The Diocese of Saldanha Bay

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY REPORT

TO THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL on 7 November 2026

Progress to date

Phase one of our strategic plan was completed prior 2025. This comprised of data collection from all the parishes. We contacted the Archdeacons of the diocese. To date we have received complete information from the archdeaconries of Bellville, Elsies River, Maitland, Paarl and Table View. These five archdeaconries have a vibrant and structured Sunday School ministry using both the Johannesburg curriculum and the Living stones curriculum. The Johannesburg one is subject oriented while the Living stones one is learner oriented with activities for each lesson.

We did not receive complete data for Namaqualand North, Namaqualand South, and West coast. However, the information we have indicates that, not all parishes in these archdeaconries have structured Sunday School activities

Current update

The second phase of the strategic plan 2025/26 was the training of Sunday School teachers in the entire Diocese. This action has taken almost the whole year to achieve. After the appointment of Uzwelo Youth Development for conducting the training, the first training session was on 18th April 2026 and the last one was on 19 September 2026. All eight archdeaconries have received the same training consisting of three tutorials. 1. Why evangelise children (The final authority); 2. Pastoral care for children (The role of the Sunday School teacher); and 3. Packed with a punch (How to prepare lessons effectively).

This has been a significant milestone for the Diocesan Sunday School ministry.

Future Plans for 2027

1. Further training of Sunday School teachers:
2. Consultations with Archdeaconry Sunday School Chaplains, in order to keep the Sunday School ministry alive.

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