



**Growing A Family Aflame,
Sharing God's Love with All**

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Minister's Note, Third Sunday in Advent 13/12/2020

*I delight greatly in the LORD;
my soul rejoices in my God (Is 61:10).*

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in
all circumstances (1 Th. 5:16-18).*

Joy is, traditionally, the focus of the third Sunday in Advent. We can "rejoice always", even in the midst of the suffering associated with a global pandemic, because of who God is and what God has done and what God promises to do.

Jesus, on the eve of his suffering and resurrection, promised three times that his disciples could expect "the full measure" of his joy within them (Jn. 15:11, 16:24, 17:13). That's why Hebrews says "for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross" (Heb. 12:2). You can fully expect that, by God's grace, through the power of the Holy Spirit, joy will well up from within you. That joy is a beautifully bright witness to Jesus. In fact, sometimes I wonder if it isn't our most striking witness.

May the Lord grant us a "full measure" of His joy today as we celebrate God's goodness. And may that joy be a gift to all we meet in the week to come.

God Bless,
Sean

SUNDAY SCHOOL - It is "WOW TIME"

That's right! It's time to admire God's Marvellous, Amazing, Incredible, Wonderful & Magnificent Creation.

At the Holiday Bible Club to be held here at DMC in the last week of the school holidays.

Programme includes expert but quirky speakers, activities relating to the topics, midmorning snacks, games & competitions.

Mornings: 18 - 21 January 2021 from 09h00 - 12h00

Children from 8 to 13 years

R30 per day or R100 for the 4 days.

Register ASAP with MORAG VENTER or PATRICIA GROENEWALD. PS. BRING YOUR FRIENDS. RSVP 021-976 0598.

SUNDAY SCHOOL will close **13 December.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH will reopen **31 January 2021.**

We wish all our children, teachers & parents a blessed & peaceful Christmas.

Birthdays

We wish you God's Richest blessings as you celebrate your special day

John Conradie	13 December
Vida Das Neves	13 December
Marie Bissett	14 December
Gert Kotze	14 December
Theunis Esterhuizen	15 December
Roy Lureman	16 December
Nolan Daniels	16 December
Agnes Stainton	17 December
Barbara Mac Donald	17 December
Claire Kleynhans	17 December
Nicholas McKinley	17 December
Karen Malherbe	17 December
Annette Coetzee	18 December
Larenza McFall	19 December
Janine Janssen	19 December

OTHER NOTICES CONTINUED CHRISTMAS DAY OFFERTORY

Will be in aid of The Methodist Homes for Children. **EFT Reference: Christmas Day Children.**



DMC BANKING DETAILS - MCSA Durbanville Society
Standard Bank, Tyger Manor, Branch Code: 050410,
Account Number: 275125750.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PROVISIONALLY CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES - will be at 07h30 & 09h00.

THE CHURCH OFFICE - will be closed from **26 December - 4 January.**

SERVICE & GENEROSITY SOCIAL CONCERNS

We are making an appeal for **non-perishable food items** for our pantry cupboard and for the hospitals. If you can help please deliver to the church office.

OTHER NOTICES

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES - will re-commence **27 January 2021.**

CAR GUARD - We would like to give Patrick a small bonus at the end of the year. If you would like to donate something please speak to Yvonne.

DURBANVILLE CHILDREN'S HOME - WEEKEND JOBS

We are currently looking for weekend jobs for our children of Grade 10 and above for 2021. It is essential that their skills are sharpened for when they enter the workforce in the future. Please call Soulvay at 021 975 6822 or email, fundsadmin@durbanvillekinderhuis.org.za

JAN KRIEL SCHOOL - DOMINIC'S STORY - To view Dominic's touching story use the link below:
<https://jankriel.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/JK-liggie-2020-Eng-web-1.pdf>. See notice board for info.

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