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"Angels, from the realms of glory,"



WELCOME AND MAY GOD BLESS US ALL!

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

First Reading: Isaiah 61:10 to 62:3

Comment: "Clothed in garments of salvation"

In our Hebrew Bible reading, the prophet joyfully responds on behalf of all God's people to the Lord's promises for a redeemed Jerusalem. He is a messenger to those who are poor and have suffered many troubles. Now he feels himself clothed in salvation and integrity, like a bridegroom or bride. In the sight of all people, this nation shall become like a fresh garden. The prophet will not keep silence until the deliverance of Jerusalem is known throughout the world.

Psalm 147: 12-20

A hymn of praise to the Lord, who rules over nature and has shown faithfulness to Jerusalem and God's people Israel..

Second Reading (The Epistle): Galatians 4:4-7 Comment: "Children and heirs of God"

In this epistle lesson Paul explains what the role of the law has been and how, in our new relationship of faith, we have become sons and heirs of the Father. Before the coming of Christ and justification by faith, we were like small children who had to be closely watched. God's own Son was born a subject of the law. Through him we now are given the status of sons coming into their maturity. We are enabled, through the Spirit of his Son, to call upon God with the same Aramaic word for Father that Jesus is remembered to have used. *Abba*.

The Holy Gospel: John 1:1-18

Comment: "The presentation of the child"

In our Gospel story, the infant Jesus is brought to the temple to be presented to the Lord in accordance with the law. The time of Mary's purification is over, and the holy family comes to offer thanksgiving. Guided by the Spirit, a devout man named Simeon perceives that this is the hopedfor Messiah. In words that we have come to know as the *Nunc dimittis* ("Now let depart"), Simeon foresees that this child will become the promised light to the Gentiles for the glory of Israel. But he also prophesies that Jesus will be a cause of division, sorrow, and judgement. The ancient prophetess Ann then adds her testimony.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Christmas Flowers: We thank all those persons who donated flowers to decorate the church at this Christmastide.



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 Christmas and Epiphany begins on Page 708, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Monday, Christmas, December 28th, 2020 are Isaiah 26:1-9, Psalm 26, and Matthew 2:13-18.

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

"God reveals himself as he reveals his will for us"



DIOCESAN NEWS

Diocesan Calendars: The 2021 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 27^{th} to January 2^{nd} , 2021Ms. Tracia Lesley-Ann Collins ~ 27^{th} Mr. Wilbur Belle ~ 31^{st} Mr. Micah G. Quintyne ~ 31^{st} Mrs. Jeanette Rollock ~ 31^{st} January 2021

Ms. Merlene Barrow ~ 2^{nd} Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw ~ 2^{nd}



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, Mrs. Jeanette Rollock, Ms. Phyllis Springer, and Ms. Winifred Trotman.



Bereavement: Sincere condolences to the family of the late Ms. Colleen Thompson.

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.

CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

The First Sunday after Christmas Day -Year B

Today, Sunday, December 27th, 2020 7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist Preacher:

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M. ~ Choral Matins & Communion Preacher:

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

Wednesday, December 30th, 2020 10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

Thursday, December 31, 2020 11:00 P.M. ~ Watch Night Service



LOOKING AHEAD

January 3rd, 2021 The Second Sunday After Christmas Day

> 7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

Tuesday, January 5th, 2021,

12:30 P.M. ~ The City Outreach, sponsored by The St. Michael Centre for Faith and Action (SMCFA)

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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December 27th, 2020 Service 7:00 A.M.

December 27th, 2020 The First Sunday after Christmas Day -Year B

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist President: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M. ~ Choral Matins & Communion Officiant: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Opening Hymn ~ 67

The Gloria in Excelsis

"Good Christian friends, rejoice"

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"First Sunday After Christmas Day"

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 61:10 to 62:3

Lector: Ms. Mary Haynes

Psalm 147:12-20

Page 663 "But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him,

in those who await his gracious favour."

Second Lesson: Galatians 4:4-7 Lector: Mrs. Shernelle Nelson

The Gradual Hymn ~ 642

"Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,"

The Holy Gospel: John 1:1-18

Gospeller:

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson