

The Sermon:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley

9:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Canon George Knight

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Intercessors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Marcia Oxley

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Judy King, (L.E.M.)

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Welcome and Announcements

THE EUCHARIST

The Offertory Hymn ~ 751

"The God whom earth and sea and sky"

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"Advent"

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The Administration of Communion

Communion Motet/Anthem:

"A maiden most gentle" (A. Carter)

Hymn ~ 590

"Hosanna to the living Lord!"

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The Dismissal

The Recessional Hymn ~ 48

"O come, O come, Emmanuel!"

WELCOME AND MAY GOD BLESS US ALL!

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 fulfillment of the prophecy to David of an eternal kingdom. The narrative points to the transcendent origin of this child born into history.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Christmas Flowers: Donations of flowers to decorate the church for Christmas are welcome. Please contact the Administrative Assistant to offer your donation.



Household Worship: Members are encouraged to pray the office of Morning Prayer daily. The Daily Office can also serve as a personal or family discipline. The Daily Lectionary for the week of Advent begins on Page 707, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Monday, Advent 4, December 21st, 2020 are Songs of Solomon 2:8-14, Psalm 33:1-5, 20-22, and Luke 1:39-45.

Stewardship of Treasure: During the period of lockdown, members were unable to make their regular financial contributions to the church in the usual manner. However, several persons made use of the options which were provided, and we are grateful for their contributions. For the convenience of all, online payments may be made to the St. Michael's Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 27193-02; Transit # 09606.

THEME FOR THE WEEK

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

DIOCESAN NEWS

Diocesan Calendars: The 2021 Diocesan Calendars are available through the offices of the Administrative Assistant, at the price of \$6.00 each.

Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays this week, December 20th to 26th, 2020

Mrs. Wyndeen M. Ward ~ 20th

Ms. Gloria P. Collis ~ 21st

Ms. Marleyne Moore ~ 21st

Ms. Cerys Francis-Thornhill ~ 22nd

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

Mr. Clarence C. Sobers ~ 22nd

Mr. Arlington DaC. Watson ~ 23rd

Ms. Coral H. Martin ~ 25th



May God bless and strengthen you.



Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Ms. Colleen Byer, Ms. Eudora Cooper, Mr. John Clarke (the Caterer), Ms. Alice P. Hall, Mr. Frank Harris, Mr. Jonathan Holder, (N.Y), Mrs. Dawn Holder-Maxwell, Ms. Selina Jones, Mrs. Vida King, Mr. Blair Murray, Mr. Adrian Price, Ms. Phyllis Springer, and Ms. Winifred Trotman.

I pray to the Almighty to bring you healing and a speedy recovery...
Get Well Soon...



Bereavement: Sincere condolences to the families of the late Mrs. Thora **Theresa** Clarke (mother of Ms. Harriet Clarke), Ms. Andrea Holder (daughter of Ms. Olga E. Marshall), who died in N.Y., and Ms. Colleen Thompson.
May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.

CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

The Fourth Sunday of Advent -Year B

Today, Sunday, December 20th, 2020

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

Preacher:

The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

Preacher:

The Rev'd Canon George Knight

Wednesday, December 23rd, 2020

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

Preacher:

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

LOOKING AHEAD!

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24, 2020

11:45 P.M. ~ Vigil and Sung Eucharist
(To be broadcast live by Starcom Network)

Christmas Day, Friday, December 25, 2020

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

December 27, 2020

The First Sunday After Christmas Day

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emergency Management (COVID-19)

Churches (No. 3) Directive, 2020

The following protocols will be enforced: Temperature Checks upon arrival; Wearing of Masks, Designated Seating; the Use of an Offering Box; Physical Distancing- Three (3) feet apart; No physical exchange of the Greeting of Peace; Sanitization of Hands before entering the Cathedral and before Communion.

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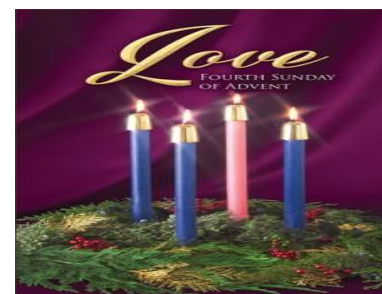
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December 20th, 2020

Services

7:00 A.M. & 9:00 A.M.

December 20th, 2020

The Fourth Sunday of Advent -Year B

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

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Lay Eucharist Minister:

Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Opening Hymn ~ 34

“Come, thou long-expected Jesus,”

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Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at His coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for Himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Joyanne Blackman-Jarvis

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Juno Burrows

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“Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.”

Second Lesson: Romans 16:25-27

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Victor Gittens

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Margaret Fraser-Morrison

The Gradual Hymn ~ 752

“Virgin-born, we bow before thee;

The Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Gospellers:

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9:00 A.M. ~ The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson