

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>8 August Ez 1:1-5, 24-28 Ps 148:1-4,13-15 Matt 17:22-27 Pray for those who tend our church gardens and undertake the cleaning of the church buildings.</p>	<p>9 Ez 2:8-3:4 Ps 119:65-72 Matt 18:1-5, 10-14 Pray for the unemployed, for job creation and the ability cope with financial stress.</p>	<p>10 Ez 9:1-7;10:18-22 Ps 113 Matt 18:15-20 Pray for the Pastoral Care Ministry at Red Cross Hospital and for the Doctors, Nurses and staff</p>	<p>11 Ex 12:1-16 Ps 39:11-15 Matt 18:21-19:2 Pray for the present home groups and pray for more to be formed.</p>	<p>12 Ex 16:1-15, 59-63 Ps 11 Matt 19:3-12 Pray for the sacristans and flower arrangers as they prepare the church for services on Sundays.</p>	<p>13 Ex 18:1-13, 30-32 Ps 51:10-17 Matt 19:3-12. Pray for Revd Claire as she prepares for the Sunday services and Lay Ministers and Prayer ministers involved in ministry.</p>	<p>14 Ps 80:1-2, 8-19 Heb 11:29-12:2 Lk 12:49-56 Give thanks for the commitment and leadership of Archbishop Thabo and Bishop Joshua in our Anglican family.</p>
<p>15 ST MARY THE VIRGIN Ex 24:15-24 Ps 79:1-8 Matt 19:16-22 Give thanks for Joseph and his support for Mary during her pregnancy and for their obedience to the Lord.</p>	<p>16 Ex 28:1-10 Ps 60:1-5 Matt 19:23-30 Pray for the Parish Council meeting as they plan for the smooth running of all church programmes and for the time devoted to this.</p>	<p>17 Ex 34:1-11 Ps 23 Matt 20:1-16 Pray for those involved in the resumption of the sewing classes and providing skills in the community.</p>	<p>18 Ex 36:22-28 Ps 51:7-12 Matt 22:1-14 Pray for all those in mourning loved ones and collapsed business ventures through Covid. Pray for those especially where a final farewell was denied.</p>	<p>19 Ex 37:1-14 Ps 107:1-9 Matt 22:34-40 Pray for all those organizations providing care, support and opportunities for the destitute.</p>	<p>20 Ez 43:1-7 Ps 85:8-13 Matt 23:1-12 Pray for the ongoing ministry of Fikelela through funding for food parcels. Pray for parishioners to be generous.</p>	<p>21 Ps 71:1-6 Heb 12:18-29 Lk 13:10-17 Pray for young families who attend our services and are our hope for the future. Pray for JP and the team of faithful teachers.</p>
<p>22 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12 Ps 96:1-6 Matt 23:13-22 Pray for Ladles of Love in their outreach to feed the hungry.</p>	<p>23 2 Thes 2:1-17 Ps 96:7-13 Matt 23:23-26 Pray for all those working to alleviate our Energy crisis and pray for the protection of those who have been threatened.</p>	<p>24 ST BARTHOLMEW 2 Thes 3:6-18 Ps 128 Matt 23:27-32 Pray for all those who work at the Rondebosch Police Station and for crime prevention throughout South Africa.</p>	<p>25 1 Cor 1:1-9 Ps 145:1-7 Matt 24:42-51 Pray for the Thursday Intercession group and all for whom they pray for daily.</p>	<p>26 1 Cor 1:17-25 Ps 33:1-11 Matt 25:1-13 Pray for patients in hospitals and the God-given skills for doctors, nurses and carers who care for them.</p>	<p>27 1 Cor 1:26-31 Ps 33:12-21 Matt 25:14-30 Pray for the Entrepreneurs who attend the market and the customers who support them.</p>	<p>28 Ps 81:1,10-16 Heb 13:1-8,15-16 Lk 14:1,7-14 Pray for Revd Reeva our new Archdeacon for Rondebosch, for wisdom and vision in this challenging role.</p>
<p>29 1 Cor 2:1-5 Ps 119:97-103 Lk 4:16-30 Pray for the elderly, those who are lonely and whose families live far away. Think of someone to make contact with today.</p>	<p>30 1 Cor 2:9-16 Ps 145:8-14 Lk 4:31-37. Pray for a deeper commitment to recycling and reducing the use of plastic.</p>	<p>31 1 Cor 3:1-9 Ps 62 Lk 4:38-44 Pray for a new determination to convert to renewable energy, both solar and wind.</p>	<p>1 September 1 Cor 3:18-23 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 5:1-11 Pray for an influx of visitors to Nature reserves for all the spring flowers and a renewal of the tourist industry.</p>	<p>2 1 Cor 4:1-5 Ps 37:1-11 Lk 5:33-39 Pray for Revd Andrew and his ministry at St Faith's in Plumstead and give thanks for his support of Revd Claire.</p>	<p>3 1 Cor 4:6-15 Ps 145:14-21 Lk 6:1-5 Pray for the growth of the Women's Fellowship, and for those who prepare and present topics of interest.</p>	<p>4 Ps 139:1-5, 12-18 Phil 1-21 Lk 14:25-33 Give thanks for and pray for Revd Claire's ministry amongst the parishioners and wider community.</p>

August the Month of Compassion

God of compassion
You have a place in your heart for all who suffer;
Help us to open our hearts to those who hunger,
Those who do not have adequate housing,
Those who need medical care,
Those who feel trapped by their circumstances;
That they may draw strength from
our acts of compassion
And recognize the Lord who encourages us all,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord
Who gave everything for them, and for us.
Amen



A Prayer for the Church

O God, our Shepherd,
give to the church a new vision and a new clarity,
New wisdom and a fresh understanding,
The revival of her brightness
and the renewal of her unity;
That the eternal message of Your Son
may be hailed as the Good News of a new age;
Through Him who makes all things new,
even Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

(Acknowledgement to Bishop Geoff Quinlan)



From the perspective of faith, the universe as a whole is a sacred space, providing us with a sense of God's presence in all things, evoking wonder and praise. For many Capetonians the quiet areas of beautiful Kirstenbosch Gardens are such places.



Thank you Lord,
for places that have become special for us,
where we have sense your presence as nowhere else.

We thank you that for us and many others

Kirstenbosch has become such a place.

A place of pilgrimage

A place of prayer

A place of healing

And wholeness.

Your special place

Calling forth our praise.

(Adapted from *TheVolmoed Journey*, by John and Isabel de Gruchy)



PRAYER DIARY

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