



## DIOCESE OF THE HIGHVELD

DIOCESAN, PARISH AND CLERGY NEWS  
for  
WEDNESDAY 30th SEPTEMBER 2020

### *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*

#### Gazette:

#### Bishop's Diary

Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	10h00	Chapter	Diocesan Office
Sunday	4th	09h00	St Francis	Alberton p/v

- A resolution from Diocesan Synod 2019 asked that **each parish** has a **liaison person** who will deal with issues of the care of the earth linking to the Province's Green Anglican Desk. **Please send the names to the office as soon as possible.**
- **Orange masks** available from the Diocesan Office at R20 each. They should be worn on Fridays to show people who are corrupt that they should be wearing orange overalls!
- Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ  
St Francis day (October 4th) falls this year on a Sunday - what a wonderful chance to celebrate the gift of Creation and in particular animals.  
You can find some liturgical materials on the last week of Season of Creation manual <http://www.greenanglicans.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/manual-2020online.pdf>  
There will be a global ecumenical online prayer service to celebrate the Feast of St Francis and the closing of the Season of Creation. The Anglican Communion will be represented by Bishop Griselda of Cuba  
[https://gccm.controlshift.app/events/global-ecumenical-online-prayer-service-to-celebrate-the-feast-of-st-francis-and-the-closing-of-the-season-of-creation?just\\_launched=true/?utm\\_source=org&utm\\_medium=direct&utm\\_campaign=soc2020](https://gccm.controlshift.app/events/global-ecumenical-online-prayer-service-to-celebrate-the-feast-of-st-francis-and-the-closing-of-the-season-of-creation?just_launched=true/?utm_source=org&utm_medium=direct&utm_campaign=soc2020)  
Here are some sermon notes to assist you in your preaching <http://sustainable-preaching.org/2020/10/04/st-francis-day/>  
Here are some liturgies. An online blessing of the animals this year will be a less noisy affair!!  
[https://episcopalchurch.org/files/st\\_francis\\_day\\_resources.pdf](https://episcopalchurch.org/files/st_francis_day_resources.pdf)

#### DESMOND TUTU PEACE LECTURE 7th of October

This year Archbishop Tutu is inviting two global climate activists to give the Peace lecture. Greta Thunberg of Sweden and Vanessa Nakate of Uganda. Register here <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfDnKkzL2qvhQhERO7-DbAzphMQJw9GogSz-ilFx3QlaUrT6w/viewform>

Have a blessed St Francis Day!  
Rev Rachel Mash

➤ **Note from the Administrator:**

Parish post can be collected from Martin's office between **10am** and **1pm** (only!) on Tuesday/Wednesday and Saturdays. Please follow the guidelines for the protocols:

**DIOCESE OF THE HIGHVELD COVID-19 PROTOCOLS UNDER  
ALERT LEVEL 3**

**1. No casual visits will be allowed - no mask, no entry allowed.** Only absolutely necessary appointments will be considered (**which must be arranged beforehand!**) and everyone must be screened and sanitised at the Security Managers station before entering the office building. A record will be kept of the names and contact details of anyone entering the premises. Once screening has been completed, Security will confirm your arrival to your host – please wait for confirmation that your host is ready to receive you before entering the building. If a visitor presents with any symptoms they will not be granted access and will be asked to leave the property immediately. N.B. No access will be allowed to other areas of the building without prior notice

**1.1. All deliveries and collections will only be processed at the Security Office and placed in the boxes provided – please ensure that you record your delivery in the register.**

**2. Bishop's meetings** Attendees must report to the Security Office on arrival to be screened before entering the meeting area. No access will be granted if any adverse symptoms are present during the screening process. Everyone must sanitise on entering the meeting venue and record their contact details on the Meeting Register. Attendees are to sit at least one and a half metres apart during the meeting and practice proper social distancing during the taking of any breaks/refreshments that may be provided.

**3. No Group or Guild Meetings allowed on the premises until further notice**

➤ **Birthdays:**

A very happy birthday to :

2<sup>nd</sup> Fr Emmanuel Molefi



