



CATHOLIC NEWS BULLETIN ARCHDIOCESE OF DURBAN



JUNE 2023

ARCHBISHOP'S CORNER

New Auxiliary: Bishop Elias Kwenzakufani Zondi

We congratulate and welcome Bishop Zondi as our new Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Durban. In the same breath I would like to thank all the parishes for their contributions toward the preparations for the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Zondi, which went extremely well. May the good Lord bless and reward you.

New Bishop of Ingwavuma: Bishop Vusi Francis Mazibuko OMI

We heartily congratulate Bishop Mazibuko on his new ministry.

Ad Limina Visit

On Wednesday 7 June, Bishop Zondi, myself and all other Bishops from South Africa, Botswana and Eswatini, will be attending the Ad Limina in Rome.

Every five years Bishops go to Rome and visit all the departments at the Vatican. Each Bishop gives a report on the status of his diocese. They also meet with the Pope.

This Ad Limina was due in 2019 but Covid-19 caused the delay. While we are away Fr Nkosinathi Ngcobo, the Chancellor, will be in charge of the Archdiocese.

Please pray for us and we will do the same for you.

Condolences

- Fr Benno Singer MCCJ: Our condolences to the family of Fr Benno, the Comboni Community and the Parish of St Joan of Arc, Pietermaritzburg.
 - Fr Michael Gumede OMI: Our condolences to his family and the Oblate Community.
 - Ms Ntombizethu Nobuhle Zondi: Our condolences to Bishop Zondi and his family.
- May they all rest in eternal peace.

Our Sick Priests

We remember in prayer the following priests:

Fr Brian Southward

Fr Mhlengi Ngcobo

Fr Massimo Biancalani

Fr Sifiso Ndlovu

We pray that the Lord may touch them with his healing hands.

New Parish Priests:

- Fr Zibonele Ngubane OMI – St Mary, Pietermaritzburg
- Fr Muzikayise Mtshali OMI – St John, Estcourt
- Fr Sibusiso Dlamini OMI – St Theresa, Inchanga
- Fr Thamsanqa Mzizi OMI – St Leo, Imbubu
- Fr Lindelwa Dlamini CMM – Parish of Bellair-Queensburgh
- Fr Mthokozisi Madlala TOR – Immaculata Parish, Kwa Madlala
- Fr Siphilwe Mbili – Parishes of Chatsworth (Acting Parish Priest)
- Fr Marcel Kazadi CSSp – St James, Lamontville (Acting Parish Priest)
- Fr Cletus Mtshali – Sacred Heart, Oakford (Acting Parish Priest)
- Fr Mbongwa Cyril Xaba – St Anne, Shakaskraal (Acting Parish Priest)
- Fr Odilo Mroso OFM Cap – St Joseph, Howick (Acting Parish Priest)
- Fr Nhlalohle Vincent de Paul Dlamini TOR – Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Ekukhanyeni

I thank you all for accepting this pastoral charge and pray that the Lord may guide you in the exercise of your ministry.

Ordination of Permanent Deacons in Greytown

Mr Mlamuli Zondi and Mr Vusi Mvelase will be ordained to the permanent diaconate on 9th July 2023 in Greytown.

Ordination to the Priesthood

Deacon Thuthuka Mtshali will be ordained to the priesthood on 22 July 2023 at Emmanuel Cathedral. On the same day, same venue, the following will be ordained to the diaconate:

Siphesihle Mlondi Manci

Nkazimulo Shange

Sanele Msomi

Let us accompany them with our prayers as they prepare for these new ministries.

Welcome back home!

We welcome back Fr Cletus Mtshali and Fr Des Royappen who were in Kenya for their Sabbatical. Welcome back brothers! We hope that you will share with us on your spiritual journey to the desert in Kenya.

Still on Sabbatical are Fr Brett Williams and Fr Grant Emmanuel.

Dear brothers you are all in our prayers.

St Joseph's Parish, Howick

Due to lack of personnel the Redemptorists have pulled out of Howick. We sincerely thank them for their long service to the Howick parish. May the good Lord reward you for your selfless dedication to the people of Howick.

For the time being I have appointed Fr Odilo Mroso OFM Cap as Acting Parish Priest of Howick.

Meeting of all Provincial Superiors

I would like to meet with all Superiors General and Provincial Superiors (Men and Women) whose Congregations are working within the Archdiocese of Durban.

Date: 19 July 2023

Venue: St Joseph's Parish, Morningside

Time: 10h00

R.I.P. FATHER JABULANI MICHAEL GUMEDE OMI

Born: 9 March 1949 (Inchanga)

First Vows: 21 March 1976

Ordained Priest: 16 December 1982 (Inchanga)

OBLATE MINISTRY

1975: Novitiate, Germiston

1976-1982: Scholasticate and Student, Cedara

1983: Chaplain, King Edward VIII Hospital, Congella

1986: Parish Priest, St James Lamontville

1991: Parish Priest, St Anne's, Cato Manor/Chesterville

1992: Parish Priest, St Joseph's, Cedara

1998: Parish Priest, Kwa Kristo Umsindisi, Kwa Mashu

2001: Parish Priest, Albini Parish, Ntshongweni

2007: Formator, Cleland

2020: 2nd Councillor, Sabon House Community

2022: Chaplain to the Capuchin Sisters, Port Shepstone

Called to eternal rest: 21 May 2023

Burial at Cedara Cemetery

May his soul rest in peace.

DIOCESAN DIARY

July 2023

1	Sacred Heart Sodality Mini Convention	Archbishop
2	Confirmation: Henley	Archbishop
5	Chancery Meeting	
8	Daughters of St Anne's Mass, Montebello	Archbishop
9	Ordinations to the Permanent Diaconate, Greytown	Archbishop
12 - 13	Diocesan Clergy Team Building	
15	Diocesan Pastoral Council Finance Meeting	
	Confirmation: Umbilo	Bishop
19	Meeting with Religious Superiors, Morningside	Archbishop
22	Priestly Ordination of Thuthuka Mtshali, Cathedral	
25	Ordination Planning Committee Review Meeting	
26	Napier Centre 4 Healing Meeting	Archbishop
29	Feast Day Mass of Ss Joachim and Anne, Shakaskraal	Bishop
29 - 31	World Youth Day, Portugal	Archbishop
31	Diocesan Finance Board	

August 2023

1 – 9	World Youth Day, Portugal	Archbishop
2	Chancery Meeting	
5	St Anne's Sodality Function	Bishop
8	Catechetical Commission Meeting	Bishop
9	St Anne's Sodality Women's Day Mass, Cathedral	Bishop
11	Building Committee Meeting	
13	Confirmation: Elandskop	Archbishop
	Confirmation: Point	Bishop
14 – 18	Plenary Session, Mariannahill	
20	Confirmation: St Vincent Pietermaritzburg	Archbishop
21	Diaconate Board Meeting	
23 – 24	Diocesan Clergy Business Meeting and Recollection Day	

25	St Augustine's School Feast Day Mass	Archbishop
26	Marriage & Family Life Workshop and Blessing of Marriages	
27	Confirmation: Montebello	Archbishop
	Confirmation: Raisethorpe, Pietermaritzburg	Bishop
28	Finance Board Meeting	
30	Clergy Study Day	
31	Napier Centre 4 Healing Meeting	Archbishop