

We confess to stealing our descendants' birth right to life.
 We confess the flagrant pollution of land, sea and air.
 We confess the churches' lack of concern for the well-being of creation.
 We confess the excesses within our own lifestyle.
 Creating God, we have desecrated your creation and darkened your light.
 In a moment of quiet we confess our profligate lifestyle and human greed. **Amen**

Collect: Season of Creation: Week 2

Jesus, redeemer of our common home and provider of all creation; Teach us to value the habitats of all your creatures given into our care, so that we can preserve the world in all of its diversity. Inspire us to value your precious gifts and never to take more than we can give. For you live and reign in the diversity of the Blessed Trinity, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. 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	Proverbs 1: 20-33	Old Testament
Psalm	Psalm 19	Page 625 of the APB
Second Reading	James 3: 1-12	New Testament
Gradual Hymn	Music Only	I want to walk with Jesus Christ
Gospel	Mark 8: 27-38	New Testament

Sermon
Affirmation of Faith

God, the source of our being and the goal of all our longing, we believe and trust in you. The whole earth is alive with your glory, and all that has life is sustained by you. We commit ourselves to cherish your world, and to seek your face.

O God, embodied in a human life we believe and trust in you. Jesus our brother, born of the woman Mary, you confronted the proud and the powerful, and welcomed as your friends those of no account.

Holy Wisdom of God, firstborn of creation, you emptied yourself of power, and became foolishness for our sake. You laboured with us upon the cross, and have brought us forth to the hope of resurrection. We commit ourselves to struggle against evil, and to choose life.

O God, life-giving Spirit, Spirit of healing and comfort, of integrity and truth, we believe and trust in you. Warm-winged Spirit, brooding over creation, rushing wind and Pentecostal fire, we commit ourselves to work with you and renew our world. Amen

(All desires known, Janet Morley)

This Week's Events at St Augustine's

Today 12 th	Eucharist	09h00
Sunday 19 th	Eucharist	09h00

Notices & Upcoming Events

25-27 November 2021 Diocesan Synod to be held virtually

Please bring non-perishable items (samp, beans, dishwashing liquid, Handy Andy etc.) for our food basket.

Please visit our website (www.staugustinebrixton.co.za) and add a comment on the Obituary page. Telling us about your loved one who has died and share some memories you have of them.

Account details:
 Name of Account: **St. Augustine's Church**
 Bank and Branch: **Standard Bank, Fordsburg**
 Branch code: **00 52 05**
 Account number: **00 255 8270**

Important Numbers!!!

Life Line Crisis: 011 728 1347 or Lifeline
 WhatsApp call counselling: 065 989 9238
 Lifeline National Counselling line: 0861 322 322
 Covid-19 Hotline 0800 029 999
 Official Government COVID-19 support service (WhatsApp): 060 012 3456

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Prayers

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

Jean Marais, Jane and Colin Mathysen, Maria Springfield, Jerome and Pauline Bassingtwaighite, Shiloh, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Johnny Stevens, Mrs Louw, Priscilla Batcher, Lena Smith, Morne and Margaret Burger, Edgar Cupido, Irene Du Plessis, The Benjamin Family, Ireen Sithole, The Bhima family, Elaine De Vos, The Bowes Family, The Ramjee and Minnies Families, The Francis Family

We pray for those celebrating Anniversaries

We pray for those celebrating Birthdays

Wayde Fourie Sep 13 Terence Bhima Sep 15

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
- **The Anglican Church of Tanzania**
- Young people especially for the unemployed and those caught up in drug and alcohol abuse

Prayer Chain

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

- For **the leadership of our country**, that God may give them wisdom and guidance to lead the country in truthfulness.
- For our young people especially for the unemployed and those caught up in drug and alcohol abuse
- We pray specifically and intentionally for women and the scourge of gender based violence

Prayer for Africa

God, bless Africa
protect our children
transform our leaders
heal our communities
restore our dignity
and give us peace;
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

The Angelus Prayer

God bless the world,
Give it wisdom at this time,
Grant us relief and release,
Be with those who are ill,
And bless the carers fighting this pandemic,
For Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

Prayers

Creator God, the freedom and responsibilities we were gifted by you have been abused. We have used domination rather than being stewards of your sacred Creation. Walls are created to keep others out instead of in where all are welcome. Help us to trust in our identity as your children. Accept our thanks for all people who show in action that indeed your Creation is sacred.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Creator God, hear us as we cry out to you for peace and justice for the peoples and the land itself. Guide us to a place where sacred water, land and resources are respected and shared by all. As your Word became part of your living creation, teach us to trust in hope that one day soon all may dwell in peace and happiness. May your justice truly course through our lands like an unstoppable flood.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Creator, we give thanks for Mother Earth and all her abundant life. She protects us and nourishes us. Help us to conserve nature and serve all Creation. Continue to reveal yourself through your sacred creation. Help us to shape ourselves within the warmth of each day and every time we allow new wisdom to guide us and help us grow.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

God our Creator, not long ago, we took for granted that food was produced and shared in local community. Today we live within the consequences of the choices we have made and now the nourishment of Mother Earth is not available to all.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Great Creator, heal and redeem the wounds of your Creation. We know the food which grows from your Creation is meant for all. Help us find ways to bring nourishment to the people and places that seek it. Teach us and show us the way.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Creator God of earth, sea, and sky, ignite the sacred fire of your Spirit within us that we may rise up to heal and defend Mother Earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the caring of all your Creation

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Creator, you made the world and declared it to be good: The beauty of the trees, the softness of the air, The fragrance of the grass speaks to us. The summit of the mountains, the thunder of the sky, The rhythm of the lakes speaks to us. The faintness of the stars, the freshness of the morning, The dewdrops on the flower

Speak to us. But above all, our heart soars for you speak to us in your Son, Jesus Christ, In whose name we offer these prayers. **Amen**
(Kelly Sherman Conroy, Evangelical Lutheran Church)

The Peace Music Only Lord come and heal your church

Taking of Bread and wine

Blessed are you Lord God of all Creation. Through your goodness we have this bread which earth has given and which we have received from the silent soil. It is the bread of the earth, this silent earth bathed in morning light, this beautiful planet in the teeming galaxies of space: warm and well-lit for us, generous, faithful and surprising, bringing forth life in all its forms.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all Creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. In our earth of many blessing the vine was planted, its roots reaching down to that richness from which all nourishment, strength and health are drawn.

The First Eucharistic Prayer For the Season of Creation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

You spoke the Word and all that is in heaven and on the earth, all things, came to be. Your Spirit hovered over the primal elements, and you brought forth life in forms innumerable, including this our fragile earth, and we amongst its inhabitants.

As our past is in you, so our hope for the future rests with you. As we have turned from your way, so we turn again to the warmth of your love. Through you all things are brought to new life.

And now we give you thanks for the glories of your creation given into our care, and for the opportunities we have to share that richness with all your people.

And so with the wonders of creation and the songs of praise of all your creatures both in heaven and on earth we praise you now and forever saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed are they who come in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest**

In the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, work of human hands, gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God. He broke the bread to speak to us of the breaking of his body upon the cross. He gave it to his friends and said:

*Take and eat, for this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.*

He took the wine, work of human hands, gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God, Creator. He poured out the wine to speak to us of the pouring out of his blood. He gave it to his friends saying:

*This is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for
all creation for the forgiveness of sins. Every time you drink
of the wine, do this in remembrance of me.*

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

Therefore God, we who seek your reconciliation; we who need reconciliation one with another; we who hope for reconciliation with all creation, draw close to this mystery.

In being broken, poured out and buried, life sprang forth again. In the breaking, there is an opening up; in the pouring out, there are the roots of sharing; in death and burial, there is the seed of the new life to come.

As we look in our world, in our lives, and in our hearts, for his second coming, keep us close to this vision that we have seen. Through the giving in the bread and wine, reconcile us to our world. Send upon us, and upon all your creation, the life-giving Spirit who first moved upon the waters of the deep. Stir in us the creative and redeem the destructive. Unite us with you through the body and blood of your Son, your Word made flesh.

By whom, and with whom and in whom, in the unity of your Creative Spirit, with all that has been, is, and will be in your universe, we stand before you and worship you, God of all, in songs of everlasting praise,

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Said in a language of your choice

Communion Hymns

Music Only

Take eat this is my body

Music Only

Be still for the presence of the Lord

Music Only

Change my heart O God

Recessional Hymn

Music Only

Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it

Readings for next Sunday: September 19, Pentecost 17

Proverbs 31: 10-31 Psalm 1 James 3: 13 – 4: 3, 7-8a Mark 9: 30-37

Themes: Season of Creation Week 3 - Ecumenism: The family of God in our Common Home