2025-2027 Theme: Join Us, Join in!

The Diocese of Saldanha Bay Diocesan Council – 07 November 2026
Mothers' Union Report

Mothers' Union Worldwide 150th Celebration:

The Mothers' Union hosted 2,000 members from its global community in Durban from September 30 to October 3, 2026, to celebrate its 150th anniversary. Members from various countries and generations came together to share stories and strengthen relationships through worship. The event concluded with a Eucharist service featuring an inspiring sermon by the Archbishop of Canterbury, The Most Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally.

IMPC Event – 70 Years and older:

On April 27, 2026, we hosted a breakfast for all our members aged 70 and older at the Hoofkantoor restaurant on the West Coast. It warms our hearts to see the appreciation expressed by our treasured members each year at this special event. Revd Maria van Staden, our Zonal Trustee, started the morning with an inspirational message. We could feel the excitement and gratitude from our members during the lucky draw.

Lady day

The Lady Day service took place at All Saints Durbanville on 28 March 2026. We started the day with tea, allowing members to enjoy various refreshments and connect with one another. Following this, a morning market was held in the garden, where all the branches sold items ranging from cloth to homemade food at reasonable prices. Our Generosity Drive successfully collected toiletries for the Kraaifontein Old Age Home. To celebrate Lady Day, we also planted a tree as part of our commitment to caring for Mother Earth.

Feast of the Visitation:

The Feast of the Visitation service and night vigil was hosted by St. Timothy's Factreton at Good Shepherd Church in Kensington on May 29-30, 2026. During our Feast of the Visitation celebration, CANSA TLC from Tygerberg Hospital delivered an informative talk on cancer awareness and education. Two speakers shared their personal experiences and challenges, emphasizing their sense of God's presence throughout their journeys. We also held a cancer relay and a candle-lighting ceremony to honor survivors and remember those who have lost their battles with cancer. Additionally, our generosity drive collected essential food items for the CANSA TLC hospice at Tygerberg Hospital.

Diocesan Executive Members

The following persons were elected and commissioned at Lady Day service that was held at All Saints Durbanville 28 March 2026.**Vice presidents**: Judith Louw & Roseline Cleophas; **Secretary**: Gloria Hartzenberg; **Treasurer**: Naomi Cottee; **IMPC Secretary:** Philledene Heslop; **Prayer and Spirituality**: Monica Dingaan; **Marketing**: Liezel Mullah & **Human resource**: Nolonwabo Majija

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