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Diocese of Grahamstown 2019 Ordination Ceremony.



Revd Ronald Adonis blesses the Bishop after the service

The Ordination into the office of Priesthood is one of the most prestigious events in the life of the Anglican Church. This is no different within the Diocese of Grahamstown's calendar and so when Saturday the 16th of March 2019 came along, everyone was very excited for this event.

Before the start of the service, the choir kept everyone spiritually entertained with their soulful harmonies to set the ambience for the service. Pews quickly filled up with friends, family, colleagues and

clergy members who came out in their numbers to support the Ordinands. The service started at 10:00am led by the Bishop of Grahamstown.

The sermon was preached by Canon Randall Gallant who based his sermon on Thomas's doubt when other Disciples claim to have seen the Lord. His emphase was that: sometimes is is good to doubt something for the assurance as Thomas did. He doubted that the Lord that has died and berred can appear again live , and Canon Randall says this was a significant

doubt and encouraged the newly ordained and the entire congregation to be sure of what they believe in. This sermon was very appropriate for the event because it relayed relevant commentary on the current state of the church not only in our Diocese, but in our country and the rest of the world.

The Ordinands were:

- Adonis, Ronald Ferdinand (St Mark, Cambridge)
- Bam, Siyabulela Lexwell (SS John & Chad)
- Booi, Bongani (St Mary, Phumlani)
- Botile, Vusumzi Alfred (St Andrew, Mdantsane)
- Cintso, Mongezi Templeton Benjamin (St John, Fort Beaufort)
- Dongwana, Lunga Daniel (Cathedral , Grahamstown)
- Gitywa, Nokuzola Cynthia (SS John & Chad)
- Kabaale, Alice Janet (St Mark, Cambridge)
- Mangxiti, Mandisa (St Luke Nxarhuni)
- Maqubela, Gcobani Lennox (St Francis, Mdantsane)
- Matini, Siphokazi Faith (SS John & Chad)
- Mbenya, Bassie Patrick (St Francis, Mdantsane)
- Mkiva, Mnikeli Solomon (St Bartholomew, Alice)
- Mnyabiso, Vuyani Horatious (Bernard

- Mizeki, Scenery Park)
- Nongauza, Francisca Busisiwe (St Martin, Gonubie)
- Ntame, Yoliswa Patricia (St Luke, Nxarhuni)
- Nyosi, Phumelele Macford (St Andrew, Mdantsane)
- Pongoma, Mbongeni Competence (St Barnabas, Tsholomnqa)
- Sebetshu-Qalinto, Nothini Florence (St Luke, Nxarhuni).

We all pray for them to receive spiritual fortitude, as well as the intellectual prowess to be able to better tackle the problems facing the church today. May they rise to the occasion and act decisively on the issues that plague the faith today. May the Lord bless them and keep them strong. The Bishop concluded the service with the Great Thanksgiving (Eucharist service).

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Bishop Ebenezer writes....

Christ's Resurrection shuts despondency



Dear brothers and sisters, we pray that your faith in the resurrected Lord be kept aflame so that your hope for victory over failures, disappointment and frustrations may always be strengthened. Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed.

Christians experience resurrection through Baptism when we surrender and get incorporated into Christ's risen life; ...we are made members of his Body and we are raised with him to new life in the Spirit (An Anglican Prayer Book, page 380#38). To be raised with Christ instills in us the holiness of God (1Peter 1:15-17, Leviticus 11:44); living in the world but above worldly values (John 17:14-16).

The Easter of 2019 has come at a time when despondency is rife among South Africans because of the revelations that are coming out of the four commissions of inquiry. On the other hand, the world finance is not yet clear what sort financial status SA is. The outcomes of the commissions and the uncertainty of world

finance has increased fuel prices, electricity and other components that are used by consumers.

These disclosures of corruption and maladministration leave us despondent, anxious and uncertain of the future as much as the present. The situation is almost similar to that of the Disciples at the time of Jesus' arrest and ultimate crucifixion.

However, at the Easter Vigil we heard that through the celebration of the Paschal Mystery we lived out the resurrected Lord renewing our faith and hope, and giving us a share in his victory over death and in his eternal life with the Father (AAPB page 202#72). We are Easter people who keep being inflamed with new hope. Our faith in Christ's victory over death restores us in holiness as individuals and sends us out to proclaim victory over corruption, abuse of power, xenophobia, destruction of public and individual property, alcohol, drugs and gambling; the list is inexhaustible, but in all, victory over human meanness that causes all the ills in society.

As God's Church, we are ambassadors of resurrection to a world that is like the two Marys, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Salome looking for the risen Lord among the dead and the angel astounded them; ... *He has risen! He is not here* (Mark 16:6). Jesus has risen to wipe our tears and to give confidence which the crucifixion took away from us.

Christ's resurrection empowers us to overcome our small graves of disgruntlement in our families, communities and the nation as a whole. No wonder that the Easter Candle is going to be kept lit so that each time we see it we are reminded of Easter Vigil words; *The power of this holy night dispels all evil, washes guilt away, restores lost innocence, brings mourners joy. (It casts out hatred, brings us peace, and humbles earthly pride)...*, (AAPB page 206).

Christ's resurrection injected a new life into His followers; boldness overtook fear and the world was never the same anymore. And this is the Church's message that

Christ conquered, is conquering and will conquer our anxieties, sorrows, hatred, inferiority and superiority complex, lawlessness; the list is inexhaustible.

May we request you to pause for at least ten minutes, get a pen and paper and write down areas in your life where you need Christ to restore you; in your family relationship, work environment, community and Church life. Then pray for each area that Christ's risen life may empower you to work towards renewal and restoration.

Alleluia Christ is risen indeed. May God give us the grace of the new fire and the new light of the resurrection that will lead all of us including all South Africans into righteousness.

(IsiXhosa: tyhila kwiphepha lesi-4)

SAFE CHURCH

This is to inform you that we have appointed a Safe Church committee that will go around the Diocese and do workshops in the parishes as mandated by Bishop in Chapter. The convenor is the Revd Canon Dr Sam Beja and his contact details are as follows: 083-378-1113 and Samuel.Beja@ehealth.gov.za .

This committee will work hand-in-hand with Chapter and the Province.

The Provincial Co-ordinator is lay Canon Rosalie Manning (Provincial Deputy Registrar).

From now on nobody will be admitted as a Sunday School Teacher or any other offices in the Church without forwarding to us a clearance certificate from the South African Police Service and also a clearance certificate from the Department of Social Development.



Canon Rosalie Manning presenting Safe Church at the Diocesan Synod Grahamstown

Celebration and Thanksgiving by the Diocesan Mothers' Union



Mrs Mhlwatika, Mrs Mangaliso Bishop Ebenezer and Mrs Ntlali

guilds and cluster dioceses gave thanks to God for Mrs Mhlwatika and her tireless efforts and contribution made to the Mothers Union.

Mrs Mhlwatika served two terms (2012-2018) with service and love as MU president, amongst her many achievements were the launch of the Sunday school curriculum and implementation of Vision 2024.

She has indeed taken the Mothers Union to a superior stature. We thank you NOMBEKO !

The Diocese of Grahamstown journeyed with Mrs Mhlwatika Mothers Union applauded during her tenure as the Mothers Union President.

Mandisa Mhlwatika in elegance by hosting a thanksgiving dinner on 4 May 2019. Among those present were Bishop Ebenezer Ntlali, Cluster Dioceses together with many dignitaries and Mothers Union members all over the Diocese of Grahamstown as they have

The event began with a Eucharist service conducted by the Bishop Ebenezer Ntlali followed by dinner where the guest speaker Mrs Noncedo Ntlali, the current Mothers Union president Mrs Anna Mangaliso, representatives from



Current president Mrs Mangaliso with her Deputy Mrs Mfazwe, followed by the Lady of the Day

New Cathedral Director of Music arrives for Easter



By Maggy Clarke

The new Cathedral Director of Music, Cameron Luke, arrived from the UK in time for the Easter services, and is looking forward to working with the Cathedral music. His ultimate

aim is to make this Cathedral the foremost musical establishment in South Africa. To this end, he will be concentrating on consolidation and development of the choir, recruitment, expansion,

diversity, and above all quality. He believes strongly that the music must be an integral part of a service of worship.

Cameron Luke grew up in Cornwall, England, and fell in love with the sound of the organ when attending his village church with his parents. Being gifted with synaesthesia, a condition which means that he can see colours associated with certain sounds, he revelled in passages which he perceived as literally purple, or green!

Cameron began his organ lessons at the age of 12. In his teens he was recognised as a useful deputy who could fill in at different local churches. Among his many musical qualifications he has an honours degree in music from Worcester College Oxford, and a Fellowship Diploma from the Royal College of Organists (FRCO). His previous experience includes teaching

music and directing choirs as well as playing the organ, in various settings in the UK as well as a stint in Norway. His most recent post was Director of Music at All Saints' Cheltenham. Although his appointment to the Cathedral was announced at the time of Dr A-J Bethke's departure, the process of Cameron's visa application caused a delay of a full two years. It is a tribute to his gentle but tenacious persistence that he has at last succeeded in obtaining a five-year visa, renewable.

From the second semester he will be teaching a class at Rhodes, in choral conducting. His other interests include organ construction (he can fix problems on the organ!) and bell-ringing. He hopes that he will be able to be part of a revival of bell-ringing at the Cathedral.

uBishophu uEbenezer ubhala athi... Uvuko lukaKrestu lutshabalalisa ukudandatheka.



Bazalwana noodade abathandekayo

Bazalwana noodade abathandekayo, sithandazela ukuba kwanga ukukholwa kwenu kwiNkosi evukileyo kungagcinwa kuhlale kuvutha ukuze ithemba lenu loyiso oloyisa konke ukufadalala kwezinto, ngaphezu kokudana nokwaphuka umxhelo, kungahlala komeleziwe maxa onke. Haleluya! UKrestu uvukile ngokwenene.

AmaKrestu alufumana uvuko ngoBhaptizo xa sizinikezela, sibandakanywe nobomi bukaKrestu ovukileyo;... *senziwa amalungu omzimba wakhe, sivuswa naye ebomini obutsha sikuMoya* (INcwadi yemiThandazo, ipheph. 380 # 38). Ukuvuswa noKrestu kufaka kuthi ubungwele bukaThixo (1 Petros 1: 15-17, Levetikus 11: 44; ukuhlala ehlabathini kodwa singasentla kwemimiselo yehlabathi (Yohane 17: 14-16).

IPasika yowe-2019 ifike ngexesha lodandatheko olukhulu kubantu boMzantsi Afrika ngenxa yezinto ezivezwa ziikhomishini ezine zophando. Kwelinye icala, imeko yezemali yehlabathi ayide icace ukuba iyibeka phina imeko yezimali yoMzantsi Afrika. Iziphumo zophando oluqhubekayo nokungaqiniseki kwemeko yemali yehlabathi zinyuse ixabiso leoli, umbane nezinye izinto ezifunekayo ezisetyenziswa ngabantu entlalweni yabo. Oku kuvezwa korhwaphilizo nolawulo olugwenxa kusishiya sidakumbile, sinamaxhala, singaqinisekanga ngekamva nangeli xesha sikulo. Imeko iphantse yafana neyeliya xesha labaPostile ngexesha lokubanjwa kukaKrestu apethe exhonywa.

Kambe ke ngoMlindo wePasika sivile ukuba ngokubhiyozela iMfihlelo yePasika siye sayiphila iNkosi evukileyo ihlaziya ukholo lwethu nethemba, isinika isabelo ekoyiseni kwayo ukufa nasebomini bayo obungunaphakade inoYise (INcwadi yemiThandazo iph. 202#72). Singabantu bePasika abathe gqolo belunyekwa ngethemba elitsha. Ukholo lwethu kukoyisa kukaKrestu ukufa luyasihlaziya ebungweleni njengabantu lusithume ukuba sivakalise ukoyisa urhwaphilizo, ukusetyenziswa kakubi kwamandla, ukubukula abasemzini, ukutshabalalisa izinto zoluntu, ialkhoholi, iziyobisi nokungecakaza; alupheli uludwe lwezo zinto, kodwa lilonke, uloyiso kusoyiswa imo engatshongo khona yomntu eyenza yonke le nkxwaleko eluntwini.

Njengetyalike kaThixo, singoonozakuzaku bovuko kwihlabathi elifana noMariya ababini, uMariya waseMagadala noMariya umama kaaYakobi noSalome befuna iNkosi evukileyo phakathi kwabafileyo saza isithunywa sabamangalisa sathi ... *Uvukile! Akakha apho* (Marko 16:6). UYesu uvukile ukuze azisule iinyembezi zethu nokusinika ukuzithemba okwathathwa kuthi kukubethelelwa kwakhe.

Ukuvuka kukaKrestu kuyasomeleza ukuba siwoyise onke amangewatyana okudandatheka kwiintsapho zethu, kuluntu lwethu nakwisizwe siphela. Akumangalisi ke ukuthi iKhandlela lePasika liza kuhlala likhanyisiwe ukuze ngexesha ngalinye silibona sikhunjuzwe amazwi oMlindo wePasika: *Amandla obu busuku bungwele achitha bonke ububi,*

ahlamba ubutyala, abuyisa ubunyulu obalahlekayo, abuyisa uvuyo kubazili. (Achitha intiyano asizisela uxolo, azisa intobeko kwikratshi lehlabathi ... , (INcwadi yoMthandazo iph. 206). Ukuvuka kukaKrestu kwafaka ubomi obutsha kubalandeli bakhe; ukukhalipha kwathatha indawo yokoyika, ihlabathi alizange libuye libe njengakuqala. Ngumyalezo weTyalike lo wokuba uYesu woyisa, uyoyisa yaye usaya kuwoyisa amaxhala ethu, iintlungu zethu, intiyo yethu, ukuba phantsi kwethu nokuzibona kwethu singasentla kwabanye, nokungabi namthetho kwethu; lude olo ludwe.

Ndingakhe ndinicele ukuba nikhe ninqumame imizuzu elishumi, nithathe usiba nephepha elowo abhale phantsi iindawo ebomini bakhe anqwenela ukuba uKrestu azibuyisele kwimo eyiyo; kubudlelane benu njengosapho, kwimeko yasemsebenzini, kubomi bokuhlala nobaseCaweni. Nandule ke ukuthandazela indawo nganye eninga ubomi bukaKrestu ovukileyo anganomeleza kuzo ukuba nisebenzele ukuba nibe nohlaziyeko nokubuyiselwa kwimo efanelekileyo yangaphambili. Haleluya uKrestu uvukile ngokwenene. Wanga uThixo angasinika ubabalo lomlilo omtsha nokhanyiso olutsha lovuko oluya kusikhokela sonke, ndawonye nabo bonke aboMzantsi Afrika, ukuya ebulungiseni.

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Christ is for us all



By Wezo Bloko

The Parish of Christ Church Amalinda under the Rector Revd Wezo Bloko East London West, once again this year holds the programme of groceries and clothes, donating to the less fortunate, where as the Lord teaches us that "what the right hand does the left must not know" the programme depends entirely on donations.

The project started last year where by the Parish donated Groceries, Clothes and Uniform to the young people.

It is a request and a plea extended to any person who may be able to help and donate to this programme to do so before the 20th June as they will be giving away those collected clothes and groceries to families on the 29th June 2019.

For more information please contact 072 560 1994.



People were choosing what they could to have.

PRESS STATEMENT ON THE 68TH SESSION OF SYNOD – DIOCESE OF GRAHAMSTOWN



The Anglican Diocese of Grahamstown held its 68 Session of Synod at St Albans Anglican Church in Vincent East London from the 15th to the 18th May 2019; under the theme -" YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND SOUL AND MIND AND STRENGTH; AND YOUR NEIGHBOUR AS YOURSELF"- with the 14th Diocesan Bishop; the Rt Revd St Mark Ebenezer Ntlali presiding over the session.

An appropriate precursor and spiritual introit to the session was a Retreat for Clergy -which was open to laity as well - conducted by the retired Bishop of Port Elizabeth, Bishop Bethlehem Nceba Nopece, who, being a New Testament Scholar, presented an inspiring and scholarly doctrinal expose' of the Love of God

The Synod Session then took off on a high note with the Diocesan Bishop setting the tone by delivering a thought-provoking Charge as he soared into the loftiest of highest presenting an all-embracing and comprehensive State of the Diocese address using God's Love as the launch pad for his address

Bishop Ebenezer laid particular emphasis on this Session as being a singular opportune moment for reflective introspection – a time for looking beyond our parochial boundaries, aligning ourselves with God's will and thinking of doing things that are pleasing to Him, examining our personal faith in Christ Jesus as well as our Spiritual Life! To bounce this against the hard realities of our current context exploring how we transcend racial, national, tribal, personal prejudices, language and attitudinal boundaries in the light of an internalized Apartheid Legacy characterized by racism, colonialism, imperialism, oppression, subordination, anger, hatred and so forth in this endless

list

Against such a backdrop he extended congratulations to the State President Elect, all the Premiers of the Provinces and the citizenry of the Land for the successful elections that were peaceful, legitimate, free and fair – praying for a Government that will serve all the people of South Africa imbued with a compassionate heart of Jesus

He also brought to the fore and emphasized the inspiring unity and edification of the Church as derived from the abounding fellowship exuding in the meetings of the Synod of Bishops in the ACSA through various interaction extensions with the rest of the world as evidenced by visits to these meetings by luminaries such as the Archbishops of Canterbury and Sudan as well as academics from Germany and Kenya

He prayerfully reflected on his own capacitation and leadership responsibility profile in the ACSA, comprising amongst others, being the Liaison Bishop in the World Council of Churches, Christianity and African Culture, Chairing the Executive and H R of the College of Transfiguration, COTT Endowment Trust and Provincial Tribunal of Appeal

The Bishop praised and thanked God Almighty for Spiritual invigoration in the Diocese on the Launch of i-Butho laba-Vuseleli baka-Krestu – a spiritual movement for the revival of the Gospel of Salvation – aligned and affiliated to the i -Viyo Movement in the rest of ACSA

He outlined the various programmes of action of the Diocese through its Department, Structures and Guilds as to how these have emulated the Love of God, amongst which can be lifted stellar outreach interventions such as:

The Grahamstown Diocese Development Trust having been entrusted with R21,4

M by the National Skills Development Fund Programme, over a period of 39 months - for disbursement of stipends to 274 learners for placement to enable them to be better strutted to secure gainful employment and make a dent on the scourge of unemployment of young people that has escalated to unprecedented proportion in the country.

Further, youth pursuing professions have been assisted in realizing their dreams with 17 TVET Engineering learners placed at PRASA – 15 of whom have now joined an apprenticeship programme at PRASA and two at Daimler Chrysler

The Mothers Union in the Diocese in collaboration with the Diocesan Convener for the Sunday School have produced a Syllabus for the Sunday School which has attracted great interest from other Dioceses within ACSA

In their outreach programme the MU has facilitated the procurement of an artificial leg for a child born with a defective leg in Adelaide, in the Archdeaconry of Winterberg; as well as having collected an amount of R20K earmarked for furnishing a house in the final stages of being handed over to the family of this little girl as well providing for her future education

An amount in excess of R274K has been raised by the MU earmarked for the erection of a Diocesan MU Centre

And including the placement of Thirty Engineering students with PRASA as Apprentices for the next five years to enable them to be accredited in their professions.

The Synod engaged in robust debates interrogating motions dealing with a variety of issues affecting the lives of the people of God among which can be cited:

i. Affirmation of the need for the appropriate Theological Equipment of the clergy with the emergence of a resolution setting standards for minimum requirement before ordination, namely Certificate in Theology, Diploma in Theology at NQF Level 5 and a bachelor's degree in Theology;

ii. As well as encumbering and embedding the established Ministry of Permanent Deacons with the adoption of guidelines for the regulation and orderly coordination of such Ministry .

Introspective reflection on the need for transformation within our Church as well as and including the leadership of the church to be relevant to the current needs as dictated by the context of the day

Leveraging on environmental awareness and sustenance of nature resources to counter the effects of Global warming so as to assure food and water security. To this end Synod encouraged the

conversations afoot between the Municipality of Makhanda and the Gift of the Givers NGO which are purposed to alleviate the water scarcity currently affecting this municipality

Synod decried the murders of Farming Community members particularly of Farm Workers and Farmers alike. The taking of life of human beings is never acceptable under any circumstances!

Affirmation of the recognition of the iconic figure by the ANC Government in the person of the late Canon Calata who was an Anglican born and bred in Rabula and who had ministered at St Matthews

Congratulatory Message to Premier Masuale and Premier Elect Lubabalo Mabuyane for peaceful elections in the province as well as expressing the disquiet by the Church as regards the escalation in the number of Service Delivery protests that are characteristically accompanied by wanton destruction of property and a plea to the MECs to address very sharply the issues responsible for such protest so that an end may be brought about to such unnecessary actions

The Synod discussions were enriched by the special invitations extended by the Bishop to experts in various fields on issues affecting the life the people of God. One such luminary was Mr. Sithembele Mase – Political Advisor to Premier Masuale and Chairman of the

Board of Ntinga O R Tambo Development Agency who illumined Synod on development Programmes in the area of Agriculture and Land Ownership

The Deputy Registrar of the ACSA and Lay Canon in the Diocese of Johannesburg, Adv. Rosalie Manning educated and empowered the Members of Synod on the vexatious issues of Human Sexuality and Same Sex Unions as well as on How to build a Safe and Inclusive Church

She delved into and came with an illuminating exposition from an objective point of view as to how to approach and engage human sexuality issues as well as confronting the scourge of pervasive Gender Based Violence in families.

The undergirding message is enablement of the Church to engage meaningfully and in a mature manner in these conversations devoid of judgementalism. To this end ACSA has set up a Commission which is to come up with guidelines to enable Church to minister effectively in these circumstances

As regards the Safe Church, ACSA has moved rapidly and come up with progressive intervention approach to ensure inclusivity and safety in our churches, adding on the existing Pastoral Standards of Shepherds of the

Flock and an expanded definition of Ministers

Each and every Diocese is expected to set up its own responsive team that will be responsible for investigating the cases with retired judges and lawyers brought on board

ACSA has now adopted new compliance requirements for all those to be ordained to have to produce clearance certificates from SAPS and Department of Social Development as well sign a declaration. The bishops of ACSA have specifically been told not to ordain anyone with a record of Sexual Harassment. This is a non-negotiable! All Ministers have to sign a declaration in this regard, that is reviewable every two years, by the end of this year

The Synod ended on a high note with spirits of delegates refreshed and invigorated and committed to the prayer of St Teresa de Avilla: ***‘ Christ has no body on earth but ours, no hands but ours, no feet but ours. Ours are the eyes through which Christ’s compassion for the world is to look out; ours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good; and ours are the hands with which he is to bless us now’***

AWF CELEBRATION OF THE WORKERS DAY



Bishop Ebenezzer, Chaplain Canon Magxalisa, AWF executive members and the Children

Responding to a call by the government to celebrate the Workers Day on the 1st May every year, the AWF instituted the commemoration of Saint Joseph, the Worker since 2009 as a call to Christians to imitate him.

Saint Joseph was the chaste husband of Mary, the foster father of Jesus, a carpenter, a loving husband and father, a man who worked with his hands, a man who watched over and cared for his

family, and who had a deep faith in his God, even when things seemed to be working against him.

The celebration was held at the St. Andrews Anglican Church, Mdantsane and was embraced by the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese of Grahamstown, the clergy, representation of the Diocese of Grahamstown guilds and Diocese of Mbashe. The AWF uses this platform to raise funds towards supporting the

education of the Anglican priests and all proceeds are donated to the Diocese of Grahamstown every year. The AWF also used this platform to distribute uniform to 30 learners (valued at more than R18 000) for Sinomonde Primary School from Orange Grove, a project that they have maintained for more than 10 years. This was further affirmed by one of the parents who thanked the AWF for its contribution towards the education of their children.

Delivering a very profound and inspirational sermon, Bishop Ntlali commended the strides by the AWF towards the educational support of priests and the needy learners and further used the platform to encourage workers to imitate and emulate Saint Joseph as they perform their duties and also remember to support those that are not privileged.

The AWF further extended a call to all the guilds of the Diocese of Grahamstown to support this noble initiative as the need to increase its contributions remains valid.

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St Andrew's College



In celebration of their 30th reunion, the class of 1989 raised funds for the Good Shepherd School, a community partner of St Andrew's College. The history of College and the Good Shepherd School are closely intertwined. The very first College boys were taught in the original Good Shepherd building while the first section of what is Upper House was being built. Representatives of the 1989 class, Mr Lorraine White, Mr Russell Bennett and Mr Ryan Searle enjoyed a memorable visit to the Good Shepherd School today and took the opportunity to present their collection to the Headmaster, Mr Manie Cronje and the Good Shepherd Trust Administrator, Mrs Cathy Micklejohn.

JUNE		
Sunday	16	Thanksgiving service at the Cathedral
Saturday	22	Chair Tribunal in PE
Sunday	23	Closing Eucharist service of Order of St Vincent Conference
Wednesday	26	Diocesan Council Meeting
Friday	28	DYG Gala Dinner
Saturday	29	Umjikelo at Bernard Mizeki, Scenery Park
Sunday	30	Closing Eucharist Service of DYG 30 TH Anniversary Celebrations

JULY		
Thu	4 – Fri	5 Marriage Preparation Education
Sunday	21	East London East Confirmation Service
Sunday	28	Mary Magdalene Commemoration Service

AUGUST		
Sunday	4	Grahamstown Archdeaconry Family Weekend closing celebrations
Tuesday	6	Chapter meeting at All Saints, East London
Sunday	11	St Mark's, Cambridge Confirmation Service
Wed	14 – Thu	15 Clergy School & Wellness Indaba
Sunday	18	East London West Confirmation Service
Sat	24 – Sun	25 Diocesan Family Weekend
Tuesday	27	CoTT Council Meeting



These are dates for FOV

- 9 March opening session for 2019 (with the Bishop in attendance)
- 11 May 2019
- 12-14 July 2019 weekend retreat
- 14 September 2019
- 9 November closing session for 2019

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