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Mon closed

Tue – Thu 08h00-14h00

Fri 08h00-17h00

PARISH ACCOUNT – NEDBANK

LADYSMITH ACC. NO 1330037359

BRANCH NO: 133025

REF: Name or Pledge Number.

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 5:00 – 5:20 PM

Sundays: 7:15 – 7:45 AM

and on request

HALL BOOKINGS

Gil Hoffman 082 871 9183 or Parish secretary



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. YEAR A

INTRODUCTION:

In many countries there is a shortage of food. Every day hundreds of children all over the world die of hunger. For many families the struggle for daily life is the only thing they can think of. They cannot enjoy life. In such times, what does it mean for us Christians to gather around this table for the sacred meal of Holy Communion? In one sentence we can answer: our gathering here on this Sunday is a sign of hope, and a reminder of our task.

Gospel: Mathew 14: 13 – 21

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, "This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves." But they said to him, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here." Then he said, "Bring them here to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over— twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.

PILGRIM VIRGIN

The **Traveling Mary (or Pilgrim Virgin)** is a Catholic devotional tradition where a statue, icon, or image of the Virgin Mary rotates from home to home. Families host the statue for a set period (typically one week), using the time to pray the rosary, read scripture, and foster community together.

There is a list in the porch for those who would like to have a traveling statue of Mary. visit their home. Please specify whether you are a Saturday or Sunday Parishioner.

CATECHISM CLASSES

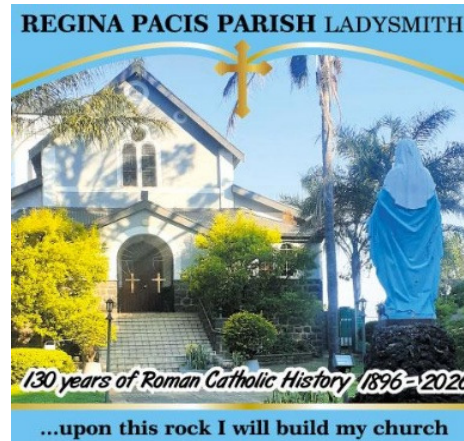
Regina Pacis

Friday @ 13h30 and Sunday after Mass @ 09h00.

St Jude

09h00 before Mass.

CELEBRATING 130 YEARS OF CATHOLIC FAITH IN LADYSMITH



Fridge magnets @ R15 are available in the repository.

BEAUTIFULLY RESTORED



Before and after pictures of the stained-glass panel which has been restored.

The photos do distort the colours a bit, but have a look at the actual window which is near the organ.

The missing piece has been re-created & the panel cleaned and reinforced.



This is a painstaking job taking months to match colours and glass for missing pieces.

The windows date from circa 1945.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST:

For evangelization in the city:

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

PARISH DIARY & MEETINGS

Mon 03	18:00	NO MUSIC PRACTICE
Tue 04	10:00	Mass @ RPP
Wed 05	06:00	Mass @ RPP
Thu 06	09:00 18:00	Mass followed by Adoration Benediction
Frid 07	17:30	Mass @ St Jude
Sat 08	17:30	Mass @ RPP
Sun 09	08:00 10:00	Mass @ RPP 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, Netta Liebenberg, Mthokozisi Mthembu, Avenel Aarons, Francesca Poonsamy, Dolly Govender, Lorraine Schirge, Ingrid Denzin, Margarida de Franca, Gugu Radebe & Niri Naidoo

SAVE A LIFE



BLOOD DONATION DRIVE

SANBS people will be at RPP this Sunday after Mass. You can still put your name down on the list should you wish to donate.

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

On the first weekend of every month, the priests will bless those people celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the month.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

18/08 PFC meeting @ RPP

25/08 Executive Meeting @ RPP

DATE	SACRISTAN	EMOHC	PROCLAIMER	MASS INTENTION	FR'S DINNER
01/08/2026	Celeste		Luiz / Nokwazi	Candida De Franca Thanksgiving	Ora Ndlovu
02/08/2026	Nombuso	Fabian	Sacred Heart		
08/08/2026	Michelle		Evelyn / Choeleen	Harry & Laura Price/ Clara & Avril van der Byl	Evelyn
09/08/2026	Ntokozi / Angel	Anton	SSVP		