

The St Dom Chronicle

November 2017

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

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November: Shelley Ainsworth, Luca Alunni, Ivan Bandle, Maxime Berlouis, Kyra Bircher, Norman Birkby, Wanita Black, Rita Bone, Norah Botterill, Yvonne Boule, Leslie Bowton-Smith, Grace Bozas, Karyn Bozas, Robert Brough, Eryn Brown, Jenna Cameron, Julia Cameron, Stephanie Cameron, Sue Carmody, Dennis Cossey, Andreas de Wit, Glen Draai, Nosipho Duma, Richard Duma, James Edley, Alexander Edley, Felix Finch, Rene Forbay, Marco Giai-Minietti, Charmaine Giddey, Brian Giddey, Hilary Glenn, Nuno Goncalves, Navie Green Thompson, Luke Haarhoff, Leith Hair, Erica Hair, Joan Hall, Danielle Halstead, Georgina Hart, Matthew Hart, Garth Hartwig, Paula Haskell, Shereen Heydenrych, Eryn Hickman, Steve Hickman, Mia Hikins, Tony Hoar, Yvonne Howard, Charlotte Hughes, Daniel Joubert, Barbara Joubert, Sandy Kavanagh, Helen Keen, Michael Knight, Jeremy Krauspe, Nonhlanhla Kunene, Ian Lang, Jeanette Leach, Luke Lim, Kayla Loubser-Goldblatt, Ryan Loubser-Goldblatt, Theresa Madden, Linda Madden, Nonhlanhla Madlala, David Marston, Paulette Mchunu, Paul Miller, Silindokuhle Mkhize, Kuhlekonke Mncwabe, Andrew Moore, Francesco Moretti, Sisanda Mtshemla, Leon Naicker, Desmond Ngcobo, Thabo Ngcobo, Inger Nilsen, Khonya Nzimande, Molly Ogilby, Mariette Paulo, Clare Phyfer, Kristina Pukstys, Brigitte Richard-Coombes, Maria Rodrigues, Emma Russell, Shantell Ryan, Barbara Saunderson, James Saunderson, John Schimper, Luca Sciocatti, Katia Sciocatti, Siyabonga Sithole, Patrick Skinner, William Skinner, Joshua

Sparks, Bronwyn Swart, Caroline Syers, George Tyrteos, Tyler Van Musschenbroek, Rosemary Waldburger, Morne Weyer, Zoe Wheatley, Jack Wheatley, Belinda Willows, Raphael Wilson, Brigitte Wortmann, Denise Wortmann, Bernard Yeadon, Mashiza Zama

Congratulations to those celebrating milestone birthdays:

21st: Taryn Cilliers

40th: Jared Nadaraju

50th: Peter Baker

60th: Terry de Vos

70th: Christi Dorrofield, Denis O'Leary and Heather Thiselton

80th: Dee Barnard, Esme Baker and Charles Wilson

90th: Ian Lang

Welcome to St Dom's!

✠ Rudolf and Carla Goemans and Denise Levy. We hope that you will enjoy being part of the St Dom's family.



✠ To those parishioners who so generously donated takkies for the children at the Bethlehem and KwaNyuswa drop-in centres. The takkies were to be used for an overnight hike to Cobham, but due to unforeseen circumstances the outing had to be postponed. The excursion has however been rescheduled and will take place at the end of November.

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- ✠ To Leo and Hilary Davis for all their hard work in heading up LifeTeen this past year. Your enthusiasm and dedication made such an impact on our youngsters.
- ✠ To Lynne Askew for so enthusiastically running with our Edge programme this year. Lynne will be stepping down, and handing over the reins to Janet Turner. A big thanks to Janet for taking on the commitment.
- ✠ To Jean Matthews and Musa Mathebula, and our new gardeners, Lorraine Mee and Heather Thiselton, for keeping our gardens looking so beautiful.



- ✠ To the following young people who were recently confirmed: Matteo Buccimazza, Michael Cameron, Robyn Forbay, Luke Midgely, Ntokozo Mpanza, Nathan Murran and Dylan Roper. May the Holy Spirit guide you and bring you great joy now and always.



- ✠ To the Ladies' Guild for catering for and serving the delicious tea and eats following our Confirmation mass.
- ✠ To Albert and Diana Funga who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on 25 October.
- ✠ To Rory and Kate-Lyn de Fleuriot de la Colinière on the birth of their daughter, Émilie Olivia.
- ✠ To this month's winners of the SSVP 100 Club draw: 1st prize: Mark Kuster; 2nd prize: Peter Baker; 3rd prize: Esme Baker.

Our sincerest condolences go to:

- ✠ Dave and Madge Ebsworth, on the passing of Dave's mother, Betty Ebsworth.

- ✠ John and Mary Moore, on the passing of John's mother, Yvonne Moore.

On the Liturgical Front

- ✠ Parishioners are asked to make a special effort to attend one of our two masses on the **Feast of All Souls (Thursday, 2 November)**. Mass will be celebrated at 9am and 6pm and pious lists are to be returned to the parish on or before that date.
- ✠ The mass intention for the 8.00am mass on **Saturday, 4 November** will be for the faithful departed.
- ✠ The **Feast of Christ the King** will be on **26 November** this year, when some of our catechism children will also be receiving their First Holy Communion.

St Dominic's Library

Our parish library, found in the Meeting Place, has some wonderful books available for all parishioners to borrow. If you would like to take one out, please fill the following information in the note book provided:

- The date
- Your name
- Your phone number
- The title of the book taken out

Please also sign off once the book has been returned. Unfortunately quite a few books have been taken out and not returned yet so parishioners are asked to check if they perhaps have one of our books at home.

Thank you!



Prayer for Priests

Risen Lord Jesus, You love priests with all Your Priestly Heart. Hear our heartfelt prayer for all our priests.

We pray for faithful and fervent priests;

for unfaithful and tepid priests;

for priests who labour at home and abroad;

for lonely and desolate priests;

for young and old priests;

for sick and dying priests;

for souls of priests in purgatory.

Eternal High Priest, keep all priests close

to Your Sacred Heart and bless them

abundantly in time and eternity,

Amen

SSVP: Project Spotlight

Visit to 1000 Hills Community Centre



On Tuesday, 10 October, a group from our Conference visited the 1000 Hills Community Centre run by Dawn Leppan. Dawn kindly sent her bus to collect us all. We were welcomed by Dawn and her granddaughter, Shannon, who kindly showed us around.

Our first visit was to the clinic as it was 'mothers and babies' day. It was lovely to see the babies dressed in clothes from the 'Baby Packs' we supply.

We then moved onto the crèche, where the two and three year olds are schooled. They were all so happy to see us and we thoroughly enjoyed their singing. Then we went on to visit the babies and their carers, which was also very heart warming.

Our visit took place on the day of the horrific storm and we were advised to return to Hillcrest before the storm hit. We said our quick good byes and headed back home. Many thanks to the skilled driver, Charles, who drove through horrific rain and delivered us all back safely to St Dom's.

It was unfortunate that we were not able to see all the other sections due to the bad weather. However, we will no doubt be able to visit again in future.



Back row – Gina Swart, Peter Thembane, Marilyn Daly, Teresa Coleman and Jenny Meilhon. Front Row – Mary Henderson, Ellen McConnell, Cynthia Duffey and Sharon Jones.

News from our Ministries

- ✠ Old and new **ushers** are requested to attend a meeting on **Saturday, 4 November** at 9.30am.
- ✠ There will be a meeting on **Tuesday, 31 October** for all **Junior Catechism and Edge parents** where they will be informed of plans for the 2018 year. Please note that there will be **no catechism** on that day.
- ✠ The next **pre-baptism class** will be held on **Wednesday, 8 November** at 17h30. Please make an appointment to see Fr John before attending.
- ✠ SSVP will be having their last food packing for the year on **Saturday, 25 November**. They will be packing double food parcels to cover end year requirements, so extra help is needed! Packing starts at 7.30am and all parishioners are most welcome to assist.



Your life is
your message
to the world.
Make sure
it's inspiring.

Flower Arranging Workshop By Helen Bellew

All interest parishioners are welcome to attend Helen Bellew's hands-on flower arranging workshop to be held on:

**Saturday, 4 November
9am – 11am
St Dom's Parish Hall**

Participants will need to bring their own flowers, containers etc.

If you would like to attend, please contact the parish office, or Bev Wortmann on 083 230 8477, and you will be sent a list of requirements to bring along to the workshop.



(Courtesy: Mike Buckle)

Once upon a time...

In ancient times, a King had a boulder placed on a roadway. Then he hid himself and watched to see if anyone would remove the huge rock. Some of the king's wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around it. Many loudly blamed the King for not keeping the roads clear, but none did anything about getting the stone out of the way. Then a peasant came along carrying a load of vegetables. Upon approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much pushing and straining, he finally succeeded. After the peasant picked up his load of vegetables, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been. The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the King indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway.

The moral of the story: Every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve our present condition. We often fail to see beyond the obstacle. Problems are in every person's life but the way we look at the problem is what matters. We can make a mess of our lives or we can choose to handle our problem. We need to go beyond the problem to get the solution. Trials make us stronger. Life is full of challenges but God will help us to face these challenges and make us bold.

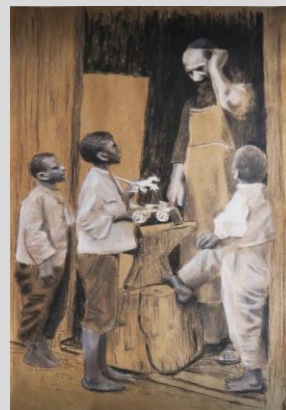
Trailing the Trappists Art Exhibition



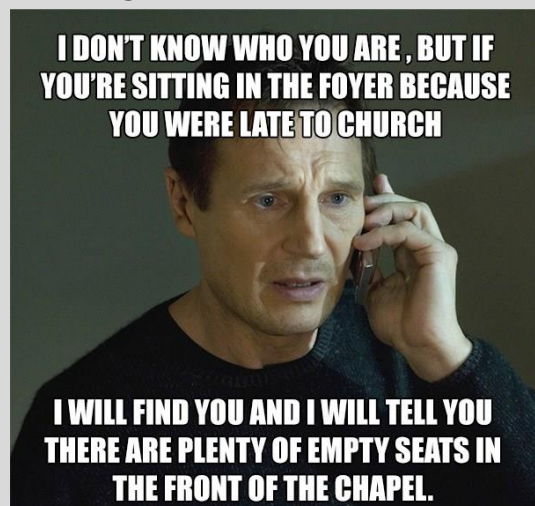
A group of 16 artists, including our very own parishioner, Lara Mellon, will be exhibiting their paintings, drawings and mixed-media works in an exhibition titled "Trailing the Trappists." The artists drew their inspiration from visits to missions and outstations built by the Trappist Monks between 1882 and 1908. The exhibition will take place from:

**5 – 13 November
St Anne's Hall, Mariannahill Monastery**

Visit the exhibition to learn all about the Trappist legacy in our province.



The Last Laugh



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Date	Time	Event
November 2017		
Wed, 1 November	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
	18h00	Ladies' Guild meeting
Thurs, 2 November	09h00	All Souls' Day – Holy Mass
	18h00	All Souls' Day – Holy Mass
Fri, 3 November	18h30	St Vincent de Paul 100 Club Draw – Bring & share supper
Sat, 4 November	08h00	Holy Mass and Rosary – For the faithful departed
	09h00	Flower arranging workshop by Helen Bellew
	09h30	Meeting for ushers
Sun, 5 November	08h00	All Saint's Day (celebration transferred from 1 November) Tea hosted by: Ashley & Stephanie Cameron
Mon, 6 November	17h30	SSVP meeting
	18h00	Choir practice
Tues, 7 November	18h30	Folk Group practice
Wed, 8 November	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
	17h30	Pre-baptism class
Thurs, 9 November	18h00	RCIA
Sun, 12 November	08h00	Tea hosted by: Krystyna Kalinowki, Denise De Witt & Innocentia Mkhize
	10h15	Hillcrest Government Hospital – Social Life Committee on duty. All parishioners are most welcome to assist
Mon, 13 November	18h00	Choir practice
	18h00	Bible Study
Tues, 14 November	18h00	Social Life Committee meeting
	18h30	Folk Group practice
Wed, 15 November	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
	18h00	PPC meeting
Thurs, 16 November	18h00	RCIA
Sat, 18 November	08h00	Breakfast Talk
Sun, 19 November	08h00	Tea hosted by: Tom & Ros Donnelly
Mon, 20 November	17h30	SSVP meeting
	18h00	Choir practice
Tues, 21 November	18h30	Folk Group practice
Wed, 22 November	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
	18h00	Spiritual Life Committee meeting
Thurs, 23 November	18h00	RCIA
Sat, 25 November	07h30	SSVP packing – All parishioners are most welcome to assist
	09h00	Community Services Committee meeting
Sun, 26 November	08h00	Feast of Christ the King First Holy Communion Tea hosted by: Ian & Jean Matthews
Mon, 27 November	18h00	Choir practice
	18h00	Bible Study
Tues, 28 November	18h30	Folk Group practice
	15h30	Catechism – last class for 2017
Wed, 29 November	06h00	Holy Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 18h00
Thurs, 30 November	18h00	RCIA