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In the Gospel of Matthew, which guides us this year, the Risen Jesus meets his followers with a powerful promise: *"I am with you always, until the end of the age"* (Mt 28:20).

As we celebrate Easter constant presence of in our parishes. or standing in a place of Lord walks beside you. go forth and share the encounter. As we are in synodal practices in our the people with whom should reflect the are.



2026, let us renew our trust in that the Risen Lord in us, in our families and Whether you are celebrating with family quiet reflection, know that the Risen We are a Resurrection people, called to "Good News" with every person we the process of implementing the daily life let us be very much mindful of we live and work. Our personal life presence of the Risen Lord wherever we

During this season of Lent almost all the parishes and missions had their retreat to renew our faith and commitment to the Lord and to the Church. Let us move forward in that renewed commitment for the rest of our lives. I am very grateful to the priests who organised the retreat and all who attend it very faithfully. May the Risen Lord continue to walk with you and bless you each day.

1. **Chrism Mass:** Our annual Chrism Mass will take place on 31 March at St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica starting at 17.15.

2. **Appointments:**

1. Fr. Bhekimpilo Tshuma CMM as Priest in charge of St. John Vianney Mission, Esigodini.
2. Fr. Fikile Dlamini CMM as Priest in charge of Our Lady of Assumption, Gwanda.
3. Fr. Preasherd Mlalazi, as assistant priest at St. Bernard's Mission, Pumula.
4. Fr. Gilbert Moyo, as Dean of North West Deanery.
5. Fr. Elias Musona OFM Cap. as priest in charge of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Entumbane.
6. Fr. Claudious Chitauro OFM Cap. as assistant priest at Our Lady Queen of Peace, Entumbane.

3. Congratulations to New Religious Superiors:

1. Fr. Themba Chipembere OMI, the new Mission Superior of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate.
2. Fr. Herbert Banda OFM Cap, the new Custos of Capuchins in Zimbabwe.
3. Fr. Christopher Ngwarai CMM, the new Regional Superior of the Mariannhill Missionaries.

4. Jubilarians 2026: The following priests and religious are celebrating their golden jubilee or silver jubilee of priesthood or religious life this year. *We wish them many blessings*

4.1. Golden Jubilee of Priesthood: Fr. Hebron Wilson

4.2. Golden Jubilee of Religious Life: Sr. Maria Fatima Turo CPS, Sr. Walter Pindura CPS.

4.3. Silver Jubilee of Priesthood: Bishop Raphael Mabuza Ncube, Fr. Fernando Ncube, Fr. Norbert Nyathi, Fr. Paul Mhlanga, Fr. Innocent Ncube, Fr. Marko Mkandla.

4.4. Silver Jubilee of Religious Life: Sr. Grace Moyo AMR, Sr. Elizabeth Jane Mandireva CPS, Sr. Salome Chiramba CPS, Sr. Bekezela Ncube CPS.

May the Risen Lord be our strength and guide in all that we do.

Sincerely



✠ Alex Thomas
Archbishop of Bulawayo.

