

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



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TWENTY – EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A – 15 OCTOBER 2023 – (MISSION SECOND COLLECTION)

The Word of God is inviting us, as the People of God, the Church, to the Wedding Feast of abundance, with lots of food and best wine. The Prophet Isaiah imagines this eternal celebration, taking place on the mountain of God, where the Lord Himself, has prepared it for us, so that there will be no more mourning, no more tears and death will be vanquished. Hence the Psalmist refers to the Lord our God, as the Good Shepherd, in whom we have no need, because cares for us and bring us to rest. This invitation is fulfilled in the Eucharistic Banquet, where we taste the glory of heaven in the Eternal Word of God proclaimed and the Body and the Blood of Christ, we receive. The Presider in Mass puts it beautifully, when he says to the assembly quoting the Book of Revelation, **“Blessed are those who are invited to the Supper of the Lamb.”**

Time	Day	Liturgical Day	Readings	MASS INTENTIONS
17h00	Saturday 14 October	28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A	Reading 1: Isaiah 25:6-10; Psalm 23:1-6	Thanksgiving – Success of the Parish Mission
08h00	Sunday 15 October	28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – A	Reading 2: Philippians 4:12-14,19-20	Lydia Hendricks – 87 th B/day Thanksgiving – Beverley Swart
10H30	Sunday 15 October	28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – A	Gospel – Matthew 22:1-14	RIP – Safiyyah Sirkhotte W/A - Lyndle & Vanith Gallant/ Vanith Birthday
18h30	Tuesday 17 October	MEMORIAL – ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH	Romans 1:16-25; Ps 19 :2-5; Lk 11:37-41	RIP – PIOUS LIST
08H30	Wednesday 18 October	MEMORIAL – ST LUKE	2 Timothy 4: 10-17; Ps 145:10-13,17-18; Lk 10:1-9	
08H30	Thursday 19 October	Thursday of the 27TH Week in Ordinary Time	Romans 3:21-30; Psalm 130; Luke 11:47-54	
08h30	Friday 20 October	Friday of the 27th Week in Ordinary Time	Romans 4:1-8; Ps 32:1-2,5- 11; Lk 12:1-7	
17h00	Saturday 21 October	29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – A	Reading 1: Isaiah 45:1,4-6 Psalm 96: 1, 3- 5, 7-10	RIP – Fookie & Norma Ah Shene/ RIP Vanessa Geyer
08h00	Sunday 22 October	29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – A	Reading 2: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5	Bramley Prince – Birthday RIP – Mark/ Desmond/ Waven Adams/Adams family
10H30	Sunday 22 October	29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – A	Gospel – Matthew 22:15-21	RIP – Bill Douglas

SACRED HEART, GQEBERHA: MISSION WEEK – 15 October 2023

A special word of gratitude and appreciation to the Redemptorist Fathers, Tyron Sam and Larry Kaufman for their powerful ministry in our community. Please, let us be generous in our second collection thanking them deeply. We will continue to thank them personally with a Bring and Share on Sunday 15 October after the 10h30 MASS.

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.

INFANT BAPTISMS: Please contact the Parish Office for details of the Infant Baptisms on 5 November 2023 @ 8am.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please contact the Parish Office at least **ONE YEAR (12 MONTHS)** before the wedding. **DO NOT BOOK ANY VENUES WITHOUT MEETING WITH THE PARISH PRIEST.**

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION: TUESDAY @ 17H45 – 18H15;
THURSDAY @ 09H15 – 09H45;
SATURDAY @ 16H30 – 16H55**

PPC PLENARY MEETING: Will be held on Wednesday 18th October at 18:30 in the Upper Room.

LITURGY MEETING: Will be held on Wednesday 25 October at 6h30 in the Upper Room.

SACRED HEART OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Saturday Soup Kitchen - unemployed: • **Group 1 will be distributing soup on Saturday, 14 October 23 @ 08h00**
• **Group 2 will be distributing soup next Saturday 21 October 23, at 08h00**

SVDP FOOD PANTRY: Spaghetti, Macaroni, Pilchards, Milk Powder, Salt/Spices, Soya Mince, Tinned Beans and Drink O'Pop to be placed in the trolley in the foyer.

SVDP Special Appeal: We appeal to parishioners for a Three Quarter bed for an elderly person.

UPCOMING PARISH/DEANERY EVENT

RETREAT FOR THE BEREAVED: at Sacred Heart Hall on Saturday, 14 October 2023 09h30 – 13h00. Please book through PDO via email pdo@cdpe.co.za or link <https://forms.gle/pxAZHbvm85pbvNH18> or what's app 0710799702

RETREAT FOR MARRIED COUPLES: on COMMUNICATION IN MARRIAGE at Sacred Heart Hall on Saturday 18 November 2023 09h00 – 13h00 Please book through PDO via email pdo@cdpe.co.za or link <https://forms.gle/HQ7NQzerekBX1WJEA> or what's app 0710799702

YOUTH TALK: What gives your life Meaning@ Sacred Heart Hall, Kabega Park, on the 11th of November 2023 - 09h30 to 12h30 Book via email pdo@cdpe.co.za or what's app or booking : <https://forms.gle/DdzRZ4sE9kbmMqYF6>

ALZHEIMERS/DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP: The support group for family members of people with dementia will take place at Sacred Heart on Monday, 16th October at 10:00am. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Kaye 0832991842

CWL Golden Oldies Dance – Friday 27 Oct 2023 at 19h00, Cost = R80. Please support our dance, funds raised in aid of our community projects. Tickets on sale after all Masses: Michelle – 061 449 9514 /Wendy 076 679 1283.

NOVEMBER MONTH OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: We invite Parishioners to register at the parish office for the blessing of the graves of family members beginning on the Saturday 4th November from 9am – 11 am in the different cemeteries of Gqeberha. **PIOUS LISTS:** The month of November is dedicated to the **Souls in Purgatory**, whose feast is celebrated on November 2. The Pious envelopes will be available from this weekend in the foyer on the table. Parishioners are invited to take envelopes and complete them and hand them over to the **Parish Office before 31 October, 2023.**

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS AND MONTHLY PLEDGE: 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.**

LITURGICAL RESOURCES FOR 2024: Please place your orders via the Office for Liturgical Calendars and Bible Diaries ASAP. Every Catholic home should have a Liturgical Calendar, to follow the Scripture Readings, Feasts of the Saints, etc, for each day of the year. To help with our reflection on the daily readings and prayer, Bible Diaries are published, giving the readings, a short reflection and a prayer for each day.

FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Jean Ah Kun, Leslie Ah Shene, Barbara Andre, 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, Lydia Hendricks, James Henderson, Germaine Hogg, Eden Kempthorne, Jocelyn Keun, Basil Knight, Lucia Leander, Nancy and Ronnie Leeson, Ann Lentz, Isobel Lloyd, Stuart Mandy, Marjorie Mathew, Mike Miller, Linda Smith, Leo Smithies, Gerald Spence, Annie Maria Van Rooyen, Joyce Weimers, Gwen Williams, Diane Williams.

