

# Makgoba prays for platinum industry

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Johannesburg - The Archbishop of Cape Town Thabo Makgoba has written a prayer for the platinum mining industry in response to the “current crisis” in the North West, the Anglican Church of SA said on Friday.

The prayer would be for the use of Anglican parishes in South Africa on Sunday, the church said in a statement.

The text of the prayer, called “A Prayer for Platinum Miners”, includes the lines:

“...We can't kill and maim to sustain inequality,

“Nor can we allow the fight for equality to kill others.

“...”May owners, investors and shareholders feel the pain and longing for peace,

“May workers and mine-owners find one another...”

Members of the Association of Mineworkers and Construction Union (Amcu) at Lonmin, Implats, and Amplats in Rustenburg and at Northam in Limpopo downed tools on January 23 demanding a basic monthly salary of R12,500.

The strike has cost the companies over R17.8 billion in revenue and workers have lost more than R7.9bn in earnings, according to figures on [www.platinumwagene negotiations.co.za](http://www.platinumwagene negotiations.co.za), as of Wednesday. - Sapa

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