

**CHURCH OF THE PROVINCE OF CENTRAL AFRICA**

***DIOCESE OF CENTRAL ZIMBABWE***

***Circular No. 59 July 2023***



***THE MIDLANDS PROVINCE CHAMPIONS***

***ST HUGH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL  
BASKETBALL TEAM***

## **1.0 BISHOP`S DIARY**

### **August 2023**

10-13 August	AMUZ Conference - Manicaland
19 August	ACM meeting - Habern Park
20 August	St George's Confirmation and Pastoral
26 August	St Mary's Juru Pastoral and Confirmation
2 September	Luncheon Fundraising - Simunye Gardens
3 Sept	St. Philips Mkoba Confirmation.
5-8 September	Clergy Conference – St Patrick`s
8-10 September	Clergy wives Conference – St Patrick`s

## **2.0 PERSONNEL**

### **Appointments:**

### **Movements.**

## **3.0 CLERGY, EMPLOYEES AND SPOUSES BIRTHDAYS AUGUST 2023**

06 August	Rosemary Ndabambi
08 August	Rabson Shazha
23 August	Alice Makuwerere

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

We would like to congratulate Rvd and Amai Chapata for being blessed with a baby girl on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July 2023. The baby has been named Angel Vuyiswa Tafadzwa. Makorokoto. Amhlophe!!

#### 4.0 42<sup>nd</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

All churches are expected to be in the Anniversary Celebration mood as we are now approaching the 7<sup>th</sup> of October. Let's achieve our targets early so that we do not put ourselves under pressure.

Material for the 42<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary celebrations is now on sale at the Diocesan office. The material has started to move fast, let's avoid putting orders when it is too late. Everyone is expected to be putting on regalia made from that material on the day.



*Anniversary Material \$8 per metre*

## 4.1 HOSPITAL PROJECT

The male ward at the St Patrick`s Mission Hospital has been roofed. Beam filling is currently in progress. We thank God for the progress at the hospital. ***See pictures below ...***



## **5.0 AROUND THE PARISHES**

### **5.1 KWEKWE ARCHDEACONRY**

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 St George's hosted fundraising dinner in line with raising funds to buy a church vehicle. It was colourful event the whole archdeaconry participated in the event in support of the car fund program. We wish them all the best in their car fund project. It is my encouragement that we support each other during such functions because we are a team.



***Part Kwekwe Archdeaconry Clergy and Wives at St Georges Fundraising***



***Venerable Ndawana cutting the ribbon at the Mpinga homestead***

As an Archdeaconry we had a special day in Zhombe on the Dedication of Rev and Mrs Mpinga's homestead on the 29th of July 2023. It was a celebration and a learning point at the same time, that as clergy we need to build our homes before retirement so that we can have a place to go and rest after moving out of the rectory. Let me take this opportunity to congratulate Rev and Mrs Mpinga for building such a beautiful home tinoti Makorokoto, Amhlope.

**Child Ministry choir competitions**

It was a memorable day for our children in the Kwekwe Archdeaconry as they participated on choir competitions hosted at St Luke's on the 29<sup>th</sup> of July. The competition song was hymn 111 Mufudzi unondida, the children showed their talent. St Simon and Jude's Munyati took the first position. Congratulations St Simon and Jude's for an outstanding performance. The other competition for Zhombe Churches was postponed to a later date which shall be announced. Special thanks to our sponsors Mr Bonyongwa, Mr Effort Makumbe, Ms Palmer Gwezere and Mrs Chido

Mabhena.



*St Simon and Jude's Child Ministry Choir posing for a photo.*



*Part of the 4 shields donated to Kwekwe Archdeaconry Child Ministry*

## **BEAREVEMENT NOTICE**

On a sad note, on the 25<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 we lost Gogo Mabhena the mother to Revd T. Mabhena. She was laid to rest on the 28<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 in Mbizo Kwekwe. We do pray that the Holy Spirit may continue to console the family.

## **5.2 LOWER GWERU AND SILOBELA ARCHDEACONRY.**

The Church is growing from strength to strength; having talked about moulding of cement bricks at Maboleni in the last circular we are pleased to inform our sister Archdeaconries that work is in progress again at St Elizabeth Barange. They have followed suit- they are also moulding theirs. They are doing this for two purposes; one for church construction and the other for fundraising. They are selling bricks.

In an effort to augment these church projects the Archdeaconry committee has decided to embark on a Poultry project. Already there are hundred (100) chicks that turned a one week old on the 4th of August. This project will finance other projects in the pipeline and will not stop until cows come home.

Monthly meetings seem to be driving the Archdeaconry to greater heights. Indeed, one can not hesitate to call it an awakening giant.

God is great and His Grace is upon us; children are being born - It's a hive of activities. Revd. Mabhikwa and Revd. Chapata both received



God's favour as they were blessed with a child each one boy and one girl respectively.

We continue to give thanks unto the Lord as we await for yet another Symposium (Business Meeting) scheduled for September at Simunye Gardens.

### **5.3 GOKWE ARCHDEACONRY**

On the 15th of July we had our Archdeaconry council meeting the attendance was pleasing the meeting went on very well.

St John's Gwehava AWF has started broiler keeping project, in which they find it as source in financing their Guild, sustained and as well, supporting church programs. They are saying, "excuses are a result of laziness not difficulties" Matthew 25v26. Well done St John's Gwehava AWF



*St John`s Gwehava AWF poultry project*

We had a welcome service for Rev and Mrs Pudu at St Hugh's Mazinyo, the service went well, congregants from Holy Cross, St Agnes, and St John's Gwehava attended the event, other denominations namely Methodist, Roman Catholic and others also attended, the Presence of the School Head blessed the function, St Hugh's primary and secondary schools supported the event.

It was a unique day indeed, thank you St Hugh's Mazinyo and out stations. ***See Pictures below...***



## **6.0 GUILDS**

### **6.1 THE MOTHERS' UNION**

#### **1. HARVEST**

The Mothers Union together with AWF held their annual harvest celebrations on the 29<sup>th</sup> July 2023. These were done at archdeaconry level and we thank God all archdeaconries successfully celebrated this day by congregating in their respective areas. Programs mostly included teachings, theme addresses and modeling in preparation for the AMUZ conference.

Most parishes managed to submit their set targets for harvest with few parishes still to fulfill their targets.

#### **2. AMUZ CONFERENCE**

The biannual national conference is to be held at St Matthias Tsonzo in Mutare from the 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> August 2023. Preparations are well on course with the diocese of central Zimbabwe expecting to have a larger number of people attending the

conference this time around. All those travelling to the conference are being urged to travel during daytime.

### **3. HARBEN PARK**

Green mealies will be ready for sale end of August.

## **ST AGNES GUILD**

### **6.2 ANGLICAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

AWF and MU held an executive meeting virtually on the 15th of July and it was a great success.

Preparations for Harvest Thanksgiving celebrations are underway. These will be held at Archdeaconry level throughout the Diocese. We are thankful that for the first time since its inauguration, AWF is also participating in the celebrations.

### **6.3 CHILD MINISTRY**

The Child Ministry Guild held its annual Conference at St Patrick's Mission under the theme "Train up a child in the way he should go, when he is old he will not depart from it." 460 children turned up for the conference making it the best attended conference for 2023 in the Diocese. The Guild managed to raise 60% of their Anniversary Celebrations target and they have committed to reach the target before the celebrations day. It was a great conference indeed. Much

thanks to the Chaplain, the executive and all the teachers for a well planned conference. ***See pictures below ...***





## 6.4 ANGLICAN CHURCHMEN

### ACM Centre Habern Park

ACM met at the plot assessing progress and chatting way forward with the plot



***ACM executive meeting at harben park plot***



**Fencing Progress**

After the meeting The Archdeacons did send in their contributions and the outstanding balance on Solar Installations was cleared. Individuals also made some donations that assisted in the pavements of the plot worker wages

Among individual donations are Mr Mike Dzinoreva who topped up the drilling to go to 70m where he paid 275 USD, Mr Mutema assisted with 100 USD for the June plot worker wages, Mr Gambiza Gweru Archdeacon and Mr Mutambo contributed \$50 each for paying the worker. Some other contributions also came from The Cathedral Senga , Gweru Archdeaconry and Kadoma.

On The 19<sup>th</sup> of August all men are invited to the Gala at The Centre starting at 1000hrs to witness progress and plan future of the plot,



## 6.5 SAVINGS GROUP MINISTRY

### July 2023 Savings Group Ministry Updates:

#### SHARE OUTS

- ❖ Gracious' group sharing blankets in Chiwundura – Gweru rural.
- ❖ Group is mixed with Anglicans and none Anglicans. This is very relevant considering the cold temperatures in the Midlands province.
- ❖ Gracious managed to mobilise seven groups and she is really doing well. We have nominated her to be the flourishing CF in June and July.



- ✓ Gweru Monthly mentoring meeting done with good attendance
- ✓ Kwekwe Monthly mentoring meeting done as well

#### Upcoming events:

- Monthly mentoring meetings for all cohorts
- Quality assessments for all cohorts
- New groups

Total number of groups in the Diocese is now at eighty seven (87) for the two cohorts. We keep pressing towards the goal and let us pray for the groups specifically that we continue in studying and going deeper in our relationship with self, God, Other and God given resources

## **6.6 WABVUWI AND ST PETER`S**

## **6.7 YOUTHS**

Youths shall attended their annual Zimbabwe Anglican Youth Association (ZAYA) Conference at St John`s Chikwaka from 12 to 15 August. The conference shall run under the theme ***“To work, to play and to be mindful of time”*** John 21:18

## **7.0 RELIEF DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

### **THE PROGRAMMES AND PROJECT**

The activities are continually being tuned towards sustainable development.

Approach remains Pedagogical in that elements of methodologies successful elsewhere continue to be adopted.

The contemporary world, the paradigm shift coupled with the Climate Change trajectory continues to compel review of current research work so as to plan and execute programme and projects within the context of resilience adaptation and mitigation.

As Conceptualized by William Foster Lloyd in 1833 and popularized by Garrett Hardin (1968) Tragedy of The Commons continue to displace communities.

The Sustainability Development Framework with the it's 6 elements that had been adopted in all the work of the desk have been further supported by the recently produced Anglican Communion: Re-Imagining Our World Together and the 5 Ps (**People, Planet, Peace, Prosperity and Partnership**).

The Re-Imagining our world together is a manual that adopted the Contextual Bible Studies on The Five Marks of Mission and The Sustainable Development Goals.

### **Activity Progress in line with Sustainable development Assets and The Re-Imagining Our World Together**

#### **Sustainable Development asset 1 (Human)**

#### **The Re-Imagining Our World Together (People)**

SDGs Covered under This are SDGS 2, 3, 4 and 5



*St David`s Sunrise taking water 1km away*



***St Cyprian Zhombe Garden***



***Rondor School Garden***



*St Luke's Chakari poultry project*

### ***Community empowerment***

People living HIV transform lives through life-changing projects - New Ziana" [https://newziana.co.zw/2023/08/01/people-living-hiv-transform-lives-through-life-changing-projects/?utm\\_source=rss&utm\\_medium=rss&utm\\_campaign=people-living-hiv-transform-lives-through-life-changing-projects](https://newziana.co.zw/2023/08/01/people-living-hiv-transform-lives-through-life-changing-projects/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=people-living-hiv-transform-lives-through-life-changing-projects)

Sustainable Development Asset 2: Natural

Re-Imagining Our world together calls this (Planet) SDGs 6, 7 12, 13, 14, 15



***Artificial management of communion forest      Natural management of communion forest***

We are going to be tracking some ecological parameters such as Soil PH, Human interaction index, Spp diversity, Aridity index to inform methodology to adopt and replicate.

The Communion Forest is taking off! - Anglican Alliance" <https://anglicanalliance.org/the-communion-forest-is-taking-off/>

Through ARDeZ ARM a Partners in Gospel climate change campaign under the *Moto Waste Smart We-Care* is running for its first 4 months starting 1 July to October. Awareness on dangers of plastic and waste management to overcome climate change is the message.

*Progress for the other assets will be featured in the forthcoming issue.*

## **8.0 EDUCATION**

### **NATIONAL ANGLICAN SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION**

NASA held their primary schools ball games at St Patrick's Mission from the 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023. We successfully hosted the games as a Diocese and our team was mainly represented by St Martin's primary school and St Patrick's primary. Many thanks to all our school heads for actively participating in this event. Our teams came fourth and fifth respectively after recommendable performances.



### ***St Patrick`s Pry football team***

From the 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> NASA ball games for our high schools were held at St Matthias Tsonzo in the diocese of Manicaland. Our diocese was well represented by St Patrick`s High .Special thanks to the Bishop, the school administration and all the participants for making the event a success. We managed to participate in all the disciplines. Below are the pictures from the games which were graced by the Bishop of Manicaland and the Secretary General of ACZ;

St Hughes primary basketball team managed to represent Midlands`s province on the NAPH competitions. One of our own, Ellen Ndhlovu was selected in the Zimbabwean basketball .Congratulations to the school and the team:





*Ellen Ndlovu (selected in the Zimbabwean basketball team)*

## **THOUGHT OF THE MONTH**

No matter what you do in life, productivity is an essential aspect.

Habits, discipline and consistency all contribute to our ability to achieve goals. It is important to figure out what works for you and allows you to unleash the beast in you.

Different things work for different people. For some, logging activity on a productivity app does the job, while for others writing things on paper works better. Others prefer motivational quotes, while others prefer just to go over their goals so they can get the motivation they need to keep going.

Once you figure out what works for you, stick to it and be the best version of yourself!

***+Ignatius***

***PRAYER OF THE MONTH.***

Oh Lord, strengthen for service our hands that receive holy things from you. May our ears which hear your holy word be deaf from clamour and disputes

May our tongues which sing your praises be free from deceit

May our eyes which have seen tokens of your love shine with the light of hope

May our bodies which have been fed with the body and blood of Jesus be refreshed with the fullness of your life. AMEN

***+Ignatius***

*+Ignatius Central Zimbabwe*

