

# DIOCESAN, PARISH AND CLERGY NEWS for WEDNESDAY 7th JULY 2021

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	Ve	nue
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#### Gazette:

- > Please pray for Fr Francis Mbuli who is in hospital.
- ➤ Lay Ministers Training: The Bishop has decided to only begin the Lay Ministers Training in August. The date will be communicated in due course. Please make sure all the applicants in your parish are informed of this decision.
- **➤ Green Anglican:** ONLINE RESOURCES

We would like to share with you some creation themed hymns/songs that you might find useful for your online services during lockdown and beyond

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkTM3lalbXdDUVoDG9KTZNTVLJYACKCMf

#### **SEASON OF CREATION**

A reminder that Season of Creation runs from 1<sup>st</sup> of September to 4<sup>th</sup> of October.

There are some international resources online at <a href="https://www.seasonofcreation.org">www.seasonofcreation.org</a>

We are currently working on this year's Season of Creation booklet for ACSA which will be ready by the 1<sup>st</sup> of August.

#### **GREENING OF THE CANONS**

ACSA has been through a process of updating the Canons in line with Gender, environment and other resolutions passed at Synod. We have an online workshop which we can offer to your Diocese, to look at the updated canons and how that can be implemented. We will also be sending them out on social media to raise awareness

### **#BIRTHDAYTREES**

If you or a loved one is having a birthday, why not plant a tree and post a picture on social media with the hashtags #birthdaytrees #4thefuture

- Diocesan Food Bank: This is a special appeal to all parishes, guilds and individuals to consider donating non-perishable food items to the Diocesan food bank. We are very aware that many are struggling but we are called upon so often for donations of food and with winter now upon us we would like to be able to help as many people as we can. Our grateful thanks to the Parish of Ratanda for their donation.
- ➤ Note to Clergy: Police clearance certificates: Please make sure that the Bishop's office has a copy of your police clearance certificate as a matter of urgency.

## > Note from the Administrator:

# Unidentified payments

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reference</u>
14/06/2021	R 200.00	LINDIWE MBAKAZA

## DIOCESE OF THE HIGHVELD COVID-19 PROTOCOLS UNDER

#### ALERT LEVEL 4 FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR STAFF

# THE DIOCESAN OFFICE IS OPEN ON MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

- Access will be by appointment ONLY so please call in advance to arrange suitable times for your visit and to arrange access. A record WILL be kept of the names and contact details of anyone entering the premises. If a visitor presents with any flu-like symptoms they will not be granted access and will be asked to leave the property immediately.
- 2. Please make prior arrangements when you need to collect items from the offices so that we can avoid crowding. We would like to have your things ready for you to help make the transaction safe and efficient.
- 3. No Group or Guild Meetings allowed on the premises until further notice as we cannot accommodate large groups.

# Birthdays: A very happy birthday to:

7 <sup>th</sup>	Erika Cutter	8 <sup>th</sup>	Mtr Audrey Andrews
10 <sup>th</sup>	Fr Simon Mnguni	11 <sup>th</sup>	Vuyelwa Masweu
12 <sup>th</sup>	Fr Matsemela Moloi	12 <sup>th</sup>	Princess Sithole