



DIOCESE OF THE HIGHVELD

DIOCESAN, PARISH AND CLERGY NEWS
for
WEDNESDAY 23rd JANUARY – 6th FEBRUARY 2019

Mission of the Diocese of the Highveld
To be a unified Diocese where the spiritual growth of an increasing number of people is fulfilled through experiencing the fullness of God

BISHOP'S DIARY

Day	Date	Time		Venue
Thurs	24 – 26th		Canon Law Council	Outlook Lodge
Sat	26th	09h00 20h00	Igwa Verifiers Meeting St Bernard Mizeki Opening Revival	Ermelo St Boniface, Vosloorus
Sun	27th	09h00 14h00	St Chad's, Centenary celebrations Memorial Service for the late Fr Vincent Zwane	Edenvale Eden Park
Wed	30th	10h00	HABSR meeting with Diocesan Groups	
Sun	3rd			
Sat	9th	14h30	Institution of Fr Mazomba	Christ the Redeemer
Sun	10th	09h00	St Stephens, p/v	Daggakraal
Sat	16th	09h00	Youth Indaba	
Sun	17th	12h00 15h30	Lunch with Bishop Curry Memorial Lecture	Wits Great Hall

Gazette:

- The funeral service for the late Deacon Sheila Kibby will be held at St Michaels Boksburg on Thursday 24th January at 3 p.m.
- A memorial service for the late Fr Zwane will be held on Sunday, 27th at 14h00 at St Matthew & St Luke, Eden Park. The funeral will take place at St Boniface Vosloorus, date and time to be advised.
- **Christ the Redeemer: Daveyton:** Fr Thembinosi Mazomba has been appointed Rector of Christ the Redeemer from the 1st February 2019. His institution will take place on Saturday 9th February at 14h30.
- **To all Clergy:**
I came across this Ad Clerum of Bishop David Beetge dated August 1996 (when we were still the Diocese of the South Eastern Transvaal) and I thought it was worth sharing with you before vestries take place. Many of you were not even in the Diocese, ordained, in leadership or in councils when he wrote this. This is worth reading and it will help in understanding how to become a community of faith.
+Charles

- **Verifiers meeting in Igwa:** See attached notice
- **St Chad's Centenary invitation:** Numbers are needed urgently for catering purposes. Please r.s.v.p. to St Chad's if you are going to attend
- **Canon Law Council:** Annual Conference 2019 24 - 26 January
Safe Church: Challenges for Canon/Church Law
To be held at : Outlook Lodge, O. R Tambo, 24 Savannah Road, Bonaero Park, Kempton Park. Key Note Speaker: **Dr. Vicentia Kgabe, Rector the College of the Transfiguration Grahamstown.** Full accommodation in single rooms cost R1600 per person. Day attendance cost R1050. For reservations contact Canon Cynthia Botha +2711 375 2709; +2783 4254833; email: publish@anglicanchurchsa.org.za or Canon Matthew Esau +264 61 227 122; +264 81 145 8147 email: matt.esau51@gmail.com
- **Lay Ministers Training 2019 : Igwa East and West Region**
To: Rectors and Priests in Charge: the Lay Ministers Training will begin on:
Date: 26th of January 2019
Venue: St Joseph Secunda
Time: 9:00- 16h00.
The Trainee Lay Ministers must bring the following along with them:

A notebook	Lectionary	Pastoral Standards
Prayer book	Bible	
- **Notice from the Department of Home Affairs:** Please see attached notice regarding uncollected ID cards.
- **St Bernard Mizeki Opening Revival Invitation:** See attached
- **Gender Committee :** please find attached letter to Priests and congregations
- **Education Sunday :** 3rd February – see attached
- **Youth Indaba:** Saturday 16th February – see attached notices
- **Bishop David Beetge Memorial Lecture:** See attached invitation for details
- **Ministerial Practice Declaration:** all those in the parish who hold office should fill in the form to be kept on file in the parish
- **Diocesan Youth Indemnity Form:** All people in charge of young people's ministry, groups or organisations, are reminded by the PYC and the Diocese to:
 - get the permission of the Rector/Priest in Charge to transport youth especially those 18 years and under
 - complete the Diocesan Indemnity forms and hand over to Churchwardens; and
 - send a list of those young people to the Bishop's office prior to the trip/journey. This is to protect all those in youth ministry. Failure to do so becomes your own liability.
- **From the Administrator's desk:**
- **Unidentified Items:**
The following deposit has been made with no proper reference:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reference</u>
15/06/2018	R300.00	CASH St Boniface
01/08/2018	R100.00 cash	LYDIA MATSHEDI
23/08/2018	R5 000.00	KAMOHELO LEKHANYA
23/10/2018	R660.00	CHURCH CHOIR
26/10/2018	R700.00	CASH
20/11/2018	R225.00	Book Table Goods

- **Bookings for Diocesan Venues:** Please note that the Diocesan Administration Offices and facilities are normally open from 08:30am until 16:00pm from Monday to Thursday and from 08:30am until 13:00pm on a Friday. **For security reasons, no access to the property or the facilities will be allowed outside of these times unless proper arrangements have been made.**

Please note that all after hour's use of the Diocesan facilities for meetings must be booked through the **Administrator's Office**. Please use the correct booking forms for this purpose.

- Saturday meetings must please be completed by **3pm** and any car-guard must be arranged privately at your own cost.
- Access will not be granted if proper bookings are not done.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

N.B. – no bookings on a Sunday as the campus is closed on Sundays

- **Birthdays:**

23 rd	Constance Mayikana	23 rd	Manogree Rajagaupaul
25 th	Florence Ngobese	25 th	Maud Moloji
26 th	Mtr Ethel Sengwayo	27 th	Fr Malcolm Chalmers
28 th	Dcn Vusi Nkala	29 th	Fr John Rodda
29 th	Dcn Lulama Ndebele	1 st Feb	Janet Chalmers
4 th	Fr John Futter	4 th	Fr Armstrong Kwakwari

- *From the Library:* by Olga Suberg

I have reviewed two books on spirituality, both being easy to read:

The first one is *The Spirituality of Teilhard de Chardin* by Thomas Corbishley.

This book was first published in 1971 but it is not outdated by other subsequent theological works. The many-sided of Teilhard's appeal – to the student of man's origins, to the theologian, the philosopher, the sociologist – is such that we may lose sight of his central concern. All his gifts, his learning, his humanity, his genius for friendship, his religious formation, were deployed to one end and for one purpose – the understanding and development of man. Seeing man as primarily, though not exclusively, a spiritual being, he directs his thinking to make men more fully aware of their spiritual inheritance and their spiritual destiny. It follows that an appreciation of his spiritual teaching is the best clue to an understanding of this richly versatile priest-scientist. In this book Corbishley analyses what 'spirituality' meant to Teilhard and his understanding of it can correct many a misapprehension about its real significance. Tracing the personal spiritual development of this Jesuit which was rooted in the Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius Loyola, so that it became a faith for the twentieth century.

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William Johnston wrote *The Inner Eye of Love : Mysticism and Religion* in 1978. Living in Japan he has made a special study of Buddhism and has taken an active part in the dialogue between Zen Buddhism and Christianity.

Neville Ward reviewed this book in the *Church Times* : “William Johnston is widely known for his book on the science of meditation, *Silent Music*, and he has now followed it with the general introduction to mysticism and religion ...a writer of wide interests and experience ...he reveals an informed and comprehensive view of his great theme ... this book is very readable and inviting”.

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***Please note that the next newsletter will be on 6th February
as Bishop's secretary will be on leave next week***