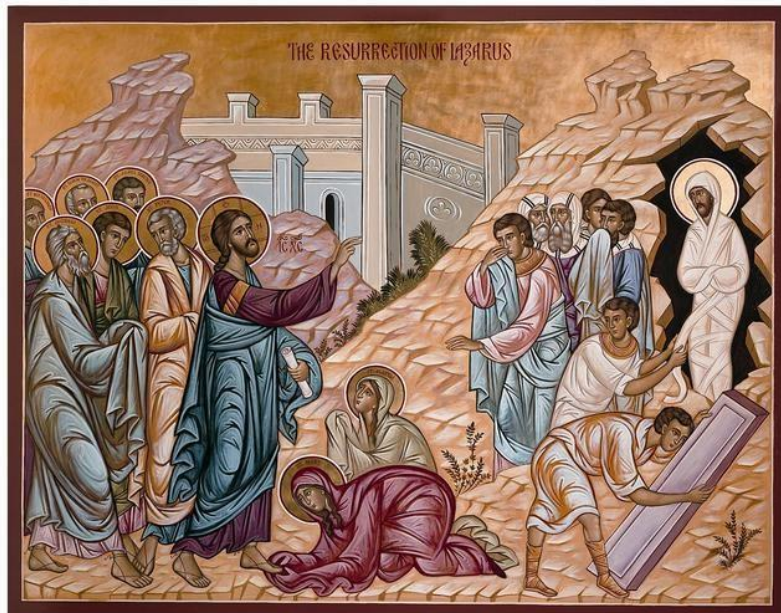




- q. Ministers who are to perform a funeral service would need a **special permit** issued by the Diocesan Bishop or VG on the attached form
4. Please also be aware that any person that does not observe the restriction on the movement of persons during the lockdown, including the regulations for funerals, or opens a place of worship is guilty of an offence and on conviction, is liable to a fine or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment.



Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?
(v 25-26 NRSV)

Fifth Sunday in Lent, 29 March 2020

Home Service

Dear Friends in Christ,

This is our second week of worshipping together yet separately in our homes because of decisions made due to the Coronavirus. The situation has since changed and stricter measures are now in place. As you know, President Cyril Ramaphosa has announced a national lockdown from midnight 26 March 2020 until midnight 16 April 2020. I pray that you are all well and safe.

Unfortunately, Fr. Dennis is no longer able to minister to the sick and home bound in person. All ministry now has to take place telephonically or on digital platforms. Please contact Fr. Dennis, the churchwardens or me should any of you fall ill. There are also new regulations regarding funerals that need to be adhered to, which I will provide for your attention at the end of this pew leaflet.

Please remember to keep in touch with fellow parishioners, the council, parish ministers, Fr. Dennis and myself by sms, whatsapp, telephone or email. Michael Montgomery has kindly created a Parish website – www.staugustinebrixton.co.za – please visit the site as you will find resources for prayers and services as well as diocesan and provincial communication. Please leave your comments and suggestions so that we can improve our communication with you.

May we be filled with God’s healing and life-giving spirit at this time where many face despair and death particularly due to the Coronavirus. Thank you for your continued prayers for all God’s people worldwide.

Yours in love and peace.

Revd. Karen

Collect for the Day

God of all consolation and hope: your breathe life into dry bones and weary souls: pour out your Spirit upon us, that we may face despair and death in hope of resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever and ever. Amen

Our Parish Prayer

Lord our God, thank you for calling St Augustine’s to be your church in our city. Help us to welcome you in all people, to praise you in prayer and worship, to love you, through serving this parish and the community, to travel and grow in faith together, to be a community of love and service in our world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading	Ezekiel 37: 1-14	Old Testament
Psalm	Psalm 130	Page 773 of APB
Second Reading	Romans 8: 6-11	New Testament
Gospel	John 11: 1-45	New Testament

Homily/Reflection

Readings & Themes for next Sunday: April 05th Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50: 4-9a Psalm 31: 9-18 Philippians 2: 5-11 Matthew 26: 14–27: 66

Themes: The paradox: acclaiming Jesus as king, and one week later putting him to death.

Prayers

We pray for those in special need of prayer that they may know God's presence in their lives:

Jean Marais, Ruth Counter, Jane and Colin Mathysen, Maria Springfield, Jerome and Pauline Bassingtwaighte, Shiloh, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Johnny Stevens, Eleanor Magardi

We pray for those celebrating Anniversaries

We pray for those celebrating Birthdays

Hailey Fourie Apr 03 Fakazile Zwane Apr 04

We also pray for:

- **Steve our Bishop** and for Liziwe his wife
- **Members of our Diocese:** Staff, Priests, Deacons and their families; and all people and parishes of this Diocese.
- **Thabo our Archbishop** and for Lungi his wife
- **Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury** and all primates and bishops
- **Today, the fifth Sunday in Lent, is the focus of the Primates' Task Group's call for a period of prayer and repentance in the Anglican Communion.**
The Bishop of West Malaysia, Moon Hing, is a member of the Task Group and has written this prayer, which the Task Group offers to the Anglican Communion for use today.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Sovereign Lord of the universe, Creator of humankind, we, your unfaithful children, are truly sorry for our sins and the lives that we have lived. We sincerely believe and confess in our hearts that only through the precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross at Calvary, can we obtain Your forgiveness.

We repent that:

- In thought, word or deed, we have committed serious offences against You and our neighbours;
- In laziness, despair and lust for power, we have provoked hatred, division and hurt within our communities;

- Persons availing themselves of this essential service must also be aware that they may be subjected to **COVID-19 screening** by an enforcement officer. (if feeling ill or having flu-like symptoms best to stay home as possible you may be placed in quarantine.)
- Also, if cause of death is COVID-19 related, there are special requirements for these funerals and again you will be provided these by the funeral home.
- Transport used to and from the funeral service must carry no more than 50% of its capacity (so for e.g. a 20-seater kombi may only carry a maximum of 10 persons, social distancing and hand and coughing hygiene as detailed below must be maintained.)
- ALL** attendees at the funeral service will have to maintain strict hand hygiene. (Washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or if not possible, cleaning of hands with sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol content. Also, hygiene coughing is encouraged, (cough into v of one elbow and use other hands elbow to greet if that method of greeting preferred!) You may also cough into a tissue but these must be disposed of as set out below.
- Social distancing and the maintenance of recommended hygiene practices is encouraged. Municipalities are directed to monitor this.
- Social distancing is recommended as a distance of at least one meter apart.
- Hugging or holding of hands not encouraged (please ask for guidance from funeral home as this extremely difficult for the bereaved).
- Hand hygiene also to be used when leaving the funeral home.
- This may have to be repeated at the cemetery or crematoria, again please follow requirements of the funeral home.
- All tissues etc. used during the funeral service at the home and cemetery or crematoria must please be placed in a special container (medical disposal bin or properly sealed shopping plastic {yes I know} bag) and then disposed of as medical waste and must please

not be placed in normal waste disposal bins. Local GP's and funeral home should be able to assist in this regard.

FUNERAL REGULATIONS DURING THE INITIAL 21 DAY LOCK DOWN PERIOD

These have been summarized from the Regulations and Gazette Notices issued on the 25th of March 2020. Lockdown effective from 23h59 on Thursday 26th March 2020.

1. During the lock down period we are all confined to our places of residence unless:
 - a. **strictly** for the purpose of performing an essential service (these are listed in **Annexure D** of the regulations and include funeral services),
 - b. obtaining an essential good or service (e.g. food and cleaning goods and some documents),
 - c. obtaining a social grant,
 - d. or seeking emergency, life- saving or chronic medical attention.
 - e. All churches must be shut with immediate effect and may **not** be used for **any gathering**. **Services will now have to be recorded and live streamed from home chapels or studies.**
2. The only persons allowed on church premises are :
 - a. people needed for maintenance or security
 - b. those whose home or place of residence is there (caretakers, or rectors and their families)
3. Regulations for **funerals**:
 - a. No funerals can be held in a home, church, hall or school but only at a **mortuary or funeral home**.
 - b. Please be aware that further conditions may apply as relevant to the applicable municipality and all guidelines and directives of funeral homes and enforcement officers must be complied with. These may include limits of time for the funeral service so please confirm this **beforehand**.
 - c. No night vigils are allowed, and all safety measures must be strictly adhered to.
 - d. Attendance at funerals are limited to **50** people. This number **includes** service ministers and children.
 - e. The consensus view is that in order to meet this condition, an **invitation** will have to be issued for the funeral and a **list of attendees** compiled.
 - f. Entrance and movement may only be allowed on presenting the invitation when stopped on the road as well as being given

admission to the funeral home. Further guidance may be provided by the funeral home.

In greed, deceit and indifference, we have caused serious damage, unnecessary conflict and aggravated destruction to our refugee and migrant brothers and sisters;
In selfishness, insensitivity and bias, we have encouraged and emboldened those who inflict hurt, pain and sorrow on our loved ones and families;
In the name of religion, doctrine and even of Christ himself, we have wounded believers and pursuers of holiness and faith;
In stubbornness, pride and arrogance, we have caused division and strife within Your church and among Your children;

Mercifully send Your Holy Spirit – the Spirit of order and comfort – and cleanse us from all unrighteousness; restore in us true faith in Christ which brings truth, peace and harmony; and help us to walk together with our brothers and sisters in the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ to the glory of Your name. Amen.

Prayer Chain

We ask that we join together as a congregation in a Prayer Chain, praying at **6 am** and at **6 pm**.

- Let us pray for **the leadership of our country**, that God may give them wisdom and guidance to lead the country in truthfulness.
- Continue to pray for our young people especially for the unemployed and those caught up in drug and alcohol abuse
- For the effects of the Coronavirus on all God's people

Prayer for Africa

God bless Africa x2
Guard her children, Guide her leaders
And give her peace

Notices & Upcoming Events

Please remember to continue paying your DG. Your continued support is required and appreciated, as we still need to meet all our commitments. If at all possible please make electronic payments.

Important Numbers!!!

Life Line 011 715 2000 Or 011 728 1347

Covid-19 Hotline 0800 029 999

Official Government COVID-19 support service (WhatsApp) 060 012 3456

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Readings for the week: March / April 2020

MONDAY 30 (P) PP 8 or 4		
Holy Eucharist: Collect APB p170 Susanna 36-62 or Hosea 3: 1-5 Psalm 23 John 7: 53—8: 11	Morning Prayer Psalm 91 Exodus 4: 10-31 1 Corinthians 14: 1-19	Evening Prayer Psalm 92,93 Jeremiah 24: 1-10 Mark 9: 30-41
TUESDAY 31 (P) PP 8 or 4		
Holy Eucharist: Collect APB p170 Numbers 21: 4-9 Psalm 102: 1-2, 15-22 John 8: 21-30	Morning Prayer Psalm 94 Exodus 5: 1—6: 1 1 Corinthians 14: 20-40	Evening Prayer Psalm (95), 96, 97 Jeremiah 25: 8-17 Mark 9: 42-50
WEDNESDAY 01 (W) Frederick Denison Maurice, Priest, 1872 PP 20; Collect: CC 7 APB p323, Common 7		
Holy Eucharist PP 8 or 4 Collect APB p170 Daniel 3: 13-28 Psalm 24: 1-6 John 8: 31-47	Morning Prayer Psalm 98, 99, (100), 101 Exodus 7: 8-24 2 Corinthians 2: 14—3: 6	Evening Prayer Psalm 102 Jeremiah 25: 30-38 Mark 10: 1-16
THURSDAY 02 (P) PP 8 or 4		
Holy Eucharist: Collect APB p170 Genesis 17: 3-9 Psalm 105: 1-9 John 8: 51-59	Morning Prayer Psalm 103 Exodus 7: 25—8: 19 2 Corinthians 3: 7-18	Evening Prayer Psalm 104 Jeremiah 26: 1-16 Mark 10: 17-31
FRIDAY 03 (P) PP 8 or 4		
Holy Eucharist: Collect APB p170 Jeremiah 20: 7-13 Psalm 18: 1-7 John 10: 31-42	Morning Prayer Psalm 105: 1-22 Exodus 9: 13-35 2 Corinthians 4: 1-12	Evening Prayer Psalm 105: 23-45 Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-13 Mark 10: 32-45
SATURDAY 04 (P) PP 8 or 4		
Holy Eucharist: Collect APB p170 Ezekiel 37: 21b-28 Psalm 121 John 11: 45-57	Morning Prayer Psalm 106: 1-24 Exodus 10: 21—11: 8 2 Corinthians 4: 13-18	Evening Prayer Psalm 106: 25-50 Jeremiah 31: 27-34 Mark 10: 46-52