

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

*Welcoming, inclusive, united family!*

*PARISH DIAMOND JUBILEE YEAR*



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**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C – 27/28 AUGUST 2022 (BIBLE SUNDAY)**

*The Month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary*

**PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA:**

On the Feast of the Assumption (last weekend), the Bishops have launched a “Prayer Campaign for Southern Africa”:  
*We, your Bishops, invite you, Brothers and Sisters, to join with us in reciting this prayer daily in your homes, schools, at gatherings and Mass especially on Sundays from the solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady – 21 August – until further notice.*

**Merciful Father, send forth your Spirit upon us the people of Southern Africa.**

**May we hear anew the voice of Jesus Christ, inviting us to walk with him across the turbulent waters of our time:  
 “Courage, it is I. Do not be afraid.”**

**By the grace of the Holy Spirit empower us to bring comfort to the restless,  
 hope to those who despair, healing to victims of violence, and reconciliation where there is division.**

**May the Holy Spirit heal our families and communities.**

**Grant us ethical and courageous leaders who put the good of the people before their own interest.**

**In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit**

**we commit ourselves to speak the truth with courage, to act justly in all we do, to share with those in need  
 and always and everywhere to respect your gift of life as we strive to proclaim the values of the Kingdom  
 in solidarity with all people of goodwill. Amen.**

**SEASON OF CREATION:**

1 September (“Spring Day” and “World Day of Prayer for Creation”) up to 4 October (Feast of St Francis of Assisi)  
 is the *Season of Creation* focused on the care for the earth - our common home.

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

Time	Day	Date	Liturgical Day	Readings
17h00	Saturday	27 Aug	Holy Mass – Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29; Psalm 68 Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24 Luke 14:1, 7-14
08h00	Sunday	28 Aug	Holy Mass – Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
10h30	Sunday	28 Aug	Holy Mass – Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Monday	29 Aug	<i>(Memorial – Passion of St John the Baptist )</i>	Jeremiah 1:17-19; Mark 6:17-29
17h30	Tuesday	30 Aug	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <i>(with the Opportunity for Quiet Adoration)</i>	1 Corinthians 2:10.-16; Luke 4:31-37
18h00			Rosary Prayers before the Blessed Sacrament	
18h30			Holy Mass – Liturgy of the Day <i>(Healing Mass)</i>	
08h30	Wednesday	31 Aug	Holy Mass – Liturgy of the Day	1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Luke 4:38-44
08h30	Thursday	1 Sept	Holy Mass – Liturgy of the Day <i>Followed by the Holy Hour – Adoration &amp; Benediction</i>	1 Corinthians 3:18-23; Luke 5:1-11
08h30	Friday	2 Sept	Holy Mass – Liturgy of the Day	1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Luke 5:33-39
	Saturday	3 Sept	<i>(Memorial – St Gregory the Great)</i>	1 Corinthians 4:6-15; Luke 6:1-5

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

**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 August/September, 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	27 Aug	For the Repose of the Soul of Johnny Abrahams For the Sick - Sherwin Spence
Sunday	28 Aug	Repose of the Soul of Desmond Dobbin
Sunday	28 Aug	Special Intention - For our Confirmandi

## 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, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, is Luke 14:25-33...

## STEWARDSHIP

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** On Sunday, fourteen young people will be Confirmed by Bishop Vincent Zungu. There will be a 'Bring and Share' Celebration in the Hall after the 10:30am Mass; all parishioners are invited to celebrate with our Confirmandi and their families.

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

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** those who have joined the parish, from 2019 onwards, will be officially welcomed to the Parish, on 3/4 September.

**MARIAN GROTTA UPDATE:** we are happy to inform all parishioners that the statue of Our Lady for the Jubilee Grotto has been purchased.

The next phase is the formation of a task team which will oversee the design and construction of the grotto in the coming months.

**PAINTERS REQUIRED:** we are in need of painting contractors who can paint our external walls of the church; please call the Parish Office.

**TILERS REQUIRED:** we are in need of tiling contractors to tile the inside of the foyer; please call the Parish Office urgently.

**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...*

**SECOND COLLECTION – BIBLE SUNDAY:** will be collected this weekend of 27/28 August in aid of the South African Bible Society.

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

- **GALA DINNER PHOTO'S:** Are available to order at R50 each. Order forms, in the foyer, to be returned by 29 August 2022, final notice to place orders. Order forms, together with payment, to be dropped in the Secretary's Office 'Messages' box.
- **SVDP GOLDEN OLDIES:** will be hosted at Sacred Heart on Saturday 24 September at 8pm tickets R60 on sale after weekend Mass or from SVDP members or Monique on 082 441 8985.
- **LITURGICAL MINISTRIES:** i.e. Proclaimers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Hospitality and Youth will be hosting a 5km Family Big Walk, on Saturday, 3 September 2022 from 7am. Entry fee is R20 for adults, with a complimentary coffee, and R10 for children, with a complimentary hot chocolate. Food stalls available; bacon and egg rolls will be on sale. Please support. **Entry forms are in the front on the table with the Ministers of Hospitality, please complete and hand in with the money, closing date on Monday 29 August.**

## MINISTRIES AND SODALITIES

**SACRED HEART OUTREACH MINISTRIES:**

**Saturday Soup Kitchen:**

- Group 1 will be distributing soup on Saturday, 27 August 2022, at 08:00am, in aid of the unemployed.
- Group 2 will be distributing soup next Saturday, 3 September 2022, at 08:00am, in aid of the unemployed

**St Vincent de Paul Society:**

- **EMPTY TUBS** – an appeal for yoghurt and/or margarine tubs to be used to distribute soup, please drop off at the Office.
- **FOOD PANTRY:** SVDP is making an appeal for these donations; suggested items for this week Spaghetti, Macaroni, Pilchards, Milk Powder, Salt/Spices, Soya, Mince, Tinned Beans and Drink o' Pop. These items can be placed in the trolley in the foyer – to assist the relief efforts for the poor in our community. For monetary donations, contact the Parish Office for banking details.
- **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. Once again, thank you for your support.

**LITURGY COMMITTEE:** Meeting of all co-ordinators of Liturgical Ministries on Wednesday, 31 August 2022, at 18h00 in the "Upper Room."

**LEGION OF MARY:** All Regions will be meeting in the Hall on Sunday, 4 September, for the Annual Retreat.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC):** A meeting of the Full PPC will take place on Wednesday, 7 September 2022 at 19h00 in the Hall.

## DIAMOND JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 2023

Thank you to all who attended the pilgrimage meeting. If anyone is still interested but could not make the meeting you may contact: Percy on 082 463 6205 / email: [percyclausen3@gmail.com](mailto:percyclausen3@gmail.com) or Karen on 074 537 5160 / email: [kbarkes2011@gmail.com](mailto:kbarkes2011@gmail.com)

## PRAYER CORNER

**FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Leigh Ah Shene, Sally Botha, Natalie Bray, Valerie Brown, Glynn Brown, Gerald Burger, Clint Cuddumbey, 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, Joyce Weimers.