



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

Sunday, December 19th, 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

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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 Fourth Sunday of Advent: YEAR C

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

President and Preacher:

The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

Preacher: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Judy King



AND MAY THE LORD BLESS US ALL

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emergency Management (COVID-19) Churches (No. 23) 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 ~ 34**

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us;
let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver;
born a Child and yet a King;
born to reign in us for ever;
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thy own eternal Spirit,
rule in all our hearts alone:
by thy all-sufficient merit,
raise us to thy glorious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)
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Lighting of the Advent Wreath

ADVENT 4 — LOVE

The Leader reads a sentence:

The Lord has bared His holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. *(Isaiah 52:10)*

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 sent your Son into the world not to condemn, but that the world might be saved through him. Help us to celebrate His birth with joy and faith, that we may be drawn close to Him, God with us, 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.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Collect: *“The Fourth Sunday of Advent”* Page 158

Let us pray.

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.*

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Micah 5:2-5a

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Jeanette Rollock

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Edwin Pollard

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Micah, chapter 5, verses 2-5a.

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
 who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
 one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
 from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labor has brought forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength
of the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.
And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth;
and he shall be the one of peace.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 15 The Song of Mary *Magnificat* Page 67

Luke 1:46-55

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in you, O God my Saviour,
for you have looked with favour on your lowly
servant,

From this day all generations will call me blessed:
You, the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is your Name.

He has mercy on those who fear you
from generation to generation.

You have shown strength with your arm,
and scattered the proud in their conceit.

Casting down the mighty from their thrones,
and lifting up the lowly.

You have filled the hungry with good things
and the rich you have sent away empty.
You have come to the help of your servant Israel,
for you have remembered your promise of mercy,
The promise made to our forebears,
to Abraham and his children for ever.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for
ever. *Amen.*

Second Lesson: Hebrews 10:5-10

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Jeanette Rollock
9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Edwin Pollard

A reading from the Word of God written in the Letter to the Hebrews, chapter 10, verses 5 to 10.

When Christ came into the world, he said,

"Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me;

in burnt offerings and sin offerings
you have taken no pleasure.

Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your
will, O God'

(in the scroll of the book it is written of
me)."

When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken
pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and
sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then

he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual **Hymn ~ 752**

Virgin-born, we bow before thee;
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, maid and mother mild,
blessèd was she in her Child.

Blessèd was the breast that fed thee;
blessèd was the hand that led thee;
blessèd was the parent's eye
that watched thy slumbering infancy.

Blessèd she by all creation,
who brought forth the world's Salvation,
and blessèd they - for ever blest,
who love thee most and serve thee best.

Virgin-born, we bow before thee;
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, maid and mother mild,
blessèd was she in her Child.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

The Holy Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

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

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter 1, verses 39 to 45.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

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. ~ Ms. Alicia White

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

LEADER:

INTERCESSION FORM “F”

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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 Church of the Province of Central Africa. 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. We pray for unity in diversity, rather than conflict and separation, as we observe International Human Solidarity Day, tomorrow.

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, those 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 and Charles Gibson 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 (especially Thomas), and Martyrs; and for Ambrose and 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 ~ 750

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

*Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-), based on Luke 1:46-55.
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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.

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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”

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PRESIDENT:

This is the true bread which comes from heaven

ALL:

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

THE COMMUNION

The Invitation “C”

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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 602

Let all mortal flesh keep silence
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture –
in the body and the blood –

he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim with sleepless eye
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
 alleluia, alleluia,
 alleluia, Lord most high.

*Words: Liturgy of St James,
From , 5th century, Greek;
Translation: Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885)*

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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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Christ the Son of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT:

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Recessional **Hymn ~ 48**

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel;
that mourns in lonely exile here,
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
thine own from Satan’s tyranny;
from depths of hell thy people save,

and give them victory o'er the grave.

Refrain

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadows put to flight.

Refrain

O come, thou Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.

Refrain

O come, O come, thou Lord of Might,
who to thy tribes, on Sinai's height,
in ancient times didst give the law
in cloud and majesty and awe.

Refrain

*Words: anonymous, from Veni, veni Emmanuel, 12th century, Latin;
translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866),
and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern
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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 Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ Year C

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Comment: *“From Bethlehem comes a ruler”*

Our opening lesson presents **an ancient prophecy which foresees the day when a new ruler shall come forth for Israel, out of David’s city of Bethlehem in Ephrathah.** The prophetic poem looks forward to the restoration of the Davidic dynasty after a time of hardship. In the Lord’s strength this ruler will be like a shepherd to his people, and his dominion will be great. The early church heard the prophet’s words as an oracle concerning Jesus.

Psalm 80:1-7

A lament and a plea to the Lord, the shepherd of Israel, that God will turn away divine anger and restore God’s people.

Second Reading (**The Epistle**): Hebrews 10:5-10

Comment: *“I have come to do your will”*

The New Testament reading describes **the purpose of Jesus’ coming into the world—to make an offering in his body for our sanctification.** The opening words are taken from the fortieth Psalm. Repeated ritual sacrifices are of no delight to God in comparison with the once and for all offering which Jesus made in obedience to God’s will. So does Jesus cancel the rule of the law, on which ritual sacrifices were based, and establish a new kind of obedience.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Comment: *“Blessed are you among women”*

The gospel tells of **Mary’s visit to her kinswoman Elizabeth, and this humble woman’s song of**

thanksgiving to the saviour God, who has called her to be the mother of the Lord. Elizabeth is herself pregnant with a child, who will be John the Baptist. Even in her womb, this baby is joyful in Mary's presence. All generations will call Mary blessed.

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**);
- 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 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/Rose/Purple)
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 738, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 2, and the readings for Sunday are Psalms 61, and 62; Zephaniah 3:14-20; Titus 1:1-16; for Monday, December 20th, 2021, the readings are Titus 2:1-10; Psalms

66 and 67; and 1 Samuel 2:1b-10, and for the rest of the week as follows on page 738.

THEME FOR THE WEEK

“In our silence before the mystery of Christmas, we know the Prince of Peace.”



Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays this week 19th to 25th December 2021

Ms. Wyndeen M. Ward ~ 20th

Ms. Gloria P. Collins ~ 21st

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

Ms. Cerys Francis-Thornhill ~ 22nd

Mr. Clarence C. Sobers ~ 22nd

Mr. Arlington DaC. Watson ~ 23rd

Ms. Coral H. Martin ~ 25th



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.



Sick & Shut-in



Monica Asgill, Eudine Best, Monte Blenman, Rodney Bramaou, Elmina Branch-Butler, Elsie Brunson, Clarissa Carrington, Dorothy Carrington, Olive Clarke, Gloria Griffith, Ismay Cave, Justice Errol Chase, Mildred Cox-

Inniss, Ruby Downes, Muriel Foster, Gwendolyn Franklyn, Beryl Giles, Olga Holder, Muriel Hutson, Dorothy Jarvis, Milroy King, Ina Lashley, Olga Marshall, Ernesta Mayers, Lawrence Mayers, Audrey Miller, Sheila McCollin, Marleyne Moore, Dorothy Morris, Edise Morris, Ivan Newton, Rosalind Nurse, Elnor Patterson, Marie Prescott, Sheila Sealy, Veronica Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Mary Walcott, Joan Walrond, Lucille Ward, Marcia Watson, Audrey Weekes, Aileen White, Ezekiel Wood, Ernesta Yarde and Eudora Yearwood.



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 family of the

late Charles Gibson. 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 19th, 2021

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

**4:00 P.M. ~ Queen's College Association
100th Anniversary Service**



Wednesday, December 22nd, 2021

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Friday, December 24th, 2021

Christmas Eve

11:45 P.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Saturday, December 25th, 2021
Christmas Day

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Sunday, December 26th, 2021
The First Sunday of Christmas

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, December 29th, 2021

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



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