

The St Dom Chronicle

March 2017

(Established April 1991)



St Dominic's Parish Mission Statement (October 1999):
Christianity through learning, caring and serving.

Church office: (031) 765 5515

www.stdom.co.za



March: Catherine Anderson, Anne Anderson, Ronald Basel, Hailey Berlouis, Odette Bircher, Antonio Borrageiro, Allan Botha, Jamie Boyce, Anne Bruce, Jacquie Bubb, Grant Bubb, Denise Budde, Mary Call, Jamie-Leigh Campbell, Beryl Campbell, Gavin Campbell, Jean-Marc Carlier, Kristen Cilliers, Hannah Cobbledick, Laura Cole, Helen Coombe-Nel, Derek Couzens, Marilyn Daly, Colleen Davis, Pamela Dawson, Vilma de Bruyn, Rico de Marigny, Bernard de Souza, Wendy Dettmer, Reece Dos Santos, Hannah Draai, Ntuthuko Duma, Rod Dunstan-Smith, Sherilee Ebsworth, Patricia Ferrandi, Diegio Ferrandino, Barbara Feszczur, Brian Goldie, Sharee Haarhoff, Elisabeth Hebbelmann, Chantal Hoar, Irene Hodgson, Aidan Hughes, Amelia Hunt, Ryan Janus, Sharon Jones, Debbie Kerdachi, Zakithi Khanyezi, Joan Kiepiel, Elizabeth King, Anne Knickelbein, Anne Knight, Elaine Lage, Wally Lage, Stella Langley, Philip Lombard, Colleen Maitre, Nicole Mamotte, Denzel Mamotte, Tina Marais, Carryn Marx, Cole Meaker, Patrick Mellon, Kevin Melly, Ntandoyenkosi Mfeka, Nolwandle Mngoma, Sthandiwe Msomi, Ntombifuthi Msomi, Sihle Msomi, Hannah Murrans, Philipa Myburg, Sinenhlanhla Ndaba, Ans Neal, Sane Ngcobo, Zinhle Ngubane, Nhlanhla Ngubane, Niche Nuttall, Sithokozile Nzimande, Peter Olivier, John Perkins, Brad Rae, Margaret Raymakers, Christine Reabow, Ana Rodrigues, Lynn Ross, Kevin Roussel, Graeme Roy, Ivan Saunders, Julia Schauerte, Victoria Schonfeld,

Brenton Scott Martin, Norma Shepstone, Verne Shoobert, Cailee Smith, Kieran Steyn, Isabella Strachan, Keri-Lyn Strachan, Virginia Swart, Maxine Taylor, Colleen Thomson, Alan Tivers, Dutch Van Leeuwen, Maria Walker, Mary Worst

Congratulations to those celebrating milestone birthdays:

21st: Michaela Cobbledick

30th: Kerry-Anne Stanley

40th: David Hart and Stuart Roos

50th: Janine Basel

60th: Gary Edwards and Michael Hunter

70th: Marilyn Goldie, Mary Holroyd, Carolyn Hopkins, Gavan Parker and Katherine Wittstock

80th: Ronald Hancock and Bob Montocchio

Welcome to St Dom's!

✠ Rory De Fleuriot, Thamsanqa & Philisiwe Mhlongo and family, Sibongiseni & Nosipho Thembane, Michael & Glenore O'Hara and Nompumelelo Meyiwa and family. We hope that you will enjoy being part of the St Dom's family.

Are you a new parishioner?

Don't hide between the pews and duck out after mass... we can't wait to meet and welcome you!

Please give your details either to the friendly faces at our Welcome Table after mass or contact the parish office to register with us.



- ✠ To Mike Buckle, who is stepping down as head of the Spiritual Life Committee. Mike has been in the role for many years now, and fulfilled it with enormous commitment and enthusiasm. Thank you too to Pauline Rosseau who will now be taking over from Mike. We wish you all the best in your new role.
- ✠ To Gravin Phyfer for being the guest speaker at our recent Tuesday forum.
- ✠ To Wally Lage and Deacon Martin for meeting with and training the altar servers in February.
- ✠ To Wally Lage for his assistance in supervising the building of the new retaining wall, and to the Maintenance Committee for their help with the project.



A view of the new retaining wall which was erected in order to proceed with the new SSVp storage room.



- ✠ To Derryn Lott, for passing his Masters in Architecture. Best of luck Derryn as you now enter the working world.
- ✠ To Lisa and Juan Impey on the birth of their daughter, Katie, and of course to proud grandparents Angela and Francois Chelin.
- ✠ To Gareth and Estelle Hughes whose daughter, Charlotte, was recently baptised.
- ✠ To Ivan and Margaret Saunders who will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary this month. You are an example to us all!

- ✠ To the winners of February's SSVp 100 Club draw: 1st prize: Beryl Turner; 2nd prize: Jenny Meilhon; 3rd prize: Lynne Askew.

Best Wishes

- ✠ To Daniela and Warren Davies, and their children Nathan and Gabriela who are off to Australia to start a brand new life there. Wishing you all the very best.

On the Liturgical Front

- ✠ **Ash Wednesday**, marking the start of the 2017 season of Lent, will be celebrated on **1 March**. There will be two masses on that day, at 9am and 6pm. Parishioners are reminded that this is a day of fasting and abstinence. There will be no Adoration on that day.
- ✠ Parishioners are also asked to **please bring last year's palms to the office** by no later than **Tuesday, 28 February**. These will be made into ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please **do not bring your palms on Ash Wednesday** as no fires will be burning that day.
- ✠ The mass intention for the 8.00am mass on **Saturday, 4 March** will be for Mercy.
- ✠ This year, our **Stations of the Cross** will no longer be celebrated on Wednesdays, but rather on Fridays during Lent. Please make an effort to attend Stations of the Cross, followed by mass every Friday, either at 8.30am or 5.30pm. There will be no Adoration following the Friday evening mass during Lent.
- ✠ **Sunday, 5 March** will be the first Sunday of Lent.
- ✠ Our RCIA candidates will undergo their first scrutiny at our 5.30pm mass on **Saturday, 25 March**.
- ✠ Mass intention cards are available in the repository for any mass intention. The cards cost R5 each.
- ✠ **Dress code:** Parishioners in general, but especially those serving on the altar during mass, whether as Ministers of the Word or Ministers of the Eucharist, are reminded to please dress appropriately. Shorts, track suits, bare midriffs, tight slacks, denim jeans and revealing clothing are not suitable. Please use your discretion.

- ✠ If you are involved in our liturgy in any way and are going to be away in April and May, please let the office know as soon as possible, as we will be starting the new roster shortly.

Shrove Tuesday

Join us for our traditional pancake evening as we prepare for the sacred season of Lent.

**Tuesday, 28 February at 6pm
in our parish hall**

Savoury and sweet pancakes and refreshments will be on sale. Come along with the whole family.

News from our Ministries

- ✠ As you may have noticed over the last few weeks, SSVP are now placing a wicker basket at the entrance of the Church for food items. The basket is then taken to the altar together with the offertory. Clothing and other items are to be placed in the trolley as normal.
- ✠ The Spiritual Life and Family Life Committee have now been combined, and will be headed up by Pauline Rosseau.
- ✠ The EDGE core team needs new parent members! If you are enthusiastic about teaching our faith to our Grade 4 to 7 children, please contact Lynne Askew on 082 904 9433.

Parish Lenten Retreat

“God’s Loving Providence in Our Lives”

Come and prepare yourself for the season of Lent by taking part on our parish Lenten retreat:

**Saturday 4 March
8.30am – 2.30pm**

Lunch will take place in the form of a bring-and-share, so please bring a plate of eats with you. Don’t forget your Bibles and paper and pen.

SSVP: Project Spotlight

Sorting and packing of donated clothes: On the last Tuesday of the month, before the packing of food parcels which takes place the following Saturday, a

group of SSVP members and most welcomed supporters meet to sort and pack clothes and other items which have been donated through the generosity of our St Dom’s parishioners.

Once sorted and packed, the parcels of clothing are distributed together with the food parcels by members of SSVP. During deliveries, the recipients continue to indicate their gratitude for what they receive.

Deliveries take place at various stations in the valley: Embo, Bethlehem, Valley of a Thousand Hills Community Centre, St. Michael’s, Sister Helena – Street Children, Phakama Centre for Children and the Elderly and Masibonge Old Age Service Centre in Hammarsdale.

It is only through the ongoing kindness and support from our St Dom’s parishioners that this project continues to have such a positive impact on those in need living in the valley. We, the members of SSVP, wish to thank you so much for all you do to support us in this very worthwhile cause.



Left to right: Jenny Meilhon, Norma Shepstone, Ellen McConnell, Alex and Mary Henderson, Gina Swart and Veronica Latumba.

Women's World Day of Prayer

All ladies are invited to attend this opportunity to join women around the world in prayer.

There will be two events in our area, one hosted by Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Kloof, and the other by Christ Church in Waterfall.

**Friday, 3 March 2017
10.00am**

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, Kloof
79 Old Main Rd, Kloof

OR

Christ Church, Waterfall
12 Link Rd, Waterfall

Community Services: Appeal

Appeal for the Children of Bethlehem and KwaNyuswa Drop-In Centres

At the KwaNyuswa drop-in centre, we have one boy in Grade 7 who is intensely interested in things scientific, three boys in Grade 9, who are struggling with Natural Science as they have not been given any textbooks for that subject, one Grade 10 girl and three Grade 11 girls, all of whom have asked for assistance with Life Sciences, as they too, do not have text books for this subject. The Community Services Committee has managed to source a couple of Grade 11 textbooks, but we need more up-to-date ones as the curriculum in Life Sciences has changed in the last few years.

If any family has second-hand text books in either Natural Science (Grades 8 and 9) or Life Sciences (Grades 10, 11 and 12) or any study guides / past papers etc., which they would be willing to donate, please drop these off at the Parish Office marked for attention to Pauline or Hazel.

The English set work for English First Additional Language at their school is "Sophia Town", and study guides or notes on this book would also be appreciated.

The other subjects which the girls in Grades 10 and 11 are studying are: IsiZulu (Home Language), Maths Literacy, Life Orientation, Dramatic Arts, History and Geography. Again, study guides, and past papers and answers in these subjects would be most helpful.

TEACHERS NEEDED!

If you are a High School Natural Sciences, Life Sciences, or English teacher, would you consider offering a Saturday morning workshop in your subject for the children at our centres? The children would so appreciate any assistance.

We also have a group of Senior Primary Children whom we work with at KwaNyuswa, and if anyone would like to give up a couple of hours once a week to help these children with learning English, please contact Maureen Emslie on 084 251 2065.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Our three Grade 11 girls are Sthabile, who would like to become a Social Worker or a nurse, Thandeka, who would like to become a Social Worker, and Andiswa, who dreams of being a history teacher or lecturer. They would like to volunteer, either on a Saturday or during the school holidays, in order to gain experience and knowledge of their hoped-for careers. If anyone is

able to assist with some work experience for these girls, please contact Pauline Rosseau on 079 895 8105.



**Heavenly angels sent from
above, keep you from harm
and wrap you in love.**

The Last Laugh

Mr. and Mrs. Brown had two sons. One was named Mind Your Own Business and the other was named Trouble.

One day the two boys decided to play hide and seek. Trouble hid while Mind Your Own Business counted to one hundred. Mind Your Own Business began looking for his brother behind garbage cans and bushes.

Then he started looking in and under cars until a police man approached him and asked, "What are you doing?"

"Playing a game," the boy replied.

"What is your name?" the officer questioned.

"Mind Your Own Business."

Furious the policeman inquired, "Are you looking for trouble?!"

The boy replied, "Why, yes."

The St Dom Chronicle – March 2017

Date	Time	Event
MARCH 2017		
Wed, 1 Mar	09h00	Ash Wednesday: Holy Mass. Day of fasting and abstinence.
	18h00	Ash Wednesday: Holy Mass. Day of fasting and abstinence.
Please note: There will be no Adoration on Ash Wednesday		
Thurs, 2 Mar	18h00	RCIA
Fri, 3 Mar	08h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 09h00
	17h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 18h00
	18h30	St Vincent de Paul 100 Club Draw – Bring & share supper
Sat, 4 Mar	08h00	Holy Mass and Rosary – For Mercy
	08h30	Parish Lenten retreat
Sun, 5 Mar	08h00	English / Zulu mass Tea hosted by: Nina & Clive Mitchell
Mon, 6 Mar	17h30	SSVP meeting
	18h00	Choir practice
Tues, 7 Mar	18h00	Liturgy Committee meeting
Wed, 8 Mar	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
	18h00	Ladies' Guild meeting
	18h30	Folk Group practice
Thurs, 9 Mar	18h00	RCIA
Fri, 10 Mar	08h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 09h00
	17h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 18h00
Sun, 12 Mar	08h00	Tea hosted by: Ian & Jean Matthews
	10h15	Hillcrest Government Hospital – SSVP on duty All parishioners are most welcome to assist
Mon, 13 Mar	18h00	Choir practice
	18h30	Bible Study
Tues, 14 Mar	18h00	Finance Committee meeting
Wed, 15 Mar	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
	18h00	PPC meeting
	18h30	Folk Group practice
Thurs, 16 Mar	18h00	RCIA
Fri, 17 Mar	08h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 09h00
	17h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 18h00
Sun, 19 Mar	08h00	Tea hosted by: Esme Baker & Barbara Roy
Mon, 20 Mar	17h30	SSVP meeting
	18h00	Choir practice
Wed, 22 Mar	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
	18h00	Spiritual Life Committee meeting
	18h30	Folk Group practice
Thurs, 23 Mar	18h00	RCIA
Fri, 24 Mar	08h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 09h00
	17h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 18h00
	17h30	Edge Term 1 ends

Sat, 25 Mar	07h30	SSVP packing – All parishioners are most welcome to assist
	09h00	Community Services Committee meeting
Sun, 26 Mar	08h00	Tea hosted by: Noel & Bronwyn Swart & Heather Thiselton
	18h30	LifeTeen Term 1 ends
Mon, 27 Mar	18h00	Choir practice
	18h30	Bible Study
Tues, 28 Mar		Catechism Term 1 ends
Wed, 29 Mar	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
Fri, 31 Mar	08h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 09h00
	17h30	Stations of the Cross, followed by Holy Mass at 18h00

