



# OBLATES OF MARY IMMACULATE

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## OMI NATAL *Update*

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### Top News

**Oblate Feast Day: 182<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Of Approval Of Our Rule**

Monday 18 February, St Joseph's Cedara. Tea from 10.00 am; Mass at 11.00 am Lunch at 13h00

Installation of New Provincial and Council

### Challenges for Ministry: Changes 2008

#### Natal Provincial Superior

Fr Stuart BATE  
2<sup>nd</sup> Term  
(3 years)



#### Zimbabwe Mission

Superior  
Fr Siphon KUNENE  
1<sup>st</sup> Term  
(3 years)



#### St Josephs Scholasticate Superior

Fr Vusi MAZIBUKO  
2<sup>nd</sup> Term  
(3 years)



#### Changes in the Pietermaritzburg District St Mary's, Pietermaritzburg

(Residence)  
Fr Allan MOSS  
Parish Priest  
Director



Fr Benedict GUMEDE  
Assistant Priest



Fr Mario CERUTI  
(in Residence)  
OMI Projects  
Healing Ministry  
Consultant for OMI  
Properties



#### St Augustine, Machibisa

(Residence)  
Fr Zibonele NGUBANE  
Parish Priest  
Director



#### St James, Mooi River & St Theresa, Nottingham Road

Fr Muzi MADLALA  
Acting Parish Priest



#### Changes in the Inchanga District

##### St Theresa, Inchanga

(House)  
Fr Siyabonga DUBE  
Acting Parish Priest



Fr Mxolisi NGCOBO  
(in Residence)  
OMI Youth Ministry  
Vocations Director



##### Umndeni Oyingcwele, Mpumalanga

Fr Vusi PHENYANE  
Parish Priest



##### St Paul, Ntuzuma

Fr Thomas ZONDI  
Parish Priest



##### Sukumawenze, Inanda

Fr Garth MICHELSON  
Retirement



#### Matikwe Convent

Fr Michael GUMEDE  
Chaplain



#### Changes in the Durban District

##### St Francis Xavier, Bluff

Fr Derrick BUTT  
Parish Priest



##### Our Lady of Assumption

(Residence)  
Fr Mduduzi MCHUNU  
Parish Priest  
Director



Fr Andrew KNOTT  
Assistant Priest  
Chaplain King  
Edward Hospital



##### Sacred Heart, Woodlands

Fr Nkululeko MEYIWA  
Assistant Priest



##### Christ the King, Wentworth

Dc Mthokozisi MNCWABE  
Pastoral Assistant



**Challenges for Ministry:  
Father Stuart BATE  
Reappointed Provincial**

Father Stuart BATE has been appointed provincial for a second term of three years.

He will be installed together with the new Provincial Council at the feast of the approbation of the rule on 18<sup>th</sup> February. The Mass begins at 11.00 am.

It is now time to begin the consultation for the new Provincial Council.

Oblates receiving this edition of OMI update will also receive enclosed a copy of the voting paper for the provincial council. This paper is marked FORM II in the top right hand corner. You received a copy of this form at the Assembly and so you may use that copy if you wish.

The consultation forms have to be in Rome BEFORE February 1<sup>st</sup> 2008. There are three ways of doing this.

**1. EMAIL**

If you have email this is the easiest and quickest. All Oblates who have email addresses that we know have already received an email version of the form as an attachment. Simply download the attachment and type in the names of those four Oblates you wish to be councillors. Then email the completed form to [genstat@omigen.org](mailto:genstat@omigen.org).

Don't forget to type in your own name in the space provided.

**2. FAX**

Use the FORM II that you already have or the copy sent with this newsletter. Simply fill in the form including your own name and then FAX the completed form to the following number: 00390639375322

**3. ORDINARY POST**

Use the FORM II that you already have or the copy sent with this newsletter.

Simply fill in the form including your own name and then place the form in the envelope provided addressed to Father Steckling. Then post the form in another envelope to the **Provincial Office** in Durban (Attention Ms Ritta Ndlovu, PO Box 17035 CONGELLA 4013).

DO NOT POST DIRECTLY TO ROME. It will not get there in time.

We will courier all the forms received by Tuesday January 29<sup>th</sup>. Your form must be at the provincial office before that date to ensure that they reach Rome by February 1st

Those in **Zimbabwe** who cannot use email should get all the forms to FATHER Claude Lukuba at Our Lady of Lourdes before Sunday Evening 27 January. He will courier them to Rome

**Change to District  
Community Boundaries**

A reminder that from 2008, Virginia, Ntuzuma and Inanda/Matikwe are moved from Durban district to the Inchanga District.

| <b>Provincial's Diary</b> |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| <b>FEBRUARY</b>           |  |
| 2                         | First Vows Johannesburg  |
| 8                         | Provincial Council review of term  |
| 17                        | Installation of Superior of St Josephs Scholasticate; Renewal of Vows          |
| 18                        | Celebration of Approval of Rule Cedara. Installation of new provincial Council |
| <b>MARCH</b>              |  |
| 4                         | SACBC Subcommittee on Healing  |

| <b>Dates to Give Thanks</b>   |                            |            |
|---|----------------------------|------------|
| <b>January</b>  |                            |            |
| Date  | Name                       | Occasion   |
| 13  | 1978 C Rensburg            | Birthday   |
| 16  | 1949 M Foley               | Birthday   |
| 18  | 2002 W Weldschidt          | Ordination |
| 20  | 1965 Z Mbanjwa             | Birthday   |
| 27  | 1944 J Nxumalo(Archbishop) | Birthday   |
| 28  | 1985 S Mbanjwa (Sc.)       | Birthday   |
| 29  | 2006 C Rensburg            | Ordination |
| 29  | 1931 G Purves              | Birthday   |
| 30  | 1981 A Tshuma (Sc)         | Birthday   |
| <b>February</b>   |                            |            |
| Date  | Name                       | Occasion   |
| 04  | 1940 J Money               | Birthday   |
| 08  | 1991 S David               | Ordination |
| 08  | 1991 A Henriques           | Ordination |
| 09  | 1979 T Shoba (Sc)          | Birthday   |
| 11  | 1983 P Schröder            | Ordination |
| 12  | 1945 P Schröder            | Birthday   |
| 14  | 1977 S Dube                | Birthday   |
| 19  | 1982 S Bate                | Ordination |
| 19  | 1982 P Horrocks            | Ordination |
| 19  | 2000 S Kunene              | Ordination |
| 19  | 1943 D Corijn              | Birthday   |
| 22  | 1924 J Patterson           | Birthday   |
| 23  | 1978 P Mudzudza (Sc)       | Birthday   |
| 24  | 1963 E Clerkin             | Ordination |
| 25  | 1983 PC Ndlovu (Sc)        | Birthday   |
| 26  | 1972 Z Ngubane             | Birthday   |
| 28  | 1973 M Madlala             | Birthday   |
| 28  | 1954 J Mtolo               | Birthday   |
| 28  | 1987 J Mtolo               | Ordination |
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