

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
Welcoming, inclusive, united family!
EVANGELISING COMMUNITY SERVING
GOD, HUMANITY & ALL CREATION



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THE SOLEMNITY OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD – YEAR A – 06 AUGUST 2023

The Word of God on the Solemnity of the Glorious Transfiguration of the Lord takes us to the Mount where the identity of Jesus was revealed. The voice from the cloud declared, ***“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”*** The Beloved Son of the Father had been transfigured as an affirmation and confirmation of his identity and destiny. This incredible revelation was remembered by St Peter as he wrote in his letter, that he was an eyewitness to this awesome experience. But Daniel’s vision in the first reading, prefigured the transfiguration, as ***“one that was ancient of days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool, his throne was fiery flames, its wheels were burning fire.”*** Let us consider the Transfiguration as an important part of Jesus’ life but also as an important part of our lives as Christ’s disciples. Let us listen to the voice of the Father and accept the invitation to follow Jesus in humble obedience to the Cross with the hope of the Resurrection.

Time	Day	Liturgical Day	Readings	MASS INTENTIONS
17h00	Saturday 05 August	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6,9;	For the Candidates of Confirmation
08h00	Sunday 06 August	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	2 Peter 1:16-19	Rest of the Soul – Christopher McCallum
10H30	Sunday 06 August	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	Gospel – Matthew 17:1-9	Rest of the Soul – Reza Johnson
18H30	Tuesday 08 August	Memorial – St Dominic	Numbers 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 15:1-2,10-14	Rest of the Soul – Joan Human
08H30	Wednesday 09 August	Memorial – St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	Num 13:1-2, 25,14:1,26-29; Ps 106:6-7, 9,13-14,21-23; Matthew 15:21-28	RIP – Douglas Allie RIP – Anthony Edgar
08H30	Thursday 10 August	Memorial – St Lawrence	2 Corinthians 9: 6-10; Ps 112:1-2,5-9; John 12:24-26	
08h30	Friday 11 August	Memorial - St Clare	Deut 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16,21; Mt 16:24-28	
17h00	Saturday 12 August	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A	1 Kings 19:9, 11-13; Psalm 85:9-14;	
08h00	Sunday 13 August	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A	Romans 9:1-5	Thanksgiving Swart Family Justin Potgieter 21st B/Day
10H30	Sunday 13 August	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A	Gospel – Matthew 14:22-33	Gail Douglas - Birthday

HOSPITALITY: THE COMMUNITY OF THE SACRED HEART IS A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE UNITED FAMILY

NEW PARISHIONERS: Register as a New Parishioner and receive an e-Newsletter every Friday.

HOUSE MASSES AND BLESSING: on Thursdays @ 6pm are available on request for new parishioners.

CATECHETICS: SUNDAYS @ 09H30: GRADE 1 – 12 please contact Denise Philander on 071 079 9702.

SACRAMENTS / DEVOTIONS / SPIRITUAL GROWTH

INFANT BAPTISMS: Parishioners who would like to have their children baptised please contact Parish Office ASAP.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please contact the Parish Office at least **ONE YEAR** before the wedding.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND PENANCE: Saturdays @ 16h30; Tuesday @ 17h45; Thursday @ 09h15

TUESDAY EVENING HOLY HOUR WITH ROSARY @ 17H30: Adoration, Rosary and Benediction.

THURSDAY MORNING HOLY HOUR @ 09H00: Adoration, Rosary and Benediction.

AUGUST IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY – MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY (LEAD ROSARY)

BIBLE STUDY: 16 AUGUST 2023 WEDNESDAY @ 18h30 in the Religious Centre (Small Hall)

SACRED HEART OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Saturday Soup Kitchen - unemployed: • **Group 1 will be distributing soup on Saturday, 5 August 2023 @ 08h00**

• **Group 2 will be distributing soup next Saturday 12 August 2023, at 08h00**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Request assistance with a gas stove/ gas single/double burner for a family we are supporting.

SVDP FOOD PANTRY: Toilet Rolls, Sunlight Soap Bar, Face Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Sanitary Products, Sunlight Liquid and Handy Andy to be placed in the trolley in the foyer – to assist the relief efforts for the poor in our community.

UPCOMING PARISH/DEANERY EVENT

UNITY MASS – 9 AUGUST 2023 – Theme: MARRIAGE AND FAMILY – SAN FRANCESCO, CHARLO @ 10 am

WINTER LIVING THEOLOGY 2023: Tuesday 20 – Thursday 22 August 2023 (09h30 - 15h30) @ St Luke's Retreat

Centre, 10 Park Lane, Gqeberha (R1100 includes 3 x lunches and 3x lectures per day pensioner discounts are available) book via email: pdo@cdpe.co.za - Topic: **THE BIBLE THE BEST SELLER OF ALL TIMES:** Where does it come from and why do we need it? **The Presenter is Fr David Neuhaus SJ**

RAFFLE. The Fundraising Committee is raffling a preloved Brother GS3700 Mechanical Sewing Machine. Value R4099.00. Mint Condition. Tested by Singer. Ticket Cost: R20. Draw date 09 August 2023. Tickets available after Mass

Sacred Heart Golf Day – 22 September 2023 @ PE Golf Club Westview Mill Park, Please book a Four Ball contact Danville.Felkers@consultm.co.za or dphilander@gmail.com

CATHEDRAL INTERNATIONAL FOOD EVENING: The PPC wish to thank all sponsors, donors, cooks, bakers, decorators, transporters, and supporters for their sterling effort towards making our stalls at the Cathedral International Food Evening the huge success it was.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (A DIVINE MERCY INITIATIVE): The Gqeberha Deanery Divine Mercy group together with the Legion of Mary has invited all parishioners to join them in a procession on **Sunday 20 August starting 12-12:30 (Feast of the Assumption)**, in the Northern Areas.

Procession route: Start- St Kevin's, End- St Martin's (Straight down Stanford Road and then up Beetlestone Road) Our objective is: To create awareness of God's Mercy and to honor our Lady publicly (an outward expression of our inner love and obedience to God).

- To create an awareness of the rich traditions of our Catholic faith amongst the youth.
- To make this an annual event.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS AND MONTHLY PLEDGE: THANK YOU TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS WHO PAY THE PLEDGE CONSISTENTLY AND GENEROUSLY DURING THESE TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES IN OUR COUNTRY. Please make use of the "smart option" – Electronic Transfer/EFT of weekly collections directly into our Parish Bank Account – **Standard Bank: Sacred Heart Catholic Church; Account Number: 080389007; Branch: Port Elizabeth; Branch Code: 050017.**

FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Leslie Ah Shene, Sally Botha, Beryl Bowler, Valerie Brown, Gerald Burger, Maria De Freitas, Deanna Dickson, Pat Douglas, Patrick Dwyer, Sylvia Dyson, Roland Edgar, Helen Emmerick, Shirleen Grobbelaar, Gladys Harper, Thora Hempel, Lydia Hendricks, James Henderson, Eden Kempthorne, Jocelyn Keun, Basil Knight, Lucia Leander, Nancy and Ronnie Leeson, Ann Lentz, Isobel Lloyd, Stuart Mandy, Leo Smithies, Gerald Spence, Annie Maria Van Rooyen, Joyce Weimers, Gwen Williams.