



# St. Thomas Lenasia

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent C 14<sup>th</sup> March 2010

### COMMON SENSE....

How would you feel like if one of your guests, as you are addressing your invited crowd just minutes away from dismissing them, would stand up and walk out of your house without even taking leave properly?

That is what is typically happening at every mass, when people leave the church just after communion or just before the announcements. It is not only rude to the priest who is chairing the gathering and to the community, but it is also very rude to Christ who is present through them. Good Catholic practice is that nobody should leave before the final procession. Even better practice would be to wait until the last hymn is completed! After all, it is only a question of one or two minutes!

This being said, an incident occurred last Sunday when Father Philippe called out a couple leaving during the announcements to "please not to leave before the end". The couple felt very hurt as there was a personal health reason for their leaving. Father sincerely apologizes for singling them out, as he did not recognized the persons from far and was not aware of their personal problems.

Weekend masses: **SATURDAY 5 pm** and **SUNDAY 10.30 am**  
Confessions: **SATURDAY 4.30 pm** or by appointment  
Weekday masses: **TUESDAY 9 am** and **WEDNESDAY 7.30 pm**  
First Friday of the month: **ADORATION 6.15 pm** and **MASS 7.30 pm**

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For **Mass intentions** and **appointment** with Father, please contact Shantha by phone at the office on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 9.30 to 12.30  
OR leave a message on the mailbox OR send an email.  
For **Sick calls**, please contact  
**Clive Padayachee** on 011.852.6691 or 072.493.4773  
For **Funerals**, please contact **Vivian Patel** on 011.854.8523 or **Cynthia Thomas** on 011.854.5490  
In case of emergency only, **Fr. Philippe's** cell is 082.729.3758

### ACTIVE PRO LIFE

On the advent of the Johannesburg Archdiocese Prolife march, we are pleased to announce the official launch of [www.AbortionNO.co.za](http://www.AbortionNO.co.za)

The site is filled with information on abortion and has numerous links to other sites in the similar vein.

We invite you to take the time and visit the site and consider joining the fight to return the sanctity of human life.

The website does graphically expose the injustice of abortion, thus parental guidance is advised.

Minutes within the site launching the following comment came through "It is actually sad what people do and don't know what they doing until they see what they are doing.."

I had a look at the site and saw everything. I guess this is a wake up call for everyone...just wish that everyone can spread this message as well and be against such actions."

This is indeed encouraging as it is a positive start to making abortion unthinkable.

We need volunteer Marshalls for the Passion Walk. Men who are willing to assist should please give their contact details to Jacky Moonsamy, Indhir Naryan or Kenna James.

#### Join in the following activities...

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP** : every Monday 7.30 pm in the Hall.  
Contact Edgar 011 852 4960  
**INTERCESSION PRAYER GROUP**: every Friday 10 am - 24 Opaal Street - Extension 5. Contact Vivian 011 854 8523  
**PRAYER GROUP**: every Saturday 3.30 pm in the Hall.  
**YOUTH CJA GROUP**: every Friday 7.30 pm in the Hall - contact Lerece 083 411 5650

### LEVEL D Catechism lessons

A friendly reminder: catechism for level D is scheduled every second Sunday (excepts holidays) from 2.30pm (make it 2pm if you are always late!) until AFTER the Youth mass (around 6.30pm). The youths are requested to comply and the parents to collaborate.

### ADULTS' PASCHAL MEAL

The paschal meal will take place in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. Eighty tickets are out for sale for R80. Come and experience.

### Lenten collection going well but...

Thank you to all parishioners for your generosity towards the Lenten collection. These moneys are transferred integrally to the Archdiocese, which sends them to the Lenten campaign fund (SACBC).

However, the PFC is a little concerned that the result of the ordinary collections is suffering and that ordinary expenses are currently hardly covered in this time of recession. We need some balance between local and universal concerns.

	Lenten collection	Ordinary Collection
21 February	R 3456.20	R 3218.30
28 February	R 4764.65	R 2270.20
7 March	R 6747.00	R 2819.20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>R 14967.85</b>	<b>R 8307.70</b>

### BEWARE OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING...

With the advent of the world cup, unscrupulous people are preparing to "make business" by exploiting people, and especially young people. Be aware and take all precautions. As a testimony, read this announcement circulated on Internet this week. Do not jump to conclusions though and nurture thoughts of xenophobia!

*"Be on the lookout for a SILVER TOYOTA COROLLA 2003/4 model, tinted windows, with registration: PNW 886 GP the driver is suspected to be Nigerian; he is trying to kidnap young girls !!!! On Wednesday morning he attempted to kidnap a young girl in Mayville and he tried again to kidnap a young girl in Pretoria North this morning."*

### ST THOMAS CATHOLIC CHURCH PRESENTS A PRE-WINTER BALL

FRIDAY 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2010 - TIME 20H30 - PRICE R50-00  
LENASIA CIVIC CENTRE

Entertainment Provided by **E'SPLENDOS**

Right of admission : reserved  
Refreshments will be sold

### Altar Servers Roster

Wed 17<sup>th</sup>: Janine, Bradley, Jacklyn  
Sat 20<sup>th</sup>: Tiffany, Steven, Sonam, Lincoln, Nicholas, Mitchell  
Sun 21<sup>st</sup>: Justin, Jacklyn, Bradley, Janine, Bongani, Jason

### Flower List

Colin & Neala Pillay, Mark & Shireen Pillay, Paul & Angeline Pillay, Roderick & Tanya Pillay

### Mass Intentions

Sat 13<sup>th</sup>: Lawrence & Donovan Joseph RIP  
Sun 14<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Mass  
Tue 16<sup>th</sup>: Mr. K. Chetty RIP  
Wed 17<sup>th</sup>: Petrus Basson RIP & Sunita Reddy RI

### Refreshment roster for the Sunday catechism lessons.

Level A to C: Sunday 10-10:15 in the courtyard (102 children from 6 to 14)

**21 Mar:** Ourania Samuels & Shawn Williams and Vasinthi & Gerald Thomas

**14 Mar:** Beatrice Katumba & Family, Geni Singh & Family.

Level D: Sunday 4.30-4.45 in the Hall kitchen (61 children from 14 to 18)

**21 Mar:** Cindy Richards, Nita Potthen

### LEVEL D, Reconciliation Service

21 Mar, 2:15pm sharp.

Candidates need to know that we will be sitting on the floor, so they should bring a mat or cushion to keep themselves comfortable - they were not told this at our last lesson. And parents need to know they should fetch their children at 6:30pm after Mass.

### A bit of Planning

**27<sup>th</sup> March:** A March with a Passion (all levels of Catechism)

**28<sup>th</sup> March:** Paschal Meal for the Youth (levels C & D)

**30<sup>th</sup> March:** Paschal Meal for adults  
**22<sup>nd</sup> May:** PENTECOST Parish event  
PLEASE BOOK THESE DATES NOW.