

Parish Ministers Report to Vestry 2021

1. Portfolio/ministry

Parish (Lay) Ministers in the Diocese of Johannesburg

2. Provide a basic description of the ministry.

Understanding the Anglican Prayer Book, Lectionary, Christian Year

Pastoral Standards

Leading the Prayers

Understanding the Eucharist – including the practical

3. Provide records of ministry, e.g. attendance, weekly offerings/financial reports, courses/gatherings, age groups/classes, volunteers, etc.

We currently have twelve Parish Ministers. Sadly Grant Nupen decided to retire. Grant had been a Parish Minister in various churches for over 37 years. What incredible service to our Lord. We are fortunate to have been joined by John Powell another experienced Parish Minister. With Covid and lockdowns this has not been an easy year for anyone and we thank our Parish Ministers for the wonderful way they have adapted to changing requirements during this time.

4. Analysis and evaluation:

a. Do you observe fluctuations in the ministry, and if, why?

We do receive fluctuations in the ministry due to Parish Ministers leaving as a result of ill health, work commitments or death.

b. Is the ministry/portfolio achieving its purpose?

The Parish Ministers who volunteer are very dedicated in giving up their time to serve and we thank them for their ministry.

c. What are the challenges, recommendations, and potential areas for growth?

Challenges come when Parish Minister numbers drop and fluctuate. There is a shortage of 7h00am servers. We need to be looking for more 7h00am servers to lessen the burden on the two who currently serve.

5. What goals were achieved this year, and list future projects/events?

Parish Ministers usual service to the Parish

6. List steps for achieving goals, past and future strategy.

Not applicable

7. What resources are required (time, money, and people)? Please supply a simple budget.

Parish Ministers cost the Church nothing.

8. Should any changes be made to the current ministry?

No.

On behalf of the Parish, and on my own behalf, I would like to thank all of our St. George's Parish Ministers for the great gift of their time and their talents to Our Lord and the community of St. George's. I would also like to thank Eben, Gerard, Nigel and Anthony on behalf of myself and my fellow Parish Ministers, for their guidance and support. We are much blessed to have such a wonderful new leader in Eben in what have been very testing and trying times.

Paul Wareham

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