



St. Michael's Cathedral
Services
for
The Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 12th, 2021
7:00 A.M. & 9:00 A.M.

**The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and
All Angels**
The Diocese of Barbados

Diocesan Bishop

The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. John. Maxwell, M. A.

Dean

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

Precentor

The Rev'd Canon George Knight, B.Min.

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The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn, B. Sc; B.A.

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Mr. John F. Bryan, B.Sc., BMus.

Organist

Mr. Eric Cobham, B.Sc., BMus

Verger

Mrs. Chloe Grant

Assistant Verger

Ms. Harriet Lowe



The Third Sunday of Advent: YEAR C

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

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

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw



AND MAY THE LORD BLESS US ALL

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emergency Management (COVID-19) Churches (No. 22) Directive, 2021

The following protocols will be enforced: Attendance is limited to a maximum of one hundred and thirty-five (135) persons, (Nave 83; Balcony 27; Sanctuary/Chancel 16; and Lady Chapel 9); Temperature checks upon arrival and signing of the Register; Wearing of Masks above the Nose and under the Chin; Designated Seating; the Use of an Offering Box; Physical Distancing- Six (6) feet apart; No physical exchange of the Greeting of Peace; Sanitization of Hands before entering the Cathedral and before Communion.

The cooperation of everyone is required

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

The Opening **Hymn** ~ 40

Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes,
the Saviour promised long;
let every heart prepare a throne,
and every voice a song.

He comes, the prisoners to release
in Satan's bondage held;
the gates of brass before him burst,
the iron fetters yield.

He comes, the broken heart to bind,
the bleeding soul to cure,
and with the treasures of his grace
to bless the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
thy welcome shall proclaim;
and heaven's eternal arches ring
with thy beloved name.

Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

ADVENT 3 — JOY

The Leader reads a sentence:

Salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.
The night is far gone, the day is at hand.

(Romans 13:11b, 12a)

*He/She then lights the appropriate number of candles in
silence*

Leader: Our Lord says, ‘surely I come quickly.’

Response: Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

After a short pause the Leader says:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Response: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader:

We bless you, Eternal Father, giver of all good things; for you have drawn us away from the darkness of sin and led us forward in the light of Christ. Grant us to purify ourselves as He is pure and to be found like Him when we see Him as He is, Christ our King.

All: Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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ALL:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily

**magnify your Holy Name, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

THE KYRIES

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Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Collect: *“The Third Sunday of Advent”* Page 157

Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Zephaniah 3:14-20

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Valdine Browne, L.E.M.

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Zephaniah, chapter 3, verses 14 to 20.

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;
shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem!

The LORD has taken away the judgments against you,
he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;
you shall fear disaster no more.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Do not fear, O Zion;
do not let your hands grow weak.

The LORD, your God, is in your midst,
a warrior who gives victory;

he will rejoice over you with gladness,
he will renew you in his love;

he will exult over you with loud singing
as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you,
so that you will not bear reproach for it.

I will deal with all your oppressors
at that time.

And I will save the lame
and gather the outcast,

and I will change their shame into praise
and renown in all the earth.

At that time I will bring you home,
at the time when I gather you;

for I will make you renowned and praised
among all the peoples of the earth,

when I restore your fortunes
before your eyes, says the LORD.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 9 ~ Isaiah 12:2-6 (*The First Song of Isaiah*)

Surely, it is God who saves me;

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and he will be my Saviour.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, Give thanks to the
Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that
they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great
things, and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy
One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy
Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be
forever. Amen.

Second Lesson: Philippians 4:4-7

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Valdine Browne, L.E.M.

A reading from the Word of God written in Paul's Letter to
the Philippians, chapter 4, verses 4 to 7.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual **Hymn** ~ 538

O thou who camest from above
the fire celestial to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work and speak and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire
and still stir up the gift in me.

Still let me prove thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat;
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 3:7-18

Gospellers:

7:00 A.M. The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M. The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you**

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter 3, verses 7 to 18.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire."

And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen or unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
one in Being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day He rose again
in fulfilment of the Scriptures;

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.

With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and
glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Intercessors:

7:00 A. M. ~ Mrs. Shernelle O'Neale

9:00 A. M. ~ Mrs. Mary Weekes

LEADER:

After the Priest’s invitation to prayer, she/he shall say:

Let us pray for the Church and for all people according to their needs.

Lord in your love,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

In our Anglican Cycle of prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Canada, its Archbishop and Primate Linda Nicholls, all clergy and people. Bless and inspire all members of the clergy, especially Howard, our Archbishop; Michael, our Bishop; Wilfred retired Bishop of Croydon, England; Rufus and John, retired Bishops of Barbados; and Jeffrey, George, and Stephanie-Ann, our Priests.

ALL:

That their lives may be examples of their teaching, and that they may rightly and faithfully administer your holy Sacraments.

LEADER:

Guide and protect all Heads of State and all who bear rule in this land, especially as we journey as a parliamentary republic: Sandra our President, Mia Amor our Prime Minister, all members of Parliament, and all persons serving in Government.

ALL:

That our people may be godly and peacefully governed.

LEADER:

Direct those who administer justice; and strengthen those who guard and protect the land. As we observe International Migrants Day on Friday, we pray for persons who leave their country of birth in search of security and opportunities in other lands and for there to be a spirit of hospitality for a better tomorrow, in all receiving countries.

ALL:

That our people may dwell in peace.

LEADER:

Reveal the common good to those in positions of public trust and to decision-makers in industry and commerce.

ALL:

That freedom and dignity may prevail among us.

LEADER:

Enlighten with your Spirit all places of education and learning.

ALL:

That the whole world may be filled with the knowledge of your truth.

LEADER:

Bestow your goodness and loving kindness to us and to all people. We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Margaret, Yvonne, Clyde, Alma, Eucille, Sylvester, and

Marilyn, and any other person whom we have named in our hearts.

ALL:

That they may grow in wisdom and grace, year by year.

LEADER:

Comfort and help all persons who are in any trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially Aldon, Margaret, Colleen, Elsie, Eudora, Alice, Jonathan, Olga, Marcia Hoyte, Selina, Blair, Eleanor, Phyllis, Winifred, Marcia Watson, Arlington, and Ronald; and we also pray for persons infected with and affected by the coronavirus disease COVID-19, those in hospital and all who are isolating in their homes or other facilities.

ALL:

Help us to help them, O Lord.

LEADER:

Remember our brothers and sisters, especially Margaret Archer, Rosemary Brome-McCollin, Charles Gibson, Reynold Humphrey and all others who have died in your faith and fear.

ALL:

Grant them peace and eternal life.

LEADER:

We thank you heavenly Father, for the witness of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour; for the holy Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, and Martyrs; and for all

the Saints who have been good examples in their generations.

PRESIDENT:

And finally let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

A period of silence may be kept.

ALL:

Accept our prayers and intercessions, Father, according to your wisdom, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

ACT OF PENITENCE

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PRESIDENT:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

A period of silence shall be kept.

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

FORM B

ALL:

Most Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our

neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

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PRESIDENT:

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE “C”

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PRESIDENT:

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

ALL:

They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others.

PRESIDENT:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory **Hymn ~ 239**

The right hand of God is writing in our land,

writing with power and with love
our conflicts and our fears, our triumphs and our tears
are recorded by the right hand of God.

The right hand of God is pointing in our land,
pointing the way we must go.
So clouded is the way, so easily we stray,
but we're guided by the right hand of God.

The right hand of God is striking in our land,
striking out at envy, hate and greed.
our selfishness and lust, our pride and deeds unjust
are destroyed by the right hand of God.

The right hand of God is healing in our land,
healing broken bodies, minds and souls.
So wondrous is its touch, with love that means so much,
when we're healed by the right hand of God.

The right hand of God, is planting in our land,
planting seeds of freedom, hope and love.
In these Caribbean lands, let his people all join hands,
and be one with the right hand of God.

Words: Patrick Prescod
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THE OFFERTORY PRAYER "B"

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PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

**Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us:
this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer**

ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE ~ “Advent”

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Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in Him of eternal life; that when He shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold His appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

**God of power and might;
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING “C”

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PRESIDENT:

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love you have made known to us in
creation; in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and, above all, in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent Him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In Him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you,
In Him, you have brought us out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

For, on the night that He was betrayed
He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you,
He broke it and gave it to His disciples
and said: “Take this, and eat it:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And after supper
he took the cup of wine:
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the New Covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

PRESIDENT:

Therefore, Father, according to His command:

ALL:

**We remember His death;
We proclaim His resurrection;
We await His coming in glory.**

PRESIDENT:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise
and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the sacrament
of the Body of Christ
and His Blood of the New Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in His sacrifice
that we, made acceptable in Him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation:

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
Almighty Father, now and ever.

ALL: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESIDENT:

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name;
your kingdom come;
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD “C” Page 145

PRESIDENT:
This is the true bread which comes from heaven

ALL:
Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

THE COMMUNION

The Invitation “C” Page 146

PRESIDENT:
Draw near and receive the Body and Blood of our Saviour
Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

ALL:
We do not presume to come to this your table, most
merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but
only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy
to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are
the Lord ever the same, ever merciful. Grant therefore,
Lord of grace and love, that we may so eat the flesh of
your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that

with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin
we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

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**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.**



The Administration of Communion/Spiritual Communion

The Communion Hymn 491

What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear -
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful,
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness -
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Saviour, still our refuge!
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee,
thou wilt find a solace there.

Words: Joseph Scriven (1820-1886)

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER “C” Page 148

ALL:

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING “Advent”

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The Son of Righteousness shine upon you, gladden your hearts, and scatter the darkness from before you; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

The Recessional **Hymn ~ 193**

Rejoice! The Lord is King,
Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

His Kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Organ Postlude

(Worshippers are invited to sit silently and listen to the voluntary, however, those who wish to leave at this point may do so quietly.)



The Third Sunday of Advent ~ Year C

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20

Comment: *“Rejoice, the Lord is in your midst”*

In the reading from the Hebrew Bible, **the prophet foretells a time when the judgement of Israel will be ended, and the mighty Lord will bring victory and renewal to God’s people.** The city of Jerusalem and its holy Mount Zion may rejoice and sing. All enemies will be defeated and the crippled healed. The fortunes of Israel will be restored, and the nation will be praised by all peoples.

Canticle 9 ~ Isaiah 12:2-6 *(The First Song of Isaiah)*

A song of confidence and hope in God the Saviour, for the Holy One is in the midst of the people who joyfully proclaim the Lord’s deeds.

Second Reading (**The Epistle**): Philippians 4:4-7

Comment: *“Rejoice, the Lord is near”*

In this New Testament lesson, **Paul invites the new disciples at Philippi to exult in the Lord, who is near at hand.** In prayer and thanksgiving, they need have no anxiety. God’s peace, which is beyond human understanding, will keep their hearts and thoughts in Jesus.

Even though Paul was experiencing his own troubles and may at this time have been in prison, this letter is often called “the epistle of joy.”

The Holy Gospel: Luke 3:7-18

Comment: *“One more powerful is coming, baptizing with fire”*

In our gospel, **John the Baptist preaches repentance to all those who hear his call to baptism, and he tells them of the mighty one to come.** It is not sufficient to claim to be children of Abraham. All who are to escape judgement must learn to share with others and to be just in their daily work. John himself is not the Christ but the servant of the one who will baptise with the Holy Spirit and a refining fire.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Financial Stewardship: The ministry of the Cathedral is supported primarily by its members’ contributions weekly and monthly. However, if you would like to support the stewardship of this sacred place, please donate to St. Michael’s Cathedral, Bridgetown, St. Michael.

Friends and well-wishers may write to stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com or call 1 246-427-0790 for more details. Meantime, donations can be made through online payments to St. Michael’s Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 2719302; Transit # 09606.

Special projects at this time are:

- i. Ash-fall Clean-up (cost: \$15,000.00; donations as at September 30th, 2021: **\$4,961.00**); and,

ii. Online Ministry – estimate under consideration.
Donations may also be made in marked envelopes and placed in the Offering Box or brought to the Administrative Office. All donations are appreciated.

Gift List: In addition to those monetary gifts, members and well-wishers are also encouraged to donate towards the Vestments, Paraments and Linens of the Cathedral. The following are needed at this time:

1. Rose Cope and Stole - \$1,200.00
2. Pulpit and Lectern Hangings (Blue/Pink)
3. Altar Frontals
4. Altar Linens (corporals, purificators, towels)
5. Video Equipment (cameras, cabling and monitors)
6. Trays

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless everyone, as together, we work to be faithful stewards of His bounty.

“Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Flowers: As usual, there will be no floral arrangements during the Advent season; however, members are encouraged to make donations for the supply of flowers for Christmas. Contributions may be made in celebration of a personal event, in commemoration of a departed loved one, or any other occasion in the life of a family. Thanks for your consideration.



THE DAILY OFFICES: The recitation of Morning and Evening Prayer forms part of the discipline of clergy and laity. The Daily Office can also serve as a personal or family discipline. The Daily Lectionary for Cycle **C** begins on page 737, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 2, and the readings for Sunday are Psalms 63:1-8(9-11), and 98; Amos 9:11-15; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3, 13-17; for Monday, December 13th, 2021, the readings are Revelation 3:7-13; Psalms 41 and 52; and Zechariah 1:7-17; and for the rest of the week as follows on page 737.



THEME FOR THE WEEK

“As we wait for the Lord’s coming, we are reminded of our human frailty.”



Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays this week 12th to 18th December 2021

Ms. Margaret D. Browne ~ 13th

Mrs. Yvonne D. Rayside-Reid ~ 13th

Mr. Clyde B. Collins ~ 14th

Ms. Alma Deane ~ 15th

Mrs. Eucille E. Hinds ~ 16th

Mr. Sylvester A. Jones ~ 17th

Mrs. Marilyn Watkins-Ramdin ~ 17th



May God bless and strengthen you.



The Sick:



Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Mr. Aldon and Mrs. Margaret Browne, Ms. Elsie Brunson, Mrs. Colleen Byer, Ms. Eudora Cooper, Ms. Alice P. Hall, Mr. Jonathan Holder, Mrs. Olga Holder, Ms. Marcia Hoyte, Ms. Selina Jones, Mr. Blair Murray, Mrs. Eleanor Small, Ms. Phyllis Springer, Ms. Winifred Trotman, Mr. Arlington Watson, Ms. Marcia Watson, and Mr. Ronald Wilkinson.

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



Bereavement: We extend sincere condolences to the family of the late Ms. Margaret Archer, sister of Mrs. Chloe Grant, Verger of St. Michael's Cathedral, and aunt of Mr. Renaldo Grant; and the families of Mrs. Rosemary Brome-McCollin, Mr. Charles Gibson, and

Mr. Reynold Humphrey. We thank God for their lives, work, and witness among us.

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.



CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Today, Sunday December 12th, 2021

(Gaudete Sunday: Symbolic of joy and gladness in the promised Redemption)

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

11:00 A.M. ~ Holy Baptism



Wednesday, December 15th, 2021

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Sunday December 19th, 2021

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

4:00 P.M. ~ Queen's College Association

100th Anniversary Service



OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Church Warden Emeritus

Mr. Arlington DaCosta Watson, BSM, J.P.

Church Wardens:

Mr. Samuel Maxwell Mr. Victor Sylvester

Secretary: Ms. Donnah Russell

Assistant Secretary: Mrs. Juno Burrows

Treasurer: Mr. David Murray

Assistant Treasurer: Ms. Harriett Clarke

Synod Representatives

Mr. Darwin Clarke

Mr. Samuel Maxwell, J.P.

Dr. Wendy Sealy

Alternative Synod Representative

Ms. Donna Inniss



LEADERS OF ORGANISATIONS AND MINISTRIES

Men's Fellowship:	Mr. John Moore
Mothers' Union:	Mrs. Colleen Byer
Church Army:	Captain Donnah Russell
Woman's Auxiliary:	Vacant
Ushers Guild:	Mrs. Juno Burrows
Outreach Committee:	Mrs. Delores Hinds
Guild of Servers:	Mr. Jerry Alleyne
Health Ministry:	Dr. Wendy Sealy
Sunday School:	Mrs. Harriett Blackman
Flower Guild:	Vacant
Guild of St. Raphael:	Mr. Darwin Clarke

VACANCY – ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels is seeking suitable applications for the post of Administrative Assistant.

CORE FUNCTIONS

The Administrative Assistant provides efficient administrative support to The Dean and staff, while also collaborating with them and members to support the ministries of the church; ensures that all administrative responsibilities are completed promptly and accurately.

The Administrative Assistant will be a resource person for members and non-members and a welcoming and responsive presence in the Cathedral's office.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Serve as receptionist by managing phone calls, greeting parishioners, and assisting visitors/guests. Handle office email correspondence. Prepare and print worship bulletins. Assist in the preparation of other worship materials. Maintain accurate parish membership records and parish filings. Manage petty cash and reconciling car park intake on a daily basis. Assist with maintaining and updating church management software database. Assist with mailings, sort mail, order office supplies, and maintain office equipment. Other duties as assigned.

REQUIREMENTS

Certificate in Secretarial, Administrative or Office Procedures; at least three (3) years in a similar position and

familiarity with the Anglican Church; excellent interpersonal communication skills, editing abilities, and organizational competence; be self-motivated and be able to maintain confidentiality.

HOURS OF WORK

Monday to Friday, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. However, a degree of flexibility is required given the nature of the church's ministry.

Suitably qualified applicants should address their CVs to The Dean via email jeffrey.d.gibson1957@gmail.com with the subline "Admin. Asst.", no later than Friday, December 17, 2021.





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