Letter from Rev Dr Martin (Chunky) Young

Dear Friends,

By now you would have heard that Stephen and Calista have decided to accept a call which has been extended to them by a congregation in Wagin Western Australia. On their recent visit Stephen preached, attended numerous meetings and really believes that this is where God wants him and his family to continue their ministry.

For us it is always with sadness that we take leave of people who have been so integral in all of the major events of our lives. As minsters we are there when babies are born, we are there when parents and loved ones are ill, we are also there when death intrudes and people have to say their last good-byes. We are also there for baptisms, weddings anniversaries and many celebrated events; hence without even realising it, we become part of the extended family.

We all know how hard it is to say good-bye to a member of the family when they leave for another country; it is something that happens far too often in our country. On the one hand we are excited for them, on the other we feel an enormous sense of loss. When Stephen and Calista leave us, we will also feel that loss.

Due to the constraints of time, Stephen and his family would like to spend his last Christmas in South Africa with his parents, which again is understandable. This means that they will take leave of us a few weeks before Christmas, but officially Stephen has resigned as of 31st December 2014.

We have arranged a farewell function for the van Schalkwyk family for Friday 14th November. I know this seems rushed, but we wanted as many people to be there as possible. The Christmas market is the last weekend of November and then it is school holidays-hence next Friday evening seemed the best time possible. We would encourage as many people as possible to come and celebrate Stephen's ministry with us.

If you feel you need to chat to someone, please don't hesitate to call the office and make an appointment with either me or one of the counsellors from the counselling centre.

Your friend and minster

Chunky

Due to the 94.7 race being held on 16th November, our Communion Services will take place this Sunday, 9th November combined with Remembrance Sunday when we remember those who died in any conflicts. All services 8.00am, 9.30am and 7.00pm





FAREWELL DINNER FOR STEPHEN AND CALISTA

Dear St. Columbians,

Further to our email, we have moved quickly, as this is a very busy time of the year and we would love to say goodbye to Stephen and Calista in a fitting manner.

Please find the details for the farewell function below.

Date: 14th November 2014
Time: 19:00
Venue: Church Hall

Drinks and cocktail snacks will be provided. If you would like to make a donation towards a farewell gift for the Van Schalkwyks kindly do so into the following account and mark it "gift Stephen".

Banking Details:

Name : St. Columba's Presbyterian Church

Account holder : Standard Bank

Branch : Rosebank
Branch Code : 004305
Account number : 001948776
Ref: : Gift Stephen

Please RSVP by the 10th November 2014 to the Church Office.



YULETIDE CAROLS AND MISTLETOE - PARKVIEW CHRISTMAS MARKET BACK AGAIN

Best you diarise the most important dates of the year - 28 November to 30 November 2014. As usual, George Hay Park in Parkview will be bursting at the seams over this weekend with Christmas shoppers and families visiting the renowned Parkview Christmas Market which is now in its 8th year.

This is a perfect opportunity to get all your Christmas shopping done and dusted well before the big day arrives, but more importantly the Christmas Market is a time for family togetherness, and truly embodies the spirit of the season. This popular event offers a festive atmosphere with Christmas lights, decorations, cuisine and live entertainment for all to enjoy.

If you have wonderful Christmas goodies, make or bake delicious cuisine, create beautiful gifts, or would love to show off your Barista skills with special coffee blends or bring trendy craft beers to the market please approach the Nicarela Charity to book a stall as soon as possible – there are only 80, so don't delay.

You'll have the chance to buy handmade decorations, quality gifts, beautifully crafted traditional gifts and locally produced fare – ideal for the Christmas dinner table.

Besides the delicious Christmas fare on offer, the market would not be the same without the legendary Champagne and Oyster Bar – but get there early – demand beats supply.

Christmas is not just about presents and Santa Claus, it's also about the spirit of giving. All profits from this event go towards outreach projects supported by Nicarela Charity. All events are staffed by volunteers and made possible by monetary and in-kind sponsorships.

Remember, there is only space to accommodate 80 stalls, so if you want to exhibit your wares at this year's event, book as early as possible.

Venue:

George Hay Park, corner of Waterford Ave and Lurgan Rd, Parkview, Johannesburg.

Saint Columba's

Youth Group—every Friday at 5.00pm

Come and join the new youth group every Friday night for kids aged 10 and up.

We have plenty of activities lined up and it's a great way to make new friends and have fun doing it.





If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the Youth Group, please send your name through to Matthew Lambert, the youth coordinator. You can reach him by any one of these methods:

Email: mattvlambert@gmail.com

+ Cell: 061 977 4878
+ BBM: 26E96371

Whatsapp: 074 828 2096Facebook: Matthew Lambert

Nicarela Charity

Nicarela Charity is seeking volunteers to take up positions on the planning committee. There is plenty to do and coordinate to run a successful Christmas Market – this year from 28 – 30 November. Please join us at our meetings - every Thursday evening at 18h00 in the upstairs hall. We are a fun loving group so bring some drinks or snacks if you like. Any questions – call Karola on 082 450 4599



The Pantry

Outreach contact person
Iris Fair
Telephone number +27(0)84 438 0709
Email address irisfair@icon.co.za

What does the charity do? The Pantry feeds around forty people every month and tries to ensure each receives a balanced box of grocery items. As all recipients are government pensioners living on under R1300 per month. The Pantry tries to assist them to make ends meet with the high cost of living.

Please remember the pantry when you are grocery Shopping:

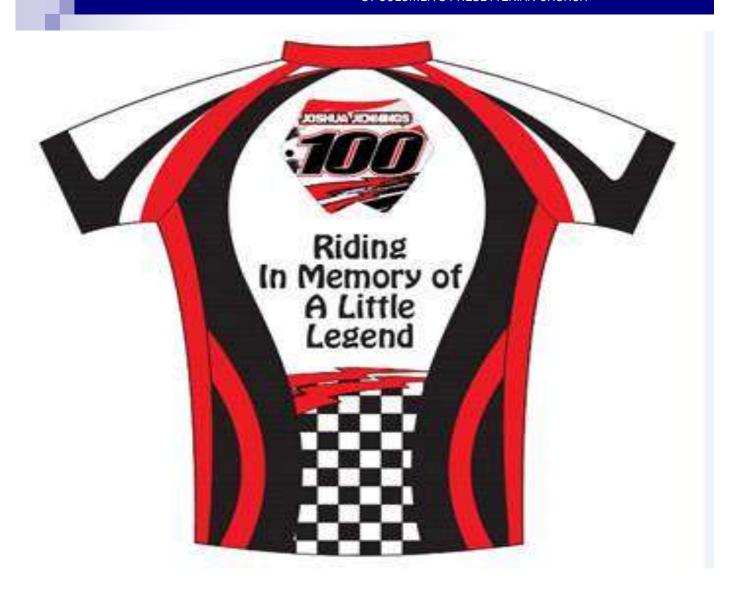
Tin large and small pilchards, tuna, sweetcorn, peas & small tomato sauce.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

On Sunday, 9th November (at all services 8.00am, 9.30am and 7.00pm) we remember those who died in any conflicts. The St Columba's Roll of Honour will be read out and if anyone would like to add any names to this list, please contact Pauline either on email pauline@stcolumbas.org.za or at the church office.

Remember.



We at St Columba's would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Warren and Kara Jennings who will be raising funds for St Columba's Church this year at the 94.7 Cycle Challenge in memory of their young son, Joshua.

Good luck in the race Warren, and to your group of cyclists.

The Senior's Tea Celebration







A wonderful morning of tea and cake, but most of all, a wonderful time catching up with good friends.



ST COLUMBA'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH





Nicarela Charity - Christmas Market 2014

Cell: 082 9254220 (Linda) Email: momdobie@gmail.com



Christmas Market Volunteers - Gr8 in eight

It's that time of year when we appeal to you again for your valued help.

With only a few weeks to go to our 8th annual Christmas Market, we are looking for as many volunteers as possible, to assist with the smooth running of our successful fundraiser.

Should you be able to help, please complete the form below and either fax it to 011 267 8451, or Email momdobie@gmail.com, or hand it to Linda Dobie or Graham Hamilton.

Your Names:	Telephone	numbers:
Email Address:		
Cashier on the Park		
Back Office counting		Fundraising details:
Beer Tent server		NPO no. 068-093;
Champagne & Oyster Bar server		PBO reference no: 930 033 966
Food Stalls chef / server		FBO reference no. 930 033 900
Mobi Can cool drink sales		Bank Account: Nicarela Charity, Standard Bank, Jan Smuts, Branch Code 004205,
Post Market Cash up Back Office		Acc. no. 202265226
FRIDAY 28 NOVEM BER 2014		Committee: Graham Hamilton Elna Blom
3 PM - 6 PM		Karola McArthur
6 PM - 10 PM		Sally Downie Dale de Klerk
		Steve Lindes
SATURDAY 29 NOVEM BER 2014		Chunky Young Ken McArthur
10 AM - 1 PM		Michelle von Benecke.
1 PM - 4 PM		
4 PM - 7 PM		
7 PM - 10 PM		
SUNDAY 30 November 2014		
10 AM - 1 PM		
1 PM - 4 PM		
4 PM - 6 PM Final Cash up		

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

LETTER FROM CHRISTINE DENK

Dear, Chunky, Stephen, Hansie and the Elders, to all the wonderful and amazing friends that I have met and love at St Columba's. To The Women's Fellowship, Dorcas Group, Bible Study Groups and Communion Silver Cleaning Group I have to now say goodbye with sadness but anticipation of a new life in Cape Town.

My new address is to be 5 Woodleigh Court, Third Avenue, Kenilworth and would welcome St Columba's tourists or visitors in the future. My family (daughter, Louise, her husband, Oscar and two grand-daughters) will be a few kilometers away. I will miss you all. Love Christine Denk. Mobile 0837159246



WE RECEIVED THIS LOVELY EMAIL AND THOUGHT WE SHOULD SHARE IT WITH YOU

Good day. I just wanted to say that I attended the baptism of my Godchild last Sunday at your beautiful church. I had to tell you that it was without doubt the most baptism relevant service I have ever attended. The way in which the Reverend welcomed everyone and particularly all the little children was so relaxed and heart warming. I felt so encouraged and do wish I lived in Johannesburg and not in Durban. I will however visit your church and attend the services whenever I can.



The "SOCIAL BRIDGE CLUB" on

Mondays from 12.30pm to 4pm at St. Columba's Presbyterian Church, Lurgan Road, Parkview would welcome new members.

The cost is R10 per Monday which includes teas, eats and a car guard.

If interested phone Yvonne on 011-431-4157 after 6.00pm.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY

Due to illness, the membership of the Dorcas Society has dropped alarmingly. The Group which has been in existence since the early 1930's is responsible for supplying bedsocks, vests, beanies, babies clothing and blankets to various old age homes, hospitals and the homeless community. Without what we do people such as recipients of the Pantry, to whom we supply warm bedsocks every year, will be worse off and less cared for. If you are able to sew, to crochet or to knit please come and join us. We meet at 9.45 a.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of the month in Dalziel House and I can be contacted on

011 463 1443......Yvonne Anderson.



STEPPING STONES FOR GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

Stephanie Fassler is an artist in Melville who specialises in stained glass and mosaics and who recently did some work at St Columba's. Her studio is full of the most beautiful examples of her work. On the floor of her studio are stepping stones decorated with interesting designs which would look wonderful in the Garden of Remembrance. A stepping stone could be a lovely way to remember a special person. Stephanie is contactable on 011 726 3831 or 084 575 0814.





To any folks who feel they have a calling to worship in a church choir

Under the excellent directorship of Kevin Kraak, the singers of St. Columba's church are appealing for additional members. We have an embracing repertoire, regular Thursday evening rehearsals and a tremendous tradition to enjoy. The group is close and caring - indeed a rewarding way of serving in the life of Christ.

Come and make contact:

Rich: 0769336622 / beanbags@iafrica.com or Kev: 0824525446 / kevin.kraak@yahoo.co.uk

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday: Rev. 18:1-8

Tuesday: Rev. 18:9-20

Wednesday: Rev. 18:21-24

Thursday: Rev. 19:1-10

Friday: Rev. 19:11-16

Saturday: Rev. 20:1-6

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY

9th November

Florence Tshisaphyngo, Andrew Schonborn
Tracy Porter, Desmond McLeod,
Mary Kruger, David Graham

10th November

Marius Homewood

11th November

Lynette Lambert

12th November

Jenny Williamson, Stanley (Stan) Hayden Smith

13th November

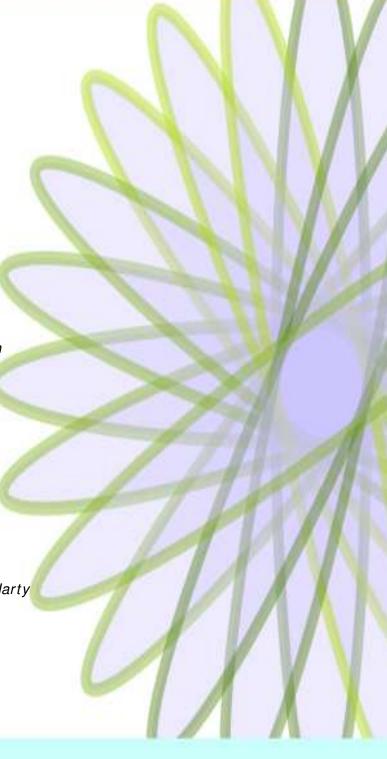
Catherine Warburton
Ruth Stuart-Thompson, Margaret Gibb,
Stephen Cuzen,
Moira (Joy) Chapman

14th November

Janet Viedge, Kerry Mcarthur, Dylan Ingram, Neil Harty
Carley Hackett, Jessica (Jes) De Stadler

15th November

Matthew Vincent-Lambert



PARKTOWN NORTH METHODIST CHURCH LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT - SALE OF CANDLES

Thank you so much for once again welcoming us to St Columba's last week. Your congregation was wonderful with the support they gave us, and we trust that the candles bought will bring both light and blessing to many. Be assured that all the takings from the sale go directly to our candlemakers, and this sale was a great encouragement to them. Please pass on our grateful thanks to your congregation. Blessings, ban Bevan



THUSANO

Thusano is one of the oldest Outreach projects. The group teaches ladies to make clothes and to do embroidery and patchwork. The students pay R10 per annum to join the classes and so we rely heavily on donations, particularly material. Four of the teachers make the bags for the Christmas lunch. We are desperately short of material suitable for dressmaking and also for the making of the Christmas bags and would be very grateful for any donations.

TUTOR URGENTLY NEEDED

I am looking for a tutor for my 4 year old daughter, Indigo from 9am-12pm Monday – Friday.

Due to Indigo fighting cancer, she is unable to go to school at present.

Indigo does not need babysitting, she needs stimulation. I would like somebody to teach her numbers, letters, months and days of the week, arts and crafts and perhaps some gross motor skills. The teaching can take place at our home in Forest Town or I can bring Indigo to somebody's house.

If you are interested please can you contact me via email at: clara@yogawarrior.co.za



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> Carol: 083 254 6622 or Brian: 076 902 0680



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Rosie is looking for a flat or garden cottage preferably in the Linden or Parkview area.

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'HELP FOR ALL' SET TO RAISE "CHOPPERS" FOR CANCER PATIENTS

'Help for All' is an organisation founded by West Rand by sisters Yolanda Kimber and Leslie Steyn to assist cancer patients who do not have a medical aid or a hospital plan.

'Help for All' began with a learner and scout named Reese Middleton who attends Orion College in Wilgeheuwel. Reece's grandfather was diagnosed with cancer in 2010 and this promoted Reece to collect copper coins which he fondly called "choppers", to raise funds to help cancer patients. This idea developed and Reece's kindness resulted in him being awarded a Kudu scarf - a highly prestigious award in the scouting community. When Reece found out that his teacher Leslie Steyn was diagnosed with breast cancer in October last year he collected some "Choppers" and donated them to her to use for anything that she may need during her treatment. "If a 12 year old boy scout could be so thoughtful and considerate about his teacher surely we can assist others with the same open arms?" says Yolanda Kimber whose sister Leslie Steyn and their mother, Alida Kimber have recently undergone treatment for cancer. "Knowing first hand the costs and the need for emotional and financial support when loved ones are diagnosed with cancer together with Reece's heartwarming gesture and unselfish contribution to assist Leslie led to the formation of 'Help for All'".

To raise "choppers" (aka funds), Help for All is hosting a fun day at the Walkhaven Dog Park in Muldersdrift (next to the Cradle of Humankind) on Saturday, 22 November 2014 from 9am to 4pm with fabulous prizes on offer and superb entertainment from Jamie Lee Sexton and her Indie Rock band, "The Sextons" who were seen in Idols last year and moving celtic tunes sung by lyrical soprano, Jessica Wilmore. The "Singing sisters", Andre and Jenny Hattingh promise a nostalgic journey through the 60's and 70's with well-known songs from John Denver, Simon & Garfunkle, The Carpenters and many more. Entertainment is sponsored by Mairi Surtees Cameron of Afro Celt Productions and the artists and musicians are giving their time freely as their contribution to Help for All.

Hosted by leading television producer and director and radio presenter, Anne Williams and actor, singer and dancer, Matt Counihan (*Rocky Horror Show, Jersey Boys, Grease, Hair*), there will be a crafters market selling cakes, costume jewellery, floral arrangements and handmade arts and crafts. Limited editions of prints by legendary SA theatre icon, Judy Page will be on sale, of which part of the proceeds will go to 'Help for All'. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be served throughout the day at the on-site Walkhaven Kitchen restaurant. The gate entry fee to the Walkhaven Dog Park is R30 per adult and R15 for children and pensioners There are stands available for hire at a cost of R150 from vokim@vodamail.co.za - tables and fittings to be supplied by the renter. Gearhouse Splitbeam is supplying the sound equipment on the day.

The first prize for the fund-raising competition is a wonderful two-night break at any Tsogo Sun Resort in SA for two persons sharing, subject to terms and conditions. To participate in the lucky draw, R50 tickets are available. There are a host of consolation and spot prizes which will be handed out during the course of the day. These have been donated by Mugg & Bean at Montecasino; Olive Beauty nail treatments; Lonewolf Spur and Pure Styles Hair; The Auto and General Theatre on the Square has donated ticket prizes for its festive season show, "Forever Plaid" and the People's Theatre at the Johannesburg Theatre has given three sets of family tickets for their production of Beauty & the Beast Junior. Leading author, communication strategist, broadcast executive and specialist grief counselor, Brenda Kali has donated ten copies of her book "A Lonesome Echo" plus two free counseling sessions as prizes.

Funds raised will be utilised by 'Help for All' to assist a valid candidate referred by the oncology department at the Flora Clinic or Olivedale Clinic. "We are not able to pay for full treatments of radiation or chemotherapy," says Yolanda Kimber, "but we will try to assist with the payment of some medical sessions to assist in alleviating some of the financial pressure families of cancer patients experience." 'Help for All' is grateful to all who are contributing so selflessly to making the fun day a success.

Bring your family and friends as well as your dog to Walkhaven Dog Park on 22 November for a fun day while helping Help for All raise "coppers" to assist cancer patients. For further information, please contact Yolanda Kimber at www.showtime.co.za, venue info available at www.walkhavedogpark.co.za



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WEEK OF 10TH TO 16TH NOVEMBER 2014

Monday	10th	Tuesday 1	1th
Time	Function	Time	Function
10h00	Women's Fellowship		
16h30	Outreach Meeting		

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Time	Function	Time	Function
		11h00	Thusano
		18h00	Nicarela Meeting
		19h30	Choir Practice

Friday 14th		Sunday 16th	
Time	Function	Time	Function
09h00	Staff Meeting	08h00	Rev Dr Martin (Chunky) Young
		09h30	Rev Dr Martin (Chunky) Young
		19h00	Rev Dr Martin (Chunky) Young