The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

welcomes you to the celebration of

The Holy Eucharist On

May 12, 2024 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.

SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

"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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Sunday May 12, 2024 The Seventh Sunday of Easter; The Sunday After Ascension Day-Year B (Mothers' Day)

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

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

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw



THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude
Welcome
Opening Hymn ~ 321 "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun"

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song, and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name. Blessings abound where'er He reigns; the prisoner leaps to lose his chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honours to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.

> Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), 1719 and Edward Denny (1796-1889), alt.

Opening Sentence "Ascension"

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Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (*Hebrews 4:14. 16*)

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 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.

THE KYRIES

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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 Seventh Sunday of Easter" Page 171

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven. Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Saviour Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*

(Please sit)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: **Acts 1:15-17, 21-26**

Lectors:

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Mary Weekes

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

In those days, Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out

among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for eleven apostles. them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Psalm **1** Beatus vir qui non abiit Page 471

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,*
 nor lingered in the way of sinners,
 nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD,* and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;*
 everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked;*
 they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,*
 nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,* but the way of the wicked is doomed.

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 5:9-13** Lectors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Victor Small 9:00 A.M. ~ Master Liam Francis-Thornhill

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

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as able)

The Gradual **Hymn ~ 196** "The head that once was crowned with thorns"

The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now: a royal diadem adorns the mighty Victor's brow.

The highest place that heaven affords is his, is his by right, the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's eternal Light.

the joy of all who dwell above, the joy of all below, to whom he manifests his love, and grants his name to know.

To them the cross, with all its shame, with all its grace, is given: their name an everlasting name, their joy the joy of heaven.

They suffer with their Lord below, they reign with him above; their profit and their joy to know the mystery of his love.

The cross he bore is life and health, though shame and death to him; his people's hope, his people's wealth, their everlasting theme.

Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-1854/5)

The Holy Gospel: John 17:6-19

Gospellers:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn 9:00 A.M. ~ The Very Rev'd Jeffrey Gibson

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John, the seventeenth chapter, beginning at the sixth verse.

All: Glory to Christ our Saviour

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you

sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

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 Rev'd Canon George Knight

(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:

Lord we pray for your Church, as we have celebrated Ascension Day, we give thanks that, in returning to the glory of heaven, your Son opened for us a way to your presence.

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 love shared among us"

Let there be love shared among us
Let there be love in our eyes
May now your love sweep this nation
Cause us O Lord to arise
Give us a fresh understanding
Of neighbourly love that is real
Let there be love shared among us
Let there he love.

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 ~ 191 "Hail the day that sees him rise alleluia!"

Hail the day that sees him rise, alleluia! to His throne above the skies; alleluia! Christ, the Lamb for sinners given, alleluia! enters now the highest heaven. Alleluia!

There for him high triumph waits; Alleluia! lift your heads, eternal gates; alleluia! he hath conquered death and sin; alleluia! take the King of glory in. Alleluia!

Lo! The heaven its Lord receives, alleluia! yet he loves the earth he leaves; alleluia! though returning to his throne, alleluia! still he calls mankind his own. Alleluia!

See! He lifts his hands above; alleluia! see! He shows the prints of love; alleluia! hark! His gracious lips bestow alleluia! blessings on his church below. alleluia!

Still for us he intercedes, alleluia! his prevailing death he pleads, alleluia! near himself prepares our place, alleluia! he the first-fruits of our race. Alleluia!

Lord, though parted from our sight alleluia! far above the starry height, alleluia! grant our hearts may thither rise, alleluia! seeking thee above the skies. Alleluia!

Words: Thomas Cotterill (1779-1823), and Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

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 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)

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

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

Our Father in heaven,

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

ALL:

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.

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 ~ 747 "Shall we not love thee, mother dear,"

Shall we not love thee, mother dear, whom Jesus loves so well? And to his glory, year by year, thy joy and honour tell?

Bound with the curse of sin and shame we helpless sinners lay, until in tender love he came to bear the curse away.

And thee he chose from whom to take true flesh his flesh to be; in it to suffer for our sake, by it to make us free.

Thy Babe he lay upon thy breast, to thee he cried for food;

thy gentle nursing soothed to rest the Incarnate Son of God.

O wondrous depth of grace divine that he should bend so low! And, Mary, oh what joy 'twas thine in his dear love to know;

Joy to be mother of the Lord, and thine the truer bliss, in every thought, and deed, and word to be for ever his.

And as he loves thee, mother dear, we too will love thee well; and, to his glory, year by year, thy joy and honour tell.

Jesu, the Virgin's Holy Son, we praise thee and adore, who art with God the Father One and Spirit evermore.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877)

Hymn ~ 192 "Jesu, our hope, our heart's desire,"

Jesu, our hope, our heart's desire, thy work of grace we sing; Redeemer of the world art thou, its Maker and its King. How vast the mercy and the love, which laid our sins on thee, and led thee to a cruel death, to set thy people free!

But now the bonds of death are burst; the ransom has been paid; and thou art on thy Father's throne, in glorious robes arrayed.

O may thy mighty love prevail our sinful souls to spare!
O may we stand around thy throne, and see thy glory there!

Jesu, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be; in thee be all our glory now and through eternity.

All praise to thee who art gone up triumphantly to heaven; all praise to God the Father's name and Holy Ghost be given.

Words: anonymous, from Jesu, nastra redemptio, amor et desiderium, 7th or 8th century, Latin; translation: John Chandler (1806-1876), and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern.

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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 "Ascension"

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Christ our King, make you faithful and strong to do His will, that you may reign with Him in glory; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

~~~Notices and Announcements~~~

The Recessional Hymn ~ 190 "Crown him with many crowns,"

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne, hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own: awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Virgin's Son, the God incarnate born,

whose arm those crimson trophies won which now his brow adorn: fruit of the mystic Rose, as of that Rose the Stem; the Root whence mercy ever flows, the Babe of Bethlehem.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, those wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a sceptre sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise: his reign shall know no end, and round his piercèd feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time, Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: all hail, Redeemer, hail, for thou hast died for me; thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Words: Matthew Bridges (1800-1893), alt.

THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen

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 Seventh Sunday of Easter;
The Sunday After Ascension Day, Year B

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful! Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on his law day and night (*Ps 1:1-2*)



First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Comment: "Matthias added to the apostles"

In this lesson, we hear of the selection of Matthias to take Judas's place as one of the twelve apostles. Peter perceives that it is prophesied that another should replace Judas, and lots are cast to select between two men who had been among the larger band of Jesus' followers. Matthias is chosen as one of the companions of Jesus who is able to witness to the resurrection.

Psalm 1

Comment: "The Lord knows the way of the righteous." (Ps.1-6)

The Lord makes fruitful those who choose the way of righteousness.

Second Reading - The Epistle: 1 John 5:9-13

Comment: "Life in the Son of God"

In this lection, disciples are bid to believe in the testimony that God has borne to Jesus, the Son of God. They are to have confidence that their prayers are heard and that in the Son they have eternal life. Elsewhere in this letter it is indicated that God's witness to Jesus is especially made known through the experience of love, a love made manifest in Jesus. Those who trust in Jesus as the Son of God

realize this testimony within their own hearts. Refusal to accept this witness means to lose the possibility of true life.

The Holy Gospel: John 17:6-19

Comment: "Christ's prayer for his disciples"

In our gospel, Jesus prays for his disciples shortly before his death, asking for their unity and sanctification in truth. He prays that they may be protected in the Father's name, that is, by God's true character as it has been made known by Jesus. Because of Jesus' revelation to them, the disciples are set apart from disbelieving worldly society. Yet, in another important sense, they remain a part of this world and are consecrated to witness to the truth in it.

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)

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, May 12-18, 2024
 - 12 Ms. Jacqueline Skeete
 - 13 Mr. Nicholas R. C. C. Brathwaite
 - 15 Mrs. Rosemary Gibson
 - 18 Mrs. Carmen Boakye-Cofie Mr. Christopher Burnett Ms. Hyacinth A. Rodgers

May God bless and strengthen you.



3. SICK: Please remember the sick or injured 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.



- **4. BEREAVEMENT:** We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late:
 - Ms. Rita Barker;
 - Mr. Akeem Hunte
 - Mr. Ricky Aimey
 - Mr. George LasCaris
 - Mr. McDonald Mapp
 - Ms. Muriel Hutson

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.

The Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels

Invites You to Gather Online Nightly for

A NOVENA

From Ascension Day to Pentecost



8.00 p.m.

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TO Access ZOOM MEETING

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Meeting ID: 820 0381 4594 Passcode: NOVENA

Join the Global Wave of Prayer

Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings May 12-18, 2024		
Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Seventh	Psalms 66, 67	Psalms 19, 46
Sunday of	Exodus 3:1-12	Ezekiel 3:16-27
Easter	Luke 10:17-24	Hebrews 12:18-29
Monday	Psalm 89:1-18	Psalm 89:19-52
	Joshua 1:1-9	Ezekiel 4:1-17
	Matthew 8:5-17	Ephesians 3:1-13
	Psalms 97, 99, [100]	Psalms 94, [95]
Tuesday	1 Samuel 16:1-13a	Ezekiel 7:10-15, 23b-27
	Matthew 8:18-27	Ephesians 3:14-21
Wednesday	Psalms 101; 109:1-4	Psalm 119:121-144
	(5-19)20-30	Ezekiel 11:14-25
	Isaiah 4:2-6	Ephesians 4:1-16
	Matthew 8:28-34	
	Psalm 105:1-22	Psalm 105:23-45
Thursday	Zechariah 4:1-14	Ezekiel 18:1-4, 19-32
	Matthew 9:1-8	Ephesians 4:17-32
	Psalm 102	Psalm 107:1-32
Friday	Jeremiah 31:27-34	Ezekiel 34:17-31
	Matthew 9:9-17	Ephesians 5:1-20
	Psalms 107:33-43,	Eve of Pentecost
	108:1-6(7-13)	Psalm 33
Saturday	Ezekiel 36:22-27	Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20
,	Ephesians 6:10-24	1 Peter 2:4-10
	Matthew 9:18-26	Collect for Pentecost (1)



Sunday May 12, 2024

The Seventh Sunday of Easter; The Sunday After Ascension Day (Mothers' Day)

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

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



Wednesday, May 15, 2024 10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist



May 19, 2024

The Day Of Pentecost: Whitsunday 7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist



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