



- 23 April – Layministers Meeting 19h30
- 26 April – Meeting at Christ the Good Shepherd after the 08h00 Eucharist
- 30 April – Parish Council 19h30
- 03 May – Presentation of 2014 Financial Audit – after 07h30 Service
- 07 May - Bazaar Meeting @ 7.30 p.m.

This year we are planning a Bazaar Week from Sunday 25 October to Sunday 1 November. All Areas , Organizations & Parishioners are invited to join us at this meeting to hear about all the exciting events we are planning. Come along and hear where you will fit in! See below for more information of the Bazaar Week.

- 14 May - Ascension Day
- 21 May – Layministers Meeting 19h30
- 24 May - Pentecost  
Archdeaconry Pentecost Service will be at Glendale High School Rocklands at 15h00. All are invited to attend.
- 28 May – Parish Council - 19h30
- 06 June Workshop for Layministers, Servers Guild and Sidespersons
- 18 June – Layministers Meeting 19h30
- 25 June – Parish Council 19h30
- 27 June – Bishops Forum – Rocklands Civic Centre – Theme Substance Abuse

## PARISH BAZAAR 2015

The Bazaar will be a weeklong event starting on Sunday 25 October 2015 and ending on Sunday 1 November 2015.

- 25 Oct – Dance Extravaganza
- 26 Oct – Hosted by the Brigade
- 27 Oct – Hosted by the Sunday School
- 28 Oct – Hosted by Young Peoples Ministry
- 29 Oct – Miss Mediator
- 30 Oct – Karaoke
- 31 Oct – Bazaar day including the screening of the Rugby World Cup
- 01 Nov – Thanksgiving Service

This is a Parish event so we would like to involve as many people as possible.

# Christ the Mediator Christ the Good Shepherd Bulletin

April 2015

Dear Friends

This past Lent and Easter was indeed a very blessed time at both Christ the Mediator and Christ the Good Shepherd.

We take this opportunity of thanking you for your loyalty to God and for expressing it in a very positive way – through your attendances at all services during that time. Our records reflect that in total we have had more than 3700 persons attending our services. Well done! All Glory to God!

### Strategic Plan

You will remember from Vestry as well as the recent Mediator News that we have a Strategic Plan – called Vision 2020 in place (it still needs some fine tuning) that will drive our development as a Parish over the next five years. The leaders of each the seven Focus Areas – Communication, Building and Property Maintenance, Fundraising, Education and Training, Social Responsibility, Administration as well as Spirituality and Stewardship will need your support and ideas. Please feel free to assist wherever you can.



### Communication

**Mediator News** – The cost of printing this quarterly newsletter has increased to R1350.00 for 450 copies. If you have a small business and would like to sponsor the entire cost of an edition or part thereof, please contact the editor via the office. We will of course reciprocate by giving you space to advertise your business. We take this opportunity of thanking all individuals or groups who have in the past sponsored the printing costs. Your contributions are appreciated.

**Facebook and Website** – Our Facebook site have been very active. Please encourage more members and friends to visit the page. Should you wish to post anything onto this page, please contact Father Richard or Geraldine February and they will gladly assist you.



We have in recent times provided links for you to view photographs taken at Services and Events. You may also do this by sending an email to [mediatorportland@gmail.com](mailto:mediatorportland@gmail.com) and we will add you to our Google+ site where all our photographs will be stored.

**Webpage** – We have our own webpage! It is work in progress but please visit [www.ctmc.co.za](http://www.ctmc.co.za) and if you have any ideas of improving it, do not hesitate to contact us. We take this opportunity of thanking John Adams for designing and setting it up.

### **Financial Audit**

You will recall that at our Annual Vestry held on 15 February 2015, we did not have audited Financials due to circumstances and undertook to have this completed by 15 March 2015. Well, we missed that deadline by 10 days but are happy to announce that we have been given a clean audit by the Auditor Primo Abrahams. Signed copies of the final audit final audit have been forwarded to the Bishop and Archdeacon. We want to place on record our sincere gratitude to Primo who undertook to do this audit at a very short notice and completed it in a very professional manner.



We will present the Audit Report to you after the 07h30 Service on Sunday 3 May 2015 in the Parish Hall. Services - 08h00 at Eastridge and 09h30 at Portland will continue as usual so if you would like to be present for the Audit Report, please attend the 07h30 Service. Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

### **Areas and Organisations**

Recently we had a very successful and well attended meeting with Area and Organisation Leaders. Thank you for making time to be present.

It was very encouraging to hear that most Areas are functioning and doing good work. There are however some Areas where we have to appoint leaders and whom we need to assist with the organisation of their respective Area.

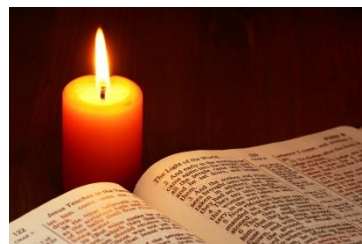
We will soon be facilitating another meeting where we will share some of our future plans as well as setting some challenges for each Area and Organisation.

### **Parish Anniversary**

During 2016, the Parish will be celebrating its 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We are very keen to form a small committee to plan anniversary events for the whole calendar year. If you have any innovative ideas and would like to join this team, please contact any one of the Wardens.

### **Evensong**

We have decided to introduce the Service of Evensong which will be held on two Sundays in each month. Services will alternate between Portland and Eastridge. Portland Services will start at 17h00 on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month while Eastridge Services will start at 16h00 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. It will be compulsory for all Bible Study, Pre-Confirmation and Confirmation candidates and parents as well as Layministers to attend these services.



Please diarize the following dates of Services. Any changes will be communicated timeously.

<b>3 May 2015</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>Portland</b>
<b>17 May 2015</b>	<b>16h00</b>	<b>Eastridge</b>
<b>07 June 2015</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>Portland</b>
<b>21 June 2015</b>	<b>16h00</b>	<b>Eastridge</b>
<b>5 July 2015</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>Portland</b>
<b>19 July 2015</b>	<b>16h00</b>	<b>Eastridge</b>
<b>02 August 2015</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>Portland</b>
<b>16 August 2015</b>	<b>16h00</b>	<b>Eastridge</b>

<b>6 Sep 2015</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>Portland</b>
<b>20 Sept 2015</b>	<b>16h00</b>	<b>Eastridge</b>
<b>04 Oct 2015</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>Portland</b>
<b>18 Oct 2015</b>	<b>16h00</b>	<b>Eastridge</b>
<b>01 Nov 2015</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>Portland</b>
<b>15 Nov 2015</b>	<b>16h00</b>	<b>Eastridge</b>
<b>06 Dec 2015</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>Portland</b>
<b>20 Dec 2015</b>	<b>16h00</b>	<b>Eastridge</b>

### **Christ the Good Shepherd**

We have progressed well at Christ the Good Shepherd since the introduction of weekly Eucharist Services. The Brigade, Church Men's Society and Liturgical Dancers have all participated in various Services including the wonderful Palm Sunday Service and soon we will see the introduction of Evensong. The Sunday School is also progressing well and we want to thank Linda Conrad and her team of teachers for a job well done.

We would now like to take a step further with the introduction new things/activities/initiatives and encourage the Eastridge Church Community to "take ownership" of their church.

Considering the above, Father Richard and the Wardens will host a meeting of all concerned, immediately after the 08h00 Eucharist on Sunday 26 April 2015.

We expect a full attendance and a very interactive meeting to hear your views. Please spread the word.

## **FORTHCOMING WORKSHOPS**

### **WORKSHOP FOR LAY-MINISTERS, SERVERS GUILD AND SIDES-PERSONS**

Date: 6 June  
Time: 09h00 – 12h00  
Venue: Christ the Mediator  
Attendees: All Lay-ministers, Servers Guild and Sides-persons.  
Purpose of the workshop:

The above ministries are crucial in ensuring that all services flow smoothly without any hitches or misunderstanding about the order thereof. Therefore, the workshop will ensure that all:

1. Have a clear understanding of their specific roles and duties.
2. Understand the roles of the other ministries.

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THE FOLLOWING WORKSHOPS WILL BE FACILITATED BY FATHER CLARENCE ON DATES STILL TO BE ANNOUNCED:

1. Healing and Wholeness
2. Seven Sorrows of Mary
3. The Angels
4. Forgiveness

These workshops will be open to all but Lay-ministers as spiritual leaders in the church will be expected to attend and it will be concluded with a Eucharist.

Please watch out for the dates.

Thank you for reading this Bulletin but please check the next page for DATES TO REMEMBER!

We look forward to your continued support and ministry!



God Bless  
Clergy and Wardens

