

# ST CYPRIAN'S CHURCH

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Dear Friends

## UK LINK

Six visitors, five curates and one lay person from our link Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham, arrived on 02 October and left on 15 October. They spent the first and last evening at St Cyprian's Rectory. We had the pleasure of having two of them to concelebrate and preach one on 07 and the other on 14 October at both morning services.

So many St Cyprian's parishioners assisted with hosting and transport. They were all appreciative of the welcome and the generous hospitality they received. The first week was spent at Anglicans Ablaze and at Parishes for Sunday 07 October. The following week was spent travelling the length of the Diocese with everyone sent to a different Parish for the last Sunday 14 October.

The group were easy to look after and wonderful ambassadors for their Diocese. The visit was part of the strengthening of the link and looking to create opportunities of working together. If anyone felt that they could help build a link with a Parish in their Diocese please speak to me. The success of these Parish to Parish links is when it is clergy supported and lay led.

## ONLY NINE FRIDAYS

To Christmas!!! And so much is happening!!!

**Friday 02 November 5.30 p.m. - All Souls Mass.** The list for the dead to be remembered at this service, is on the table at the entrance to the Church. Praying for the dead is both important for them and for ourselves. It reminds us that both the living and the dead are united in Christ.

**Sunday 11 November 9.00 a.m. - Remembrance Sunday.** This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War 1. This is certainly a milestone and the service is being designed appropriate to the occasion. The Moths will have hamburgers and boerewors rolls on sale after the service and refreshments will be on sale at the Vicar's Alms. **The 100 Club Draw** will be held in the Hall after the Remembrance Sunday Service.

**Sunday 18 November - Stewardship Sunday.**

Sung Evensong the annual service at which the various constitutions of the Masons attend, will be held at 5.30 p.m. There will be a tea in the hall after the service.

**Sunday 25 November - The Feast of Christ the King.** This is the last Sunday of the current liturgical year when we acknowledge Jesus to be the main influence and director of our lives. The 9.00 a.m. will be a Sung High Mass.

**Friday 30 November - A Thanksgiving Tea.** Will be held at Kerr House for all donors. If you would like to attend and to see how the money is spent, please phone the Parish Office or write your name on the list in the Church.

**Sunday 02 December - Advent Sunday.** Advent marks the beginning of the new liturgical year and a time of preparation for Christmas. The Royal School of Music (RSCM) will be leading a service of 'Seasonal Music' at St Cyprian's at 4.30 p.m. There will be a tea in the hall afterwards.

**Thursday 06 December 6.30 p.m. - Love Lights.** This is the annual service for the Cancer Association with the music and carols led by the Durban Symphonic choir. Tea and eats will be served after the service at the Cancer Association offices, Mkhuhla House, adjacent to St Cyprian's car park.

**Friday 07 December - St Barbara's Day Service.** For Gunners and Gunner Association Members will be held at 12.00 Noon.

**Sunday 23 December 6.00 p.m. - Nine Lessons and Carols.** This will be a combined service with the Parishes of St James, St Thomas' and St Cyprian's to be held at St Thomas' in Musgrave Road. The entrance to the parking is off Essenwood Road apposite the DHS sports field.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

- Monday 24 December 11.00 p.m. - Midnight Mass
- 8.00 a.m. - Mass with Carols

**ROSTERS**

The Rosters for the period January - April 2019 will shortly be compiled. If you are away for any of the Sundays please let the office know.

**KERR HOUSE**

Continues to receive the generous support it requires to function and to provide the requisite care for Women in Crises. Thank you to everyone for your generous and kind support especially with the One in a Thousand campaign to find a 1000 people who will contribute R100 a year. There are flyers at the entrance to the Church.

I have recently employed an additional person to relieve me of a number of responsibilities. Gail Schreiner is a highly qualified and motivated Social Worker, in its self a bonus, who will assist with my managerial and staff responsibilities.

### CHURCH FLOWERS

Enclosed with this letter is an envelope and Flower Form, should you wish to contribute to the 2019 Sunday and Festival flowers. The flowers remind us of God's love, the beauty and diversity of creation and they bring joy and appreciation.

Thank you to the Flower Guild for preparing the sanctuary each week with such devotion and love. As with everything flowers are expensive and the flower guild recommend between R200 and R300 for Sunday flowers. Festival flowers cost anything up to R800. There are no flowers in Advent and Lent. See the list of dates below for 2019.

## CHURCH FLOWERS 2019

### AVAILABLE DATES

January	06	13	20	27	
February	03	10	17	24	
March	03				
April			21	28	
May	05	12	19	26	
June	02	09	16	23	30
July	07	14	21	28	
August	04	11	18	25	
September	01	08	15	22	29
October	06	13	20	27	
November	03	10	17	24	
December				24/25	29

LENT (No flowers)	06 March - 20 April
Easter Day	21 April
Ascension Day	30 May
Pentecost	09 June
Trinity Sunday	16 June
Patronal	15 September
All Souls	02 November
ADVENT (No flowers)	01 December - 24 December
Christmas Day	24/25 December

### **REMEMBERED WITH LOVE**

Kirk! My younger brother's death is a huge shock. He and I were very close and the best of friends. We shared a strong bond of love for each other. His death has left me struggling with the pain of grief and terrible sense of loss. Thank you for your messages of support.

I will have to go to Cape Town from time to time to assist with a somewhat complicated estate, as well as to see to the well-being of his young son, Max.

### **TAKING A BREAK**

As you can see from this letter there is a very full programme ahead. I will however, be taking leave from 21 December to 12 January 2019.

### **THE RAT RACE**

Keeps us very busy with the daily things of life from work/retirement to paying accounts, worrying about the things we see happening around us, family, price increases etc. etc. There is a lot that fills our mind and demands our attention.

As we come so rapidly to the end of another year, try to focus on making space for yourself and God in your life. Not that God is not with us but our pre-occupation can make us to easily forget his presence and our duty to the Christian life.

Small steps become big steps and more time spent in His presence brings confidence of a love we can live and share.

May you, your families and friends be blessed with God's presence.

With Every Blessing

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'D' followed by a horizontal line and a small flourish.

FR DANE

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Parish wishes to acknowledge the contributions received for the period 01 January - 30 June 2018. Contributions are received by means of EFT into the bank account, Planned Giving Envelopes and cash in the collection bag. It is important that the Parish record and account for the income received. Please check to see that the figures are correct and contact the office should there be a discrepancy. It is not possible to account individually for the cash received in the collection bag which is counted and recorded after each service by the sides persons on duty and then rechecked on the following Monday before accounts are paid.

The Parish gratefully acknowledges contributions received either by direct payments into the bank account or through planned giving envelopes. R\_\_\_\_\_

We thank the number of parishioners contributing through direct deposits into the bank account as this reduces the security risk of having cash on hand. If you wish to contribute directly into the Bank Account the account details are:

Bank	Standard Bank
Account Name	St Cyprian's Church
Account Number	05 11891 35
Branch/Number	Gale Place 042526

Please do not deposit cash and where possible cheques into the account as the bank charges are extremely high.

Financial Summary

January - June 2018

Budget	R394 200
Income	R391 800
Shortfall	R 2 400
Expenditure	R410 297
Deficit	R 18 497

(The deficit is partly due to the insurance that is paid annually in January for the year)