## The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

Services for The Second Sunday in Lent March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022





AND MAY THE LORD BLESS US ALL

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

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

## Emergency Management (COVID-19) Protocols (No. 2) Directive, 2022

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

#### The cooperation of everyone is required

The Second Sunday in Lent: YEAR C

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

**President and Preacher:** 

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M ~ Sung Eucharist

**President and Preacher:** 

The Rev'd Canon George Knight

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Judy King

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#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude:

Opening Hymn ~ 388 "Stand up, and bless the Lord,"

Stand up, and bless the Lord, ye people of his choice; stand up, and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.

Though high above all praise, above all blessing high, who would not fear his holy name, and laud and magnify?

O for the living flame from his own altar brought, to touch our lips, our minds inspire, and wing to heaven our thought!

God is our strength and song, and his salvation ours; then be his love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed powers.

Stand up and bless the Lord; the Lord your God adore; stand up and bless his glorious name, henceforth forevermore.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854)

#### **Opening Sentence "Lent"**

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Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:1-2)

#### THE INVOCATION

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#### PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

#### **ALL:**

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

#### **ALL:**

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. 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 Second Sunday in Lent" Page 163

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Lectors:

7:00 A.M ~ Ms. Alicia White

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

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of Genesis, the fifteenth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GoD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years

old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 27** Page 499

#### Dominus illuminatio

- 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? \* the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, \*

- it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an army should encamp against me, \* yet my heart shall not be afraid;
- 4 And though war should rise up against me, \* yet will I put my trust in him.
- 5 One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; \* that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD \* and to seek him in his temple.
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; \*
  he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head \* above my enemies round about me.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; \*
  I will sing and make music to the LORD.
- 10 Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; \* have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face."

Your face, LORD, will I seek.

12 Hide not your face from me, \* nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

- 13 You have been my helper; cast me not away; \* do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 14 Though my father and my mother forsake me, \* the LORD will sustain me.
- 15 Show me your way, O LORD; \* lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.
- 16 Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries,
  \*

for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.

- 17 What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the LORD \* in the land of the living!
- 18 O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; \* wait patiently for the LORD.

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 3:17 to 4:1

#### Lectors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Alicia White

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

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Letter of Paul to the Philippians, the third chapter, beginning at the seventeenth verse.

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God.

**The Gradual Hymn ~ 509** "Take up thy cross, the Saviour said,"

Take up thy cross, the Saviour said, if thou wouldst my disciple be; deny thyself, the world forsake, and humbly follow after me.

Take up thy cross! Let not its weight

fill thy weak spirit with alarm: his strength shall bear thy spirit up, and brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm

Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame, nor let thy foolish pride rebel: thy Lord for thee the cross endured, to save thy soul from death and hell.

Take up thy cross then in his strength, and calmly every danger brave; 'twill guide thee to a better home, and lead to victory o'er the grave.

Take up thy cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; for only he who bears the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

To thee, great Lord, the One in Three, all praise for evermore ascend:
O grant us in our home to see the heavenly life that knows no end.

Words: Charles William Everest (1814-1877), alt.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13: 31-35

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

The Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, the thirteenth chapter, beginning at the thirty-first verse.

#### **ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'

The Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

#### **ALL:** Praise to Christ our Lord.

#### The Sermon:

7:00 A.M. The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson 9:00 A.M. The Rev'd Canon George Knight

#### 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** 

#### INTERCESSION FORM "D" (with adaptations).

Intercessors: **7:00 A.M.** ~ Ms. Harriet Gooding (M.U) **9:00 A.M.** ~ Ms. Sharon Lucas-Blackman

#### LEADER

Our Heavenly Father has promised through our Lord Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith. Let us therefore pray for the Church and the world, and let us thank God for His goodness.

#### Silence may be kept.

#### LEADER:

We pray for the Church of God in every place; especially for this Diocese, our Bishop Michael, Wilfred retired Bishop of Croydon, Rufus retired Bishop of Barbados, and John retired Bishop of Barbados and retired Archbishop of the Province of the West Indies; in the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of Melanasia, and for all the people of God.

#### ALL:

Strengthen your Church to carry forward the work of Christ; that we and all who confess your Name may unite in truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory to the world.

#### LEADER:

We pray for our country and for all the nations of the world, especially for the people of Ukraine during the current invasion by Russian forces, all world leaders working towards a solution and for all peoples in their various callings.

#### **ALL:**

Direct this nation and all the nations in the ways of justice and truth. Give wisdom to all in positions of public trust and authority; that they may promote the prosperity, godliness and peace of your people everywhere.

#### LEADER:

We pray for our own community, and for this Cathedral parish: those celebrating birthdays this week: Zanieva,

Winfield, Nicholas, Gloria and Grantley; and for couples celebrating an anniversary of marriage; and we pray for our families, friends, and all who live and work with us.

#### **ALL:**

Give grace to all our friends and neighbours in Christ, that we may serve Him in one another and grow together in His love.

#### LEADER:

We pray for the poor, the sick, the unemployed, the disabled and the Barbados Council for the Disabled, as we observe the Month of the Disabled; for persons affected by the coronavirus, for public health officials, medical professionals and all frontline staff engaged in caring for the sick; for all who have requested our prayers and all who seek the prayers of the Church in their time of trouble.

#### **ALL:**

Give healing and strength to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and sustain all those who remember and care for them.

#### LEADER:

We commemorate the departed, especially Elmonda Ryan and Edwin Lovell, and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time; help us to rejoice in the knowledge that they live with you now in the fullness of heaven's joy.

#### **ALL:**

We commend all people to your unfailing love, that in them your will may be fulfilled; and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may share with them in your eternal kingdom.

Silence may be kept.

#### LEADER:

Accept these prayers, O Lord our God, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

ALL: 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.

Silence may be kept.

#### PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

FORM B Page 124

#### 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 upon 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.

#### FORM B

If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you.

ALL: Leave your gift there before the altar, and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.

PRESIDENT: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory Hymn ~ 457 "O love, how deep! How Broad! How High"

O love, how deep! How broad! How high! It fills the heart with ecstasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.

He sent no angel to our race of higher or of lower place, but wore the robe of human frame himself, and to this lost world came. For us he was baptized, and bore his holy fast and hungered sore; for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.

For us he prayed, for us he taught, for us his daily works he wrought, by words, and signs, and actions, thus still seeking not himself but us.

For us to wicked men betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed, he bore the shameful cross and death; for us at length gave up his breath.

For us he rose from death again, for us he went on high to reign, for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

To him whose boundless love has won salvation for us through his Son, to God the Father, glory be both now and through eternity.

Words: Thomas a Kempis (c1380-1471), from Apparuit benignitas, in the form of a centro beginning O Amor, quam ecstaticus, 15<sup>th</sup> century, Latin; translation: Benjamin Webb (1819-1885)

#### 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.

#### PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

For you bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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 "A"

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#### PRESIDENT:

All Holy and glorious Father, our Creator God, we give you thanks because in your loving wisdom you brought all things into being, and are truly worthy of praise from every creature you have made.

Again and again
we have turned away from you;
yet in every age your steadfast love
has called us to return,
to live in union with you:
for it is your eternal purpose
to put new life into all things
and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ who took our human nature upon Him you have redeemed the world from the bondage of sin: and by the power of your Holy Spirit you have gathered a people to yourself, to make known in every place His perfect offering which He made to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; And grant that these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us His Body and Blood. For, on the night 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:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

#### ALL:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### PRESIDENT:

And so, Heavenly Father, rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation; His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice made once for all upon the Cross; His Mighty Resurrection from the dead; His Glorious Ascension into heaven; and looking for His Coming in glory; we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son, our great High Priest, may be renewed by your Holy Spirit, and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us.
Unite us with all Bishops,
all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments,
and with the whole people of God,
living and departed,
whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness, that we may be found ready to join the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, and all your saints, when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again:
Forever giving you thanks and praise
through Him from whom all good things do come.
With Him and in Him and through Him,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father Almighty,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
in songs of everlasting praise:

#### **ALL:**

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. 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 "A"

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PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**ALL:** 

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

#### THE COMMUNION

The Invitation "B'

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PRESIDENT:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### **ALL:**

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him. 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 571 ~ "And now, O Father, mindful of the love"

And now, O Father, mindful of the love that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree, and having with us him that pleads above, we here present, we here spread forth to thee that only offering perfect in thine eyes, the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Look, Father, look on his anointed face, and only look on us as found in him; look not on our misusings of thy grace, our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim; for lo! Between our sins and their reward we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best, by this prevailing presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
from tainting mischief keep them white and clear, and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

And so we come; O draw us to thy feet, most patient Saviour, who canst love us still; and by this food, so awful and so sweet, deliver us from every touch of ill: in thine own service make us glad and free, and grant us never more to part with thee.

Words: William Bright (1824-1901)

#### THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER "B" Page 148

#### ALL:

Eternal God and Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you, and all persons in you, with gladness and singleness of heart, through your son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Blessing "Lent"

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Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow Him; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

#### ALL: Amen.

~~~Greetings and Announcements~~~

The Recessional **Hymn** ~ 112 "Christian, dost thou see them"

Christian, dost thou see them on the holy ground, how the troops of Midian prowl and prowl around? Christian, up and smite them, counting gain but loss; smite them by the merit of the holy cross.

Christian, dost thou feel them, how they work within, striving, tempting, luring, goading into sin?
Christian, never tremble; never be down-cast; smite them by the virtue of the Lenten fast.

Christian, dost thou hear them, how they speak thee fair? 'Always fast and vigil? Always watch and prayer?' Christian, answer boldly, 'while I breathe I pray:' peace shall follow battle, night shall end in day.

'Well I know thy trouble,
O my servant true;
thou art very weary,
I was weary too;
but that toil shall make thee
some day all mine own,
and the end of sorrow
shall be near my throne.'

Words: John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

#### THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen

(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 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT ~ YEAR C

**First Reading: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18** 

Comment: "The covenant with Abram and his descendants"

Our Hebrew scripture lesson tells of the promise of many descendants and of a covenant guaranteeing a homeland, which God made with Abraham (who at that time was known as Abram). Abram had no children and was planning that one of the slaves born in his house would be his heir. Now he puts his faith in God and is accepted into a right relationship with the Lord. A covenant is then established by means of an ancient custom. Animals are divided in half, and in the form of smoking and flaming symbols, God passes between them.

#### Psalm 27

"In the day of trouble, God will give me shelter"

The psalmist expresses great trust and confidence in the Lord and asks always to be in God's presence.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1 Comment: "Our citizenship is in heaven from where we expect a Saviour"

In this reading Paul warns of enemies of the cross of Christ and urges the disciples in Philippi to stand firm in the hope of the glory to come. Previously Paul has told how he had learned to count all privileges of birth and background as of no value in comparison with faith in Jesus. He asks the Philippians to imitate him, and to be wary of those who glory in material appetites and values, whether religious or otherwise. Christians are to see themselves already as citizens of heaven, expecting Christ to come and transfigure their present bodies into the form of their Lord's own resplendent

existence.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

Comment: "I have desired to gather Jerusalem as a hen gathers her brood"

In our Gospel, Jesus is disdainful of King Herod's threat and expresses his determination to fulfil his prophetic destiny in Jerusalem. Jesus' words emphasise his struggle against the forces of evil and illness and his expectation concerning what will soon happen to him in Jerusalem. He laments over the city, once chosen for God's temple, which has killed so many prophets before him.

#### **CATHEDRAL NEWS**

**Initial Offering:** Sincere thanks to all who have contributed their Initial Offering. The total amount received to date is \$3,615.00 as at February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022. May God's blessing be upon you in abundance!

**Financial Stewardship:** Friends and well-wishers may write to: <a href="mailto:stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com">stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com</a> 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.



#### THEME FOR THE WEEK

"Our fidelity to the Christian life can often involve trouble and sorrow."



Congratulations to all those celebrating birthdays this week:

March  $13^{th} - 19^{th}$ , 2022

Mr. Grantley Burrows ~13<sup>th</sup>
Ms. Zanieva Greaves ~ 13<sup>th</sup>
Mr. Winfield L. Downes ~ 14<sup>th</sup>
Mr. Nicholas J. N. Small ~ 14<sup>th</sup>
Ms. Gloria Regis ~ 15<sup>th</sup>



May God bless and strengthen you.

## Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings $(March\ 13^{th}-19^{th},\ 2022)$

| Day       | Morning Readings       | Evening Readings       |
|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Sunday    | Psalms 24, 29          | Psalms 8, 84           |
|           | Genesis 41:14-45       | Jeremiah 1:1-10        |
|           | John 5:19-24           | Romans 6:3-14          |
| Monday    | Psalms 56, 57, (58)    | Psalms 64, 65          |
|           | Genesis 41:46-57       | Jeremiah 1:11-19       |
|           | Mark 3:7-19a           | 1 Corinthians 4:8-20   |
|           |                        | (21)                   |
| Tuesday   | Psalms 61, 62          | Psalms 68:1-20(21-     |
|           | Genesis 42:1-17        | 23)24-36               |
|           | Mark 3:19b-35          | Jeremiah 2:1-13        |
|           |                        | 1 Corinthians 5:1-8    |
| Wednesday | Psalm 72               | Psalm 119:73-96        |
|           | Genesis 42:18-28       | Jeremiah 3:6-18        |
|           | Mark 4:1-20            | 1 Corinthians 5:9-6:8  |
| Thursday  | Psalms (70), 71        | Psalm 74               |
|           | Genesis 42:29-38       | Jeremiah 4:9-10, 19-28 |
|           | Mark 4:21-34           | 1 Corinthians 6:12-20  |
| Friday    | Psalms 95 (Invitatory) | Psalm 73               |
|           | & 69:1-23(24-30)31-38  | Jeremiah 5:1-9         |
|           | Genesis 43:1-15        | 1 Corinthians 7:1-9    |
|           | Mark 4:35-41           |                        |
| Saturday  | Psalm 132              | Psalm 34               |
|           | Isaiah 63:7-16         | 2 Chronicles 6:12-17   |
|           | Matthew 1: 18-25       | Ephesians 3:14-21      |

#### THE SICK:



Please remember in prayer, the sick and injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Aldon and Margaret Browne, Elsie Brunson, Colleen Byer, Darwin Clarke, Eudora Cooper, Alice Hall, Jonathan Holder, Olga Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Blair Murray, Eleanor Small, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Arlington Watson, and Marcia Watson.





**BEREAVEMENT:** The deaths are announced of: 1. Mr. Edwin Lovell, father of Mrs. Colleen Byer and Mrs. Maggie Yarde.

2. Mrs. Elmonda Ryan, mother of The Rev'd David Yarde.

We thank God for their lives, work, and witness and extend sincere condolences to their families.

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.

#### CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022

The Second Sunday in Lent

7:00 A.M.~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M.∼ Song Eucharist

#### 5:00 P.M. Confirmation Class: Zoom

Communication. Meeting ID: 831 450 53116 Passcode: CON2022

> Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 10:00 A.M.~ Holy Eucharist

#### **Next Sunday: The Third Sunday in Lent**

7:00 A.M.~ Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M.~ Song Eucharist

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