedon in the United Kingdom 'how the people on ships in the Bristol Channel could go to church.' He started the Bristol Channel Mission, raised funds and in 1839 'a specially designed mission cutter named Eirene was built with a main cabin which could be converted into a chapel for 100 people.' [1] In 1858, the name changed to The Mission to Seamen and the flying angel logo was adopted. The need became greater for seafarers to have a place to go to once docked and the Mission decided to open centres which provided refreshments, accommodation and a chapel. The Mission to Seafarers, Port of Cape Town is situated within

our diocese. Its chaplain is the Revd Ashley Petersen, who's also the rector of St James, Sea Point. The Mission is deeply rooted in the Anglican faith, the Rt Revd Brian Marajh, is the liaison bishop for the Mission in Africa. "The Mission is a safe haven for seafarers, a 'home away from home'. They (seafarers) know our centre caters for their holistic needs," said Revd Petersen. The Chaplain also does occasional ship visits and speak to the crew. "One has to be a prayerful presence for the seafarers. As chaplain you have to deal with different cultures, languages and requests. They need to trust that they can openly talk to you."

The Centre offers free Wi-Fi facilities for seafarers to communicate with their families, the Chapel is used for spiritual upliftment and a place of solitude. Other services rendered range from a convenience shop, snack bar and transportation. The centre operates 7 days a week - Monday to Fridays from 10h00 – 22h00 and weekends and public holidays from 16h00 – 22h00. There are two shifts in place and the driver collects the seafarers from a point closest to where their

ships are docked and takes them back again. The realities of a seafarer while living at sea for most of the year is a lonely and difficult one. "We have cases where seafarers are not paid for months; their living conditions poor; they are abandoned or they suffer abuse from their captains. These matters are referred to the International Transport Federation (ITF) representative who deal with human right abuse and we are kept informed on the progress," Revd Petersen said.

The Centre have ecumenical partners - Biblia is one of them and distribute bibles in the language of choice. The Catholic chaplain (Apostleship of the Sea – AoS) and his team do hospital visits and see to the needs of the sick seafarer.

Once again, 25 June will mark the annual Day of the Seafarer (DotS). Its purpose is to recognize the unique contribution made by seafarers from all over the world to the international seaborne trade, the world economy and civil society as a whole.

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Youth Leadership Seminar

Young people between the ages of 16 and 35 are invited to attend the Youth Leadership Seminar which is aimed at developing leadership skills for ministry and social action.

Participants will gain a broad understanding of what leadership means in the context of the church and in society, leading to more in-depth and impactful leadership experiences and exposures.

The Leadership Seminar will focus on 2 key approaches of development, viz.:

1. A focus on BEING (development of character, ethics, good morals, servanthood, integ-

rity, empathy, discipleship, etc.)

2. Focus on DOING (personal competencies like visioning, organising, mobilising, inspiring, etc. as well as people skills like training and development, communication, counselling, mentoring, gifts assessment and deployment, team empowerment, etc.)

The Seminar will be held at Braehead House, No 1 Braehead Road, Kenilworth, over 3 weekends (5 whole days) on the following dates:

- 12 and 13th August 2017 from 08:30 to 17:00
- 26 and 27th August 2017 same time

- 2nd September 2017 same time.

Registration fee is R350.00. A certificate will be awarded at the end of the seminar.

Opportunities also exist for clergy and/or lay facilitators at the seminar. Please enquire about the various topics available in the programme.

To register, or, for more information, please contact info@aysa.org.za or visit our web site at : <http://aysa.org.za/index.php/academy/> Only 30 seats are available, so, please register early. - **Tony Lawrence**

Sunflower Learning Centre opened at Zonnebloem



Archbishop Thabo Makgoba cut the red ribbon at the official opening of the Sunflower Learning Centre on the historic Zonnebloem College Estate on Tuesday 25 April, with new librarian Cynthia Ngxukuma to his left and Cosmas Mabeya of The Bookery to his right. The centre, which is situated on church land, is the first dedicated school library on the property in its 159 year history. It was donated to the church by the philanthropic Otto Foundation Trust and came about thanks to an extensive pro bono collaboration between various parties including builder Mansoor Sasman, architect Victoria Hudson and The Bookery, an NGO that specialises in setting up libraries in under-resourced communities. The space was previously used as a classroom, but has now been converted into a modern and fun school library and a safe after-care space for the primary school children of Zonnebloem. The library staff makes reading fun by encouraging teamwork, doing storytelling and hosting creative workshops with the children. The Sunflower Learning Centre needs more book donations, and is geared for e-learning but still needs donations of software and computer equipment. To find out how you can help please contact karen@chrisotofoundation.com. - **Karen Breytenbach**

Diocesan Youth workers retreat at Volmoed

The Provincial Youth Office had a retreat for all the full-time Diocesan Youth worker/coordinators at the Volmoed Retreat centre in Hermanus from the 9th – 12th May 2017 under director of the Liaison Bishop for Children and Youth in the Province, Bishop Dintoe Letloenyane.

Bishop Dintoe opened the retreat with scripture from the Gospel of St Luke Chapter 6 verse 12 – 26. Focussing on the mysterious way of God and the calling

The following day a silent retreat was conducted by Revd Edwin Arrison in the form of a Pilgrim walk. This pilgrim walk consisted of 12 stopping station in nature. There was

time for personal reflection and just being and embracing the beauty of God's creation freely given and care for. The day was concluded by a Taize service in the form of hymns, prayer around the cross, reading of scripture and meditation. In this session I was constantly reminded that this special time is about myself and God. We so focus on prayer on the needs of other etc. and sometimes neglect ourselves. It was a good experience as form of prayer to recall ourselves to God.

During the week a space was created for workshop and training. The first workshop was conducted by Mrs Erica Greathead. She's the author of "Children, Church and the Law" a manual that was release late last

year spoke about understanding our responsibility and role as Children workers and Coordinator. We as the church are not above the Law and part of our duties is to protect our children.

The second speaker was Revd. Matthew Esau (ANSOC Chaplain at UCT and Chairman of the Canon Law Society). The question was asked "Why concentrating on the constitution while we have the Canon and rules of our Church". He advised to focus on our ministry because the young people do not need rules but guidance, the ministry is to show them the way of Jesus Christ. We must be guided by the canon of the church.

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DotS is recognized by the UN as an observance day.

Sea Sunday takes place on 9th July 2017 and celebrated each year. The day focusses on bringing awareness to the life and plight of the seafarer. Anglican churches have the opportunity to pray for seafarers, their families and all who support them in the various ministries. A collection may be taken and all funds raised can be donated to the Mission to Seafarers. It is a day of remembrance, celebration, prayer and thanking those who work long hours transporting various goods for the benefit of all.

Consider supporting Sea Sunday so that they may continue their work. Donations may be made to the Mission to Seafarers:

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(1) Farr, Grahame (1954). Somerset Harbours. London: Christopher Johnson. p. 49.

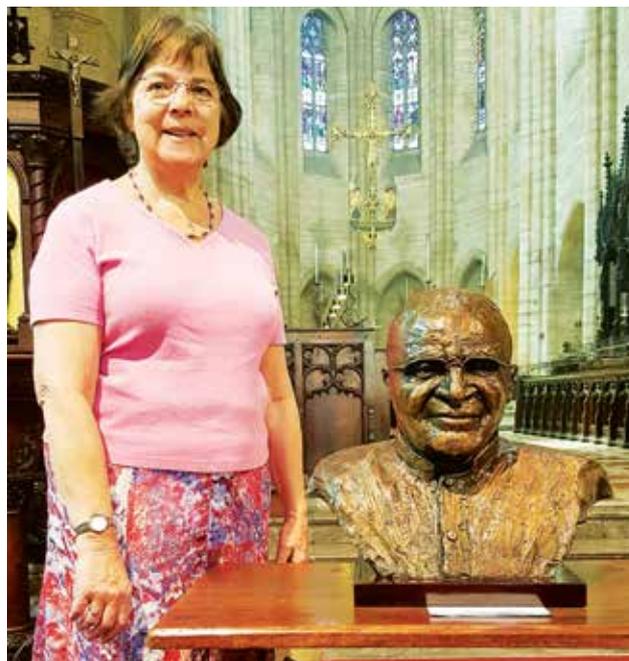
- **Rebecca Malambo**

Implementation of the Work Integrated Learning from page 4

As Burton contended that, our parishes in partnership with other organs of society should make considerable efforts to ensure that "people leaving higher education should be confident not only that their knowledge, skills and capabilities for entering the world of work are appropriate, but that they are able to articulate these to potential employers" (Butcher, Smith, Kettle & Burton, 2011, p. 3). Enhancement of graduate employability should not be the sole responsibility of government but rather a societal obligation to eradicate vicious circle of poverty in our communities. Our parishes should be encouraged to put community engagement in the centre of their ministry.

The initiative by HOPE Africa should be commended. Maybe it is now the right time for HOPE Africa in partnership with TVET and UoTs to consider resuscitating the series of Dialogues or Summits on Development that the church once hosted in the past wherein concepts of this nature, their value and contribution to community development can be discussed.

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The sculpture of Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu was donated and presented to St George's Cathedral by the sculptor, Carol Bryant (www.carolbryant.eu) during the 09h30 service on 5th February 2017.

Photo: Desire' Martin

St Mary Magdalene congregation visit the Ekumhumleni Old Age Home

Inqila of Vuyani and Sokhanyo, led by Ms Miseka Mapukata a layminister visited the Ekumhumleni Old Age in Gugulethu during Lent on 12th March 2017 after the church service. As church members we took the initiative to visit the old age home due to our church member, Ms Catherina Mckay who stays in this institution. The prayer service was opened by Brother Tsootso and encouraged the aged to put their trust in the Lord during times of trial and He will look after them. He encouraged them to support one another and work hand in hand with the helpers, nurses, sisters and all staff of the organization. Ms Jozi hand over our contribution to Ms Catherina Mckay the sister in charge. She appreciated the support and prayer service from the congregation. - **Brother Mpfu Mbulelo**



YPM Workshop at St Marks' Athlone



On 13 May 2017 the Young People's Ministry (YPM) held a workshop at St Mark's Athlone. The topics covered were Anglicanism by Dr Revd John Klaasen, Mistaken Identity by Rethabile & Nkosinathi and Developing tools for Ministry by Tim Hawkins. We were very fortunate to have these remarkable and insightful facilitators.

Dr Revd. John Klaasen who is a lecturer at UWC in the theology department spoke briefly about our tradition and what we as Anglicans stand for. He also emphasised the fact that no one has to be ordained to do ministry. This statement was extremely encouraging to the young people.

Ms Rethabile Mabusela and Mr Nkosinathi Landingwe touched on the topic "Mistaken Identity". The key message was that the perception of someone does not determine your identity. Be true to yourself and not judgmental towards others.

Tim Hawkins is one of the most experienced youth pastors in Australia. He served at St Paul's Anglican Church, Castle Hill Australia and has been a full time youth pastor for almost 35 years. He wrote a range of books on youth ministry and challenged the young people with the WHY question: Why are you doing ministry or why do you want to be part of it?

The problem we face as a church is that we are too caught up in running programmes that we seldom forget to ask these vital questions which never get spoken about. Questions that are important to help us focus and be in line with the vision of God's church.

The day was very informative and encouraging. We all have a unique gift in the body of Christ. Use yours to the best of your ability. Stand firm in your faith, believe in yourself.

- Abigail Hopley

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The common law matters to Child and Youth workers and coordinators because he explains that our church ensures that good order and governance are the way in which things are done.

We are one of the few dioceses that have the privilege to have a full time youth worker. The experience was really enriching. Thanks to Bishop Garth, our youth chaplain and the border clergy, youth leaders, mentors and colleagues who help guide and support me and the young people in this ministry.

- Abigail Hopley



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