



REVIEW OF CHURCH FINANCES - 2026

The church finances are very much an area of concern.

For the month of July we had the lowest income in over a year – details below, with both pledges and collections being down. Although expenditure was slightly above average due to increases in electricity costs and travel expenditure, we cannot continue to deplete our reserves. We cannot grow.

Please, please we need your prayers and help to increase our regular giving for the sustaining of our church and building of God's kingdom here on earth. There is also essential maintenance that needs to occur. We need at least R130 000 every month to keep us solvent and fund raise for special projects.

July 2026	Pledges	R72 366
	Collection	R14 464
	Other income	R 9 221
	Total	R96 051
	Expenditure	R154 125
	Over expenditure	R58 074

Please pledge regularly and give generously. Thank You
Andree Lombard Treasurer

REPAIRS AND PROJECTS FOR ST OSWALD'S - 2026

The following is a list of outstanding repairs and projects for the maintenance of the church for 2026. If you are interested in sponsoring or contributing to any one of these projects, please contact the church wardens. Your assistance is greatly appreciated and will enable us to concentrate more on ministry support. Thank you.

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| 1. Repair church bell | 5. Repair stained glass windows |
| 2. Recondition kitchen cupboards | 6. New toilets in the hall |
| 3. New carpets - Church | 7. Roof cleaning |
| 4. New organ installation | |

BANK DETAILS

St Oswald's Church | Standard Bank, Milnerton |
Cheque Acct 073084735



ST OSWALD'S CHURCH



MILNERTON
ANGLICAN CHURCH OF SOUTHERN AFRICA (A.C.S.A)

SEPTEMBER 2026 SEASON OF CREATION

SERVICES

ST OSWALD'S CHURCH

Sunday	Holy Communion	07h30 / 09h30
Wednesday	Holy Communion	09h30

ST FRANCIS CHAPELRY

Sunday	Holy Communion	09h30
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ST LUKE'S CHAPELRY

Sunday	Iyukariste Engcwele	09h30
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WELCOME

A VERY WARM WELCOME TO YOU ALL.

May the fellowship of the Holy Spirit embrace us,
together in love and peace.

Should you wish to join the parish,
please log into the parish website - www.stoswalds.org.za
where forms are available to be downloaded.
Once completed, please email them to the parish office.

Please ensure you are familiar with the notice which explains
St Oswald's compliance with the new
PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT. It may be
found on the website – www.stoswalds.org.za

PLEASE RETAIN THIS LEAFLET FOR THE MONTH
FOR ALL NECESSARY PARISH INFORMATION.

HOME VISITS

Parishioners who would like someone to visit them - please contact the office via telephone: 021 551 8529 / email: info@stoswalds.org.za

PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like to be part of the Parish Prayer Chain who regularly offer intercessions for those who need it, please contact the office and leave your name, telephone number and email address. Everyone is welcome to be part of this essential ministry in our parish.

HALL HIRE

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE RESTRICTIONS ON THE HIRING OF THE HALL FOR FUNCTIONS. Please contact the church wardens or the office if you need more information.

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Andrée Lombard: 082 449 4955 – andreelombard@absamail.co.za

The Parish office: 021 551 8529

RECTOR: The Ven Dr Tobias Mutale 021 552 3262

Clergy: Revd Thozamile Shweni
Revd Tembeka Mpako-Ntusi

Parish Office: Deirdre Marshall 021 551 8529
8:30am – 12:30pm Tues – Friday

Church Wardens: Andrée Lombard: 082 449 4955
andreelombard@absamail.co.za
Nadine Schell: 083 448 0422
nadineschell73@gmail.com

Self-supporting & Retired Clergy periodically assisting in the Parish:

Rev Maxwell Malan, Rev Rod Walsh, Rev Mxolisi Mpambani,
Rev Matthew Esau, Rev Keith de Vos, Rev Ernest Ward-Cox

E-Mail: info@stoswalds.org.za



St Oswald's Parish in September

Please note that Fr Tobias will be away from the parish
From Sunday 20 Sept - Wednesday 23 Sept
for Provincial Meetings in Johannesburg.



Living Water

Season of Creation 2026

*The Global Ecumenical Theme
for the Season of Creation 2026,
"Living Water," is based
on Ezekiel 47:9,12,*

*where water flowing from God's Temple transforms barren land into a
place of abundant life: "Where the river flows everything will live."*

*This vision offers a message of hope, healing, and ecological renewal.
Water flowing from God's presence restores ecosystems, nourishes bio-
diversity, and symbolizes God's desire for the flourishing of all creation.
This year's symbol shows a small stream flowing from the Temple which
grows into a mighty river, bringing life wherever it goes
and inviting believers to enter the water and become participants
in God's work of healing the world.*

ARE YOU CALLED TO THE LAY MINISTRY?

Our Parish is in need of more lay ministers.
Please pray that there will be a response to this call. If you need
help with further personal discernment, please speak to the
Wardens.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ALTAR SERVERS' GUILD?

We like to encourage more young people to be trained
for serving in the Sanctuary on a Sunday.
If you feel that you would like to contribute to this ministry
& join this dedicated group, but need further information,
please speak to the Rector or the Wardens.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE WELCOME TEAM?

St Oswald's is currently looking for more members to join the
Welcome Team. If you enjoy meeting and greeting people, you
will enjoy being part of this ministry. Training will be given, and
your name added to a roster. You need not be on duty every
Sunday. Please contact Saleah - 082 400 1969

COLLECTS & READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

(The Revised English Bible)

15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 06 September 2026

COLLECT

God of the Church, your Son called us to be one in you: heal our divisions, restore our unity and empower us for the ministry of reconciliation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, Amen.

READINGS

1st Reading: Exodus 12: 1 - 14

Psalm: 149

2nd Reading: Romans 13: 8 - 14

Gospel: Matthew 18: 15 – 20

16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 13 September 2026

COLLECT

Forgiving God, your mercy endures for ever: make us know the extent to which we are forgiven, that by your grace we will become a forgiving people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, Amen.

READINGS

1st Reading: Exodus 14: 19 - 31

Psalm 114 or Exodus 15: 1b - 11, 20 - 21

2nd Reading: Romans 14: 1 – 12

Gospel: Matthew 18: 21 - 35

17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 20 September 2026

COLLECT

Generous God, you provide even for the dissatisfied and the grumbling: teach us the ways of your justice and lead us to practise your generosity, so that we will live lives worthy of the gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, Amen.

READINGS

1st Reading: Exodus 16: 2 - 15

Psalm: 105: 1 - 6, 37 - 45

2nd Reading: Philippians 1: 21 - 30

Gospel Reading: Matthew 20: 1 - 16

ST OSWALD'S BIRTHDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER

01/09	Mark Johnson
02/09	Yvonne Laing, Charlene February
03/09	Michelle Woudberg, Tonderai Chipuhdla
04/09	Paul Scholtz, Jonathan Lathleiff
05/09	Patricia Williams, Clemore Holmes, Tanya Adams, Eva Ntshoko, Alana Kinnear
06/09	Chulu Mangcu, Stella Taylor, Carmen Herman
08/09	Illana Scholtz, Carol Minshall, Belinda Kuhn, Mark Isaacs, Ronje van Niekerk, Mary-Ann Witbooi, Sarah-Ann England
09/09	Audine Nsudokwu
10/09	Skyler Worship, Alexa Plaatjes, Shalon Wahl, Pamela Mongie
11/09	Robert van der Colff, Tania Peters, Khyber Visser, Damian Liedeman, Bradwen Souman
12/09	Lawrence Pow-Chong, Jaryd Gillott, Tumelo Sabasaba, Jermaine Isaacs
13/09	Una Adonis, Lynette Butler, Khezia Hoffman
14/09	Logan Kleinsmith, Britney Bewee, Lezahn Williams
15/09	Christopher Ward-Cox, Tania Shaw, David Kogilambal
16/09	Imie Njokweni, Dawn Moore, Jacques Liebenberg
17/09	Roderick Whitaker, Patrick Franck, Joy Davids, Amber Whitaker, Catherine Alexander
18/09	Debra Williams, Lindy Plaatjes
19/09	Qhama Jiyana, Sylvia Ardi, Josh Fortuin, Roxanne Moses
20/09	Gail Kriger, Samantha Davids, Erlin Roberts, David Manley
21/09	Audrey van den Honert, Jade October, Gabi October, Hayden de Wet
22/09	Trevor Chute, Elize Willenburg, Keanan Yeats, Geovanni February, Chelsea Jooste, Abigail Calata
23/09	Kelly Langwood, Andree Lombard, Ingeborg Rosenberg, Alverana Manual
24/09	Gia Whitaker, Heather Wadeley, Theresa Venter
25/09	Keith Sedres, Marsha Adonis, Iftoma Igwe, Hilary Hoffman
26/09	Zack Coetzee, Joyce Cloete, Geoffrey Hickson, Margaret George, Felecia Oortman, Selene de Kock
28/09	Amanda Henderson, Stuart Ferguson
29/09	Joyce Cooper, Calvin Goodman, Dwain Bosman, Ashley Minshall, Jaden Kemp

18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 27 September 2026**COLLECT**

God of our salvation, we falter before the demands of your word:
 Pour out your mercy on us that we may turn from our sinfulness
 and walk the path of self-emptying love made known to us in Jesus
 Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever, Amen.

READINGS1st Reading: Exodus 17: 1 - 7

Psalm: 78: 1 - 4, 11 - 15

2nd Reading: Philippians 2: 1 - 13

Gospel: Matthew 21: 23 – 32



Living Water
 Season of Creation 2026

SPECIAL COLLECTS

These collects will be available each week in the Sunday leaflet. The manual is available for your further information and reading on our website (www.stoswalds.org.za/resources).

The Theme for 2026 is 'Living Water' –

01 September: Feast of Creation

Week 1: The Passover

Week 2: Dividing the Sea

Week 3: Dew in the Desert

Week 4: Water from the Rock

The four sermons for this year's Season of Creation reflect on the Exodus readings for each Sunday under the theme of Living waters.

Oceans, aquifers, rivers and wetlands, and the precious streams in the desert are gifts from God to be treasured and protected.

30/09 Malcolm Europa, Martin Nilsson, Charmaine Maasdorp, Blessing Offor

ST OSWALD'S ANNIVERSARIES - SEPTEMBER

01/09	Bradwen & Priscilla Souman
10/09	Dean & Lisel Carlse, Fabian & Tracy Higgins, Darin & Sharon Arendse, Chukwuma & Audine Nsudokwu
11/09	Marshalino & Gail Kriger
12/09	Peter & Margaret Rueger
13/09	Anthony & Marsha Fenton, Furnell & Glynnis Hendricks
17/09	Elton & Jeanne Hughes-Snell
21/09	Craig & Ingrid George
23/09	Darryl & Cindy Frans
24/09	Lukhanye & Abigail Calata, Shalon & Michael Whal
26/09	Kevin & Michelle Leske
28/09	Philo & Azola Ndungane
29/09	Patrick & Melissa Breda
30/09	Francois & Lucinda Josias, Natalie & Ryan Allen

ST FRANCIS BIRTHDAYS - SEPTEMBER

04/09	Nikita Allen	05/09	Alana Kinnear
14/09	Wayne Campbell	15/09	Thamsanqa Nqolobe
16/09	Allen Abrahams, Mbalentle Mazomba		
19/09	Luke Peters, Quanito Delgada		
20/09	Alexa Standish	21/09	Allan Kleinboo
22/09	Kealeboga Shebe	27/09	Jeanette Kinnear
29/09	Dawn de Wet	30/09	Dillan Bartes

ST FRANCIS ANNIVERSARIES - SEPTEMBER

18/09	Joshua & Wendy Rule
26/09	Anthony & Carmen Hendricks

ST FRANCIS CHAPELRY BAZAAR - 31 OCTOBER 2026

Join us for a wonderful day of fun, fellowship, and community. A variety of stalls and activities for everyone. Support the church by choosing a stall from the list on the notice board at the back of the church. Everyone is warmly welcome. We look forward to seeing you there. For more information, **contact Astrid Peters at 078 7222174**



ST OSWALD'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent, *Crystal Cloete*, will be on hand to welcome and register any newcomers.

St Francis: *Astrid Peters* is running the Sunday School.

❖ ST OSWALD'S PARISH - BIBLE & CONFIRMATION CLASSES

The classes for 2026 will be every Sunday at 08h00 at both St Oswald's and St Francis.

St Oswald's: Confirmation is led by **Gayroun Adams** and Bible class is led by **Claudine Barkley** in the church offices.

St Francis: **Rosetta Cupido** leads the Confirmation class and **Marilyn Hendricks** leads the Bible class.

MARRIAGES

Please contact the office – 021 551 8529 for assistance and information if you are planning to get married.

CHILDREN'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

If there are any parents who would like their children to receive Communion for the first time, make an appointment to see a priest.

ST OSWALD'S CHOIR REHEARSALS

Choir practise will take place every Saturday at 16h00. If you would like to join the Parish Choir contact **Cedric Williams - 071 678 9712.**

OUR PARISH MINISTRIES

Ministries are always being re-established. You are warmly invited to become involved in the life of the church. This includes **Lay Ministers, Sacristans, Altar Servers, Readers, Choir, Welcome Team, Confirmation & Bible Class Teachers, Sunday School Teachers & Technical Assistants.**

MORNING & EVENING PRAYER

Please note that the readings for both Morning and Evening Prayers are available on our website www.stoswalds.org.za/devotions

BIBLE STUDIES FOR EACH WEEK

There are regular online bible studies available for your daily devotions.

There will also be an **audio version** available on the website which is updated every week on the website - it always relates to the current Sunday's readings, which can be found in the pew leaflet.

<https://www.stoswalds.org.za/devotions/>

PARISH NOTICES

ST OSWALD'S COFFEE MORNING

Coffee mornings are held on the first Wednesday of each month.

All are very welcome to join us in the St Oswald's Hall on

Wednesday 02 September 2026 after the 09h30 service.

ST OSWALD'S FUNDRAISING

During most months there will be various sales of cakes and other goodies after the services at St Oswald's.

The Sunday School, Altar Servers, and volunteering parishioners are all working to raise funds for our ministries.

Fundraising sales will resume again in October.

ST OSWALD'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 29 September at 18h00.

EVENING PRAYER FOR LAY MINISTERS

A Service of Evening Prayer for all lay ministers will take place on Thursday 17 September at 19h00 at St Oswald's.

ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING

There will be training here at St Oswald's for all servers on Saturday 05 September 2026 from 09h00 to 10h30.

ARCHDEACONRY SUNDAY SCHOOL - MORNING PRAYER & TRAINING

This will take place on Saturday 05 Sept from 10h45 - 14h00.

All Sunday School teachers are encouraged to attend.

ST OSWALD'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - FUN DAY

This will take place on Saturday 12 Sept from 09h30 - 13h00.

All our children are invited to come along for a morning of fun!

❖ SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR OVERHEAD OPERATORS

We would like to have our services screened on the overhead again. However, we will need operators. No special skills or knowledge are required, other than a commitment on a Sunday morning. The more volunteers for a team of operators, the fewer the duties. There will be training available. If you feel you are able to help us, please speak to the wardens or let the office know. Thank you.

THE ST OSWALD'S PARISH HELPING HAND BEQUEST FUND

This was set up to help those parishioners in dire circumstances. Each application is considered on merit as funds are limited and restricted by certain conditions as set out in the bequest. Please feel free to contact the Rector or the Wardens. All enquiries are held in the strictest confidence.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Our Outreach projects are more necessary than ever at this time, to assist those in need. Please bring all donations for our various projects to the Office.

In the case of any RECYCLED CLOTHING / SHOES and items such as BOTTLE TOPS, we kindly ask that everything be washed and clean for those handling the deliveries.

Thank you for your co-operation & kind generosity.

We will therefore continue to collect food items, knitted squares for blankets, clothing, bottle tops and bread tags.

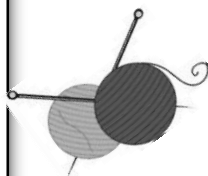
CASH DONATIONS ARE ALSO MOST WELCOME

The organisation, SANDWICH SISTERS, which the parish has been supporting, now only do sandwich drives twice yearly. However, JANET'S JUNCTION, Joe Slovo, still feed the needy and St Oswald's would like to continue to support them with a monthly donation. In addition we ask that parishioners kindly bring non-perishable food items to donate such as rice 500g / tinned fish / tinned veg / tea / jam / oil 750ml / small peanut butter / dried soup mix / spaghetti / porridge / sugar 500g etc.

St Oswald's also supports St Dominic's, Hanover Park and Malachi House, Richwood with regular donations.

BLANKETS / WOOL DONATIONS

PLEASE DO RETURN ALL YOUR KNITTED SQUARES TO THE CHURCH OR THE OFFICE FOR MAKING UP AND DELIVERY OF BLANKETS.



❖ SUNDAY FLOWERS

We would like to re-introduce the tradition of having flower arrangements in the church on a Sunday. If you would like to donate an arrangement in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion e.g. birthdays / anniversaries, please add your name and contact details to a list at the side door of the church, also indicating which Sunday it will be for. It should be organised with the office. Thank you. Let's make our church beautiful!

ST OSWALD'S SUNDAY TEAS

We would like to invite all parishioners and visitors for a time of fellowship & a cup of tea **after the 09h30 Service every Sunday.** Thank you to all those who so kindly volunteered to host and organise.



ST OSWALD'S BAZAAR SATURDAY 03 OCTOBER

Convenors: Nadine 083 448 0422 and Loretta 071 342 0353

WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO RUN ONE OF THESE STALLS!

FACE-PAINTING / POTJIEKOS / PIZZA SLICES

OUR GOAL THIS YEAR IS R35 000

The following stalls have been taken - thank you for the great response!

Come and join us and help us reach our much-needed goal.

BREAKFAST ROLLS: Loretta & Dianne / BOEREWORS ROLLS: Calvin Goodman
BRIC-A-BRAC: Beryl Goodman / BOOKS: Pam Mikkelsen & coffee morning ladies
CAKES: Ursula & family / COOLDRINKS: Gayroun / CURRY & RICE: Nicky R & Family
PANCAKES: Schell family / SWEETS: Crystal / PUDDINGS: Pam Mikkelsen
TEA & COFFEE: Lynne Kuter / 2ND HAND CLOTHING: Saleah / PLANTS: Yvonne
NEEDLEWORK: Nadine & Sandra / SWEET BASKETS: Daphne & Marlene /
JEWELLERY: Arlene / BEVERAGE GARDEN: Bruce / VEGETABLES: Hein

PLEASE INFORM THE OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU NEED DONATION LETTERS

PRAYER BOOKS @ R160 EACH, from Andree / the office.

HAPPY HERITAGE DAY
24 SEPTEMBER 2026

