

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**Kabega Park, Port Elizabeth**

*Welcoming, inclusive, united family!*

*PARISH DIAMOND JUBILEE YEAR*



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**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C – 09/10 JULY 2022**

**THE MONTH OF JULY IS DEDICATED TO THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS:**

July is the *month* of the *Precious Blood* of Jesus, and St Bernadette's Parish is challenging all other parishes in the Diocese to donate a pint of their *precious blood*, from 20 June - 5 August. Visit a *blood* bank near you and take a photo of you or your arm during the donation process and WhatsApp it to 083 565 5253. (Photos may be used on social media).

"Save a life - donate *blood*".

**STELLA MARIS SEA SUNDAY 2022:**

Bishop Vincent Zungu has drawn our attention to 'Stella Maris Sea Sunday' to be observed on 10 July this year. The Apostleship of the Sea is an agency of the Catholic Church providing support to seafarers and fishers in about 300 ports globally in over 55 countries via its port-based teams with approximately 237 Chaplains. The Bishop writes: 'All of us are invited to pray with and for the seafarers and fishers; to appreciate deeply the sterling work, ministry and service that these men and women render in the global economy and in our lives, sometimes under appalling working conditions, where they receive miserable salaries'.

**Schedule for Masses and Devotions this Week:**

Time	Day	Date	Liturgical Day	Readings
17h00	Saturday	09 July	Holy Mass – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Deuteronomy 30:10-14; Psalm 69
08h00	Sunday	10 July	Holy Mass – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Colossians 1:15-20
10h30	Sunday	10 July	Holy Mass – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Luke 10:25-37
	Monday	11 July	<i>(Memorial – St Benedict)</i>	Isaiah 1:10-17; Matthew 10:34-11:1
17h30	Tuesday	12 July	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <i>(with the Opportunity for Quiet Adoration)</i> Rosary Prayers before the Blessed Sacrament Holy Mass – Liturgy of the Day	Isaiah 7:1-9; Matthew 11:20-24
18h00				
18h30				
08h30	Wednesday	13 July	Holy Mass – Liturgy of the Day	Isaiah 10:5-7,13-16; Matthew 11:25-27
08h30	Thursday	14 July	Holy Mass – Liturgy of the Day <i>Followed by the Holy Hour – Adoration &amp; Benediction</i>	Isaiah 26:7-9,12,16-19 Matthew 11:28-30
08h30	Friday	15 July	Holy Mass – Memorial – St Bonaventure	Isaiah 38:1-6,21-22,7-8; Mt 12:1-8
	Saturday	16 July	<i>(Memorial – Our Lady Mount of Carmel)</i>	Micah 2:1-5; Matthew 12:14-21

(Lectionary/Daily Missal – Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time – Readings for Weekdays from “Year II”/Sundays from “YEAR C”)

*\* For the safety of all, please comply with the Covid-19 health and safety protocols, whenever visiting the church \**

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Holy Mass is both a celebratory banquet as well as a sacrifice. It is the highest form of prayer and praise with immeasurable spiritual benefits. There is no prayer that surpasses that of the Mass. Every Mass is offered for all people, especially those in need. The Church encourages "full, active and conscious participation" by all the Christian Faithful in the liturgy. As a way of participating more intimately in the Eucharistic Sacrifice, it has long been the pious tradition, that the faithful request a Mass to be offered for their particular intentions, be it on the occasion of your birthday, wedding anniversary, death/death anniversary of a loved one, in thanksgiving or for any special intention. **If you are marking any of these occasions in July, the envelopes for the offerings are now available in the foyer.**

Those who can give an offering or stipend to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share in, and express, its concern to support its ministers and works.

**Mass Intentions for the Coming Week:**

Day	Date	Intention
Saturday	9 July	Repose of the Soul of David Wong Repose of the Soul of Desmond Adams Intentions of Lisa Augustine – In Thanksgiving – Akita, Wyatt, Sarah, Shaazia & Kelly
Sunday	10 July	In Thanksgiving – Vaughan Van Leeve Repose of the Soul of David Ghansar
Sunday	10 July	For the People of the Parish
Tuesday	12 July	Pious List (RIP)

## PRAYER AND DEVOTIONAL LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):** Saturdays, 16h15-16h45.

**TUESDAY EVENING ROSARY AND MASS:** is dedicated to prayer for families of the parish. **Families are encouraged to choose at least one Tuesday in the month to come and pray as a family with the larger community to which we all belong.** A simple Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place between 17h30 and 18h30. As usual, at 18h00, we will meditate on the Mysteries of the Rosary. You are welcome to come for the full hour or for the Rosary at 18h00. **Do come in quietly and with reverence.** Mass begins at 18h30.

**THURSDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** to grow in our devotion to Jesus Christ, really and truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, there is an opportunity to participate in the Holy Hour on Thursdays, after the 08:30am Mass.

**FAMILY PRAYER:** following the "Sunday of the Word of God" in January, we encourage all families to choose a specific evening, when the family can gather, say a Wednesday/Thursday evening, to prepare for the upcoming Sunday Mass by reflecting on the Scriptures. The Gospel Reading for next Sunday, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, is Luke 10:38-42...

## MINISTRIES AND SODALITIES

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC):** the Sacred Heart PPC has been at the helm for the past four years and therefore the time has come to elect a new one as per Diocesan Policy. What is a PPC? *It is a consultative body that serves to advise the parish priest about pastoral issues. The council's main purpose is to investigate, reflect and reach conclusions about pastoral matters to recommend to the parish priest.*

Nominations for the New PPC have been collected. Once verified by the Office, the list of Nominees eligible for election will be published.

**St Vincent De Paul Society:**

- **EMPTY TUBS** – an appeal for yoghurt and/or margarine to be used to distribute soup, please drop off at the Office.
- **BLANKET DRIVE** – we appeal to each family in the parish to donate at least 1 blanket for the poor and needy in our community. Blankets to be placed in the box provided in the foyer.
- **BLUE RIBBON BREAD BAGS** – Please collect all your Blue Ribbon bread bags and place them in the box in the foyer. This is an initiative between Blue Ribbon and all SVP's in the Diocese. Thank you for your support.

*Thanks to all parishioners who are responding generously to this cause!*

**SACRED HEART OUTREACH MINISTRIES:**

- **SATURDAY SOUP KITCHEN:** Group 6 will be distributing soup on Saturday, 9 July 2022, at 08:00am, in aid of the unemployed.
- **SATURDAY SOUP KITCHEN:** Group 1 will be distributing soup next Saturday, 16 July 2022, at 08:00am, in aid of the unemployed.

## STEWARDSHIP

**REGISTRATION FOR MARRIAGE PREPARATION/INFANT BAPTISM:** contact the Parish Office for details.

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS AND MONTHLY PLEDGE:** heartfelt thanks to all parishioners who continue their financial support of the parish through their monthly pledge, either via EFT or the envelope system. All parishioners, who are employed or have a regular income, are invited to pledge every month, and, if they are not already doing so, to register and request a pledge number through the Parish Office. Make use of the "smart option" – *Electronic Transfer/EFT of weekly collections directly into the Parish Bank Account – use your name and "virtual collection"/pledge number as a reference. The Banking Details, for this purpose, are as follows – Standard Bank: Sacred Heart Catholic Church; Account Number: 080389007; Branch: Port Elizabeth; Branch Code: 050-017. The Lord loves a cheerful giver...*

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE UPCOMING EVENTS – IN AID OF THE PARISH DIAMOND JUBILEE:**

- **BINGO:** The Fundraising Committee will be hosting a Bingo on Saturday, 16 July 2022, at 18H30 in the Parish Hall. Tickets cost R80 including a light meal, **which are sold out.** Contact Flo Gin on 0828684230 or Liz Williams on 0842473503 for information.

## DIAMOND JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

**INVITE TO 2023 PILGRIMAGE MEETING:** Dear Parishioners, our Diamond Jubilee Pilgrimage is on again after the postponement due to the Pandemic. We are planning to end our year-long jubilee celebration with a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in June 2023, close to the feast of the Sacred Heart. Anyone interested can attend a meeting in the Community Centre on Wednesday 20 July 2022 at 19:00.

## UPCOMING DEANERY EVENTS

- **The Family Ministry Team** of the Pastoral Development Office is offering a retreat morning for grandparents and others in the senior stage of life. This will be at Sacred Heart Parish, Port Elizabeth on Saturday 16th July from 9am to 1pm. For further information or to register please phone Kaye on 083 299 1842, or via email to [kayehenrick2@gmail.com](mailto:kayehenrick2@gmail.com).
- **THE DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS FOR JULY:** The support group for family members of persons with Dementia/Alzheimer's will meet in Room 5, St. Augustine's on Monday 11th July at 5.30 pm, and in the hall at Sacred Heart parish on Monday 18th July 2022 at 11.00am. For further information contact Kaye on 083 299 1842.
- **Deanery Unity Mass** – Tuesday, 9 August 2022 (*Public Holiday*), 10h00am at St Augustine's Cathedral.

## PRAYER CORNER

**For the sick and the housebound:** Leigh Ah Shene, Sally Botha, Natalie Bray, Valerie Brown, Glynn Brown, Gerald Burger, Deanna Dickson, Pat Douglas, Patrick Dwyer, Sylvia Dyson, Roland Edgar, Shirleen Grobelaar, Gladys Harper, Graham & Thora Hempel, Lydia Hendricks, James Henderson, Eden Kempthorne, Jocelyn Keun, Lucia Leander, Ann Lentz, Isobel Lloyd, Stuart Mandy, Cynthia Rumble, Leo Smithies, Timothy Teulon, Joe & Thelma Trow, Annie Maria Van Rooyen.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of July:** As the Church gears up to celebrate the 2nd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on 24 July, Pope Francis is calling on Catholics to pray throughout the month for the elderly.

In his message on this theme, the Pope says, "Let us pray for the elderly, that they may become teachers of tenderness so that their experience and wisdom may help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility."