



I am the way, and the truth, and the life

Jesus tells his troubled disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled" (John 14:1), addressing the very anxiety that grips us when our world feels uncertain. This is not a command to deny difficulty but to redirect our deepest confidence toward him. This is living hope—not the absence of pain, but the presence of trust that transcends it. Peter's letter offers a vision of who we become through this trust. We are "living stones" being built into a "spiritual house" (1 Peter 2:5), incorporated into something far greater than ourselves. Our identity is not determined by our circumstances but by our relationship with Christ, the cornerstone. This transforms how we understand hope—it becomes less about things improving and more about our transformation through belonging to Christ. Jesus's promise is radical: "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (John 14:6). He does not offer an escape route from difficulty but a presence within it. His claim is not to make our lives easier but to make us part of his eternal reality. When he says, "Where I am, there you may be also" (John 14:3), he points to a hope that extends beyond this life entirely. And with the disciples, we can trust that in Christ, we find not just answers, but the presence we most deeply need.

Serving Christ together,
Archdeacon Sizwe Ngcobo

Sunday

3 May 2026

1 Peter 2:2-10
Psalm 31:1-5, 17-18
John 14:1-14

07h30 Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher
Revd Sizwe Ngcobo

Synaxist
Debi Gardner

Reader(s)
*Nick John &
Pippa Bromley-Gans*

Welcomers
7h30 Team

09h00 Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher
Revd Sizwe Ngcobo

Worship Leader(s)
Shanelle Thompson

Readers
*Shardenay Thompson &
Revd Gill Padoa*

Welcomer(s)
*Margie Clarence &
Jeanette van Niekerk*

11h00 Zulu

Celebrant & Preacher
Revd Sizwe Ngcobo

Synaxist
Moya Nzimande

Gospel
Ntandose Masalla

Reader(s) & Welcomer(s)
Young Adults





All are warmly invited to come, listen, and be part of this important conversation.



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7 MAY 2026 @18H00



St Agnes Church, 53 Abelia Road, Kloof

Wednesday

ST JOHN, APOSTLE

6 May 2026 @10h00

Acts 15:1-6

Psalms 122

John 15:1-8

Celebrant & Preacher

Revd Sizwe Ngcobo

Synaxist

Louise Beghin

Reader(s)

Noreen Soames

For our prayers

John Cotterell, Bev Edkins, 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, Edkins & Malinga families.

USUKU LOKWENYUKA ASCENSION DAY

WENYUKA WAYA EZULWINI

St John the Baptist, 5 Payne Street, Pinetown
Thursday, 14 May 2026 at 09h00

PINETOWN
ARCHDEACONRY

Mother's Day Breakfast

09 May 2025 | 8h30 - 10h30

Theme: *Reflection of Love*
Mirror God's love, live His grace

Dress Code: *Pinafore or Shweshwe*

Contribution: R150 per person
RSVP: Zolile Scott (083 214 5290)
Registration & Payment by 3rd May 2026

Thank You! Easter Offering

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who generously contributed to blessing our Rector through the Easter Offering. Your kindness and faithful giving are deeply appreciated and are a true expression of our shared life and gratitude as a parish family. Please note that the Easter Offering is now closed. May God bless you for your generosity and continued support.

BIBLE PASSAGES FOR THIS WEEK

- 2-May 2 Chronicles 10-12
- 3-May 2 Chronicles 13-15
- 4-May 2 Chronicles 16-18
- 5-May 2 Chronicles 19-21
- 6-May 2 Chronicles 22-24
- 7-May 2 Chronicles 25-27
- 8-May 2 Chronicles 28-30

Bible in 365 Days



THE CONNECTION GROUP

**Tuesdays at 18h00
in The Reading Room**

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Thursdays @06h30 am

THANDANANI SEWERS GUILD

Thursdays 12:00-14:00

FRIDAY
Morning Prayer
6:00-6:30 AM
Psalms 5:3

Happy Birthday

- 02/05 Bongumusa Dladla
- 02/05 Nicholas John
- 02/05 Kwanda Matiwane
- 03/05 Bongi Ngidi
- 03/05 Luyanda Zulu
- 03/05 Lusanda Zulu
- 04/05 Toni Easson
- 04/05 Balungile Nene
- 05/05 Nqobile Mdhladhla
- 05/05 Dorothy Montile
- 05/05 Gary White
- 06/05 Zekethelo Mseleku
- 08/05 Katlego Maeola
- 08/05 Naledi Mongoato



Sustaining our Mission Together:

An update on St Agnes' Financial Health

In our commitment to transparency and accountability, we share an important update on St Agnes's finances. Over the first quarter of 2026, we face a significant shortfall. Our income falls approximately R138,000 below budget, with regular giving alone down R93,000 year-to-date. While one-off costs such as audits and insurance have added temporary pressure, the core challenge is that current giving patterns cannot sustain our full ministry. There are encouraging signs. Our Junction ministry and property-related income streams perform well and provide vital support. However, these cannot alone carry the parish's wider mission.

God's Mission Matters

St Agnes is more than a place of worship - it is a living faith community sustaining:

- Worship and spiritual formation
- Pastoral care and counselling
- Outreach to those in need
- Children, youth, and family ministries
- Care and maintenance of our sacred spaces

All this depends on your faithful, regular giving.

VISION

To know Jesus and make Him known

A Prayerful Invitation

We invite every parishioner to reflect on their giving:

- **If you give faithfully:** We thank you deeply and ask whether you might increase your contribution, however modestly.
- **If your giving has lapsed:** We warmly invite you to renew your commitment.
- **If you are new:** We encourage you to join our shared stewardship.

Dedicated giving expresses our faith, gratitude, and participation in God's work through St Agnes.

Looking Ahead

With renewed faithfulness in giving, wise stewardship, and trust in God's provision, St Agnes will continue to flourish in its calling. We remain hopeful and committed. Let us journey together in sustaining the mission entrusted to us.

"Each one must give as they have decided in their heart... for God loves a cheerful giver."

(2 Corinthians 9:7)

With gratitude and blessings,
The Parish Leadership

FoodPantry



Please drop off your donations at the church office or place them in the food basket at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity and support of this vital ministry.



Feeding those in need in the Upper Highway area!

Please consider donating the following items to our pantry:

Tea
Coffee
Sugar
Long-life milk
Maize meal
Oats
Pasta
Rice

Packets of:
Soup
Stock cubes
Curry powder
Salt

Tins of the following:
Beans
Vegetables
Fish
Corned beef
Samp & Beans

Soya mince
Peanut butter
Bath soap
Small boxes of washing powder

Homemade soup or samp and gravy placed in 2l ice-cream containers welcome.

All items should be clean and in good condition. These simple donations make an enormous difference in our ability to serve families with dignity and care.

ASCENSION DAY SERVICE



Thursday, May 14th @18h00



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2026
CALENDAR



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MAY

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Jesus LIVING HOPE						1 GriefShare @09h00-11h30 2 GriefShare® Regrets
07h30 Eucharist Service 09h00 Family Service 11h00 Zulu Service 3 1 Peter 2:2-10 Psalm 31:1-5, 17-18 John 14:1-21 	4	08h30 Staff Meeting & Prayer 10h00 Homegroup Bible Study 13h30 Homegroup Bible Study 5	10h00 Eucharist Service Acts 15:1-6 Psalm 122 John 15:1-8 ST JOHN, APOSTLE 6 11h00 Homegroup Bible Study	18h00 Women's Health & Advocacy 7 Women's Health & Advocacy	Worker's Day	08h30 Eucharist Service 10h00 Confirmation & New Lay Ministry Classes Church, Ministry & Prayer GriefShare® Grief & Your Household 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31
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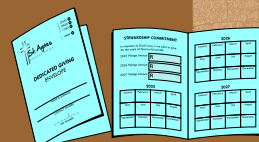
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- 1 EFT GIVE ONLINE Electronic
- 2 GIVE IN SERVICE Offering
- 3 LEAVE A Bequest



- 5 DEDICATED GIVING Envelopes



WAYS TO GIVE

Rector's
DIARY



03/05 07h30, 09h00, 11h00 Services
04/05 Day-off
05/05 Chapter Meeting, Cathedral
06/05 Mid-week Eucharist, 10h00
Pre-Marital Counselling
08/05 MU DEXCO Meeting, South Coast
09/05 MU DEXCO Meeting, South Coast

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