

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Kabega Park, Port Elizabeth
1961-2021

Welcoming, inclusive, united family!

PARISH DIAMOND JUBILEE YEAR



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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR A – 14 MAY 2023 (MOTHER'S DAY)

The love of a mother humanly speaking is the most unconditional we can experience. The love of a mother is foundational for human and spiritual development. The love of a mother is a gift of the Counsellor, the Advocate, the Paraclete. As we await the coming of the Holy Spirit, Mother's Day is the best preparation for our hearts for *"the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him; you know him, for he dwells with you, and will be in you."*

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

Time	Day	Liturgical Day	Readings	MASS INTENTIONS
17h00	Saturday 13 May	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Acts 8:5-8,14-17; Psalm 66:1-7, 16,20; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21	RIP - Ashley Spence: 59 th WED/ANN - Susan & Gerald Spence
08h00	Sunday 14 May	SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTER	Acts 8:5-8,14-17; Psalm 66:1-7, 16,20; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21	Special Intention – for All Mothers
10H30	Sunday 14 May	SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTER	Acts 8:5-8,14-17; Psalm 66:1-7, 16,20; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21	Special Intention – For All Nurses
18H30	Tuesday 16 May	Tuesday of the 6 th Week of Easter	Acts 16:22-34; Psalm 138:1-3,7-8; John 16:5-11	Pious List
08H30	Wednesday 17 May	Wednesday of the 6 th Week of Easter	Acts 17:15,22:18; Psalm 148:1-2,11-14 John 16:12-15	
08H30	Thursday 18 May	Memorial of St John	Acts 18:1-8; Psalm 98:1-4; John 16:16-20	
08h30	Friday 19 May	Friday of the 6 th Week of Easter	Acts 18:9-18; Psalm 47:2-7; John 16:20-23	
17h00	Saturday 20 May	ASCENSION OF OUR LORD	Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9; Ephesians 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20	Rest of the Soul of Joyce Papman
08h00	Sunday 21 May	ASCENSION OF OUR LORD	Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9; Ephesians 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20	
10H30	Sunday 21 May	ASCENSION OF OUR LORD	Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9; Ephesians 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20	

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please Contact the Parish Office in order to register as a parishioner and receive an e-Newsletter.

RCIA: Any non – Catholic who would like to convert to the Catholic Faith is invited to contact the Parish Office.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES: Ministers of Hospitality, Sacristans, Altar-Servers, Proclaimers, Projectionists, Live-streamers, Flower arrangers, Liturgical Music Ministry, Ministry Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

OTHER MINISTRIES, SODALITIES AND APOSTOLATES: Catechists, Marriage and Family Ministry (Marriage Preparation, Marriage Encounter, Retrouvaille Marriage Help). Parish Vocations Ministry, Media Ministry, Maintenance of Property ministry, Parish Evangelisation Ministry, Ongoing Formation Ministries (Bible Study, Small Christian Communities, Parish Evangelisation), Ministry to the Poor – Outreach Ministry; St Vincent De Paul, Divine Mercy Group, Legion of Mary, etc...

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY MINISTRY: *Lectio Divina (Holy Reading of Scripture) – (READ, MEDITATE, PRAY, CONTEMPLATE AND ACT)* On the Gospel of the Sixth Sunday of Easter – **JOHN 14: 15 – 21**

PARISH VOCATIONS COORDINATOR: The Family is the place where vocations are promoted and cultivated through the Christian Example and Prayer of the mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers.

INVITATION TO MINISTRY: There are a number liturgical ministries and sodalities in the Parish that are always looking for new members. Please feel free to look at the notice board on the foyer for the names of coordinators and different leaders of ministries and sodalities or please contact **Clayton Noah** on **082 401 803** if you want to join any ministry.

PRAYER AND DEVOTIONAL LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

REPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE – PARISH CATECHETICAL FORMATION (SUNDAY SCHOOL) – SUNDAYS @ 09H30 – GRADE 1 – 12 please contact Denise Philander on 071 079 9702

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES: Families who live in close proximity *may* request a **HOUSE MASSES** on Thursdays @ 6pm in order to foster and develop a caring Sacred Heart Family that is welcoming, inclusive and united.

DIVINE OFFICE – LITURGY OF THE HOURS - MORNING PRAYER @ 08h00 BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS: Contact Office if interested.

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISMS: Contact the Parish Office to register your child for Infant Baptism Preparation classes from Monday 19th June to Wednesday 21st June at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: REGISTRATION FOR MARRIAGE PREPARATIONS: Contact the Parish Office for details. Please be advised that registration for classes should take place at least **6 months** before the wedding.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND PENANCE (CONFESSION): Saturdays @ 16h30; Tuesday @ 17h45; Thursday @ 09h15
TUESDAY EVENING HOLY HOUR: With Adoration, Rosary, and Benediction @ 17H30 (16 MAY – led by Sacristans)

THURSDAY MORNING HOLY HOUR: Adoration, Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament @ 09H00

MONTH OF OUR LADY – MAY 2023 – PROCLAIMERS to lead the ROSARY before each of the WEEKEND MASSES

BIBLE STUDY: WEDNESDAY @ 18h30 in the Religious Centre (Small Hall) all are welcome to attend.

PARISH EVANGELISATION: - The Church *“exists in order to evangelise, that is to say, in order to preach and teach...”* – St Paul VI

An introductory conversation will be held at the Parish from 10h00 - 12h00 at the parish, on the 27th May 2023, anyone interested in helping to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ is invited to attend, you will not be disappointed, but inspired.

SACRED HEART OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Saturday Soup Kitchen: • **Group 4 will be distributing soup on Saturday, 13 May 2023, at 08:00am, in aid of the unemployed.**

• **Group 5 will be distributing soup next Saturday, 20 May 2023, at 08:00am, in aid of the unemployed**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL BLANKET DRIVE: We appeal to each family in the parish to donate at least 1 blanket for the poor and needy in our community, please place the blankets in the box provided in the foyer.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY DRIVE: Samp, Baked Beans, Tinned Vegetable, Lentils, Beans, Tomato Paste, Peanut Butter and Cooldrink Concentrate to be placed in the trolley in the foyer – to assist the relief efforts for the poor in our community. For Monetary Donations, please contact Parish Office.

UPCOMING PARISH/DEANERY EVENTS

ORDINATIONS ON 3 JUNE 2023 – SACRED HEART PARISH, GQEBERHA – 10 AM - Let us pray for Reverend Deacon Byron to be ordained to the Priesthood and Brothers Clint and Siphamandla to be ordained to the Diaconate.

SVDP Hot Night Fundraising - 26th May 2023 SVP are scheduled to host a Hot Night Fundraising event to sell curry & rice, rotis, curry bunnies, etc. on 26th May 2023. We'd like to request parishioners to support the Hot Night fundraising event by placing their orders on the weekends of the 13th and 20th May 2023. Meals to be collected on Friday, 26th May 2023 late afternoon/evening. Order forms available at the back of the church.

The Support Group for family members of people with dementia will meet at Nazareth Care Centre on Monday, 5th June 2023 at 18h30, and at Sacred Heart Hall Kabega on Monday, 15th May at 10h00. All are always welcome. Enquiries Kaye on 0832991842.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS AND MONTHLY PLEDGE: The Church of the Sacred Heart is grateful to all the parishioners who continue their financial support of the parish through their monthly pledge, either via EFT or the envelope system and weekly offering of the first and second collection. The Church expects all parishioners who are employed or have a regular income to pay their pledge every month of at least 2% of their income and, if they are not already doing so, to register and request a pledge number through the Parish Office. You can 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.**

REPOSITORY: Open on Saturday Evenings and Sunday Mornings. Please make use of this special service that enhances our devotional life as Catholics. Liturgical Calendars and Diaries are available. Christian Books and Small statues and everything else can be sourced by Mr Frank Scholtz.

FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

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

CONDOLENCES

The Community of Sacred Heart Parish extends heartfelt condolences and assurance of prayers to the Hempel Family at the passing on of Graham. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord!