

7:15 A.M.

**The Sermon:** The Rev'd Richard Kellman  
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**The Sermon:** The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson  
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**Intercessor:** Christingle Celebration (See Insert)  
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**Hymn of Fellowship:**

**"Let there be love shared among us"**  
(see printed version)

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## Welcome, Remarks, Birthdays and Anniversaries

### THE EUCHARIST

**The Offertory Hymn: 749**  
**"Sing we of the blessed Mother"**

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The Breaking of The Bread "C" Page 145  
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The Agnus Dei Page 147  
The Administration of Communion

**Hymn: 752 "Virgin-born, we bow before thee;"**  
**766 "The Word whom earth and sea and sky"**

**ANTHEM:** "A virgin most pure" (Wood)

**Hymn for the blessing of the Children: 651**  
**"It is a thing most wonderful,"**

The Post-Communion Prayer "C" Page 148  
The Blessing: "Advent" Page 149

**The Recessional Hymn: 48**  
**"O come, O come Emmanuel,"**

The Dismissal  
**Organ Postlude:**

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**WELCOME AND MAY GOD BLESS US ALL!**

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## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**FIRST READING: 2 SAMUEL 7:1-11, 16**

**Comment: "God's promise to David"**

In our Hebrew scriptures **the enemies of David have been subdued and David turns his thoughts to building a temple to the Lord.** Through the prophet Nathan, God declares to David that the construction of an earthly temple is not among the purposes for which God has anointed David. God has chosen David from among the lowly, a mere shepherd boy, and given him victory over his enemies. Now God will make of David a great house, securing the hopes of the people of Israel. David's throne shall be established forever, the prophet Nathan declares.

**Psalms 89:1-4, 19-26**

The Lord is praised for faithful love and mighty justice. As a Father, God promises to the anointed servant David an everlasting kingdom.

**SECOND READING: (The Epistle) Romans 16:25-27**

**Comment: "The mystery revealed in Jesus Christ"**

In words that close his long letter to the community in Rome, **Paul reminds the new Christians of the mystery now disclosed to all nations, bringing them to faith and obedience.** Although the secret had long been kept in silence, the promise of the eternal God has been revealed and is made known through the prophetic scriptures. Glory to God who enables disciples to stand firm in the good news of Jesus!

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 1:26-38**

**Comment: "The angel appears to Mary."**

Our gospel relates **the story of the visit to Mary by an angel: Gabriel tells her that she is to bear Jesus, who will be called the Son of God.** This happens during the sixth month of the pregnancy of Elizabeth, a kinswoman of Mary, who will soon give birth to John the Baptist. Mary is assured of God's favour and that this is the work of the Holy Spirit in fulfilment of the prophecy to David of an eternal kingdom. The narrative points to the transcendent origin of this child born into history.

## CATHEDRAL NEWS

1. **Registration:** The Cathedral is currently seeking to update its membership record. Consequently, members are asked to complete the registration forms which are available and return them to the office as soon as possible.

2. 5K Charity Walk & Run **has been postponed until next year at a date to be finalised.** (All proceeds will go towards The St. Michael Centre for Faith and Action and The Barbados Vagrants and Homeless Society).

3. **Reverence during worship**

*Before Worship*

O Almighty God, *who pour* out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to *you*, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship *you* in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Before Receiving Communion*

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen*

*After Receiving Communion*

O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left unto us a memorial of your passion: Grant us, we beseech you, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of your redemption; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen*

*After Worship*

Grant, we beseech *you*, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through *your* grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of *your* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

4. Congratulations to all celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week:

**Ms. Olga E. Marshall ~ 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**Mrs. Jeanette Rollock ~ 31<sup>st</sup>**



**May God bless and strengthen you.**

5. **Christingle Service:** A **Christingle** is a symbolic object used in the Advent services of many Christian denominations. **Christingle** means 'Christ Light' and is used to celebrate Jesus Christ as the "Light of the World". Used primarily for Advent and Christmas, it is also used for Epiphany. The Cathedral will celebrate Christingle during the 9 o'clock service next Sunday; children are asked to bring a monetary donation for the children of Dominica.

6. **Worship Schedule:** Members are asked to note that starting with the Christmas season the first service on Sundays will commence at 7:00 a.m. Please adjust plans accordingly.

### HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP

Let there be love shared among us,  
let there be love in our eyes;  
may now Your love sweep this nation,  
cause us, O Lord, to arise:  
give us a fresh understanding  
of neighbourly love that is real;  
let there be love shared among us,  
let there be love

### THEME FOR THE WEEK

**"The one who comes, and  
makes our best moments, is  
always the Lord"**

## DONATIONS

The Flower Guild is asking for your assistance in the provision of flowers at Christmas. These flowers may be donated in memory of departed loved ones, in celebration of birthdays, anniversaries and or any special occasion.

## CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

**Today, the Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**7:15 A.M.** Holy Eucharist

**Preacher: The Rev'd Richard Kellman**

**9:00 A.M.** Sung Eucharist with Christingle

**Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson**

**11:30 P.M.** Vigil & Sung Eucharist

**Preacher: The Most Rev'd. &**

**Dr. the Hon. John W. D. Holder, CBE, LLD**

**Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day**

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

**Preacher: The Rev'd Canon George Knight**

9:00 Sung Eucharist

**Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson**

11:00 Choral Matins

**Preacher: The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley**

**Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>**

**St. John, Apostle and Evangelist**

**10:00 A.M.** Holy Eucharist

**Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson**

**Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup>**

**The Feast of Holy Innocents**

**12:15 P.M.** Holy Eucharist

**Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, The First Sunday**

**After Christmas Day**

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

9:00 A. M Sung Eucharist with

Baptism

11:00 P.M. Watch Night Service

## OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL

### Church Wardens:

Mr. Arlington Watson Mr. Darnley King

**Secretary:** Ms. Donnah Russell

**Treasurer:** Mr. Ian Weekes

### Synod Representatives

Mr. Trevor King;

Mr. Samuel Maxwell;

Dr. Wendy Sealy

### Alternative Synod Representative

Ms. Donna Inniss

## LEADERS OF ORGANISATIONS AND MINISTRIES

|                              |                                                   |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Men's Fellowship:</b>     | Mr. John Moore                                    |
| <b>Mothers' Union:</b>       | Mrs. Colleen Byer                                 |
| <b>Church Army:</b>          | Captain Evelyn Jackman                            |
| <b>Woman's Auxiliary:</b>    | Ms. Shirley Clarke                                |
| <b>Ushers Guild:</b>         | Mrs. Juno Burrows                                 |
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| <b>Guild of Servers:</b>     | Major Charleston Maxwell<br>and Mr. Jerry Alleyne |
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**YEAR B**

**December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

### Services

**7:15 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.**

December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR B

**7:15 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST**

**President: The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley**

**9:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST**

**President: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson**

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude:

**Introit/Opening Hymn 41**

**"Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding;"**

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath (See leaflet)

The Collect for Purity Page 101

The Kyrie Page 102

The Collect: "**Advent 4**" Page 158

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Lectors: 7:15 A.M. Ms. Deidre Cox

9:00 A.M. Ms. Donte Inniss

**Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26** Page 583

**"Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing;"**

Second Lesson: Romans 16:25-27

Lectors: 7:15 A.M. Mrs. Patricia Collins

9:00 A.M. Ms. Donna Russell

**The Gradual Hymn 34**

**"Come, thou long-expected Jesus,"**

The Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Gospeller: **The Rev'd Richard Kellman, LTh.**