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**PARISH SECRETARY**

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Mon closed

Tue – Thu 08h00-14h00

Fri 08h00-17h00

**PARISH ACCOUNT – NEDBANK**

LADYSMITH ACC. NO 1330037359

BRANCH NO: 133025

REF: Name or Pledge Number.

**CONFESSIONS/RECONCILIATION:**

Saturdays: 5:00 – 5:20 PM

Sundays: 7:15 – 7:45 AM

and on request

**HALL BOOKINGS**

Gil Hoffman 0828719183

And He said to them, Follow Me,  
and I will make you fishers of men.  
Matthew 4:19

### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

#### INTRODUCTION:

We have accepted the Word of Christ as Good News. This, however, does not mean that we experience only Joy and happiness. The Good news is given to us as light and joy to strengthen us in our times of darkness and suffering. We hear the message today, “The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light.” “Repent, the Kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

#### GOSPEL: MT 4: 12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali, that what had been said through Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled: *Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the way to the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death light has arisen.* From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” At once they left their nets and followed him. He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, ending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him. He went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON THURSDAYS

Has resumed Please check your time for adoration and new people are welcome.

#### 2026 YEAR PLANS

All groups & sodalities, please start preparing your year plans for submission to the PPC ASAP. Your plans are to be incorporated into the PPC plans.

### CATECHISM REGISTRATION AND CLASSES

Registration has taken place but there is still place for more children.

Classes: Friday 13:30-14:30 & Sunday after Mass

Registration fees: R180 per child

Please contact Fr Marek or Sandra 079 9225566 if you have any questions.

#### LITURGICAL CALENDERS

Are available at the repository @ R30 each



#### **SPRINGS OF CARMEL BIBLE DIARIES FOR 2026**

Now available @ R130 each at the parish office and the repository

#### SEMINARIANS' FUND

**Called By God...  
Supported By You**

Please support the Seminarian's Fund. Collection box on the pillar at back of the church. Quarter 1 - R2400 due on 31 March 2026.

#### MEETING WITH THE BISHOP

This coming week Diocesan Priest and all Seminarians will be having a meeting with the Bishop before Seminarians go back to the Seminary. Please pray for them as they will be starting their New Academic year. There are 5 students in total: 2 in Pretoria and 3 in Cape Town.

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY:

**For prayer with the word of God:**

Let us pray that praying with the word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

#### PARISH DIARY & MEETINGS

|        |       |                         |
|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| Mon 26 | 18:00 | NO Music Practice       |
| Tue 27 | 10:00 | Eucharist Service @ RPP |
| Wed 28 | 06:00 | Eucharist Service @ RPP |
| Thu 29 | 09:00 | Eucharist Service @ RPP |
| Fri 30 | 17:30 | Mass @ St Jude          |
| Sat 31 | 17:30 | Mass @ RPP              |
| Sun 01 | 08:00 | Mass @ RPP              |
|        | 10:00 | Mass @ St Jude          |

#### SICK & ELDERLY

Please pray for the sick & elderly of the parish, family & friends especially: Nokuthula Kubheka, Penny Powell, Jean Smith, Dolly Bimbrish, Alvin Govender, Mavis Makhubo, Norman Browne, Khohli Kunene, Barbara Amod, Sebenzile Molefe, Margarida De Franca, Netta Liebenberg, Mthokozisi Mthembu, Avenel Aarons, Siva Naidoo, Francesca Poonsamy and Dolly Govender.

#### FR MAREK'S NEW NUMBER

**0639083333**



#### TO VOLUNTEER AS A CATECHISM TEACHER

Please contact Fr Marek or Sandra 0799225566 for more details.

| DATE       | SACRISTAN | EMOHC  | PROCLAIMER         | MASS INTENTION           | FR'S DINNER |
|------------|-----------|--------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| 24/01/2026 | Nokwazi   |        | Gil / Evelyn       | Anitha Michael R.I. P    | Nombuso     |
| 25/01/2026 | Fabian    | Anton  | Brenda / Leah      | Brenda Amod Thanksgiving |             |
| 31/01/2026 | Celeste   |        | Nokwazi / Michelle |                          | Lindiwe     |
| 01/02/2026 | Ntokozo   | Fabian | Sacred Heart       |                          |             |