

Sermon:
The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

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7:00 A.M. Ms. Marcia Oxley
9:00 A.M. Representative of the Guild of Ushers'
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Hymn of Fellowship:
"Let there be love shared among us"
(see printed version)



*Welcome, Remarks, Birthdays
and Anniversaries*
THE EUCHARIST



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"O come, O come, Emmanuel"
The Dismissal
WELCOME AND MAY GOD BLESS US ALL!

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-16

Comments: *"The sign of Emmanuel"*
In this first lesson we hear that the prophet Isaiah insists that King Ahaz of Judah will receive a sign from God, whether he wants it or not, the sign of a young woman bearing a son to be called Emmanuel. Ahaz was more inclined to depend on political alliances than on the Lord. Isaiah prophesied that, by the time the infant began to make his own choices, the Lord would destroy Judah's immediate enemies. Christians have seen the ultimate fulfilment of these prophetic words in the birth of Jesus.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18
A lament and a plea to the Lord, the shepherd of Israel, that God will turn away divine anger and restore the people.

Second Reading (The Epistle): Romans 1:1-7

Comments: *"Paul's greeting to the church at Rome"*
Paul greets the new disciples in Rome and summarises the gospel message. The prophecies concerning one to be descended from King David in human terms, and declared Son of God through the power of the Holy Spirit by the resurrection from the dead, have been fulfilled. The Lord Jesus Christ has given grace and the commission of apostleship to bring peoples of all nations to faith and obedience.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Comments: *"Our God near at hand"*
The Gospel tells the story of the birth of Jesus. While she was betrothed to Joseph, Mary finds that she is bearing a child. But an angel tells Joseph not to fear: this is the work of the Holy Spirit. The baby is to be named Jesus, which means "The Lord saves." The evangelist perceives this birth to be the fulfilment of an ancient prophecy which told of a virgin who would bear a son. The narrative makes clear the divine origin of this child who will save the people from their sins.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

- Christmas Flowers:** Donations of flowers are welcomed to decorate the church for Christmas. Please contact the Administrative Assistant to offer your donation.
- Gifts, Memorials and Thanksgiving:** Members are invited to donate items for use in worship in memory of loved ones who have passed, and to celebrate birthdays, wedding and confirmation anniversaries and other achievements. Donation options may also include flowers to decorate the church on First Sundays or during the Church's Festivals. To offer your donation, you may contact the Administrative Assistant.
- Funeral:** Kindly note that the funeral service for the late Ms. Cecile P. Foster will take place on Monday, December 23rd, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. in the Cathedral followed by the interment at the Westbury Cemetery.
- Acknowledgement:** Sincere thanks to Mr. Darwin & Mrs. Marie Clarke for their donation of an **Intinction Set** for use in the Cathedral. May God bless them for their generosity and sustain all who benefit from its use, by the presence of Christ.
- Christmas Schedule of Services 2019**
Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th
11:30 P.M. Vigil and Sung Eucharist

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25th
7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist
11:00 A.M. Choral Matins

The First Sunday After Christmas Day, December 29th
7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist
6:00 P.M. Evensong
Tuesday, Old Year's Eve, December 31st
11:00 P.M. Watchnight Service
DIOCESAN NEWS

Diocesan Calendars: The 2020 Diocesan Calendars are available through the office of the Administrative Assistant, at the price of \$6.00 each.

Congratulations to all those persons celebrating

Birthdays this week December 22nd – 28th

Mrs. Lynette A. M. Francis-Thornhill ~ 22nd

Mr. Clarence C. Sobers ~ 22nd

Mr. Arlington DaC. Watson ~ 23rd

Ms. Coral Martin ~ 25th

Ms. Tricia Collins ~ 27th



May God bless and strengthen you.

HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP

"Let There Be Love Shared Among Us"
(See amended version)

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.

Let there be joy shared among us,
Let there be joy in our eyes;
may now Your joy sweep this nation,
cause us, O Lord to arise:
Give us a fresh understanding
Of neighbourly joy that is real;
Let there be joy shared among us,
Let there be joy.



THEME FOR THE WEEK

"The center of our life is the listening for the coming of the Saviour."



CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Sunday, December 22nd

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

11:00 A.M. ~ Choral Matins

Tuesday, December 24th

11:30 P.M. ~ Christmas Eve Vigil
& Sung Eucharist

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December 22nd, 2019

Services

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

December 22nd, 2019

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
YEAR A**

7:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

President:

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST

President:

The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

Opening Hymn ~ 34

"Come, thou long-expected Jesus,"

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

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THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 7:10-16

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. Mrs. Patricia Collins

9:00 A.M. Ms. Marlene Russell

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 Page 573

*"Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph
like a flock"*

Second Lesson: Romans 1:1-7

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. Mrs. Yvette Cox-Murray

9:00 A.M. Ms. Danita Layne

The Gradual Hymn ~ 751

"The God whom earth and sea and sky"

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Gospellers: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann
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