The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

welcomes you to the celebration of

The Holy Eucharist

March 26, 2023 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.



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

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The Fifth Sunday in Lent: YEAR A

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 Very Rev'd Dr. Michael Sniffen

Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Judy King

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn ~ 271 "Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove,"

Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove, with light and comfort from above; be thou our guardian, thou our guide, o'er every thought and step preside.

The light of truth to us display, and make us know and choose thy way; plant holy fear in every heart, that we from God may ne'er depart. Lead us to Christ, the living way, nor let us from his pastures stray; lead us to holiness, the road that we must take to dwell with God.

Lead us to heaven, that we may share fullness of joy for ever there; lead us to God, our final rest, to be with him for ever blest.

Words: Simon Browne (1680-1732), with others

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)

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 Fifth Sunday in Lent" Page 164

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(Please sit)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Lectors:

7:00 A.M.: Ms. Linda Springer

9:00 A.M.: Mr. Victor Small

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of the prophet Ezekiel, the thirty-seventh chapter, beginning at the first verse.

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GoD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord. **ALL:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130

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De profundis

1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice;* let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss,*
 - O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you;* therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him;* in his word is my hope.

- 5 My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the morning,* more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD,* for with the LORD there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption,* and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

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: Romans 8:6-11

Lectors:

7:00 A.M.: Ms. Donnah Russell 9:00 A.M.: Mrs. Juno Burrows

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Letter of Paul to the Romans, the eighth chapter, beginning at the sixth verse.

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord. **ALL:** Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn ~ 266 "Breathe on me, breath of God"

Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am wholly thine, until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889)

The Holy Gospel: John 11:1-45

GOSPELLER:

The Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John, the eleventh chapter, beginning at the first verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Narrator: Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus,

Messenger: "Lord, he whom you love is ill."

Narrator: But when Jesus heard it, he said,

Jesus: "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

Narrator: Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples,

Jesus: "Let us go to Judea again."

Narrator: The disciples said to him,

Disciples: "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?"

Narrator: Jesus answered,

Jesus: "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them."

Narrator: After saying this, he told them,

Jesus: "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him."

Narrator: The disciples said to him,

Disciples: "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right."

Narrator: Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly,

Jesus: "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."

Narrator: Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples,

Thomas: "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

Narrator: When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus,

Martha: "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him."

Narrator: Jesus said to her,

Jesus: "Your brother will rise again."

Narrator: Martha said to him,

Martha: "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."

Narrator: Jesus said to her,

Jesus: "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

Narrator: When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately,

Martha: "The Teacher is here and is calling for you."

Narrator: And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where

Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him,

Mary: "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

Narrator: When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said,

Jesus: "Where have you laid him?"

Narrator: They said to him,

Mary/Jews: "Lord, come and see."

Narrator: Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said.

Jews: "See how he loved him!"

Narrator: But some of them said,

Jews: "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Narrator: Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said,

Jesus: "Take away the stone."

Narrator: Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him,

Martha: "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days."

Narrator: Jesus said to her,

Jesus: "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?"

Narrator: So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said,

Jesus: "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me."

Narrator: When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice,

Jesus: "Lazarus, come out!"

Narrator: The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them,

Jesus: "Unbind him, and let him go."

Narrator: Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon:

7:00 A.M. The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn 9:00 A.M. The Very Rev'd Dr. Michael Sniffen

(Please stand as able)

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,

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.

and His kingdom will have no end.

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 "B"

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Intercessors:

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

9:00 A.M.: Mrs. Valdine Browne

(Please sit or kneel)

LEADER: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

ALL: That we all may be one.

LEADER: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you.

ALL: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

LEADER: We pray for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons;

ALL: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

LEADER: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

ALL: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

LEADER: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

ALL: That our works may find favour in your sight.

LEADER: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

ALL: That they may be delivered from their distress.

LEADER: Give to the departed eternal rest; **ALL: Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

LEADER: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

ALL: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

LEADER: Let us pray for our needs and those of others.

(Silence is kept).

ALL: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords to your will; and the good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *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. (1 John 1:8,9)

(A period of silence shall be kept).

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

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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.

(Please stand as able)

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE FORM "B" Page 125

PRESIDENT:

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.

HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP: "Let there be peace on earth"

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God our Creator
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

(During the singing of this hymn, if worshippers have not already done so, they are asked to place their offering in the wooden boxes provided on the tables in the cross aisle)

The Offertory Hymn ~ 518 "Hark, my soul! It is the Lord;"

Hark, my soul! It is the Lord; 'tis thy Saviour, hear his word; Jesus speaks, and speaks to thee, 'say, poor sinner, lovest thou me?

'I delivered thee when bound, and, when bleeding, healed thy wound; sought thee wandering, set thee right, turned thy darkness into light.

'Can a woman's tender care cease toward the child she bare? Yes, she may forgetful be, yet will I remember thee.

'Mine is an unchanging love, higher than the heights above, deeper than the depths beneath, free and faithful, strong as death.

'Thou shalt see my glory soon, when the work of grace is done; partner of my throne shalt be; say, poor sinner, lovest thou me?'

Lord, it is my chief complaint that my love is weak and faint; yet I love thee, and adore; O for grace to love thee more.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800), 1786

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.

PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God: (go to page 128)

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: (go to page 131)

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!

(Please sit or kneel)

The Great Thanksgiving "B"

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PRESIDENT:

Holy and gracious Father, all creation rightly gives you praise. All life, all holiness, comes from you through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, whom you sent to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. We therefore bring you these gifts, and we ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who offered Himself in obedience to your will, the Perfect Sacrifice for all mankind.

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."

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. Do this, whenever you drink it, For the remembrance of me."

PRESIDENT:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

ALL:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim the death of Christ until He comes again.

PRESIDENT:

Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation; His glorious Resurrection and Ascension; His continual intercession for us in heaven; and looking for His coming again in glory, we offer you, in thanksgiving, this holy and life-giving sacrifice.

Look with favour on your Church's offering, and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts may be filled with your Holy Spirit and become one body in Christ, and serve you in unity, constancy and peace.

May He make us a perpetual offering to you and enable us, in communion with blessed Mary and the whole company of heaven, to share in the inheritance of your Saints.

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 "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 "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.

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 ~ 595 "I am the bread of life"

I am the bread of life; they who come to me shall not hunger; they who believe in me shall not thirst. No one come to me unless the Father draw them.

Refrain:

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them up, and I will raise them up on the last day.

The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and they who eat of this bread, they shall live for ever.

Refrain

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you, you shall not have life within you.

Refrain

I am the resurrection, I am the life; they who believe in me, even if they die, they shall live for ever.

Refrain

Yes, Lord we believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God who has come into the world.

Refrain

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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

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. *Amen.*

Welcome and Announcements

The Recessional **Hymn** ~ "All my hope on God is founded,"

All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.

Pride of man and earthly glory, Sword and crown betray his trust; What with care and toil he buildeth, Tower and temple, fall to dust But God's power, Hour by hour, Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth, Deep his wisdom, passing thought: Splendour, light and life attend him, Beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore
From his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'Almighty giver Bounteous gifts on us bestow; His desire our soul delighteth, Pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand At his hand; Joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal Sacrifice of praise be done, High above all praises praising For the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call One and all: Ye who follow shall not fall.

Words by R. Bridges

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

Organ Postlude (Worshippers are invited to sit silently to listen to the voluntary but those who wish to leave at this point may do so quietly.)

Thank you most sincerely for worshipping at the Cathedral this morning.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT ~ YEAR A THEME FOR THE WEEK

"Our restoration to life is the reason God became human and died for us."

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Comment: "The dry bones of Israel brought to

life"

In our first reading, the prophet has a vision of the bones of a dead and hopeless people being restored to new life in their homeland. The Lord calls upon Ezekiel as son of man to prophecy that the people who have experienced exile and many hardships will live again. The Spirit of the Lord restores their spirit and breath, and they rise from death. Although this passage can be understood to anticipate the hope of individual resurrection, Israel did not yet have this belief.

Psalm 130

Comment: "I will wait for you, O Lord; in your word is my hope"

The psalmist calls to the merciful Lord and waits upon God for forgiveness and redemption.

Second Reading: Romans 8:6-11

Comment: "Life in the Spirit"

In this lesson, Paul draws a contrast between minds dominated by fleshly and worldly things and those in whom Christ lives and are set on the Spirit. The person at enmity with God is incapable of fulfilling the intention of the law, but one in whom Christ dwells is animated by the Spirit of God, and that Spirit, through which God raised Jesus from the dead, also gives to believers true life in our mortal bodies.

The Holy Gospel: John 11:1-45

Comment: "Baptismal image: the raising of Lazarus"

The gospel is the story of Jesus' raising of Lazarus from the dead. This is the last and greatest of Jesus' signs, and it points beyond itself to the hope of a new life after death for all. Only slowly do Jesus' friends begin to understand what he is saying to them and the deeper meaning of their own words. Soon the one who has raised Lazarus will himself be put to death, and then become the way of resurrection to eternal life.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

WELCOME: A most cordial welcome is extended to Her Excellency The Most Honourable Dame Sandra P. Mason, President of Barbados, FB, GCMG, DA, QC, LLD, to the 9 o'clock celebration of the Holy Eucharist today.

We also welcome The Very Rev'd Dr. Michael Sniffen, as guest preacher at today's 9 o'clock service. He is the Dean of the Cathedral Church of the Incarnation, Garden City, Long Island, New York. While on the island, Dean Sniffen and some of his colleagues from the Cathedral and Mercer School of Divinity conducted a spiritual retreat at Codrington College. Dean Sniffen also delivered the fifth annual Dean's Lecture. Sincere thanks.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: 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 via CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account #2719302, Transit #09606.

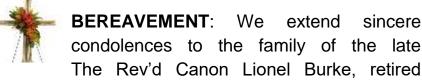
INITIAL OFFERING: The cost of this year's Stewardship envelopes is (\$3,678.88). A hearty thank you is extended to all members who have made Initial Offering. So far the total amount collected is \$3,319.00.

We encourage persons who have not made their contribution as yet, to do so as soon as possible.

WEEKLY BULLETIN ELECTRONICALLY:

At a recently held meeting of the Parochial Church Council, the decision was made to produce the weekly bulletin electronically from March 5, 2023. Members are encouraged to use the digital format or the CPWI Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal. To facilitate the smooth transition of this process, members are asked to update their records - both email addresses and WhatsApp numbers - with the Administrative Assistant at The Cathedral Office. Thank you for your kind consideration and cooperation.

SICK: Please remember the sick and injured of our parish and wider community, especially Margaret Browne, Elsie Brunson, Chesterfield A. Benjamin, Colleen Byer, Courtney Carrington, Darwin Clarke, Alice P. Hall, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Blair Murray, Clyde Outram, Sylvester "Blues" Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, and George Yearwood.



Rector of St. George Parish Church. He died on Monday, March 13, 2023. His death brings to an end a life of devotion to God and the Church. His priestly his musical talents ministry and (he was accomplished organist and organ builder) were shared generously through the years. In addition to his service in the Diocese Barbados, he also served in the Diocese of Antiqua as it was known then (now NECA); and after retirement, he ministered in Scotland. We thank God for his life, work and ministry; and especially for his contribution to the Cathedral in his later years. Let us pray for his daughter Jamie, his stepdaughter Carole, his siblings and the entire Burke family. May he rest in peace.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." (Matthew 5:4)

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to all those celebrating birthdays this week.

March 26-April 1, 2023
Mrs. Audrey D. Cox ~ 26
Mrs. Doreen Y. Weekes ~ 26
Ms. Monica Henry ~ 27
Master Amari Alexander Rollock - 27
Ms. Janice A. Edwards ~ 29
Mr. Philip L Sydney Archer ~ 1
Ms. Xenia A. Watson ~ 1



Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies." John $11:25 \; (NIV)$

Choose the word that best matches the definition.



1.	A. tomb B. asleep C. alive D. sick						
².	To stop living A. die B. live C. sleep D. resurrection						
3.	To be alive or have life A. live B. sleep C. sick D. die						
4.	A man that Jesus raised from the dead A. Mary B. Lazarus C. Martha D. John						
5.	Woman who poured perfume on Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair A. Lazarus B. Martha C. Mary D. tomb						
6.	One of Lazarus' two sisters A. Lazarus B. Martha C. Deborah D. Elizabeth						
7.	A place where someone is buried A. bed B. live C. die D. tomb						
8.	Rising from the dead or returning to life A. die B. resurrection C. sick D. asleep						

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Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings (March 26-April 1, 2023)								
Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings						
The Fifth Sunday in Lent	Psalm 118 Jeremiah 23:16-32 1 Corinthians 9:19- 27	Psalm 145 Exodus 3:16—4:12 Mark 8:31—9:1						
Monday	Psalm 31 Jeremiah 24:1-10 Romans 9:19-33	Psalm 35 Exodus 4:10-20(21- 26)27-31 John 9:1-17						
Tuesday	Psalms [120], 121, 122, 123 Jeremiah 25:8-17 Romans 10:1-13	Psalms 124, 125, 126, [127] Exodus 5:1—6:1 John 9:18-41						
Wednesday	Psalm 119:145-176 Jeremiah 25:30-38 Romans 10:14-21	Psalms 128, 129, 130 Exodus 7:8-24 John 10:1-18						
Thursday	Psalms 131, 132, [133] Jeremiah 26:1-16 Romans 11:1-12	Psalms 140, 142 Exodus 7:25—8:19 John 10:19-42						
Friday	Psalms 95 (Invitatory) & 22 Jeremiah 29:1, 4-13 Romans 11:13-24	Psalms 141, 143:1- 11(12) Exodus 9:13-35 John 11:1-27 or 12:1- 10						
Saturday	Psalms 137:1- 6(7-9), 144 Jeremiah 31:27-34 Romans 11:25-36	Psalms 42, 43 Exodus 10:21—11:8 John 11:28-44 or 12:37-50 Collect for Palm Sunday						



Diocesan Lenten Study on the Five Marks of Mission St. Michael's Deanery

Sunday, 26th March - Mark 4 - TRANSFORM

Venue - St Stephen's

Presenter: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

Meeting ID: 822 1483 8479

Passcode 296706

There is a YouTube address as well for Session 4 — THE DIOCESE OF BARBADOS: LENTEN STUDY 2023

Tuesday 4th April - Mark 5 - TREASURE Venue - St Paul's

Presenter: The Rev'd Clive Thomas

All sessions begin at 6:00 p.m. All persons are encouraged to join, either in person or online.

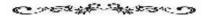
CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Sunday, March 26, 2023
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
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 Very Rev'd Dr. Michael Sniffen

9:30 A.M. ~ Sunday School

6:00 P.M Diocesan Lenten Study on the Five Marks of Mission – TRANSFORM

Presenter: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn



Wednesday. ~ March 29, 2023 10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson



Sunday, April 2, 2023
The Sixth Sunday in Lent: Sunday of the Passion:
Palm Sunday

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist with the Blessing and Distribution of Palms

9:00 A.M. ~ The Liturgy of the Palms and Sung Eucharist 9:30 A.M. ~ Sunday School

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