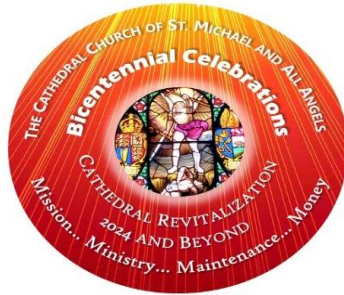




# The Anglican Diocese of Barbados



**The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All  
Angels  
Evensong  
on  
The Eve of the Presentation of Christ our Lord in the  
Temple**



**on  
Saturday, February 1, 2025  
6:00 P.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*

*Diocesan Bishop*

**The Right Reverend Michael B. St. J. Maxwell, M.A.**

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**Mrs. Chloe Grant**

**Saturday February 1, 2025**

**The Eve of the Presentation of Christ our Lord in the  
Temple**

**Organ Prelude**

**Introit Anthem ~ “From the rising of the Sun”  
(Ouseley)**

**Versicles and Responses (Darke/Fletcher)**

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

**R. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

V. O God, make speed to save us.

**R. O Lord, make haste to help us.**

V. Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy  
Ghost;

**R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall  
be: world without end. Amen.**

V. Praise ye the Lord.

**R. The Lord’s Name be praised.**

**Psalm 113** *Laudate, pueri*

1. PRAISE the Lord, ye servants; \* O praise the  
Name of the Lord.
2. Blessed be the Name of the Lord \* from this time  
forth for evermore.

3. The Lord's Name is praised \* from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.
4. The Lord is high above all heathen, \* and his glory above the heavens.
5. Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath his dwelling so high, \* and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?
6. He taketh up the simple out of the dust, \* and lifteth the poor out of the mire;
7. That he may set him with the princes, \* even with the princes of his people.
8. He maketh the barren woman to keep house, \* and to be a joyful mother of children.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. **Amen.**

### **First Lesson: 1 Samuel 1:20-28a**

**Lector: Mr. Victor Small**

<sup>20</sup>In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the LORD.'

21 The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. <sup>22</sup>But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD, and

remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.’<sup>23</sup> Her husband Elkanah said to her, ‘Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only—may the LORD establish his word.’ So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him.<sup>24</sup> When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh; and the child was young.<sup>25</sup> Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli.<sup>26</sup> And she said, ‘Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD.<sup>27</sup> For this child I prayed; and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him.<sup>28</sup> Therefore I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD.’ She left him there for the LORD.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

**ALL: Thanks be to God**

### **Office Hymn ~ 16**

God, that madest earth and heaven,  
darkness and light;  
who the day for toil hast given,  
for rest the night;  
may thine angel-guards defend us,  
slumber sweet thy mercy send us,  
holy dreams and hopes attend us,  
this livelong night.

Guard us waking, guard us sleeping,  
and, when we die,  
may we in thy mighty keeping  
all peaceful lie:  
when the last dread call shall wake us,  
do not thou our God forsake us,  
but to reign in glory take us  
with thee on high.

*Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826),  
and Richard Whately (1787-1863)*

### **Magnificat** (*Sumsion in A*)

1. My soul doth magnify the Lord:  
and my Spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
2. For he hath regarded:  
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
3. For behold, from henceforth:  
all generations shall call me blessed:
4. For he that is mighty hath magnified me:  
and holy is Name.
5. And his mercy is on them that fear him:  
throughout all generations.
6. He hath shewed strength with his arm:  
he hath scattered the proud, in the imagination of  
their hearts.
7. He hath put down the mighty from their seat:  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
8. He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the  
rich he hath sent empty away.
9. He remembering his mercy: hath holpen his  
servant Israel.

10. As he promised to our forefathers: Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. **Amen.**

**The Second Lesson: Romans 8:14-21**

**Lector: Ms. Mary Haynes, Q.C.**

<sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

<sup>18</sup>I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup>for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**Nunc Dimittis** (*Sumsion in A*)

- 1 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:  
according to thy word.
2. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation:  
which thou has prepared before the face of all  
people.
3. To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:  
world without end. **Amen**

## **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and  
the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the  
forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,



and the life everlasting. Amen

V. The Lord be with you

**R. And with thy spirit**

*All kneel*

V. Let us pray

**R. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, in earth as it is in  
heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that  
trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil. **Amen**

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

**R. And grant us thy salvation.**

V. O Lord, save our Nation.

**R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

**R. And make thy chosen people joyful.**

V. O Lord, save thy people

**R. And bless thine inheritance.**

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

**R. Because there is none that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, O God.**

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

**R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

*The Collect, Presentation of Jesus in the Temple*

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*The Second Collect, for Peace.*

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen*

*The Third Collect, for aid against all Perils.*

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

V. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with thy spirit.**

V. Let us bless the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God**

V. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the  
Mercy of God, rest in peace.

**R. Amen**

**The Anthem** ~ *“A great and mighty wonder” by Ledger*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Offertory Hymn ~ 83 vss 1-4**

Of the Father's love begotten  
ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega,  
he the source, the ending he,  
of the things that are, that have been,  
and that future years shall see,  
evermore and evermore.

\*At his word they were created;  
he commanded; it was done:  
heaven and earth and depths of ocean  
in their threefold order one;  
all that grows beneath the shining  
of the light of moon and sun,  
evermore and evermore.  
O that birth for ever blessed!

When the Virgin, full of grace,  
by the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
bare the Saviour of our race,  
and the Babe, the world's Redeemer,  
first revealed his sacred face,  
evermore and evermore.

O ye heights of heaven, adore him;  
angel-hosts, his praises sing;  
powers, dominions, bow before him,  
and extol our God and King:  
let no tongue on earth be silent,  
every voice in concert ring,  
evermore and evermore.

*Words: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius(348-413), from Corde natus ex parentis, Latin;  
translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866), and  
Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877)*

## **Closing Prayer(s) & Blessings**

### **Closing Hymn ~ 381**

NOW thank we all our God,  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things hath done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mother's arms  
hath blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God

through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessèd peace to cheer us;  
and keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son, and him who reigns  
with them in highest heaven,  
the one eternal God,  
whom earth and heaven adore,  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

*Words: Martin Rinckart (1586-1649)*

### *Organ Postlude*

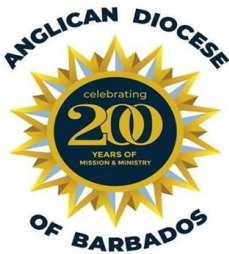


## **Anniversary of the Arrival of the First Bishop of Barbados**

**Wednesday, January 29, 2025  
10:00 A.M.**

A Holy Eucharist in recognition of the arrival of  
The Rt. Rev'd William Hart Coleridge, DD in the  
Parish Church of St. Michael on January 29, 1825  
and his role in the development of Mission and  
Ministry in the Diocese of Barbados.

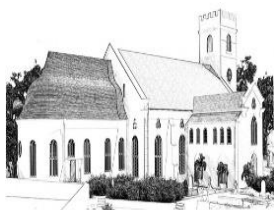
The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell will be  
the President and Preacher.



***ALL ARE WELCOME***

*Image of one of our flyers to mark the historic occasion.*

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