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The Greeting

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Family Weekend draws the crowds



The final prayers were done outside by the clergy, Lay Ministers, Servers and the wardens of the day.

The annual Diocesan Family Weekend took place in Joza Indoor Sports Centre Grahamstown over the weekend of the 26-27 August 2016. Proceedings began with the welcoming devotions by Revd Mvula the Rector of St Clement Grahamstown.

The Saturday was devoted to youth activities, and sports. The Bishop of Grahamstown the Right Reverend Ebenezer Ntlali joined Family.



Congregation from St Clement

He had wonderful interaction with people on the ground where the sports were taking place, he went to the Kids at their Jumping Castle and greeted them and took photos with them. He joined those who were doing the braai. Saturday ended with the Praise and worship (iMvuselelo).

On Sunday, the Indoor Sport Centre was packed by the people of the Diocese and visitors from other Dioceses to celebrate together the Family weekend service which was led by the Bishop of Grahamstown. His theme was taken from the Gospel according to St Luke 14:11 " For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

The service was concluded by a splendid Eucharist.

He Made it

By Editor

The Diocesan Finance Manager Nceba January has graduated a B. Com Hons degree in Financial Management with Regent. Business School.



Newly Graduate Nceba January

The graduation ceremony was held in Durban Cathedral of St Michael and St George Grahamstown and a member of the Diocese September 2016. Nceba is a Lay Minister at the Youth Guild.

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THE BODY OF CHRIST

Dear Brothers and Sisters

It is good for us to look at this theme the "Body of Christ" after God in Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit has blessed us with a wonderful diocesan family weekend.

We need to commend ourselves as Grahamstown Diocese to come together in acts of games, fundraising and worshipping our only one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit in expressing our unity and diversity at least once a year.

We were amazed by your love gifts for education and training you gave to God for His purpose in the amount of R402 000.00. Let God's name be praised for your love for education. We encourage those who have not yet contributed to do so in order that we can meet our target of R750 000.00.

Let us examine our theme "the Body of Christ" using the eyes and the mind of St Paul and other theologians. This will assist us to understand this theme in the context of the Church in Southern Africa and world-wide. It will enable us to embrace our unity and diversity in Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour as St Paul says:

"so in Christ we, through many, form one body and each member belongs to all the others. We have difference gifts, according to grace given to each of us. If

your gift is prophesying then prophesy in accordance with your faith. If it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully. Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love.

Honour one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practise hospitality (New International Version – Holy Bible 1984: 1063-1064; Douglas et al: New Bible dictionary: 1962: 144).

St Paul describes a group of believers in Christ Jesus as one body in Christ. He argues that there are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. He continues to argue that there are different kinds of working, but it all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work (Romans 12: 5-6).

This means to us as Grahamstown diocesan family we are a group of believers composed of many languages, different tribes, nations, races but we are one in the body of Christ (Revelations 7: 9).

In Southern Africa and in our world in general, we are faced by challenges such

as political parties competing with each other as a better option for acceptable life and governance; emergence of new churches that grow rapidly; issues such as status, greed, power, pride, ambition, tribalism, racism, school fees, protests, damaging of properties, anger, unhappiness, loss of hope, killings, fire and closing of streets, rape, division of union workers, hair styles that bring controversy and the list is long.

These social ills impact on our relationship in the church or in the body of Christ. The church has existed and has evolved throughout the ages, during different government styles, political parties and social ills. This has affected our relationships in the Body of Christ as well.

This understanding of the body of Christ" empowers us as Christians to be instruments of justice, peace and reconciliation and to maintain state and church relations and our relationships within the Body of Christ.

Be Christ salted and lighted where you are.

(IsiXhosa: tyhila kwiphepha lesi-4)

The Health Desk was launched at Mdantsane

By Vuyokazi Matshaya

St Francis Health Desk was launched on 10 July 2016, Dr Chukky Sibam initiated the Health Desk to empower our congregation in holistic health and wellness.



Members from Department of health



Health desk committee

Gompo. Our congregation was so overwhelmed and expressed deep gratitude to receive health services at their church. Dr Sibam's sister, Dr Pinkie Selanto who serves as the Buffalo City Metropolitan District Specialist is an Obstetrician and Gynaecologist who volunteered her services to ensure that our congregation received the best quality healthcare.

The Health Desk President is Mrs Lulama Geleba who has been a leading health practitioner in the Eastern Cape

Province for over five decades and previous Nursing Service Manager of Cecilia Makiwane Hospital.

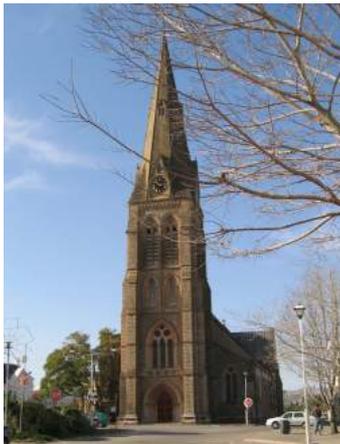
The chairperson is a retired nurse Ms Luleka Nonyukela while Mrs Sisanda Bekani is the Secretary and currently works as a Nursing Specialist in Paediatrics at Nontyatyambo Community Health. Sr In Charge Lungie Ngemntu of NU 8 Clinic and her staff sacrificed their day off.

The St Francis Health Desk offered the following services: Pap Smears, TB Screening, HIV Counselling and Testing Immunisation, Blood Pressure and Blood Glucose Testing

In addition the Health Desk members donated sanitary towels, shirts and shoes to selected members of St Agnes Guild under their caring and dedicated leader Ms Nokhangela Konjwa. Cake, coffee and tea was served after the service to end what was indeed a remarkable and great milestone for St Francis.

Cathedral of St Michael & St George, Grahamstown

VACANCY: DIRECTOR OF MUSIC



Cathedral of St Michael & St George, Grahamstown

Applications are invited for the above post at the Cathedral of St Michael and St George, Grahamstown, with effect from the first of March 2017. IDEALLY the candidate will possess a degree in music, with either organ or choral conducting as a major and willing to be a competent organist. At least five years' leadership in Anglican church, music-making

Administrative experience At least three favourable and verifiable references from previous employers The successful candidate for this post would need to demonstrate most of the following qualities: A strong commitment to equitable transformation in music, language and worship, while remaining deeply rooted within the broader Anglican tradition, A devotion to Christian ideals and ethics through sound leadership, Strengths in people skills, especially in dealing with teenagers and in fostering relationships between adults and children.

Experience in conducting choirs, developing choristers' vocal techniques, fostering passion for group singing and advancing excellence in performance. Experience in playing the organ at professional standards Experience in cantoning and developing congregational singing. The ability to create solutions to challenging musical, social,

language and liturgical problems, with a willingness to work alongside others from different traditions. A commitment to building strong relationships with wider Grahamstown and Diocesan communities. The position of Cathedral Director of Music is a part-time post, and ideally needs to be twinned with another part-time job, either as a school teacher, lecturer or another profession with flexible hours. There is the possibility of a part-time post in the Department of Music, Rhodes University (Chamber Choir conductor). The successful candidate could devote between 12- 14 hours per week to the Cathedral post. APPLY to The Churchwardens, Cathedral of St Michael and St George Before Noon on Wednesday 31 August 2016 By email to admin@grahamstowncathedral.org

ahunter@intermail.co.za · OR hand deliver to the Cathedral Office 108 High Street, Grahamstown YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE Contact addresses (email and telephonic) for yourself · Your up to date CV with certified copies of degrees and certificates attached · The names and current addresses and contact details of THREE referees (preferably previous employers) Please note this is a part-time position (current cost to employer R5270.88 per month) . You may be required to take part in a recital as part of the interview process. The Cathedral of St Michael and St George reserves the right not to make an appointment. If you have not heard from us by 12 noon on 16 September 2016, then your application has been unsuccessful.

Dean's Award 2016

By Dean Andrew Hunter

On the 1st of July was the inaugural presentation of the Dean's Award. This was a new initiative which, it is hoped, will become an annual celebration. The award can be offered to anyone, not necessarily from the Anglican Church or the Cathedral, who has contributed significantly to the Grahamstown community.

The Dean's Award for 2016 is given to Dr Sizwe Mabizela, Vice Chancellor of Rhodes University.

Dr Mabizela is one of those special people who are able to bring out the best of those around them. He is a bridge builder and a person of great integrity. He exercises values-based leadership which is both highly ethical and compassionate. His Christian faith is part of who he is and what he strives to do.

He is a scholar who loves his chosen discipline of mathematics, and even his formal addresses may contain a nice mathematical aside. Who will ever forget his maths reflections - even if we didn't



Dean Andrew Hunter and Dr Sizwe Mabizela

understand them - on the number 6, in the context of his inaugural address as the 6th Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Rhodes University? Or his exhortation, in the same address, to

"brighten the corner where you are!"? Sizwe the encourager.

He uses a percentage of his salary to fund a number of students studying at Rhodes: a demonstration of someone who puts his money where his mouth is. He has done his best to encourage education in the community, to establish wi-fi hotspots in our townships, and to assist the municipality in their work and responsibilities. Sizwe the person of integrity; Sizwe the bridge builder.

The Guesthouse at Mariya uMama weThemba Monastery

As part of the Benedictine ministry of hospitality, the monks of Mariya uMama weThemba Monastery offer a 25 bed, fully equipped guesthouse for those seeking a quiet place of prayer and retreat and for meetings. The Guesthouse is open from Tuesday morning until Sunday afternoon.

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uBishophu uEbenezer ubhala athi...

UMZIMBA KAKRESTU



Bazalwana nooDade abathandekayo

Kuhle ukuba sikhe siqwalasele lo mxholo uthi “Umzimba kaKrestu” emva kokuba ethe uThixo, kuKrestu, kumandla oMoya oNgcwele, wasibabala ngempelaveki engummangaliso yosapho lwedayosisi.

Simele ukuzincoma siyiDayosisi yaseRhini ngokuthi sihlange ngemidlalo, ukunyusa iingxowa nokunqula kunye lowo ikuphela kwakhe onguThixo oyinene, uYise, uNyana noMoya oyiNgcwele ngokubonakalisa umanyano lwethu naxa sahlukene, ubuncinane kanye ngonyaka.

Siyi samangaliswa zizipho zenu zothando zokuxhasa imfundo noqeqesho enithe nazinikela kuThixo ukufezekisa iinjongo zakhe ezibe ngama-R402 000.00.

Malibongwe igama likaThixo ngokuthanda kwenu imfundo. Siyabakhuthaza abo bangekanikeli nto ukuba benjenjalo ukuze sibe nokufikelela kwinkalo ebesijonge kuyo engama-R750 000.00.

Masikhe siphendlisise lo mxholo uthi “umzimba kaKrestu” sisebenzisa amehlo nengqondo kaPawulos oNgcwele nezezinye iingcali zezibhalo. Loo nto iya kusinceda ukuba siwuqonde lo mxholo ngokwemeko yeTyalike kumaZantsi eAfrika nasehlabathini ngokubanzi. Loo nto iya kwenza ukuba sibe nokuluthakazelela umanyano lwethu nokwahluka kwethu kuYesu Krestu, iNkosi noMsindisi wethu, njengokuba esitsho uPawulos oNgcwele:

“thina aba, sibaninzi nje, simzimba mnye kuKrestu, sonke ngabanye singamalungu omnye . elomnye. Sinezibabalo nje ke

ezahlukahlukileyo, ngokobabalo esababalwa ngalo, nokuba sinokuprofeta, masiprofete ngokomlinganiselo wokholo; nokuba sinobulungiseleli, masihlale ebulungiselelini obo; nokuba ngofundisayo, makahlale emfundisweni leyo; nokuba ngovuselelayo, makahlale ekuvuseleleni oko; owabayo, makabe engenakumbi; owongamelayo, makongame enyamekile; owenza inceba makayenze inceba echwayitile. Uthando malungabi naluhanahaniso; kuthiyeni okungendawo; namathelani kokulungileyo.

Yenzelanani ububele; mayela nembekoleyo, phangelanani; mayela nokunyameka oko, musani ukunqena. Yibani ngabavuyayo ethembeni, nibe nomonde ekubandezelekeni, ninyaniseke emthandazweni; mayela neentswelo zabangcwele, yibani nobudlelane. Yibani nobubele. (New International Version – Holy Bible 1984 - : 1063-1064; Douglas nabanye: New Bible Dictionary: 1962: 144).

UPawulos oNgcwele ulichaza iqela lamakhohla akholelwa kuKrestu njengomzimba omnye kuKrestu. Uchaza ukuba kukho ubulungiseleli obahlukileyo, kodwa inye yona iNkosi. Uxoxa athi zininzi iindidi zokukhonza kodwa kuzo zonke nakuye wonke ubani kusebenza kwaloo Thixo mnye (Roma 13: 5 -6).

KuMzantsi Afrika nasehlabathini ngokubanzi, sijongene neningeni efana namaqela ezopolitiko akhuphisanayo njengeyona ndlela iyiyo yobomi obamkelekileyo nolawulo olululo; ukuvela kweenkonzo ezintsha ezikhula

ngokukhawuleza; izinto ezifana nendawo umntu akuyo eluntwini, ukubawa, igunya, ikratshi, ibhongo, ubuhlanga, ubuzwe, iintlawulo zezikolo, uqhankqalazo, ukonakalisa impahla, umsindo, ukungonwabi, ukuphelelwa lithemba, ukubulala, umlilo nokuvalwa kwezitrato, ukudlwengula, izantlukwano kwimibutho yabasebenzi, iindlela zokulungisa iinwele ezidala ukruthakruthwano, sibala ntoni? Ezi ngxaki zentlalo zinefuthe kubudlelwane bethu etyalikeni okanye kumzimba kaKrestu.

Ityalike inxesha elide ikho yaye idlule kumaxesha ngamaxesha kwaneendlela zoburhulumente ezahlukileyo, namaqela opolitiko ahlukileyo neemeko zokuhlala ezinjalo. Ezo zinto zibuchaphazele ubudlelane bethu omnye nomnye kumzimba kaKrestu.

Indlela esiwuqonda ngayo umzimba kaKrestu iyasixhobisa njengamaKrestu ukuba sibe zizixhobo zobulungisa, uxolo noxolelaniso, sibe nobudlelane obububophakathi kombuso netyalike sikuMzimba kaKrestu.

Yibani ngabagalelwe ityuwa nalunyekwa nguKrestu kwezo ndawo nikuzo.

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Induction of the Parish Church Council



St Augustine's PCC

By Gwen Mvula

The newly elected Parish Church Council of the St Augustine Parish at Grahamstown Archdeaconry was inducted on the 5th of June 2016 by the Archdeacon Mzinzi Dyantyi the Archdeacon of Grahamstown and the Sub-dean of the Cathedral of St Michael and St George.

Vocation and Spirituality

By Vicentia Kgabe

“A married Christian couple, they follow Christ by giving themselves to each other completely and without any reservation, promising to love each other faithfully for the rest of their lives, sharing their joys and sufferings in whatever circumstances life brings them. They express their love through their sexual union, which brings them together in the closest intimacy and opens them to the gift of new life”.

Dr Vicentia Kgabe Said this in the Conference of St Agnes Guild at King Williams Town. The full speech is available on our website please visit www.grahamstowndiocese.org.za



Dr. Vicentia Kgabe

The Archbishop Thabo Makgoba Development Trust

By Luthando Madiba

Rhodes Business School hosted former President Kgalema Motlanthe for the second Archbishop Thabo Makgoba Development Trust (ATMDT) annual lecture, on Monday 12th September 2016. President Kgalema Motlanthe was the President between 2008 and 2009 after President Thabo Mbeki resigned. Kgalema Motlanthe served as Deputy President from 2009 to 2014.

The Lecture was opened by Archbishop Thabo Makgoba in remembrance of Steve Biko who passed away 39 years ago.

Kgalema Motkante in his speech, he argued that, “in recent years our society

and our elected political leadership specifically, have been deviating from the values-based leadership envisaged in the country’s constitution.” He called for citizens to hold our elected leadership accountable to their actions, and for a reawakening of the values of uBuntu/Botho.

After his lecture he engaged with the audience in a questions and answers session.

During the event the Trust awarded two Rhodes MBA students, Carol Cuthbert and Sakhile Mqomboti, a shared prize for the best essay on the subject of responsible leadership.



Bishop Ebenezzer Ntlali, Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, Ms Aminah Moore (MBA 2016 class Representative) and The Former President Kgalema Motlanthe.

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SPIRITUALITY

ARE YOU KEEPING THE “MADIBA MAGIC” ALIVE?

By Morgan Lands

On the 18th July our country celebrated Mandela day where we were encouraged to “Be More Mandela”. This “Be More Mandela” message was blasted over the airwaves and splashed across our living room television screens where we were constantly reminded about making a difference and thereby keeping Mandela’s legacy alive. Obviously it was the topic of the hour and many people demonstrated their allegiance by rolling up their sleeves and contributing to their community in some practical and meaningful way. This outpouring of caring civic involvement got me thinking about what this “Madiba Magic” is all about.

For me, this “Madiba Magic” epitomizes the quintessence of Spirituality because many religious writers allude to the fact that Spirituality involves our individual, practical relationships between God, people, the environment and ourselves.

In order to unpack this concept of “Spirituality” a little more, we may use the analogy of the cross; with God on the top, people on the left hand side, the environment on the right hand side and ourselves at the bottom of the cross.

So, therefore, to really tap in to our innate spirituality we have to make a concerted effort to understand God and ourselves a little better, be more active in our communities and make a positive difference in preserving the environment.

This notion of “Spirituality” is therefore not some inaccessible ideal which has been especially reserved for a few holy and enlightened people but is within each of our grasps – if only we are prepared to be disciplined and brave enough to “go out there” and make a difference.

In light of this we are challenged by Madiba’s words: “A fundamental concern for others in our individual and community lives would go a long way in making the world the better place we so passionately dreamt of”.

This world will only be the “better place we so passionately dreamt of” if we reach out to one another and make the life journey a little easier by sharing out time, talents, money and resources with those who are less fortunate.

At the school where I teach, everyone is encouraged to spread the “Madiba Magic” by performing a 67 minutes act of kindness. These 67 minutes acts of kindness are then recorded onto a cardboard brick which we use to build a Mandela wall.



The purpose of building this wall is not to boast about our kind deeds but to serve as a visual representation of the virtues of giving and kindness as well as to serve as a testament of gratitude for the many blessings we so easily enjoy.

On questioning some of the children as to why they performed a 67 minutes act of kindness?, they replied: “it makes me feel happy to help others”, “if I do this, I inspire others to also be kind”, “it makes me feel warm inside and then it also helps other people to feel warm on the inside”.

These unpretentious childlike responses exemplify what this profound “Madiba Magic” is all about... “a warm glow when I help others”.

Furthermore, this warm glow reminds us that we are to spread this light into the dark areas of our county where there are children begging and living on the streets, child headed homes, people being affected and effected by HIV and AIDS, rhino poaching, abuse against women and children, children sold as sex slaves, families caught up in the web of addictions and the many other painful and shameful scourges of this country displayed in forms of corruption, xenophobia, persecution, intolerance and cruelty.

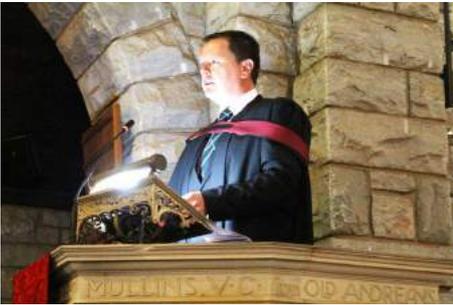
Amongst all this “dark stuff”, we as Christians, are responsible to shine the light by ensuring that our voices are heard and that our actions are manifested in making “the world the better place we so passionately dreamt of” and I suppose if each one of us was disciplined and brave enough to do this, then every South African citizen would experience a little of this “Madiba Magic”.

About the author: Morgan Lands is a primary school teacher who holds a Master’s degree in Spirituality and Education and is currently serving on the Diocesan Spirituality Team.

The Delville Wood Centenary - Commemoration Sunrise Service and Parade

By St Andrew's College Editor

On the 15th of July 2016, St Andrew's College commemorated the Centenary of the start of the Battle of Delville Wood that morning with a sunrise Chapel Service, Clock Tower Parade and Planting of the Delville Oak.



Mr Alan Thompson, the Headmaster of St Andrew's College addresses the congregation

The Headmaster addressed the congregation on the importance of keeping this history alive and relevant to our boys, so that they will not have to suffer the same horrors in order to fight for a world of peace and justice.

In a most beautiful and touching way, the Headmaster described the College careers of three of the boys who died at Delville Wood, and it struck home that they could have been any three Matric boys at College this very morning. The music was carefully chosen to connect the past to the present.

Daniel Erasmus, accompanied by Ms Salomie Rocher, played "The Swan" by Camille Saint Saens, a piece that Mr Guy Nicolson played in the final concert

in College's second Chapel in 1914. Mr Nicolson went on to be the founding Headmaster of The Ridge School in Johannesburg.

During the service, 18 guests and descendants of OAs from Delville Wood placed 18 red roses in a cross, essentially creating the wreath that would be laid at the Clock Tower.

After a moving military parade at the Clock Tower, with the sun just rising in the East, The Pipe Band, Guard of Honour, Servers and congregation marched to Crossways to plant the Delville Oak. Mr David Wylde, 17th Headmaster of St Andrew's College, planted the Oak and the Bishop of Grahamstown, blessed the plaque and the tree.

Summing up the whole morning's commemoration, Mr Wylde said that the



Bishop Ebenezer Ntlali, blesses the plaque and the tree

planting of the Delville Oak is symbolic of bringing our boys home.

THE STORY OF THE DELVILLE OAK
In November 2008, Mr David B Wylde

(17th Headmaster of St Andrew's College), accompanied by Dr Marguerite Poland, the College Historian, and a group of Old Andreans spanning many decades, dedicated a Plaque in St George's Chapel in Ypres to the memory of the 125 Old Andreans who died in the Great War (1914 – 1918).

They then visited the Delville Wood Memorial and Museum at Longueval where they laid a wreath. This Memorial was designed by Herbert Baker, who also designed the College Chapel. The Memorial was unveiled by Sir Percy Fitzpatrick, whose son, Nugent Fitzpatrick (OA), had died in the war, and Lady Lukin, the wife of General Sir Henry 'Tim' Lukin, who had commanded the troops at Delville Wood. 3032 South African soldiers and 121 Officers went into the battle with the order to 'hold the wood at all costs'.

Only 140 soldiers and 3 Officers survived and Lukin was heard to say, with tears streaming down his face: "Is this all that is left of my brave boys?" General Lukin was invited to unveil the Clock Tower in 1923.

The Oak trees that now shade the Memorial at Delville Wood were grown from acorns from Franschoek in the Western Cape. Mr Wylde selected a sapling in Delville Wood during that pilgrimage in 2008 and it was brought back to South Africa in Sam Wells' (OA) bagpipe case.

The Delville Oak has been lovingly nurtured by Mrs Jenny Wilkinson for the past eight years, and will finally be planted at Crossways to replace the giant oak tree that recently died.

Archdeaconry of Grahamstown confirmation service

By Luthando Madiba

On the 4th of September 2016, the Archdeaconry of Grahamstown hosted by the Mother Church (the



The New congregants of the Anglican Church Lou-Anne and her son Lyndon



Some of the Confirmands and the Bishop of Grahamstown

Cathedral of St Michael and St George) had their confirmation service which was conducted by the

Bishop of Grahamstown the Right Reverend Ebenezer St Mark Ntlali .

This Archdeaconry is made up of six Parishes under venerable Mzinzi Dyantyi. Confirmands were about 35 from four Parishes of this Archdeaconry, one candidate from the College of the Transfigurations and one from the Umama Wethemba Monastery.

The Bishop has welcomed the Three new members to Anglican Church of Southern Africa (ACSA) Lou-Anne and her son Lyndon and the other one as they chose to be Anglicans from other Denomination.

AWF-DIOCESE OF GRAHAMSTOWN

By Weziwe Busakwe

The Anglican Women's Fellowship (AWF) of the Diocese of Grahamstown started a youth development initiative to support needy school going children in 2008 through initiating a fund known as "Thabo Makgoba Bursary Fund".

The support is in the form of provision of school uniform, spiritual support and prayers to needy children in 2 schools in Nxarhuni - Ntsonkotha High School, Zikwaba Public School and Sinomonde Primary School in Orange Groove informal settlement. It is through this initiative that the AWF has started to sponsor school uniform to Sinomonde Primary learners, boarding fees and other school needs (uniform & stationery) to one child from Nxarhuni who lost her mother who was an AWF member. The AWF (at parish level) is also seen supporting various needy schools that are in close proximity with their parishes.

The AWF has recently taken a decision to collaborate and co-operate with institutions that are already working in the youth development space in order to intensify its efforts in addressing the major challenges affecting the youth beyond the classroom and increase the number of needy youth benefitting on this

initiative.

It is under this backdrop that the AWF will be hosting the Thabo Makgoba Bursary Fund Anniversary on 26-27 November 2016. Under the theme "**Journeying with Youth towards Economic Transformation**", the event seeks amongst other things to intensify support on youth development through facilitating cross sectoral collaboration between the church, private, public and social sectors.

This event will start with an information session targeting the youth where various stakeholders will share information on available youth development (training, education and business) opportunities and also motivational speakers focussing on positive and risky behaviours. This will culminate to a gala dinner in the evening and a Eucharist service on the following day. With a minimum donation of R200, the gala dinner is aimed at raising the profile and heightening awareness of this fund whilst simultaneously soliciting support



and commitment from other relevant stakeholders. The event will be hosted from the 26 -27 November 2016. The Youth Information Session will start from 09h00-15h00 on 26 November 2016. All members of the Diocese of the Grahamstown are humbly requested to support this inaugural event which promotes the advancement of youth development as embraced in the Synod resolutions.

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The Diocesan Lay ministers' Conference 2016

By Zukisa Mabuya

The Order of St Barnabas, Lay Ministers Fellowship, will hold its conference on the 11-13 November 2016. The venue will be at East London Correctional Services. Sleeping accommodation has been reserved at the Correctional Services and Wings Lodge
r e s p e c t i v e l y .

The conference cost is R550 per Lay minister and Registration with proof of payment to be sent back by the Friday 30 September 2016.

There are variety of activities which will take place at conference which include Umjikelo by the Archdeaonries, Music Competition, etc.

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The Lay Ministers of the Diocese of Grahamston with the Bishop and The Chaplains

Umbuliso uyakubulisa

The Diocese of Grahamstown has four newly ordained Priests



Four newly ordained Priests for the Church of God in the Diocese of Grahamstown were ordained on the 16th of July 2016 at St Saviour's East London.

From the right: **Etienne Michael Maree**, St Michael, Nahoon. **Lungiswa Gwen Mvula**, St Augustine, Grahamstown.

The Bishop of Grahamstown, The Right Reverend Ebenezer Ntlali.

Alice Janet Namubiru Barlow-Zambodla, All Saints, Greenfields and St Andrew, Mdantsane.

Ciko Mxoli Timothy Sizani, Bishop's Driver, Chaplain and St Augustine, Grahamstown

Maiden Century Celebration



Bishop blesses Thelma on her Birthday Celebration

Thelma Neville, the known Journalist made her maiden century on the 22nd of July (100 years). Bishop Ebenezer together with the Diocesan family celebrated her birthday. Bishop prayed and anointed her.

Thelma was born on a Saturday, the 22nd July 1916 and she has been a member of the Cathedral congregation ever since she came to Grahamstown in 1952. 64 years

New Archdeacon for the new Archdeaconry



The Sandy Nyakatya was licenced as an Archdeacon of the newly established Archdeaconry of Winterberg on the 16th July 2016

The Bishop of Grahamstown requests the Diocese to pray for the upcoming Provincial Synod (27-30 September 2016).

September

- 1 Thur– Sat Marriage preparation sessions
- 4 Sun Cathedral Confirmation Service
- 6 Tue Office Day
- 7 Wed Clergy School
- 10 Sat Marriage preparation session
- 11 Sun St Cyprian Fair preceded by a Eucharist Service
- 12 Mon Thabo Makgoba Development Trust Annual Lecture
- 14 Wed Tyronne Boucher's Wedding
- 16 Fri Anglican Board of Education in Southern Africa (Abesa) Education Day
- 17 Sat St Peter Sidbury 175th Birthday celebration
- 20 Tue CoTT Council Meeting, Good Shepherd School Trust Board Meeting
- 21 Wed Good Shepherd School Birthday Service
- 22 Thur leaving for Provincial Synod
- 24 Sat Electoral College for the Diocese of Christ the King
- 25 Sun Electoral College for the Diocese of Niassa
- 27 Tue-Fri Provincial Synod

October

- 1 Sat Nandi Williams' Wedding (Daughter of Bishop Williams of Mbashe)
- 2 Sun St John, East London Thanksgiving Service
- 8 Sat Nono Rapiya's Wedding
- 9 Sun Thanksgiving Service for Gary Griffith-Smith at St Andrew's College
- 10 Mon DSG Confirmation Service St Andrew's College Confirmation Service
- 21 Fri Funeka Beja's Wedding
- 27 Thur CoTT Exec/Finance/HR meeting
- 28 Fri Diocesan Council
- 29 Sat Alice Confirmations

Bereavement and Prayers

We Pray for the Revd Fobosi's Family on the loss of their son.

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