



FOURTH SUNDAY
OF
Advent

St. Michael's Cathedral

Services

for

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Year C

Sunday, December 22, 2024

7:00 A.M. & 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 Fourth Sunday of Advent: **YEAR C**

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: Mrs. Judy King

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

The Opening **Hymn ~ 34**

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us;
let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver;
born a Child and yet a King;
born to reign in us for ever;
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thy own eternal Spirit,
rule in all our hearts alone:
by thy all-sufficient merit,
raise us to thy glorious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

ADVENT 4 ~ LOVE

The Leader reads a sentence:

The Lord has bared His holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. (*Isaiah 52:10*)

He/She then lights the appropriate number of candles in silence

Leader: Our Lord says, ‘surely I come quickly.’

Response: Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

After a short pause the Leader says:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Response: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader:

We bless you, Eternal Father, giver of all good things, for Jesus has come, humble and dependent, the babe in the manger. He will come again, glorious and resplendent for all humanity to see. Grant us in our daily living so to know Him

that on that day we may rejoice to see Him, Christ our King.

All: 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.

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Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at His coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for Himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

(Please sit)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: **Micah 5:2-5a**

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Shernelle O’Neale

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Lynette Francis-Thornhill

A reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of Micah, the fifth chapter, beginning at the second verse.

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
 who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
 one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
 from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time
 when she who is in labor has brought forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
 to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength
 of the LORD,
 in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
 to the ends of the earth;
and he shall be the one of peace.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 15 *The Song of Mary Magnificat*

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Luke 1:46-55

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in you, O God my Saviour,
for you have looked with favour on your lowly
servant,

From this day all generations will call me blessed:
You, the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is your Name.

He has mercy on those who fear you
from generation to generation.

You have shown strength with your arm,
and scattered the proud in their conceit.

Casting down the mighty from their thrones,
and lifting up the lowly.

You have filled the hungry with good things
and the rich you have sent away empty.

You have come to the help of your servant Israel,
for you have remembered your promise of mercy,

The promise made to our forebears,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for
ever. *Amen.*

(Please sit)

Second Lesson: **Hebrews 10:5-10**

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Victor Small

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

A reading from the Word of God, written in Paul's Letter to the Hebrews, the tenth chapter, beginning at the fifth verse.

When Christ came into the world, he said,

"Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me;

in burnt offerings and sin offerings
you have taken no pleasure.

Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your
will, O God'
(in the scroll of the book it is written of
me)."

When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand, as able)

The Gradual **Hymn ~ 752**

Virgin-born, we bow before thee;
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, maid and mother mild,
blessèd was she in her Child.

Blessèd was the breast that fed thee;
blessèd was the hand that led thee;
blessèd was the parent's eye
that watched thy slumbering infancy.

Blessèd she by all creation,
who brought forth the world's Salvation,
and blessèd they - for ever blest,
who love thee most and serve thee best.

Virgin-born, we bow before thee;
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, maid and mother mild,
blessèd was she in her Child.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

The Holy Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Gospeller: 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 Luke, the first chapter, beginning at the thirty-ninth verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

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.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS Form "H"

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Intercessors:

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

9:00 A. M. ~ Ms. Donna Inniss

(Please sit or kneel as able)

LEADER:

Lord, we pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good.

Silence

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honour and glory.

Silence

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, especially Lynette, Cerys, Clarence, Arlington and Coral; and all who will celebrate a birthday this week. Grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as He loves us.

Silence

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Mrs. Celia Gill, Mrs. Hazel Norville and Mrs. Marjorie Maxwell; and all whose anniversary of death falls at this time. We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

Special intentions are offered by the Assistant Priest

Concluding Collect

PRESIDENT:

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your Kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at His coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate.

ALL: Amen

ACT OF PENITENCE

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PRESIDENT:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8, 9)

A period of silence shall be kept.

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

Form B

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ALL:

Most Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and

forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

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PRESIDENT:

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

(Please stand, as able)

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE “C”

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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 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 be love.*



THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory **Hymn ~ 750**

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-), based on Luke 1:46-55.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER “B”

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PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT:

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

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Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in Him of eternal life; that when He shall come again in power and great triumph to

judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold His appearing.

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 “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”

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PRESIDENT:

This is the true bread which comes from heaven.

ALL:

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

THE COMMUNION

The Invitation “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**

The Communion Hymns 749 & 747

Sing we of the blessèd Mother
who received the angel's word,
and obedient to the summons
bore in love the infant Lord;
sing we of the joys of Mary
at whose breast that child was fed
who is Son of God eternal

and the everlasting Bread.

Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,
of the sword that pierced her through,
when beneath the cross of Jesus
she his weight of suffering knew,
looked upon her Son and Saviour
reigning high on Calvary's tree,
saw the price of man's redemption
paid to set the sinner free.

Sing again the joys of Mary
when she saw the risen Lord,
and in prayer with Christ's apostles,
waited on his promised word:
from on high the blazing glory
of the Spirit's presence came,
heavenly breath of God's own being,
manifest through wind and flame.

Sing the chiefest joy of Mary
when on earth her work was done,
and the Lord of all creation
brought her to his heavenly home;
Virgin Mother, Mary blessed,
raised on high and crowned with grace,
may your Son, the world's redeemer,
grant us all to see his face.

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Hymn ~747

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)

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 ~“*Advent*”

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Christ the Son of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Recessional **Hymn ~ 48**

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel;
that mourns in lonely exile here,
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
thine own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell thy people save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.

Refrain

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadows put to flight.

Refrain

O come, thou Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.

Refrain

O come, O come, thou Lord of Might,
who to thy tribes, on Sinai's height,
in ancient times didst give the law
in cloud and majesty and awe.

Refrain

*Words: anonymous, from Veni, veni Emmanuel, 12th century, Latin;
translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866),
and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern
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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.

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

Organ Postlude

*(Worshippers are invited to sit silently and listen to the
voluntary; however, those who wish to leave at this point
may do so quietly.)*



The Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ Year C

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Comment: *“From Bethlehem comes a ruler”*

Our opening lesson presents **an ancient prophecy which foresees the day when a new ruler shall come forth for Israel, out of David’s city of Bethlehem in Ephrathah.** The prophetic poem looks forward to the restoration of the Davidic dynasty after a time of hardship. In the Lord’s strength this ruler will be like a shepherd to his people, and his dominion will be great. The early church heard the prophet’s words as an oracle concerning Jesus.

Luke 1:47-55 Canticle 15 The Song of Mary Magnificat

Mary offers a song of praise to God who has looked with favour on her and who has lifted up the lowly and brought down the powerful.

Second Reading (**The Epistle**): Hebrews 10:5-10

Comment: *“I have come to do your will.”*

The New Testament reading describes **the purpose of Jesus’ coming into the world—to make an offering in his body for our sanctification.** The opening words are taken from the fortieth Psalm. Repeated ritual sacrifices are of no delight to God in comparison with the once and for all offering which Jesus made in obedience to God’s will. So does Jesus cancel the rule of the law on which ritual sacrifices were based, and establish a new kind of obedience.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Comment: *“Blessed are you among women”*

The gospel tells of **Mary’s visit to her kinswoman Elizabeth, and this humble woman and Mary’s song of thanksgiving to the saviour God, who has called her to be the mother of the Lord.** Elizabeth is herself pregnant with a child, who will be John the Baptist. Even in her womb, this baby is joyful in Mary’s presence. All generations will call Mary blessed.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

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

DONATION CARDS: Please note that Cards are still available for members to solicit donations from family, friends and well-wishers to support the Cathedral. Your continued generosity and kind cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

FLOWERS: As usual, there will be no floral arrangements during the Advent season; however, members are encouraged to make donations for the supply of flowers for Christmas. Contributions may be made in celebration of a personal event, in commemoration of a departed loved one, or any other occasion in the life of a family. Thanks for your consideration.

PERSONS WISHING TO SPONSOR FUTURE EVENTS:

Donations can be made through online payments to St. Michael’s Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International

Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 2719302; Transit # 09606. All donations are appreciated.

DIOCESAN CALENDARS: The Diocesan Calendars for 2025 are available from the Cathedral Office during the week and on Sundays from the designated persons, at the price of **\$7.00 each**.



THEME FOR THE WEEK

“In silence before the mystery of Christmas, we know the Prince of Peace.”



Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays this week December 22 to December 28, 2024

22 Mrs. Lynette A. M. Francis-Thornhill

Ms. Cerys Francis-Thornhill

Mr. Clarence C. Sobers

23 Mr. Arlington DaC. Watson

25 Ms. Coral H. Martin



May God bless and strengthen you.





SICK: Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Margaret Browne, Colleen Byer, Courtney Carrington, Darwin Clarke, Heather Howard-Downes, Alice P. Hall, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Jeffrey Mascoll, Marlene Moore, Blair Murray, Clyde Outram, Sylvester (Blues) Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Claudette Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Ernesta Yarde and George Yearwood.



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



- Mrs. Celia Gill (New York)
- Mrs. Hazel Norville (St. George Parish Church)
- Mrs. Marjorie Maxwell (St. Paul's Church)

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.



CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Sunday, December 22, 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Advent - LOVE

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



**Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings
December 22 – 28, 2024**

Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Fourth Sunday of Advent	Psalms 24, 29 Isaiah 42:1-12 Ephesians 6:10-20	Psalms 8, 84 Genesis 3:8-15 John 3:16-21
Monday	Psalms 61, 62 Isaiah 11:1-9 Revelation 20:1-10	Psalms 112, 115 Zephaniah 3:14-20 John 5:30-47
Tuesday <i>Christmas Eve</i>	Psalms 45, 46 Isaiah 35:1-10 Revelation 22:12-17, 21 Luke 1:67-80	Psalm 89:1-29 Isaiah 59:15b-21 Philippians 2:5-11
Wednesday <i>The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, Christmas Day</i>	Psalms 2, 85 Zechariah 2:10-13 1 John 4:7-16	Psalms 110:1-5(6-7), 132 Micah 4:1-5; 5:2-4 John 3:31-36
Thursday <i>Saint Stephen, Deacon and Martyr</i>	Psalms 28, 30 2 Chronicles 24:17-22 Acts 6:1-7	Psalm 118 Wisdom of Solomon 4:7-15 Acts 7:59—8:8
Friday <i>Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist</i>	Psalms 97, 98 Proverbs 8:22-30 John 13:20-35	Psalm 145 Isaiah 44:1-8 1 John 5:1-12
Saturday <i>The Holy Innocents</i>	Psalms 2, 26 Isaiah 49:13-23 Matthew 18:1-14	Psalms 19, 126 Isaiah 54:1-13 Mark 10:13-16

SERMON NOTES

Sermon

Text:.....
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Points to Ponder:

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What was God saying specifically to me during the Sermon?

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**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE OF SERVICES
IN THE CATHEDRAL**

The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ: Christmas

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

Christmas Eve

**11:45 P.M. Sung Eucharist with Crib Devotions and the
Lighting of the Christ Candle**



Christmas Day, Wednesday December 25, 2024

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist



Sunday, December 29, 2024

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. Choral Matins

with the administration of Holy Communion



Tuesday, December 31, 2024

11:00 P.M. Watch Night Service

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