



## ***Christus, die Barmhartige Samaritaan***

*In ons eie lewe ervaar ons die helende en versorgende teenwoordigheid van Christus. Hy gaan inderdaad uit sy pad om ons bystand te wees. En in ons eie lewens, getuig ons ook deur 'uit ons pad te gaan' om ander te help? Indien nie, is ons huigelaars en nie werd om Christus se volgelinge genoem te word nie.*

JOU VRAE EN GOD SE  
ANTWOORDE

### **Wat wil ek eintlik van die lewe hê?**

Miskien is dit die verkeerde vraag. Miskien moet jy liewerste vra wat die lewe nou eintlik van jou wil hê.

'Wat wil ek eintlik van die lewe hê?' klink so asof die lewe 'n supermark is waar jy van alles kan kry. 'Wat wil die lewe van my hê?' klink asof die lewe 'n vriend is aan wie jy alles gee wat jy besit.

As daar geen God is nie, dan is die lewe inderdaad 'n supermark – dan moet jy maar die meeste daaruit probeer kry. Maar as God agter die lewe staan en deel uitmaak van jou lewe, dan het jy te make met 'n Persoon en nie net 'n Ding nie. En 'n mens vra mos nie wat 'n ander persoon oplewer nie tensy jy iemand is wat ander mense as gebruiksvoorwerpe behandel. Om 'n ander mens te gebruik is om slawerny te beoefen – dit is om 'n ander mens as 'n middel te gebruik om jou eie sin te kry.

Kom ons verander dus die vraag 'Wat verwag ek van die lewe?' na 'Wat verwag die lewe van my?' Wat is die uitdagings wat die lewe aan my stel? Om te lewe beteken om die heelyd uitdagings teë te kom soos jy volwasse word, vriende maak, saam met jou familie leef, verhoudings aangaan, sukses op skool hê, 'n loopbaan maak, 'n huwelik aangaan. Al

hierdie dinge is uitdagings waarop ons reageer. Verantwoordelikheid beteken die vermoë om te antwoord op die uitdagings van die lewe. Om volwasse te word beteken om dié verantwoordelikheid te aanvaar. Hoe is God aanwesig in dié groeiproses? Op twee maniere. In die eerste plek is God die enigste egte volwassene (Die groot wetenskaplike en musikus Albert Schweitzer het op sewentigjarige ouderdom verklaar: 'Ek weet nog steeds nie wat ek wil word as ek groot is nie!). God is verantwoordelik vir die hele skpping. Hoe verantwoordeliker en volwassener jy word, hoe meer gaan jy soos God word (sien Johannes 13: 13-17 en 2 Petrus 1: 39).

Maar in die tweede plek bly God ook altyd jonk. Hy raak nooit verveeld of vermoeid nie. Selfs nie wanneer Hy één vir één miljoene grassaadjes maak nie. God is so uitbundig en lewenslustig soos 'n kind wat sê: 'Nog 'n keer!' En Hy verras ons die heelyd – lees 'n bietjie die Bybel en jy sal sien dat verrassings één van die tekens is van God se aanwesigheid in ons lewens. Bly naby God en jy sal ook vir ewig jonk bly.

'Hy sal jou lewenslank met die goeie versadig, sodat jy jonk bly soos 'n arend' (Psalm 103: 5)

'Maar die wat op die Here wag, kry nuwe krag; hulle vaar op met vleuels soos die arende; hulle hardloop en word nie moeg nie, hulle loop en raak nie afgemat nie' (Jesaja 40: 31).



# NOTICES | KENNISGEWINGS

## **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK - LET US PRAY**

There will be no celebration of Holy Mass in the Cathedral at all from Tuesday to Friday next week as we will be uniting as the Oudtshoorn Catholic Community to pray for our Bishop-elect in the days leading up to his ordination. See the Mass Times notice elsewhere in the bulletin for Mass times and venues for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday next week in Oudtshoorn.

**FRIDAY MASS at 07:30 am in the Oratory Chapel**

## **HEILIGE UUR**

Woensdag oggend om 06:00 vm. in die Oratorium Kapel. Almal, dit beteken u ook, is van harte welkom!

## **OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY OF OUR PARISH**

Names and intentions can be emailed or phoned through to Fr. Vernon or Kim by Friday 17:00.

## **SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**

The ordinary time for confession at the Cathedral is between 08:00 and 08:45 am on a Sunday morning, or any other time by request either at the Oratory or before or after weekday Masses.

## **JULY BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

03 July | Sannie Williamson  
03 July | Louis & Susanha Newing  
04 July | Serene Wentley  
05 July | Andries & Benita Meyer  
05 July | Leigh-Anne Carlisle  
07 July | Kim Smit  
09 July | Cecil Jones  
12 July | Adriana Robinson  
17 July | Suzie Lombard  
23 July | Carol-Ann van Rensburg  
25 July | Elvira Esterer  
25 July | Georgie Keene  
29 July | Carol French  
30 July | Lisa van Rensburg

*If your name does not appear on the list, please complete a personal information form, available at the back of the Cathedral or in the Sacristy.*

## **OUR CATHEDRAL ON-LINE**

Visit [www.bisdomoudtshoorn.org](http://www.bisdomoudtshoorn.org) and follow the Our Cathedral link for general information about the history of and activities of the parish.

## **ST BONAVENTURE FEAST DAY 15 JULY**

### **Prayer of St Bonaventure**

Pierce, O most sweet Lord Jesus, my inmost soul with the most joyous and healthful wound of Thy love, and with true, calm and most holy apostolic charity, that my soul may ever languish and melt with entire love and longing for Thee, may yearn for Thee and for thy courts, may long to be dissolved and to be with Thee.

Grant that my soul may hunger after Thee, the Bread of Angels, the refreshment of holy souls, our daily and super substantial bread, having all sweetness and savor and every delightful taste.

May my heart ever hunger after and feed upon Thee, Whom the angels desire to look upon, and may my inmost soul be filled with the sweetness of Thy savor; may it ever thirst for Thee, the fountain of life, the fountain of wisdom and knowledge, the fountain of eternal light, the torrent of pleasure, the fullness of the house of God;

may it ever compass Thee, seek Thee, find Thee, run to Thee, come up to Thee, meditate on Thee, speak of Thee, and do all for the praise and glory of Thy name, with humility and discretion, with love and delight, with ease and affection, with perseverance to the end; and be Thou alone ever my hope, my entire confidence, my riches, my delight, my pleasure, my joy, my rest and tranquility, my peace, my sweetness, my food, my refreshment, my refuge, my help, my wisdom, my portion, my possession, my treasure; in Whom may my mind and my heart be ever fixed and firm and rooted immovably. Amen.



## St. Catherine of Siena

(+ 1380), DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, WAS A DOMINICAN, STIGMATIC AND PAPAL COUNSELLOR.

In the centre of the garden is planed the tree of the most holy cross, the resting place of the spotless Lamb. He bathes and waters this glorious garden, irrigating it with his blood; and he himself bears the mature fruit of true solid virtues. If you want patience, he is the bedrock of meekness, since not a murmur of complaint was heard from the Lamb. He is the bedrock of deep humility, since God stooped down to humanity, and the Word stooped to the shameful death of the cross. If you want charity, he is that charity – and even more, for it was the power of love and charity that kept him nailed fast to the cross. The cross and nails could never have held the God-Man, had not the power of charity held him. I'm not surprised that those who make themselves a garden through self-knowledge are strong in the face of the whole world, for they are conformed and made one with the supreme strength. They truly begin in this life to have a foretaste of eternal life. They control the world by making light of it. The devils are afraid to get near a soul on fire with divine charity.

So up!... I don't want you sleeping any more in irresponsibility... No, with a boundless blazing love get up and take a bath in Christ's blood, hide in the wounds of Christ crucified. I'll say no more. I'm sure that if you live in the cell I've been talking about you will discover none other than Christ crucified... Keep living in God's holy and tender love.

**A warm welcome  
to all our visitors!**

*We hope you enjoy your stay with us and travel safely. **Please join us for coffee or tea after Mass in the coffee room;** We would like to meet you. Our prayers are with you for a safe and blessed journey back home.*

## DUTY ROSTER

**SONDAG 11 JULIE | 15<sup>DE</sup> SONDAG JAAR C**

**ROSEKRAANS** | Kim Smit

**SAKRISTAAN** | Margaret Melly

**LEKTOR** | Pietie Muller

**TAAL** | Afrikaans

**KOFFIE** | Brenda

**SUNDAY 18 JULY | 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY YEAR C**

**BISHOP DE GOUVEIA'S FIRST PUBLIC**

**MASS IN HIS CATHEDRAL**

**ROSARY** | Kim Smit

**SACRISTAN** | Sybil Smit

**LECTOR** | tba

**LANGUAGE** | English

**COFFEE** | Jenny

**SUNDAY 25 JULY | 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY YEAR C**

**ROSARY** | Kim Smit

**SACRISTAN** | Lisa Venter

**LECTOR** | Carol French

**LANGUAGE** | Afrikaans

**COFFEE** | Ari & Necia

## MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

*Sundays Year C, Weekdays Cycle 2  
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Mon 12/07 Is 1:10-17; Ps 50; Mt 9:18-26

Tue 13/07 St. Henry  
Is 7:1-9; Ps 48; Mt 11:20-24

Wed 14/07 St Camillus de Lellis Pr  
Is 10:5-7.13-16; Ps 94; Mt 11:25-27

**ST BONAVENTURE BD**  
Thur 15/07 Is 26:7-9.12.16-19; Ps 102;  
Mt 11:28-30

(Our Lady of Mount Carmel)  
Fri 16/07 Is 38:1-6.21-22.27-28;  
Ps: Is 38:10-16; Mt 12:1-8

Sat 17/07 Is 2:1-5; Ps 10; Mt 12:14-21



## VANDAG SE SKRIFLESINGS

15de Sondag van die Jaar C bl. 980-985

### Triduum of Prayer for Bishop-elect de Gouveia

Following a request from our Emeritus-Bishop, the Oudtshoorn parishes will be holding a three day rosary prayer campaign, combined with the 18:00 celebration of Mass from Tuesday 13 July to Thursday 15 July at the Oratory chapel, during which time we are all given a very valuable opportunity to pray for our Bishop-elect. No Masses will be celebrated in the parishes on these days. On Friday 16 July at 19:00, Solemn Vespers will be celebrated at St. Conrad of Parzham Catholic Church during which time the Bishop-elect will take the Oath of Fidelity and make a Public Profession of Faith. At the same time the symbols of the Bishop's office, i.e. the Bishops' ring, mitre, and crosier will formally be blessed. All are welcome to attend and encouraged to do so!

#### EERSTE SKRIFLESING | Deuteronomium

*Die gebod is baie naby aan jou, jy kan daarvolgens lewe.*

#### BEURTPSALM | Psalm 69

*Keervers: Soek God, julle wat arm is,  
en jul harte sal moed skep.*

Daarom bid ek tot U, o Here,  
in die tyd van genade, verhoor my,  
in u groot liefde antwoord my, o God,  
antwoord met u getroue hulp.  
Uit die goedheid van u troue liefde verhoor my,  
wend U tot my, in u barmhartigheid, o God. **R./**

Ek kry swaar en is deurtrek van pyn,  
laat u heil, o God, my opbeur,  
dat ek die Naam van God mag besing  
en Hom met danklied prys. **R./**

Die verdruktes sal dit sien en hul verheug;  
soek God en jul harte sal moed skep,  
want die Here gee gehoor aan die armes  
en minag nie sy gevange volk nie. **R./**

Want God sal Sion te hulp snel  
en die stede van Juda herbou,  
die nasate van God se dienaars sal dit erf  
en die liefhebbers van sy Naam sal daar bly. **R./**

#### TWEEDE SKRIFLESING | Kolossense 1:15-20 (OV)

*Alles is deur Christus en vir Hom geskep.*

#### AKKLAMASIE

##### Halleluja, halleluja!

*My skape luister na my stem sê die Here;  
Ek ken hulle, en hulle volg My. Halleluja!*

#### EVANGELIE | Lukas 10:25-37

*Wie is my naaste?*

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