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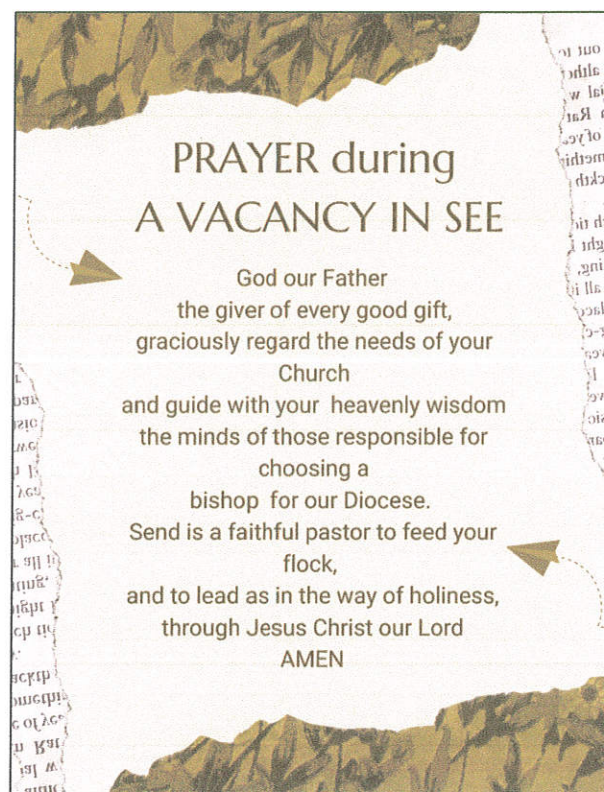
THE DIOCESAN NEWS
with PRAYER and PASTORAL CARE

Friday, 14th August 2026

The Month of Compassion

"... a time to reflect on and actively practice empathy, kindness, and care for others."

PRAYERS for the DIOCESE of SALDANHA BAY during THE VACANCY IN SEE



Greetings dear Clergy and Diocesan Family

Herewith news update, carrying our usual information of Birthdays, Anniversaries, Bereavements and our Prayers for the Sick.

1.

BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST 2026

16th Alan Lindhorst
16th Bernice Daries

18 th	Chantel Fortuin (<i>The Chancellor of the Diocese</i>)
18 th	Marion Counsell
20 th	Brenda Speelman
20 th	Mark Cloete
20 th	+Geoff Quinlan
22 nd	Anthony Henderson
22 nd	Johanna Leonard
23 rd	Celeste Adams
26 th	Harry Wiggett
28 th	James van Staden
28 th	Craig Abrahams

SEPTEMBER 2026

3 rd	Johannes George
3 rd	Colin Paine
3 rd	Benita Swartz
4 th	Jean Wiggett
5 th	Salomie Mostert

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

AUGUST 2026

26 th	Tobias and Juliana Mutale
31 st	Deon and Monica Willemse
31 st	Makhosini and Vuyokazi Maci

SEPTEMBER 2026

1 st	Marco and Washiela September
4 th	Clarence and Susan Hendrickse
4 th	Graham and Lizel Carelse

3.

THE SICK

Please pray for those who have asked us for prayers for particular persons and situations. We hold each in deep affection and prayer before the Lord.

- **The Revd Charles Williams.**
- **The Revd Dirk Magerman.**
- **Mrs Naomi van Staden.** Please continue to pray for Mrs van Staden, wife of Fr James van Staden.
- **Mr John Diergaardt.** We embrace Lay Canon Pat with prayer as she looks after her husband John. Prayers of healing.
- **Mrs Henriette Isaacs.** We pray that God's healing hand may rest upon her.
- We also hold Vicar-General, Russel Blassoples' dad in our hearts and prayers.
- We asking for prayers for the Ven. Paul van Reenen's, father-in-Law who is critically ill. **Mr Alec Benjamin**, dedicated parishioner of St Joseph's The Worker Lavistown and was for more than twenty years a faithful church councillor and Church Warden. We pray for God's healing and guiding Hand over Uncle Alec. Prayers for Fr Paul's wife, Charlotte, who are very concerned and anxious together with her siblings.
- Keep praying for **Eldridge Cohen Chali**, a confirmand from the Parish Church of Atlantis.
- Prayers go out to the family of the **The Revd Anthea Brache**, admitted to Kingsbury Hospital.

4.

THOSE WHO MOURN

Our deepest sympathy to all who lost loved ones. We extend our love and prayers and pray for God's Peace to enfold them.

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light Shine upon them.



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DIOCESAN NEWS

5.1 THE GUILD of THE SERVANTS OF THE SANCTUARY



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Dear Parish Priests, Headservers and Servers Guild Facilitators.

Greetings in Christ's Name.

Please receive the updated information with regards to some events related to the Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary.

THERE ARE TWO REMAINING SERVICES FOR THE YEAR: Evening Prayer & Solemn Benediction on 16 August 2026 at the Church of St. John in Bellville South at 3pm. Vesting point for clergy will be the board room and the dress code is choir habit.

Thanksgiving Eucharist on 23 October 2026 at the Church of St. Andrew, Eureka at 3pm

CAMP: The Camp has been postponed to 2027 and is replaced with the Service of 23 October 2026, we wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the input of priests and leaders which in turn assisted us in reaching this decision.

TRAINING THE TRAINERS: A training and formation workshop aimed at equipping those who are responsible for training servers is scheduled, God willing for 3 October 2026 at the Church of St. John in Bellville South at 10am. More information about this workshop will be circulated next week.

You remain in my prayers as I ask you to remain prayerful for me and the servers in our diocese.

Regards & Blessings

The Revd Craig Abrahams

Chaplain to the Diocesan Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary

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5.2 THE DIOCESAN CHOIR FESTIVAL ... "Where words fail, music speaks"



5.3 THE PRAYERS FOR PARISHES and PEOPLE

Grateful thanks to all the Parishes and Churches for their contributions.

The Closing date for Quarter 4 is on the **7th September 2026**, please forward prayer details to Ms Percy Matanda, thank you.

5.4 The QUILL and QUIVER

Our due date for the August edition of the Quill and Quiver is today, 14th August 2026.

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5.5 CONFIRMATIONS IN THE DIOCESE

Special prayers to our confirmation candidates as they prepare themselves for their confirmation.

"Guide them in their journey and fill their hearts with wisdom and strength as they affirm their faith. Inspire them with courage and may they always feel Your love surrounding them".



August			
	16	08h30am	All Saints, Atlantis
	30	9h30am	St Chad, Table View

September			
Saturday	05	11h00am	St Augustine, O'Kiep
	06	09h00am	All Saints, Springbok

	13	08h30am	St Alban, Goodwood
			17 TH TO 19 TH SEPTEMBER SYNOD OF BISHOPS
			20 TH TO 23 RD SEPTEMBER PROVINCIAL SYNOD 2026
	20	09h00am	St Michael and all Angels, Edgemead
	27	09h15am	St Margaret, Parow
	27		St Nicholas, Matroosfontein

5.6 DIOCESAN QUIET DAYS 2026

Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.
(Mark 6:31)

Our next Quiet Garden Movement is on the **20th AUGUST 2026**, at the Church of St Peter Churchhaven. All Clergy and Laity are welcome to join.

5.7 VACANT PARISHES in THE DIOCESE of SALDANHA BAY

- (a) Table View, St Chad
- (b) Hopefield, All Saints
- (c) Klawer, St James
- (d) Clanwilliam, St John

A Prayer for a Vacancy in a Pastoral Charge

God our Father

the giver of every good gift.

Graciously regard the needs of your Church

and guide with your heavenly wisdom

the minds of those responsible for choosing

a Rector for these Parishes.

Send us a faithful pastor to feed your flock

and to lead us in the way of holiness;

through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord.

Amen



Mrs Lizel Carelse

(in the Office of the Bishop of Saldanha Bay)