

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

welcomes you to the celebration of

The Holy Eucharist
First Sunday after the Epiphany

January 7, 2024

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 First Sunday after the Epiphany: Year B

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

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The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Valdine Browne

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

Welcome

Opening **Hymn** ~ **99** "Earth has many a noble city;"

Earth has many a noble city;
Bethl'em, thou dost all excel:
out of thee the Lord from heaven
came to rule his Israel.

Fairer than the sun at morning
was the star that told his birth,
to the world its God announcing

seen in fleshly form on earth.
Eastern sages at his cradle
make oblations rich and rare;
see them give in deep devotion,
gold and frankincense and myrrh.

Sacred gifts of mystic meaning:
incense doth their God disclose,
gold the King of kings proclaimeth,
myrrh his sepulchre foreshows.

Jesu, whom the Gentiles worshipped
at thy glad Epiphany,
unto thee with God the Father
and the Spirit, glory be.

*Words: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-413)
from O sola magnarum urbium, Latin;
translation: Edward Caswall (1814-1878),
and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern.*

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Opening Sentence “Epiphany”

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God chose to make known how great among the nations are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. *Colossians 1:27*

THE INVOCATION

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PRESIDENT: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL: And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever.

Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord:
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

The Collect: *“The Baptism of our Lord”*

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Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed Him your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into His Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess Him as Lord and Saviour; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

(Please sit)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-5

LECTORS:

7:00 A.M.: Mr. Remech Matthias

9:00 A.M.: Senator Gregory Nicholls

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

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29 *Afferte Domino*

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- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,*
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name;*
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;*
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;*
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;*
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,*
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;*
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe*
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;*
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people;*
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of
peace.

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: Acts 19:1-7

LECTORS:

7:00 A.M.: Mr. Victor Gittens

9:00 A.M.: Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Acts of the Apostles, the nineteenth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?” They replied, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” Then he said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They answered, “Into John’s baptism.” Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.” On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—together there were about twelve of them.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual **Hymn ~ 109** “What star is this, with beams so bright,”

What star is this, with beams so bright,
more beautiful than the noonday light?
It shines to herald forth the King,
and Gentiles to his crib to bring.

True spake the prophet from afar
who told the rise of Jacob’s star;
and eastern sages with amaze
upon the wondrous token gaze.

The guiding star above is bright;
within them shines a clearer light,
and leads them on with power benign
to seek the Giver of the sign.

O Jesus, while the star of grace
impels us on to seek thy face,
let not our slothful hearts refuse
the guidance of thy light to use.

To God the Father, heavenly light,
to Christ, revealed in earthly night,
to God the Holy Ghost we raise
our equal and unceasing praise!

*Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749),
from Quae stella sole pulchrior, from Breviary, Paris, 1736, Latin;
translation: John Chandler (1806-1876), and
Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern alt.*

The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

GOSPELLERS:

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

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

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark, the
first chapter, beginning at the fourth verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

THE GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: 7:00 A.M. & 9:00 A.M.

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

(Please stand, as able)

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS Page 265

PRESIDENT:

Do you declare and promise that you will, with the help of God, live your life in the faith of Christ into which you were baptised?

PEOPLE: I do.

PRESIDENT:

Do you believe in God the Father?

PEOPLE: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

PRESIDENT:

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

PEOPLE:

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the
Holy Spirit and
born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered unto Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

PRESIDENT: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

PEOPLE:

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRESIDENT:

Will you continue in the Apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in the prayers?

PEOPLE: I will.

PRESIDENT:

Will you persevere in resisting evil and repent whenever you fall into sin?

PEOPLE: I will.

PRESIDENT:

Will you be a witness in your daily life to God's saving work in Christ?

PEOPLE: I will.

PRESIDENT:

Will you seek and serve Christ by loving your neighbour as yourself remembering that every person is loved and valued by God?

PEOPLE: I will

PRESIDENT:

Do you put your whole trust in His grace and love?

PEOPLE: I do, and with God's help I will follow Christ as my Saviour and Lord.

PRESIDENT:

God the creator, the rock of our salvation, has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ. May He keep us faithful to our calling, now and forever. **Amen**

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE "C" Page 125

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.

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, an offering will be collected. The Ushers will begin their collection from the west end of the Cathedral and move towards the altar, where the offering will be received by a server. The cooperation of everyone is requested.)

Offertory Hymn ~ “When Jesus came to Jordan”

When Jesus came to Jordan
To be baptized by John,
He did not come for pardon,
But as his Father's Son.
He came to share repentance
With all who mourn their sins,
To speak the vital sentence

With which good news begins.

He came to share temptation,
Our utmost woe and loss,
For us and our salvation
To die upon the cross.
So when the Dove descended
On him, the Son of Man,
The hidden years had ended,
The age of grace began.

Come, Holy Spirit, aid us
To keep the vows we make,
This very day invade us,
And every bondage break.
Come, give our lives direction,
The gift we covet most:
To share the resurrection
That leads to Pentecost.

Words by F.P. Green

Tune - OFFERTORIUM adapted from a melody by M. Haydn

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.*

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:

(Please sit or kneel)

PROPER PREFACE ~ “Epiphany”

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Because in coming to dwell among us as man, He revealed the radiance of His glory, and brought us out of darkness into His own marvellous light. *(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 “C”

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PRESIDENT:

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

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

Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And after supper

he took the cup of wine:

and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said:

“Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the New Covenant,

which is shed for you and for many

for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me.”

PRESIDENT:

Therefore, Father, according to His command:

ALL:

We remember His death;

We proclaim His resurrection;

We await His coming in glory.

PRESIDENT:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise

and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;

presenting to you, from your creation,

this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,

to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts

that they may be the sacrament

of the Body of Christ

and His Blood of the New Covenant.

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

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

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

ALL: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name;
your kingdom come; your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,**

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD “C” Page 145

PRESIDENT:

This is the true bread which comes from heaven

ALL:

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

THE COMMUNION

*(All baptized members of the Church, as inspired, may
come to the altar and receive Holy 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

Communion **Hymn ~ 671** “My God, accept my heart this day,”

My God, accept my heart this day,
and make it always thine,
that I from thee no more may stray,
no more from thee decline.

Before the cross of him who died,
behold, I prostrate fall;

let every sin be crucified,
and Christ be all in all.

Anoint me with thy heavenly grace,
and seal me for thine own;
that I may see thy glorious face,
and worship near thy throne.

Let every thought and work and word
to thee be ever given:
then life shall be thy service, Lord,
and death the gate of heaven.

*All glory to the Father be,
all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
while endless ages run.

Words: Matthew Bridges, (1848)

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 POST COMMUNION “C”

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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 “Epiphany”

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Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with good news of His kingdom; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recessional **Hymn ~ 97** “As with gladness men of old”

As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold,
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright;
so, most gracious Lord, may we
evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,
Saviour, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before
thee whom heaven and earth adore;
so may we with willing feet
ever seek thy mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare
at thy cradle rude and bare;
so may we with holy joy,
pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,

Christ, to thee our heavenly King.
Holy Jesus, every day
keep us in the narrow way,
and, when earthly things are past,
bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide,
where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heavenly country bright

need they no created light;
thou its light, its joy, its crown,
thou its sun which goes not down;
there for ever may we sing
alleluias to our King.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898), alt.

THE DISMISSAL

THE PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

ALL: **And also with you.**

THE 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 BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

THEME FOR THE WEEK

“Through the revealing of himself, God reshapes our world”



First Reading: Genesis 1:1-5

Comment – “God creates light”

In our opening lesson, we read **the beginning of the story of creation**. God sweeps like a wind over the chaos and formless void and begins to establish order, bringing forth light and separating that light from darkness. This light precedes the creation of the sun, moon, and stars and may be perceived as an initial revelation of God’s character as this first step in creation is declared good.

Psalm 29

Comment: “The voice of the Lord is upon the waters”

The majesty of God is described in the likeness of a thunderstorm: the Lord is mighty over land and sea.

Second Reading: Acts 19:1-7

Comment: “Baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus”

In our second reading, the apostle **Paul continues to travel through Asia Minor carrying the good news of Jesus to**

Jew and Gentile alike. In Ephesus he encounters a group of believers who had received only John’s baptism of repentance. Paul baptizes them in the name of Jesus. He then lays his hands upon them and they are filled with the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues and prophesying as had others among those who first came to faith. The number of believers was twelve, which could reflect a connection with the original twelve disciples, the twelve tribes of Israel, and the ongoing power of the Spirit of God evident in Paul’s ministry.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

Comment: “Revelation of Christ as God’s servant”

Our gospel is **the story of the ministry of John the Baptist, and of Jesus’ baptism.** John tells of the mightier one to come whose baptism will be with the Holy Spirit. Jesus is then baptized and the Spirit is manifest. A voice from heaven speaks to Jesus in words that echo ancient oracles concerning the king and the calling of the Lord’s chosen servant.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

BICENTENNIAL GIFT: As the Anglican Church in Barbados prepares to celebrate its 200th anniversary in 2024, so too will the St. Michael Parish Church celebrate the 200th anniversary of its designation as the Cathedral of the Diocese. Gifts in celebration of this significant milestone would be greatly appreciated. Envelopes are available for everyone’s convenience. Thanks for your generous gift.



SICK: Please remember the sick and injured of our parish and wider community, especially Margaret Browne, Elsie Brunson, Colleen Byer, Courtney Carrington, Darwin Clarke, Henderson Downes, Alice P. Hall, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Helena Lyte, Jeffrey Mascoll, Marlene Moore, Blair Murray, Clyde Outram, Veronica Sandals (USA), Sylvester “Blues” Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Ernesta Yarde and George Yearwood.

BEREAVEMENT: We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late:

- Mr. Roland McCollin
- Mr. Troy Arthur-Shaw
- The Most Rev'd The Hon. Orland Lindsay, Retired Bishop of the North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba and Retired Archbishop of the Church in the Province of the West Indies.

May the deceased rest in peace. “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.” (*Matthew 5:4*)

BIRTHDAYS: Congratulations to all those celebrating their birthday this week: January 7-13, 2024:

- 7th Ms. Sabrina P. Rollock, Mrs. Jennifer P. Rollock
- 8th Ms. Ernesta Yarde
- 9th Ms. Beatrice R. Lavia
- 10th Ms. Rosemary Marshall
- 12th Mr. Harry T. Hutson
- 13th Mr. Keith K. Gill



STEWARDSHIP: The envelopes for 2024 are available for collection from the Church Office.

A vertical poster for an Epiphany Carol Service. The background is a dark blue night sky filled with stars, with a large, bright, multi-pointed star in the upper right. At the bottom, there is a silhouette of a cityscape with several church spires and domes, set against a lighter, hazy background.

Epiphany
Carol
Service

Saint Michael's Cathedral
Sunday, 21st January 2024
6:00 p.m.

No admission charge
An offering will be taken

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To those who have sought my advice or leadership, I encourage you to keep pursuing your passions and dreams. Remember that challenges are opportunities for growth, and every step forward, no matter how small, is a victory.

I offer a sincere apology to anyone I may have hurt this year. I am only human, and I recognize that I have made mistakes. I am committed to learning from them, and I hope for your understanding and forgiveness.

To those who have caused me pain, I choose to forgive. Holding onto resentment only hinders my own growth and happiness. I release any negativity and wish you peace and healing.

As we bid farewell to this year, my heart goes out to the families who have lost loved ones. My deepest condolences to those who didn't make it to today. May you find strength and comfort during this difficult time.

Looking back, I know that the only way I made it through this year is through the mercy and grace of God! I am thankful for how he has never left me, even given the many times I have seemingly shooed him away. Lord thank you!

Looking ahead, I declare that 2024 will be a year of betting on myself. I WILL gain further clarity on the specifics of how God wants to use me. I am excited to embrace new opportunities, overcome challenges, and continue on the path of self-discovery and growth.

Let's make the most of the coming year and believe in our ability to create positive change in our lives and the world around us.

Thank you all for being a part of my journey. Here's to a fulfilling and transformative year ahead. #2024 #betonyourself #SelfEmpowerment

SERMON NOTES

Text:.....

Topic:.....

Preacher:.....

Points to Ponder:

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What was God saying specifically to me during the Sermon?

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**Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings
January 7-13, 2024**

Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Baptism of our Lord Sunday	Psalms 146, 147 Genesis 1:1—2:3 John 1:29-34	Psalms 111, 112, 113 Isaiah 40:1-11 Ephesians 1:3-14
Monday	Psalms 1, 2, 3 Genesis 2:4-9(10-15) 16-25 John 1:1-18	Psalms 4, 7 Isaiah 40:12-23 Hebrews 1:1-14
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The Baptism of Jesus

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Sunday, January 7, 2024

The Baptism of our Lord

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist



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

9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist

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Wednesday, January 10, 2024
10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist
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