



St Francis of Assisi, Parkview
Diocese of Johannesburg
Anglican Church of Southern Africa



30 NOVEMBER 2025

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Almighty Father,
your Son came to us in humility as our saviour
and at the last day he will come again in glory as our judge:
give us grace to turn away from darkness
to the light of Christ
that we will be ready to welcome him;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever.
Amen.



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READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

We pray for **The Anglican Church of Australia**. We give thanks and pray for our Bishop-elect, the Revd Canon Dr. Sepadi Moruthane and his family, for our Vicar-General, Doug Torr, and for our Diocese; for the Anglican church of southern Africa, and for Thabo our Metropolitan and Lungi. We pray for the worldwide Anglican church and give thanks for the new Archbishop-elect of Canterbury, Dame Sarah Mullally.

PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

Lord Jesus, in a world of wars, storms and hunger, have mercy on us. Bring peace in every country facing conflict, shelter those facing disaster, protect the vulnerable, and help leaders positively influence justice and climate care. As we mark 16 Days of Activism, heal all those hurt by violence and make your Church brave in love and action. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS

BIRTHDAYS

Sunday 30th Caelen Buchanan, Caley May, Gary Peckett, Nicholas Whittaker;

Monday 1st Piero Gianadda, Shimi Phate; **Tuesday 2nd** Esther Malia; **Thursday 4th**

Jannine Nolan, Angelique Sebastian; **Friday 5th** Kiara Gregory; **Saturday 6th** Anne Vos.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Thursday 4th Darryl and Lee McMullen.

FAMILIES TO BE PRAYED FOR THIS WEEK

Thandazo Ndlovu; Julia, Erin and Holly Nelson and Christine Pole; Alison Newton; Paul Nex and Judith Kinnaird; Zweli Ngoma; Clementine Nishimwe; Dale, Jannine, Olivia and David Nolan.

FOR THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Lee Brooks, Helen Clarke, Tia Hart, Marie Lawson, Qhayiya Luvuyo, the Mgeyane family, Kefiloe Morand, Michael Msibi, Liz Thomas, Duncan Winckworth.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LONG-TERM NEEDS

Elsa Allen, Rayna Dolphin, Lucille Evans, Maria Frahm-Arp, Paul Germond, Marilyn Gianadda, Silas Kasambira, Jill Lawson, Vera Manfield, Basil Meklis, Elzett Mufamadi, Jim Peter, Wendy Price, Ethan September, Byron Spratt. May they find comfort and hope in you, Lord.

YEAR'S MIND

Sunday 30th Gerald Strever; **Tuesday 2nd** Mike Williams; **Saturday 6th** Bob Cole

RIP Wendy McConnell. We pray for her son Craig, her sisters Liz and Melanie, her family and friends. Her funeral is here at St Francis on Tuesday (2 December) at 11am. Please dress in bright colours.

2025 – OUR RHYTHM

Tuesday 6:00 pm Choir Practice

Wednesday 10:00 am Eucharist at church

Friday 7:00 am Eucharist on Zoom & in person on the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month followed by breakfast. All are welcome!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81457064170?pwd=VXpnb3IEejNwejRIOTN4ZTMrNkZPUT09>

Friday 5:00 – 8:00 pm at church – Youth Ministry

Saturday 8:30 – 9:15am Meditation: (4th Saturday of the month)
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm Quiet afternoon (2nd Saturday of the month)

Sunday 8:30 am Church Inclusive – Live on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/@st.francisanglicanchurchpa946>

Sunday 8:30 am Children’s Church – in person

NOTICES

ST FRANCIS BANK DETAILS:

We now have a QR code which makes it easier for those who do not wish to carry cash to offer Sunday service collection and donations to various church initiatives. EFTs may still be made to the church bank account: **Account name: St Francis Church Parkview Account number: 50331107348; Bank: FNB Branch: Killarney. Branch Code: 250655.**



TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER – ONLINE PLANNING MEETING 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

The parish council, parish ministers, clergy, pastor and any interested parishioners are invited to gather online to envision our shared vision for 2026 as we continue to be the custodians of hope for one another and for the greater community too. If you will be attending, please let the office know so that we can email the discussion points to you.

ITEMS FOR THE OFFICE

Thank you to the parishioners who have donated some of the items we requested last week. We are still looking for a kettle for the office and a microwave for Virginia’s room. If you are able to donate any of these items, we would be grateful.

ADVENT CALENDAR: LOCATION IS ST FRANCIS (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

Saturday 6th Dec 8:30am – 9:15am: Advent Meditation

Saturday 13th Dec 8:30am – 9:15am: Advent Meditation

Tuesday 16th to Friday 19th Dec packing/sharing community Christmas packs at St Columbus

Saturday 20th Dec 11:15: Carols & Christmas Party at June’s Haven

Saturday 20th Dec 8:30am – 9:15am: Advent Meditation

Sunday 21st Dec 6:00pm: Carol Service

Wednesday 24th Dec 5:00pm: Family Service

Wednesday 24th Dec 11:00pm: Midnight Mass

Thursday 25th Dec 8:30am: Christmas Day Eucharist

CLERGY MOVEMENTS

Ven Michelle is on leave from the 4th to the 10th of December.

Rev’d James is at St Pauls’, Parkhurst

SUNDAY DUTIES AT THE CHURCH

| | Sunday 30th November 8:30am | Sunday 7th December 8:30am |
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| Celebrant | Michelle Pilet | Diana Lawrenson |
| Preacher | Fabian Oliver | Cynthia Botha |
| Parish Minister | Tongai Furusa | Adam Henderson |
| Servers | Kwezi Nhlapo, Kano Lekeba, Ona Alagbaoso, Mzee Msibisi | TBA |
| Reader | Youth | Catherine Bell |
| Organist | Este Meerkotter | Este Meerkotter |
| Sides Persons | Carole & Charles Ranger | Doreen Mufamadi; Charl Vermooten |
| Chapel Prayer | Sue Jordaan | Jentina Frahm-Arp |
| Tea | Gentlemen | The Zwambila family; Sharon Botha; Wendy Price |
| Children's Church | Naledi Alagbaoso | Fabian Oliver |
| Flowers | No Flowers During Advent | In memory of Alfred Hlakanyane Zwambila |
| PowerPoint | Sedi Nhlapo | James Ridley |
| Sandwiches | All welcome to join sandwich spreading during tea | All welcome to join sandwich spreading during tea |

THE CLERGY

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SOME PEOPLE OF THE CHURCH

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