

## The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

welcomes you to the celebration of

# The Holy Eucharist On

April 28, 2024 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.

"To be a guiding light of Christ's grace, justice, freedom and love".

#### The Cathedral Church of

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

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### The Fifth Sunday of Easter, YEAR B April 28, 2024

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
President and Preacher:
The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist
President:
The Rev'd Canon George Knight

Preacher:
The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw



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 othersw

Opening Sentence "Easter"

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Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed. Come, let us adore Him. Alleluia!

#### 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** Page 101

ALL: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires know, 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.

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Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

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.* 

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Let us pray.

The Collect "The Fifth Sunday of Easter" Page 170

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus

Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

#### Amen

(Please sit)

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Acts 8:26-40

Lectors:

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

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

A reading from the Word of God written in the Acts of the Apostles, the eighth chapter, beginning at the twenty-sixth verse.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit

beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly;\* I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him:\* "May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,\* and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD;\* he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;\*
  all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;\* they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn\* the saving deeds that he has done.

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: The Epistle 1 John 4:7-21

Lectors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Linda Springer 9:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Margaret Aimey

A reading from the Word of God, written in the First Letter of John, the fourth chapter, beginning at the seventh verse.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as able)

The Gradual Hymn ~ 538 "O thou who camest from above"

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

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

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

Still let me prove thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat;

till death thy endless mercies seal, and make the sacrifice complete.

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

The Holy Gospel: John 15:1-8

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

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

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

#### All: Glory to Christ our Saviour

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish,

and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

(Please stand, as able)

The Nicene Creed

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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 "B"**

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Intercessors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Donnah Russell

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

The Bidding Prayer: The Dean

Lord we pray for your Church, that together with the whole of creation we may rejoice in the Resurrection of Christ.

We pray for...

Jesus, Lord of life,

ALL: In your mercy, hear us.

(Please kneel or sit, as able)

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.

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 "A"**

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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.

ALL: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life 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 PEACE "A"

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PRESIDENT: We are the Body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL: Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

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

ALL: And also with you.

#### HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP

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.

Jill Jackson-Miller and Sy Miller, 1955

#### 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.)

The Offertory Hymn ~ 219 "God is love: let heaven adore him;"

God is love: let heaven adore him; God is love: let earth rejoice; let creation sing before him, and exalt him with one voice. He who laid the earth's foundation, he who spread the heavens above, he who breathes through all creation, he is love, eternal love.

God is love: and he enfoldeth all the world in one embrace; with unfailing grasp he holdeth every child of every race.

And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, then they find that selfsame aching deep within the heart of God.

God is love: and though with blindness sin afflicts the souls of men,
God's eternal loving-kindness holds and guides them even then.
Sin and death and hell shall never o'er us final triumph gain;
God is love, so love for ever o'er the universe must reign.

Words Timoth Rees, 1874:

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 EUCHARISTC PRAYER

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*)

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for He is the

true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By His death He has destroyed death, and by His rising to life again He has won for us eternal life. (go to page131)

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, as able)

#### 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

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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

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

#### 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

(Communicants are invited to kneel at the Altar Rail, as able)

Communion Hymn ~ 573 "Bread of heaven, on thee we feed"

Bread of heaven, on thee we feed, for thy flesh is meat indeed; ever may our souls be fed with this true and living bread; day by day with strength supplied through the life of him who died.

Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies this blest cup of sacrifice;
Lord, thy wounds our healing give, to thy cross we look and live:
Jesus, may we ever be grafted, rooted, built in thee.

Words: Josiah Conder (1789/1855)

Hymn ~ 447 "I love to tell the story"

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

#### Refrain:

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory, to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.

Refrain

Words: Arabella Katherine Hankey (1831-1911)

#### THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER "A"

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ALL: Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we who share His Body live His risen life; we who drink His cup bring life to others; we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world. Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING "Easter"

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in His sight; and the Blessing of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you this day and forever more. **Amen.** 

#### ~~~Notices and Announcements~~~

The Recessional Hymn ~ **618** "Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,"

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from his dwelling take leave. The supper is ended: O now be extended the fruits of his service in all who believe. The seed of his teaching, our hungry souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for man. His grace shall incite us, his love shall unite us to work for his kingdom and further his plan.

With praise and thanksgiving to God everliving, the task of our everyday life we will face, our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing as brothers all men of each race.

One feast that has fed us, one light that has led us, unite us as one in his life that we share.

Then may all the living, with praise and thanksgiving, give honour to Christ and his name that we bear.

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#### 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 and 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 of Easter, Year B

"The Good News of Jesus is that God has sent him to love us visibly."



First Reading: Acts 8:26-40

Comment: "Philip teaches and baptizes an Ethiopian"

This is the story of how Philip brought the Ethiopian eunuch to faith in Jesus. Early Christians doubtless loved to tell and retell this narrative. It shows how a significant foreign personage, who was apparently an inquirer into Judaism, learned about Jesus and was baptized. It also illustrates the way an important passage from the Old

Testament, which tells of the Lord's servant who suffered for others, was interpreted as prophecy about Jesus.

Psalm 22:24-30

Comment: "All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord. (*Ps.22:27*)

A song of praise to the Lord, who rules over all and cares for the downtrodden.

Second Reading - The Epistle: 1 John 4:7-21

Comment: "God's love perfected in love for one another"

This reading teaches that **God's love is made known to us through Jesus. In response, we are to love one another.** No one has ever seen God, but to experience God's love and to recognise Jesus as God's Son is to know God. Only by not loving other humans made in God's image would we show that we do not know and love God. When we do love one another, then we live in union with God and fear is driven away.

The Holy Gospel: John 15:1-8 Comment: "Christ the vine"

In our gospel reading we hear that Jesus is the true vine to which each branch must be united if it is to bear fruit. The vine and the vineyard were well-known symbols for God's

people. A living relationship with Jesus in the following of his teaching is the source of fruitful discipleship. God will cut away the dead branches and prune the healthy ones so that they will bear more abundantly.

#### **CATHEDRAL NEWS**

1. BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS - CATHEDRAL REVITALIZATION 2024 and BEYOND: Mission -- Ministry - Maintenance - Money.

This campaign aims to revitalize the Cathedral's heritage; to strengthen congregational vitality; and to build the Church for tomorrow. All are invited to get involved and to recommend the programme to others, especially persons who were nurtured in this sacred place.

This month: Polo Shirts; T20 Hymns (Registration Sheets are available)

Next Month, May 5 - Rogationtide Service (Harvest in The City)

May 26 - Baptized invited to church

Ongoing: \$200.00 Challenge – Gift to be presented, at the Patronal Festival, September 29, 2024 (Registration Cards are available).

**2. BIRTHDAYS:** Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays this week, April 28-May 4, 2024

28 Ms. Undine Straker29 Mrs. Andrea A. D. Thomas30 Mrs. Sherry L. S. Cumberbatch

May
2 Mrs. Helen Blugh-Taylor
Mr. Leo Adolphus Taylor
4 Mr. Norton A. Brewster
Mrs. Joann M. Leslie



**3. ROGATION CELEBRATION**: The Church will be celebrating Rogation Sunday on May 5, with a Harvest Festival in The City. Members, businesses and interested persons are invited to make donations towards the floral arrangements, which will depict various aspects of life in The City. The coordinators are: Floral displays – Mrs. Shirley Hurley; Sponsorship/Donations – Ms. Jenny Benn; Hospitality – Mr. Trevor King; and, the Service – the Clergy and Organist. Note further, that the Brass section of the band of the Barbados Police Service will take part in the celebration.

Members are asked to present their Harvest Offering. Please use the envelopes in the Stewardship Offering Booklet. ALL ARE WELCOME.

**4. CATHEDRAL MARKET:** There will be a Pre-Harvest sale on Saturday, May 4, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. in the Cathedral Square, in front of Cathedral House, Spry Street. A variety of garden produce, bread, fish cakes, pudding and souse, local juices, etc. will be available at reasonable prices. Members are asked to support this initiative by donating items to be sold and by their patronage on the day. Please contact Ms. Armel Marshall, the coordinator at 438-2695.

of our Parish and wider community, especially Ann Barker, Margaret Browne, Elsie Brunson, Colleen Byer, Courtney Carrington, Darwin Clarke, Alice P. Hall, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Jeffrey Mascoll, Marlene Moore, Blair Murray, Clyde Outram, Sylvester (Blues) Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Ernesta Yarde and George Yearwood.



- **6. BEREAVEMENT:** We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late:
  - Ms. Rita Barker;
  - Mr. Birchmore Grant
  - Mr. Norman Howard
  - Mr. George Nicholson

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.

**7. WELCOME:** A most cordial welcome is extended to Mrs. Veronica Sandals, sister of Mrs. Margaret Best-Grant, family, and friends as they join in corporate worship today. Also, we give thanks for Mrs. Sandals' recovery from illness and for her birthday which is today.

#### **SERMON NOTES**

Text:
Topic:
Preacher:
Points to Ponder:
What was God saying specifically to me during the Sermon?

Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings April 28-May 4, 2024		
Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Fifth Sunday of Easter	Psalms 24, 29 Leviticus 8:1-13, 30-36 Luke 4:16-30	Psalm 8, 84 Wisdom 7:22—8:1 Hebrews 12:1-14
Monday	Psalms 56, 57, [58] Leviticus 16:1-19 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18	Psalm 64, 65 Wisdom 9:1, 7-18 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Tuesday	Psalms 61, 62 Leviticus 16:20-34 Matthew 6:7-15	Psalm 68:1-20 (21-23)24-36 Wisdom 10:1-4 (5-12)13-21 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Saint Philip and Saint James Apostles	Psalm 119:137-160 Job 23:1-12 John 1:43-51	Psalm 139 Proverbs 4:7-18 John 12:20-26
Wednesday		
Thursday	Psalms [70], 71 Leviticus 19:26-37 Matthew 6:25-34	Psalm 74 Wisdom 14:27—15:3 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12
Friday	Psalm 106:1-18 Leviticus 23:1-22 Matthew 7:1-12	Psalm 106:19-48 Wisdom 16:15—17:1 2 Thessalonians 2:1-17
Saturday	Psalms 75, 76 Leviticus 23:23-44 Matthew 7:13-21	Psalms 23, 27 Wisdom 19:1-8, 18-22 2 Thessalonians 3:1-18 Collect for 6 Easter

#### The Fifth Sunday of Easter, 2024

Year B

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
President and Preacher:
The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist
President:
The Rev'd Canon George Knight

#### **Preacher:**

The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn



The Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 5, 2024
Rogation Sunday
7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. A Rogation Celebration



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