



Vestry Sunday Reflection — 1st Sunday in Lent

In the garden, Adam and Eve are entrusted with something beautiful and bounded. The command is simple. The temptation, when it comes, is not crude - it is subtle, dressed in half-truths, whispering that God is withholding something they deserve. And they reach. In that reaching, something breaks - not just a rule, but a relationship of trust. But the story does not end in the garden. Jesus is led into the wilderness - hungry, alone, and tested. The same ancient voice returns, still fluent in half-truths, still offering what glitters. Three times it comes. Three times Jesus holds. He does not win by force of will alone, but by rootedness in the Word of God. Every temptation is met not with argument but with scripture — with the deep memory of who he is and whose he is. This is the Lenten invitation for us as a vestry and as a congregation: to examine where we reach for what is not ours, where silence has become a burden, and where we might return to the simpler, harder faithfulness of trust. Vestry ministry is, at its heart, stewardship - of resources, of relationships, of the sacred trust placed in us by this community and by God. May this season strip away what is unnecessary, and leave us standing - as Jesus stood - knowing exactly who we are and whose we are.

Serving Christ together,
Archdeacon Sizwe Ngcobo

Vestry Sunday

22 February 2026

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Psalms 32

Matthew 4:1-11

08h00 Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher

Rev'd Sizwe Ngcobo

Synaxist

Lungelo Manyathi

Readers

Merriel Neumann &

Ntandose Masalla

Welcomers

Margie Clarence &

Samantha Standing

Wednesday

25 Feb 2026 @10h00

Jonah 3:1-10

Psalms 51:1-2, 10-12

Luke 11:29-32

Celebrant

Rev'd Jonathan van Niekerk

Preacher *Louise Beghin*

Synaxist *Shawn Lambie*

*** Guest Organist**

Melvin Peters





VESTRY

Annual General Meeting



Register for the Vestry Meeting

Don't forget to register your attendance for the 2026 Vestry Meeting!



2026 Vestry Report

The 2026 Vestry Booklet is now available for your review.



Vestry Sunday Liturgy

The liturgy for this Sunday Service on 22 February, is now available.

BIBLE PASSAGES FOR THIS WEEK

- 21-Feb Deuteronomy 4-6
- 22-Feb Deuteronomy 7-9
- 23-Feb Deuteronomy 10-12
- 24-Feb Deuteronomy 13-15
- 25-Feb Deuteronomy 16-18
- 26-Feb Deuteronomy 19-21
- 27-Feb Deuteronomy 22-24

Bible in 365 Days



1936 - 2026

As we celebrate **90 years of God's faithfulness** to our beloved parish, we would like to honour a very special group among us. If you know of any parishioner who is 90 years or above, please send their **name and age** to **Revd Sizwe** on **083 743 4645** so that we may acknowledge and celebrate them on **Vestry Sunday**. Let us give thanks to God for their lives and their faithful witness to our community.



THE CONNECTION GROUP

Thursdays at 18h30 in The Reading Room

Whether you're new to St Agnes and want to learn more, or you're simply seeking community, you are most welcome to join us.



For our prayers

Doris Jones, Robert King, Alf Murie, Janet Deavall, Katherine Roberts, Shakira, Angus & Mila Martyn, Nick John, Alastair Martyn, Wandile Malinga, Noah Atkins, Brian & Lorraine Acker, Mlekeleli Majola, Andy Parker, Brenna Stoffberg, Dawn Peters, Neil Brown, Sheila Walker, Dawn Botha, Jonathan McDonagh, Hayden Jackson, Norma Bashford, Hugo Misselhorn as well as the Glen, Jackson, Chaplin, Masoka, Brammer, Stuart, Dlamuka, Smith & Malinga families.



- 21/02 Sethu Matiwane
- 21/02 Sinethemba Mbatha
- 21/02 Tessa Thompson
- 23/02 David Aitken
- 23/02 Aaron Brown
- 23/02 Jill Buzzard
- 23/02 Patricia Liebetrau
- 23/02 James Parker
- 23/02 Lisakhanya Tongo
- 23/02 James Williams
- 24/02 Addy Castle-pearce
- 24/02 Tebogo Gumede
- 25/02 Ingrid Elgie
- 25/02 Mxolisi Gumede
- 25/02 Zasembo Mkhize
- 25/02 Ntandoyenkosi Sithole
- 26/02 Theresa Stromnes
- 27/02 Bruce Ambrose
- 27/02 Dudu Dube
- 27/02 Renay Naidoo
- 27/02 S'thabile Ndlovu
- 27/02 Luyolo Nyoka

*Happy Birthday to you!
To Jesus be true,
May God's richest blessings,
be always with you!*



 **Hearts on Fire**
 Luke 24:32
 Cost: R100 for manual
 Register by Fri, 6 Feb
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20-27 Feb, 6, 13, 20, 27 March
FRIDAYS IN LENT @09H30-11H30
 Reading Room, St Agnes Church, 53 Abellia Road, Kloof

Encountering Jesus through prayer will change your heart forever.

with deepest sympathy 
 to Benson Mseleku
 & family in the death of
 his brother-in-law
 Mduduzi Msimango

May his soul,
 through God's mercy,
 rest in peace.

with deepest sympathy 
 to
 Thalia & family in the
 death of her husband
 Allan Griffin

May his soul,
 through God's mercy,
 rest in peace.

 In 
Loving Memory
 of Ed Peters

The flowers on the altar next Wednesday,
 February 26th, and Sunday, March 1st,
 are given in loving memory of Ed Peters
 a loving husband, Dad and Grandpa.

Your life was a blessing to each one of us,
 your memory is a treasure. You loved us
 and supported us. We loved you
 beyond words. You are missed every day,
 especially on 24 February, which is
 your first heavenly birthday.

From Linda Cottrell & family



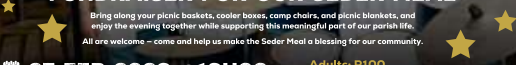


ART EXHIBITION

Senzelwumusa Mathe's portrait has been
 selected as a Top 40 finalist in the national
 Rust-en-Vrede Portrait Awards. The exhibition
 is currently on display at the KZNSA Gallery in
 Glenwood (166 Bulwer Road) until 1 March.
 This is a wonderful achievement, and everyone
 is welcome to visit. Best of all, entry is free.

 **Music on the Lawn**
FUNDRAISER FOR OUR SEDER MEAL

Bring along your picnic baskets, cooler boxes, camp chairs, and picnic blankets, and
 enjoy the evening together while supporting this meaningful part of our parish life.
 All are welcome – come and help us make the Seder Meal a blessing for our community.


27 FEB 2026 @18H00
 St Agnes Church, 53 Abellia Road, Kloof

Adults: R100
 Children (6 years and older): R50
 Tickets available at the door.

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28 FEBRUARY 2026
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2026
CALENDAR



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Revd Sizwe Ngcobo
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FEBRUARY



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
07h30 Eucharist Service 09h00 Family Service 11h00 Zulu Service Micah 6:1-8 Psalm 15 Matthew 5:1-12	2 ○	08h30 Staff Meeting & Prayer 10h00 Homegroup Bible Study 11h30 Homegroup Bible Study	08h00 Eucharist Service 1 Peter 4:12-19 Psalm 3 Matthew 25:1-13 11h00 Homegroup Bible Study	09h00 MU Eucharist Service 1 Kings 11:4-13 Psalm 132:10-18 Mark 7:24-30	10h00 Youth Alpha	
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08h00 Combined Services Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 Children's Ministry Psalm 32 Matthew 4:1-11 VESTRY 09h00 Vestry Meeting (ADM)	23	08h30 Staff Meeting & Prayer 10h00 Homegroup Bible Study 11h30 Homegroup Bible Study	10h00 Eucharist Service Jonah 3:1-10 Psalm 51:1-2, 10-12 Luke 11:29-32 Ember Day	26	09h30 11h30 Hearts on Fire 10h00 Youth Alpha	28

40 DAYS
of Giving

Lent lasts for 40 days, and the Lenten Fast is not a Sunday experience. There are 5 Sundays on Lent which together with Palm Sunday, account for the 46 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter Day. The Sundays in Lent are always Little Lenten which celebrates our Lord's Resurrection from the dead and which are set apart from the Lenten Fast. The Sunday Eucharist readings point emphatically towards the gift of salvation and abundant new life which is ours in the victory of Jesus Christ over sin, darkness and death.



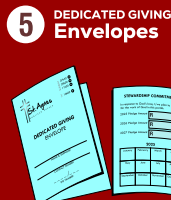
Sunday 07h30 Eucharist Service
 This service follows a traditional Anglican order of worship, creating a quiet and reverent start to the Lord's Day. Prayers, psalms, and responses are said together, grounding the congregation in the beauty of shared liturgy. It offers a reflective space for those who appreciate a classic, contemplative expression of the Eucharist.

JANUARY			FEBRUARY			MARCH			APRIL			MAY			JUNE			JULY			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER			
5	M	T	W	T	F	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	M	T	W	T	F	S

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Rector's
DIARY



21/02 MU D&D Regional Meeting, 09h00
 22/02 08h00 Service followed by Vestry
 23/02 Day-off
 24/02 Staff Meeting & Prayer
 25/02 Mid-week Eucharist, 10h00
 Vuleka Trust AGM, 18h00

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