



St. Michael's Cathedral
Services
for
The Last Sunday after the Epiphany:
Year C
Sunday, March 2, 2025
7:00 A.M. & 9:00 A.M.

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

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All Angels**
The Diocese of Barbados

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The Last Sunday after the Epiphany: YEAR C

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

President and Preacher:

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

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

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

The Opening **Hymn ~ 96**

Alleluia, song of sweetness,
voice of joy that cannot die;
 alleluia is the anthem
ever dear to choirs on high:
in the house of God abiding
 thus they sing eternally.

Alleluia thou resoundest,
true Jerusalem and free;
 alleluia, joyful mother,
all thy children sing with thee;
but by Babylon's sad waters
 mourning exiles now are we.

Alleluia cannot always
be our song while here below;
alleluia our transgressions
make us for awhile forgo;
for the solemn time is coming
when our tears for sin must flow.

Therefore in our hymns we pray thee,
grant us, blessed Trinity,
at the last to keep thine Easter
in our home beyond the sky,
there to thee for ever singing
alleluia joyfully.

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Translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866),
and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern.*

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Opening Sentence “Epiphany”

God chose to make known how great among the nations are
the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you,
the hope of glory. *Colossians 1:27*

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.

All: Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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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.

The Collect:

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“The Last Sunday after the Epiphany”

Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed His glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of His countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into His likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Exodus 34:29-35

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Mary Haynes, Q. C.

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Stephen White

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Exodus, the thirty-fourth chapter, beginning at the twenty-ninth verse.

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 99 *Dominus regnavit*

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1 The LORD is King;

let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.

2 The LORD is great in Zion; *

he is high above all peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and
awesome; *

he is the Holy One.

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,

you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in
Jacob."

5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God

and fall down before his footstool; *

he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon his
Name, *

they called upon the LORD, and he answered
them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he
gave them.

8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *

you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God

and worship him upon his holy hill; *

for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

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: 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Paul Blackman

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Leighton Waterman

A reading from the Word of God written in the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, the third chapter, beginning at the twelfth verse.

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual **Hymn ~ 107**

The heavenly Child in stature grows,
and, growing, learns to die;
and still his early training shows
his coming agony.

The Son of God his glory hides
to dwell with parents poor;
and he who made the heavens abides
in dwelling-place obscure.

Those mighty hands that rule the sky
no earthly toil refuse;
the Maker of the stars on high
an humble trade pursues.

He whom the choirs of angels praise,
bearing each dread decree,
his earthly parents now obeys
in glad humility.

For this thy lowliness revealed,
Jesu, we thee adore,
and praise to God the Father yield
and Spirit evermore.

*Words: Jean-Baptiste de Santeuil (1630-1697),
from Divine crescebas Puer, Latin; translation: John Chandler (1806-1876),
and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern.
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The Holy Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

Gospeller: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, the ninth chapter, beginning at the twenty-eighth verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

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

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

Intercessor: 7:00 A.M. ~ Prof. Anne St. John, GCM

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Darnley King

INTERCESSION FORM “B”

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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.

Silence may be kept; and special intentions will be offered by the Dean.

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

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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 A

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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.

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE “A”

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PRESIDENT:

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

ALL:

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

PRESIDENT:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP: “Let there be peace on earth”

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God our Creator
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment

And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

Words: Jill Jackson; Melody: Sy Miller (1945)

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory **Hymn ~ 392 vs 5 omitted**

When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awaking cries,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair;
may Jesus Christ be praised.

Whene'er the sweet church bell
peals over hill and dell,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
O hark to what it sings,
as joyously it rings,
may Jesus Christ be praised.

My tongue shall never tire
of chanting with the choir,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
this song of sacred joy,
it never seems to cloy,
may Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind?

A solace here I find,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this,
may Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
be this the eternal song
through ages all along,
may Jesus Christ be praised.

*Words: anonymous from Beim Frühen Morgenlicht,
in Katholisches Gesangbuch, Würzburg, c1744, German;
translation: Edward Caswall (1814-1878)*

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:

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Because in coming to dwell among us as man, He revealed the radiance of His glory, and brought us out of darkness into His own marvellous light.
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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 “A”

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PRESIDENT:

All Holy and glorious Father,
our Creator God,

we give you thanks
because in your loving wisdom
you brought all things into being,
and are truly worthy of praise
from every creature you have made.

Again and again
we have turned away from you;
yet in every age your steadfast love
has called us to return,
to live in union with you:
for it is your eternal purpose
to put new life into all things
and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ
who took our human nature upon Him
you have redeemed the world
from the bondage of sin:
and by the power of your Holy Spirit
you have gathered a people to yourself,
to make known in every place
His perfect offering which He made
to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
And grant that these gifts of bread and wine
may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed
He took bread,
and when He had given thanks to you,
He broke it and gave it to His disciples
and said: “Take this, and eat it:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And after supper
He took the cup of wine:
and when He had given thanks,
He gave it to them and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the New Covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

PRESIDENT:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

ALL:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

PRESIDENT:

And so, Heavenly Father,

rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation;
His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice
made once for all upon the Cross;
His Mighty Resurrection from the dead;
His Glorious Ascension into heaven;
and looking for His Coming in glory;
we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving;
and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood
of your Son, our great High Priest,
may be renewed by your Holy Spirit,
and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us.
Unite us with all Bishops,
all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments,
and with the whole people of God,
living and departed,
whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness,
that we may be found ready to join the company
of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles,
and all your saints,
when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again:
Forever giving you thanks and praise
through Him from whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father Almighty,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESIDENT:

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name;

your kingdom come;

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread,

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD "A"

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PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL:

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

THE COMMUNION

The Invitation “A”

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PRESIDENT:

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body, which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ALL:

Grant gracious Lord that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and drink His blood, that 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** ~ 790 & 569

O wondrous type! O vision fair
of glory that the church may share,
which Christ upon the mountain shows,
where brighter than the sun he glows!

With Moses and Elijah nigh
the incarnate Lord holds converse high;
and from the cloud, the Holy One
bears record to the only Son .

With shining face and bright array,
Christ deigns to manifest today
what glory shall be theirs above
who joy in God with perfect love.

And faithful hearts are raised on high
by this great vision's mystery;
for which in joyful strains we raise
the voice of prayer, the hymns of praise.

O Father, with the eternal Son,
and Holy Spirit, ever One,
vouchsafe to bring us by thy grace
to see thy glory face to face.

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Hymn ~ 569

Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia, he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluia, Bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia, here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia, born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:

thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the Eucharistic feast.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high;
alleluia to the Saviour,
who has gained the victory;
alleluia to the Spirit,
fount of love and sanctity;
alleluia, alleluia
to the Triune Majesty.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER “A” Page 147

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 “Epiphany” Page 150

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with good news of His kingdom; 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 ~ 244**

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
raise the glad strain,
alleluia!

Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,
alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises,
alleluia!

Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord,
alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
alleluia!
alleluia!

Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song,
alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
alleluia!
alleluia!

To God the Father, God the Son,

and God the Spirit, Three in One,
alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945)

THE DISMISSAL

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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. However, those who wish to leave at this point may do so quietly.)



The Last Sunday after the Epiphany: Year C

First Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

Comment: *“Coming down from Mount Sinai, Moses’ face shone”*

In our first reading we hear how **Moses’ face shone after he had spoken with the Lord.** When Moses came down from Mount Sinai after again receiving the ten commandments, the people were afraid to approach him because of the radiance of his face. Whenever he talked with the people, he had to wear a veil.

Psalm 99

The holy and mighty Lord reigns on high. God spoke to Israel's leaders from a pillar of cloud and has forgiven them their misdeeds.

Second Lesson: (The Epistle) 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

Comment: *“With unveiled faces we see the Lord’s glory as we are transformed”*

In our New Testament reading, **Paul celebrates the freedom and boldness that comes to believers through Christ.** Moses veiled his face when leaving the Lord’s presence, but now the veil is removed and open access is given to God in Jesus. The Spirit brings transformation through God’s mercy, therefore right conduct and transparency are to characterise the dealings of God’s people, commending themselves to all with clear conscience.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

Comment: *“Jesus is transfigured on the mountain”*

Our Gospel is **the story of Jesus’ transfiguration.** The narrative is richly woven with themes and symbols drawn from Israel’s past and its hopes for the future. Moses and Elijah represent the law and the prophets whose promises Jesus fulfils. While Jesus is praying, divine glory is reflected in his human person. The chosen disciples hear a voice from the cloud declaring that this is God’s beloved Son.

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1. **FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:** The ministry, mission and maintenance of the Cathedral is supported primarily by

its members' contributions weekly and monthly. However, contributions are appreciated from anyone. An invitation is extended to all visitors and well-wishers to support the financial needs of this sacred place. Please donate to St. Michael's Cathedral, Bridgetown, St. Michael.

Friends and well-wishers may write to stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com or call 1 246-427-0790 for more details. Meantime, donations can be made through online payments to St. Michael's Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 2719302; Transit # 09606.

2. **INITIAL OFFERING:** A total of (\$3,007.00) has been received for the Initial Offering. Sincere thanks to all. Members who have not made their offering as yet are asked to do so as soon as possible.

“Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” (2 Corinthians 9:7)

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

- I. 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.

- II. **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.
- III. **MINISTRY:** Opportunities are available for members to serve the Cathedral as **Lay Eucharistic Ministers** (primarily to administer communion to the Shut-in); **Servers** (to prepare the Sanctuary for worship, maintaining and caring for the sacred vessels, altar linens, and vestments, and assisting the clergy; and **Audio Technicians** (to assist, set up and monitor the sound equipment during services). Interested persons are asked to contact The Dean. Please note that training will be provided for each ministry.



BIRTHDAYS: Congratulations to all those celebrating their birthdays this week March 2 to 8, 2025.

- 2 Mr. Ian C. Weekes
- 3 Mrs. Fay Cooke-Nurse
- 4 Ms. Audrey G. Miller
- 7 Ms. Gerline E. Parris
- 8 Mrs. Omeitha I. Haynes
- Ms. Beverley L. Moore



May God bless and strengthen you.





SICK: Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Margaret Browne, Colleen Byer, Darwin Clarke, Heather Coward-Downes, Alice P. Hall, Martin Haynes, Beverley Hinds, 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, The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn, Basil Worrell, Ernesta Yarde and George Yearwood.



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



- Mr. Courtney Carrington (St. Leonard)
- Mrs. Mildred Cox-Inniss (Shut-in)
- Mr. Whitfield Jackman, brother of Capt. Evelyn Jackman (Roman Catholic)
- Mr. Trevor Marshall (Historian and Educator)
- Mrs. Patricia Sealy (Shut-in).

We thank God for their lives, work, and witness among us. **May the bereaved families know the blessedness of those who mourn.**



**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
for the YEAR 2025 to 2027**

Ex-Officio

The Clergy

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson, (Chairman)

The Rev'd Canon George W. Knight (Precentor)

The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn (Assistant Priest)

Synod Representatives elected:

Ms. Cyrilene Forde

Mr. Darnley King

Mr. Samuel Maxwell, J.P.

Ms. Donna Inniss – Alternate Synod Representative

Councillors elected:

Mr. Grantley Bonas, J.P.

Mrs. Juno Burrows

Ms. Jennifer Benn

Ms. Harriet Clarke

Mr. David Murray

Mr. Victor Sylvester

Councillors appointed:

Ms. Deidre Cox

Mr. Victor Gittens

Mr. Trevor King

Mrs. Margaret Fraser-Morrison

Ms. Donnah Russell, J. P.

Mr. John Moore

A Prayer for the Parochial Church Council

O Holy Spirit of God, we ask for your presence and guidance be upon the Church Council throughout this current term of office. May each member of the Council exercise his or her responsibilities wisely and prayerfully, and may the decisions of the Council be in accordance with your will and for the extension of Christ's kingdom in this Cathedral parish, for His name's sake. **Amen.**



THEME FOR THE WEEK

*“The glory of God is a frightening yet challenging vision.
But God always comes in love.”*



CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Sunday, March 2, 2025

Today, The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, March 5, 2025

The Ash Wednesday Liturgy

10:00 A.M.; 12:00 Noon and 7:00 P.M.



Sunday, March 9, 2025

The First Sunday in Lent

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

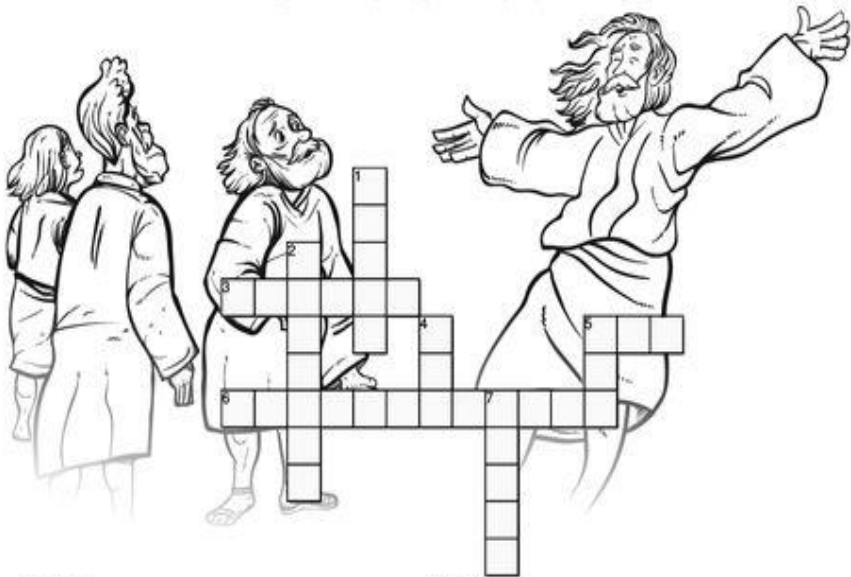


**Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings
March 2 - 8, 2025**

Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Last Sunday after the Epiphany	Psalms 148, 149, 150 Deuteronomy 6:1-9 Hebrews 12:18-29	Psalms 114, 115 Ecclesiasticus 48:1-11 John 12:24-32
Monday	Psalm 25 Deuteronomy 6:10-15 Hebrews 1:1-14	Psalms 9, 15 Proverbs 27:1-6, 10-12 John 1:1-18
Tuesday	Psalms 26, 28 Deuteronomy 6:16-25 Hebrews 2:1-10	Psalms 36, 39 Proverbs 30:1-4, 24-33 John 1:19-28
Ash Wednesday	Psalms 95 (Invitatory) & 32, 143 Jonah 3:1—4:11 Hebrews 12:1-14	Psalms 102, 130 Amos 5:6-15 Luke 18:9-14
Thursday	Psalm 37:1-18 Deuteronomy 7:6-11 Titus 1:1-16	Psalm 37:19-42 Habakkuk 3:1-10(11-15) 16-18 John 1:29-34
Friday	Psalms 95 (Invitatory) & 31 Deuteronomy 7:12-16 Titus 2:1-15	Psalm 35 Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 John 1:35-42
Saturday	Psalms 30, 32 Deuteronomy 7:17-26 Titus 3:1-15	Psalms 42, 43 Ezekiel 39:21-29 John 1:43-51 <i>Collect for 1 Lent</i>

JESUS TRANSFIGURED

Matthew 17:1-8, Mark 9:2-13,
and Luke 9:28-36



Across

- When prayer was needed the most, the disciples fell _____.
- In the transfiguration of Jesus, He appeared before the three disciples as bright as the _____.
- After the transfiguration, Jesus warned the disciples to not tell anyone about the event until after His _____.

Down

- "The law was given by _____; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ." (John 1:17).
- God interrupted Peter with the words, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well _____. Hear Him!".
- Jesus began to explain the plan of salvation to his disciples, that He must first suffer and _____.
- Without the shedding of Christ's blood, there would be no forgiveness of _____.
- Peter suggested to Jesus that he and the other disciples build _____ tents.



NOTES:

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Mr. Arlington DaCosta Watson, BSM, J.P.

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Mr. Samuel Maxwell, J. P. Mr. Victor Sylvester

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Outreach Committee:	Mrs. Delores Hinds
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