

## DHC UPDATE: AUGUST 2014



### THREE FAITHS – ONE SITE

The most important institutions in our neighbourhood are religious, cultural and historical : the Juma Masjid (mosque), the Gandhi Library, the Hindu Surat Building, the Victoria Street Market, and of course Emmanuel Cathedral and the Denis Hurley Centre. What links these sites is that they all played significant roles in SA's liberation struggle. Now they have decided to campaign as one Liberation Heritage Route (LHR) site to improve the whole precinct and neighbourhood. Our plan is to jointly seek international recognition from UNESCO because of the strong interfaith bonds which bind us together. Facilitating the process is Thami Nxasana, an advisor to the National Heritage Council (NHC), with extensive experience of working on liberation heritage sites in places such as Robben Island, the Waterfront in Cape Town, and the Newtown Precinct in Johannesburg.

(Pic – Barker Sky Imaging )



Delegates from the Union of International Architects Congress visit the almost complete Denis Hurley Centre.

### OFFICIAL OPENING

Many people have been asking when the Denis Hurley Centre will be officially opened. We are happy to announce that the date is 9 November 2015. Please put the note in your diary – next year's! 9 November 2015 has a special significance for the Denis Hurley Centre because it will be the centenary of the archbishop's birth. Of course we expect to take occupation of the new Centre long before then, in fact before the end of 2014. Having the official opening towards the end of next year will give us an opportunity to make sure that all DHC's facilities are functional and that we have all the staff and volunteers we need, as well as fittings, furniture and equipment.

(Pic – Jean-Marie Ntamubano)



### SING WITH ONE VOICE: 2014

The 2014 edition of "Sing with one voice" will bring together five Catholic high schools in the Durban area for an evening of sacred music in Emmanuel Cathedral. An initiative of the Maris Stella Convent who organised the first schools' concert in 2013, this year will see St Francis College, Mariannahill; St Benedict, Pinetown; the KwaThintwa School for the Deaf, Inchanga; and Holy Family College, Glenmore, sharing the stage with Maris Stella on Thursday 21 August at 5.30 for 6.00p.m. A collection for the Denis Hurley Centre will be taken during the concert and refreshments will be on sale at the end.

◀ Learners from Maris Stella, St Benedict's, Holy Family College and the KwaThintwa School for the Deaf, preparing for the "Sing with One Voice" concert - with Pinkie Mtshali, Director of Music at Emmanuel Cathedral (3rd from left).

(Pic - Illa Thompson)



### ST AUGUSTINE'S GOLF DAY

On Friday September 12, the St Augustine's Past Pupils' Fundraising Team will hold a "Golf Day" to raise funds for the museum facilities of the Denis Hurley Centre. The venue is the Papwa Sewgolum Golf Course. The St Augustine's Past Pupils have a strong bond with Emmanuel Cathedral and the Denis Hurley Centre because their former school was in the Parish Centre recently demolished to make way for the new building. They invite you to have a fun day, with fabulous prizes and a memorable lunch. For further details, contact Ekkie Esau (084 337-7368) or Daphne Goad (084 606-6151). They can also help you if you would like to buy a brick for the construction of the coffee bar counter for the DHC – to be constructed with bricks from their old school. Bricks are selling at R100 each and your name will be listed on a plaque in the coffee bar.

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### VOLUNTEER VACANCY

The Denis Hurley Centre is looking for a volunteer to head its Legacy Programme – Please contact Paddy Kearney on Tel:031 202-3832 or Cell: 072 806-4417