



Hearing God

In Exodus 20, God speaks the commandments directly to a people freshly freed from slavery. Notice the order. Before any "you shall not," God says, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt." The commandments are not a cold rulebook but the voice of a Father who has already rescued us. To hear God rightly is to hear love before law. The people, however, tremble at the thunder and ask Moses to speak instead, preferring a mediator to a direct encounter. How often do we do the same, keeping God at a safe distance? Psalm 19 reminds us that God is speaking constantly. The heavens declare his glory and day after day pours forth speech, yet there is no audible voice. Creation preaches without words. Then the psalm turns to the law of the Lord, which revives the soul and gives joy to the heart. God's word is not a burden but sweeter than honey. The psalmist ends with a prayer: "Clear me from hidden faults." Hearing God requires honesty about our own deafness. In Matthew 21, the chief priests and Pharisees realise the parable is about them, and instead of repenting, they look for a way to arrest him. Hearing God is not merely the ability to understand; it is the willingness to be changed.

Serving Christ together,
The Ven. Dr Sizwe Ngcobo

Sunday

4 October 2026

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Psalm 19

Matthew 21:33-46

07h30 Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher

Rev'd Gill Padoa

Synaxist

Debi Gardner

Reader(s)

Titu Simpson &

Merriel Neumann

Welcomers

07h30 Team

09h00 Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher

Rev'd Gill Padoa

Worship Leader(s)

Beth Kane

Readers

Anelisa Makhanya &

Malcolm Hopkins

Welcomer(s)

Deonette van Zyl &

Jenny Willans

11h00 Zulu

Celebrant & Preacher

The Ven. Dr Sizwe Ngcobo

Synaxist

Sinethato Mncube

Gospel

Zimasa Nzimande

Reader(s)

Andile Ndlovu

Welcomer(s)

Phaphi Desi &

Nkanyiso Ngema





Diocese on Natal's Voice at Provincial Synod



The Diocese of Natal was well represented at the 38th Session of Provincial Synod 2026, joining delegates from across ACSA in prayerful discussion on the Church's mission, governance and witness in society.

The Diocesan IViyo conference took place in Newcastle from 24–27 September under the theme “*Rooted in Christ, Flourishing in Fruitfulness*” (Col. 2:6–7). The gathering brought together worship, prayer, teaching and fellowship. Our Rector, the Ven. Dr Sizwe Ngcobo, led sessions on spiritual transformation, stewardship and fruitful Christian living.

BIBLE PASSAGES FOR THIS WEEK

- 3-Oct Haggai 1-2
- 4-Oct Zechariah 1-3
- 5-Oct Zechariah 4-6
- 6-Oct Zechariah 7-10
- 7-Oct Zechariah 11-14
- 8-Oct Malachi 1-2
- 9-Oct Malachi 3-4

**Bible in
365 Days**



Happy Birthday

3/10 Ann Andersen
3/10 Nomusa Mkonto
3/10 Fikile Sithole
4/10 Nozipho Mbatha
5/10 Thandanani Mhlongo
5/10 Sindiswa Ndwalane
8/10 Bea Coetzee
8/10 Doug Shewell
9/10 Simphiwe Zondi

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**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
Psalm 5:3

Wednesday

7 Oct 2026 @10h00

William Tyndale, 1536

Galatians 2:1–2, 7–14

Psalm 117

Luke 11:1–4

Celebrant

Revd Gill Padoa

Preacher

Robin Joubert

Synaxist

Philip Lanz

Reader(s)

Irene Stewart

MU Thursday

8 Oct 2026 @17h30

Galatians 2:1–2, 7–14

Psalm 117

Luke 11:1–4

Celebrant & Preacher

The Ven. Dr Sizwe Ngcobo

For our prayers

Rick James, Liz Ross, Zethu Mkhwanazi, Edward & Ingrid Pines, Tarryn Allan, Alistair Martyn, Jeremy Reid, Denise Smith, Denise Dunnington, Andre Zuidweind, Robert King, Janet Deavall, Nick John, Wandile Malinga, Noah Atkins, Brian & Lorraine Acker, Mlekeleli Majola, Andy Parker, Brenna Stoffberg, Dawn Peters, Neil Brown, Dawn Botha, Jonathan McDonagh, Hayden Jackson, Norma Bashford, Hugo Misselthorn, as well as the Glen, Jacobsen, Chaplin, Masoka, Brammer, Stuart, Dlamuka, Smith, Edkins & Malinga families.



REVD NKANYISO
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MR OLWETHU
BOPHELA

MS SISONKE
KHANYILE

FINANCIAL SECURITY & CHURCH ACCOUNTING



18H00 - 19H00



8 OCTOBER 2026



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A Shepherd Celebrated

Clergy, family, friends and civic leaders gathered for a joyful Gala Dinner honouring Bishop Nkosinathi Ndwandwe's faithful ministry. These beautiful moments capture an evening of fellowship, music and heartfelt gratitude.



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Mothers' Union: 150 Years of Faithful Service



Around 2,000 Mothers' Union members have gathered in Durban this week to celebrate 150 years of ministry. With a presence in more than 80 countries, this worldwide fellowship will conclude its celebrations on Saturday with Archbishop Sarah Mullally preaching at the closing service.



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Flower Celebration



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OCTOBER



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1800 Cognitive Health & Memory 1	1800 Youth 2	3
07h30 Eucharist Service 09h00 Family Service 11h00 Zulu Service Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19 Matthew 21:33-46 HEARING - GOD -	4	08h30 Staff Meeting & Prayer 10h00 Homegroup Bible Study 13h30 Homegroup Bible Study SCHOOLS Open	10h00 Eucharist Service Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14 Psalm 117 Luke 11:1-4 <i>William Tyndale, 1536</i>	09h00 MU Eucharist Service Galatians 3:1-5 Psalm 89:19-30 Luke 11:5-33	1800 Youth	10
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Events & Fundraising

Parish events strengthen fellowship, celebrate community, and draw people together in meaningful ways. Fundraising initiatives help sustain the mission and long-term growth of the church. Through careful planning and joyful participation, this enriches parish life and supports the work God has entrusted to St Agnes.



Bernard Misiq Guild

The Bernard Misiq Guild is a Christ-centred men's fellowship committed to nurturing strong, faithful leadership among men and boys within the Anglican Church. It encourages members to grow spiritually, serve the church, and model godly character in a world that often pressures men into unhealthy cultural patterns. Through mentorship, discipleship, and service, the Guild equips brothers and sons to live courageously for Christ and contribute meaningfully to the life of the parish.

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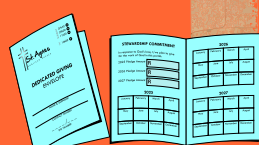


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Rector's DIARY



03/10 MU 150th Anniversary, Dbn ICC
04/10 St Augustine's Queensburgh, 08h00
11h00 Service, Kloof
05/10 Day-off
06/10 Staff Meeting & Prayer
Finance & Property Meeting, 18h30
08/10 MU Eucharist, 18h30
09/10 MU Regional Conference



Highway Mail article celebrating
St Agnes' 90 years of faith, service,
and witness in the Kloof community