



St. Michael's Cathedral
Services
for
The Second Sunday of Advent
Year C
Sunday, December 8, 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 Second Sunday of Advent: **YEAR C**
A Season of Praise & Giving to God

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 ~ 52**

The Advent of our King
our prayers must now employ,
and we must hymns of welcome sing
in strains of holy joy.

The Everlasting Son
incarnate deigns to be;
himself a servant's form puts on,
to set his servants free.

Daughter of Sion, rise

to meet thy lowly King;
nor let thy faithless heart despise
the peace he comes to bring

As Judge, on clouds of light,
he soon will come again,
and his true members all unite
with him in heaven to reign.

Before the dawning day
let sin's dark deeds be gone;
the old man all be put away,
the new man all put on.

All glory to the Son
who comes to set us free,
with Father, Spirit, ever One,
through all eternity.

*Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749), from Instanti adventum Dei, Latin;
translation: John Chandler (1806-1876), and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern.
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Lighting of the Advent Wreath

ADVENT 2 — PEACE

The Leader reads a sentence:

As the lighting comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of man. (*Matt.24:27*)

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.

The Collect: *“The Second Sunday of Advent”* Page 157

Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: **Malachi 3:1-4**

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Sandra Fields

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Malachi, the third chapter, beginning at the first verse.

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight - indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the

descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle: Luke 1: 68-79 (The Song of Zechariah) Page 22

Benedictus Dominus Deus

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most
High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his
way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for
ever. Amen.

Second Lesson: **Philippians 1:3-11**

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Margaret King-Austin

A reading from the Word of God written in Paul's Letter to the Philippians, the first chapter, beginning at the third verse.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to

help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual **Hymn ~ 42**

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake, and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
make straight the way for God within;
prepare we in our hearts a home,
where such a mighty guest may come.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge, and our great reward;
without thy grace we waste away,
like flowers that wither and decay.

To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent doth thy people free,
whom with the Father we adore

and Holy Ghost for evermore.

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from Jordonis oras praevia, from Breviary, Paris, 1736, Latin;
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The Holy Gospel: **Luke 3:1-6**
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 third chapter, beginning at the first verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made
low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

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. Marcia Oxley

9:00 A. M. ~ Ms. Danita Layne

(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 Hyacinth, Gwendolyn, Martin, Mary, Renee, Viola, LaShawn, Angela, Nicholas, Margaret, Yvonne and Clyde; 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. Clarissa Carrington, Mrs. Celia Gill and Mrs. Hazel Norville; 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.

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 ~ 37**

Come, thou Redeemer of the earth,
and manifest thy virgin-birth:

let every age adoring fall;
such birth befits the God of all.

Begotten of no human will,
but of the Spirit, thou art still
the Word of God, in flesh arrayed,
the Saviour, now to us displayed.

From God the Father he proceeds,
to God the Father back he speeds;
runs out his course to death and hell,
returns on God's high throne to dwell.

* O equal to thy Father, thou!
Gird on thy fleshly mantle now,
the weakness of our mortal state
with deathless might invigorate.

Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
and darkness glow with new-born light,
no more shall night extinguish day,
where love's bright beams their power display.

O Jesu, virgin-born, to thee
eternal praise and glory be,
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.

*Words: Ambrose of Milan (339-397), from Veni redemptor gentium, Latin;
translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866)*

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!**

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 the 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 ~ 462 & 842

Be not dismayed whate'er betide,
God will take care of you;
beneath his wings of love abide,
God will take care of you.

Refrain:

God will take care of you,

*through every day, o'er all the way;
he will take care of you,
God will take care of you.*

Through days of toil when heart doth fail,
God will take care of you;
when dangers fierce your path assail,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

All you may need he will provide,
God will take care of you;
nothing you ask will be denied,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

No matter what may be the test,
God will take care of you;
lean, weary one, upon his breast,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

Words: Civilla Durfee Martin (1869-1948)

Hymn ~ 842

Refrain

*Bind us together, Lord,
bind us together
with cords that cannot be broken;
bind us together, Lord,*

*bind us together,
O bind us together in love*

There is only one God,
there is only one King,
there is only one body -
that is why we sing:

Refrain

Made for the glory of God,
purchased by his precious Son.
Born with the right to be clean,
for Jesus the victory has won.

Refrain

You are the family of God,
you are the promise divine,
you are God's chosen desire,
you are the glorious new wine.

Refrain

*Words: Bob Gillman (1946-).
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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 with you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Recessional **Hymn ~ 53**

Thy kingdom come, O God,
thy rule, O Christ, begin;
break with thine iron rod
the tyrannies of sin.

Where is thy reign of peace
and purity and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
as in the realms above?

When comes the promised time

that war shall be no more,
and lust, oppression, crime
shall flee thy face before?

We pray thee, Lord, arise,
and come in thy great might;
revive our longing eyes,
which languish for thy sight.

Men scorn thy sacred name,
and wolves devour thy fold;
by many deeds of shame
we learn that love grows cold.

O'er heathen lands afar
thick darkness broodeth yet:
arise, O morning star,
arise, and never set!

Words: Lewis Hensley (1824-1905)

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 Second Sunday of Advent ~ Year C

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

Comment: *“My messenger is a refiner and purifier”*

In our Hebrew scripture reading **the prophet promises that, as the day of the Lord’s judgement nears, God’s messenger will be sent to make ready the Lord’s way.** The priests and temple servants, who say they are waiting for the Lord, need cleansing and purifying most of all. Suddenly the refiner will come to the temple, and then the offering of the people will be pleasing to the Lord. On this day Christians recognise that, with the bringing of the child Jesus to the temple, the time of purifying judgement has begun.

Canticle: Luke 1:68-79 (*The Song of Zechariah*)

A song of thanksgiving and prophecy. The child will be called the prophet of the Most High and will make a way for the Lord.

Second Reading (**The Epistle**): Philippians 1:3-11

Comment: *“A harvest of righteousness on the day of Jesus Christ”*

In this lesson Paul greets **the new disciples in the town of Philippi, gives thanks for their sharing in the gospel, and prays that they may be found without fault on the judgement day of Christ.** It is likely that this message of affection and appreciative joy was written toward the latter part of Paul’s ministry, perhaps while he was in prison. He

expresses great confidence that the work of grace begun by God in his converts will be brought to fruition.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

Comment: *“Prepare the way of the Lord”*

The Gospel of **Luke sets the prophetic ministry of John the Baptist in the context of its time in history.** It was customary during this era to date events with reference to the lives of rulers and well-known public figures. Within this history the word of God comes to John as he preaches his baptism of repentance. His ministry is in fulfillment of the words of Isaiah concerning the one who prepares the way of the Lord.

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.

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE: Anyone who experienced a bereavement during the year and for whom this would be the first Christmas without their loved ones, is especially invited to attend. The service is designed to offer comfort and hope at Christmas time; and to affirm the presence of God as revealed in Christ, in the midst of grief.

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.

THEME FOR THE WEEK

“Our own “glorious Jerusalem” will be the arrival of the Lord in our midst.”



Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays this week December 8 to December 14, 2024

- 8 Ms. Hyacinth Carter
- Ms. Gwendolyn D. Evelyn
- Mr. Martin L. Haynes
- Mrs. Mary Walcott
- 9 Ms. Renee M. Thomas
- 10 Ms. Viola Cumberbatch
- 11 Mr. LaShawn X. Austin
- Ms. Angela Y. Greene
- Mr. Nicholas A. Smith
- 13 Ms. Margaret D. Browne
- Mrs. Yvonne D. Rayside-Reid

14 Mr. Clyde B. Collins



May God bless and strengthen you.



MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY: Heartiest congratulations to Mr. Ashton and Mrs. Margaret King-Austin; and Mr. Jerry and Mrs. Kimone Alleyne on their 1st wedding anniversary, December 2nd and 9th, respectively. God's blessing for continued growth in love.



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. Clarissa Carrington (Shut-In)
- Mrs. Celia Gill (New York)
- Mrs. Hazel Norville (St. George Parish Church)

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.

CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Sunday, December 8, 2024

The Second Sunday of Advent

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

5:00 P.M. ~ A Blue Christmas



Wednesday, December 11, 2024

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



TICKETS: Members are asked to note that tickets for the **Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, to be held on Thursday, December 19th, 2024 at 8:00 P.M., are now available at \$30.00 each** and can be purchased from the Administrative Office during office hours.



PINK APPAREL: The Dean has kindly asked that you wear pink on the third Sunday of Advent which represents JOY.

FLEA MARKET: Thanks to all those persons who have contributed and donated to our Flea Market yesterday

**Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings
December 8 – 14, 2024**

Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Second Sunday of Advent	Psalms 148, 149, 150, Isaiah 5:1-7, 2 Peter 3:11-18	Psalms 114, 115 Amos 6:1-14 Luke 7:28-35
Monday	Psalm 25 Isaiah 5:8-12, 18-23 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Psalms 9, 15 Amos 7:1-9 Luke 21:20-28
Tuesday	Psalms 26, 28 Isaiah 5:13-17, 24-25 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28	Psalms 36, 39 Amos 7:10-17 Luke 21:29-38
Wednesday	Psalm 38 Isaiah 6:1-13 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12	Psalm 119:25-48 Amos 8:1-14 John 7:53—8:11
Thursday	Psalm 37:1-18 Isaiah 7:1-9 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12	Psalm 37:19-42 Amos 9:1-10 Luke 22:1-13
Friday	Psalm 31 Isaiah 7:10-25 2 Thessalonians 2:13—3:5	Psalm 35 Haggai 1:1-15 Luke 22:14-30
Saturday	Psalms 30, 32 Isaiah 8:1-15 2 Thessalonians 3:6-18	Psalms 42, 43, Haggai 2:1-9 Luke 22:31-38 <i>Collect for 3 Advent</i>

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Sermon Notes

Text:.....
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Topic:
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Preacher:
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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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