



The Second Sunday of Easter
Services
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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**SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025,
The Second Sunday of Easter**

President and Preacher:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Michael "Tony" Haynes

9:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Canon George Knight

Lay Eucharist Minister: Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude

Welcome

Introit Hymn ~ 164

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious King,
who hath washed us in the tide
flowing from his piercèd side;
praise we him, whose love divine
gives his sacred blood for wine,

gives his body for the feast,
Christ the Victim, Christ the Priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal Victim, Paschal Bread;
with sincerity and love
eat we manna from above.

Mighty Victim from the sky,
hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;
thou hast conquered in the fight,
thou hast brought us life and light.
Now no more can death appal,
now no more the grave enthrall:
thou hast opened paradise,
and in thee thy saints shall rise.

Easter triumph, Easter joy,
sin alone can this destroy;
from sin's power do thou set free
souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.
Hymns of glory and of praise,
risen Lord, to thee we raise;
holy Father, praise to thee,
with the Spirit, ever be.

*Words: anonymous, from Ad regias agni dopes, 6th century, Latin;
translation: Robert Campbell (1814-1868)*

Opening Sentence *“Easter”*

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Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed. Come, let us adore Him.
Alleluia!

THE INVOCATION

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PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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ALL:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires know, and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy

**Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily
magnify your Holy Name, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,

almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One;

you alone are the Lord:

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

The Collect: "The Second Sunday of Easter" Page 169

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

(Please sit)

First Lesson: **Acts 5:27-32**

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

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

A reading from the Word of God written in the Acts of the Apostles, the fifth chapter, beginning at the twenty-seventh verse.

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.

And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 150 *Laudate Dominum*

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1 Hallelujah!

Praise God in his holy temple; *
praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him for his mighty acts; *
praise him for his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; *
praise him with lyre and harp.

4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; *
praise him with strings and pipe.

5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; *
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.

6 Let everything that has breath *
praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be for ever.

Amen.

(Please sit)

Second Lesson: **Revelation 1:4-8**

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Deidre Cox

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Valdine Browne

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

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand, as able)

The Gradual Hymn ~ 182

Antiphon:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The strife is o'er, the battle done;
now is the Victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung:

Antiphon or Alleluia!

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,

and Jesus hath his foes dispersed;
let shouts of praise and joy outburst.

Antiphon or Alleluia!

On the third morn he rose again
glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain:

Antiphon or Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee
from death's dread sting thy servants free,
that we may live, and sing to thee

Antiphon or Alleluia! Antiphon

*Words: anonymous, from Finita jam sunt proelia, 17th century, Latin;
translation: Francis Pott (1832-1909)*

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

Gospellers:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Michael "Tony" Haynes

9:00 A.M. ~ 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 John, the
twentieth chapter, beginning at the nineteenth verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the

Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

(Please sit)

The Sermons:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Michael "Tony" Haynes

9:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Canon George Knight

(Please stand, as able)

The Nicene Creed

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We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen or unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
one in Being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary,

and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day He rose again

in fulfilment of the Scriptures;

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.

With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Intercessors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Donnah Russell, J.P.

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Margaret Fraser-Morrison

Intercession: **Form “H”**

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LEADER:

Let us 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, and 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, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

LEADER: Lord in your mercy.

ALL: Hear our prayer

PRESIDENT:

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through 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 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.

If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you.

ALL:

Leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.

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
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.

Jill Jackson-Miller and Sy Miller in 1955

(Please sit)

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory Hymn ~ 178

Antiphon:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sons and daughters, let us sing!
The King of heaven, the glorious King,
o'er death today rose triumphing.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

That Easter morn, at break of day,
the faithful women went their way
to seek the tomb where Jesus lay.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

An angel clad in white they see,
who sat, and spake unto the three,
'Your Lord doth go to Galilee.'
Alleluia! Alleluia!

That night th' Apostles met in fear;
amidst them came their Lord most dear,
and said, 'My peace be on all here.'
Alleluia! Alleluia!

When Thomas first the tidings heard,
how they had seen the risen Lord,
he doubted the disciples' word.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

'My pierced side, O Thomas, see;
my hands, my feet I show to thee;
Not faithless but believing be.'
Alleluia! Alleluia!

No longer Thomas then denied;
he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
'Thou art my Lord and God,' he cried.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

How blest are they who have not seen,
and yet whose faith has constant been;
for they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days,
to God your hearts and voices raise
in laud, and jubilee, and praise.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Antiphon

*Words: Jean Tisserant (14??-1494), from O filiae, 17th century, 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 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: *(Go to page 128)*

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But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for He is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By His death He has destroyed

death, and by His rising to life again He has won for us eternal life. (*Go to page 131*)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might;
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

(Please sit or kneel as able)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING “A”

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PRESIDENT:

All Holy and glorious Father,
our Creator God,
we give you thanks
because in your loving wisdom
you brought all things into being,
and are truly worthy of praise
from every creature you have made.
Again and again
we have turned away from you;
yet in every age your steadfast love

has called us to return,
to live in union with you:
for it is your eternal purpose
to put new life into all things
and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ
who took our human nature upon Him
you have redeemed the world
from the bondage of sin:
and by the power of your Holy Spirit
you have gathered a people to yourself,
to make known in every place
His perfect offering which He made
to the glory of your Name.
Hear us, therefore, Father,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
And grant that these gifts of bread and wine
may be unto us His Body and Blood.

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

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

PRESIDENT:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

ALL:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

PRESIDENT:

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

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving;

and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood
of your Son, our great High Priest,
may be renewed by your Holy Spirit,
and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.
Let faith and love increase in us.
Unite us with all Bishops,
all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments,
and with the whole people of God,
living and departed,
whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness,
that we may be found ready to join the company
of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles,
and all your saints,
when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again:
Forever giving you thanks and praise
through Him for 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 “B”

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PRESIDENT:

God of promise, You have prepared a Banquet for us.

ALL:

Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

THE COMMUNION

(All baptised members of the Church, as inspired, may come to the altar and receive Holy Communion)

The Invitation “Form “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 ~ 607 & 615

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
first-begotten from the dead,
thou alone, our strong defender,
liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Jesu, true and living bread.

Here our humblest homage pay we,

here in loving reverence bow;
here for faith's discernment pray we,
lest we fail to know thee now,
Alleluia, alleluia,
thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
as of old in Bethlehem,
here as there thine angels hail thee,
Branch and Flower of Jesse's Stem.
Alleluia, alleluia,
we in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished
once for all when thou wast slain,
in its fullness undiminished
shall for evermore remain.
Alleluia, alleluia,
cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
stricken Rock with streaming side,
heaven and earth with loud hosanna
worship thee, the Lamb who died.
Alleluia, alleluia,
risen, ascended, glorified.

Words: George Hugh Bourne (1840-1925)

Hymn ~ 615

O thou, before the world began,
ordained a sacrifice for man,
and by the Eternal Spirit made

an offering for the sinner's stead;
our everlasting priest art thou,
pleading thy death for sinners now.
Thy offering still continues new
before the righteous Father's view;
thyself the Lamb for ever slain,
thy priesthood doth unchanged remain;
thy years, O God, can never fail,
nor thy blest work within the veil.

O that our faith may never move
but stand unshaken as thy love!
Sure evidence of things unseen,
now let it pass the years between,
and view thee bleeding on the tree,
my Lord, my God, who dies for me.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), 1745

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER “A”

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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 Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

THE BLESSING ~ “*Easter Day*”

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The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight; and the blessing of God the Father be upon you this day and forever more.

ALL: *Amen.*

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Recessional Hymn ~166

Christ the Lord is risen again!
Christ hath broken every chain!
Hark! Angelic voices cry,
singing evermore on high,
alleluia!

He, who gave for us his life,
who for us endured the strife,
is our Paschal Lamb today;
we too sing for joy, and say
alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss
comfortless upon the cross,
lives in glory now on high,
pleads for us, and hears our cry:
Alleluia!

He whose path no records tell,
who descended into hell,
who the strong man armed hath bound,

now in highest heaven is crowned.

Alleluia!

He who slumbered in the grave
is exalted now to save;
now through Christendom it rings
that the Lamb is King of kings.

Alleluia!

Now he bids us tell abroad
how the lost may be restored,
how the penitent forgiven,
how we too may enter heaven.

Alleluia!

Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, thy ransomed people feed;
take our sins and guilt away:
let us sing by night and day
alleluia!

*Words: Michael Weisse (1488-1534) from Christus ist erstanden, German;
translation: Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.*



The Second Sunday of Easter **YEAR C**

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32

Comment: *“The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus.”*

In our lesson from the Book of Acts, **the apostles are brought before the council of religious authorities in**

Jerusalem and again commanded to cease teaching in the name of Jesus. Peter and the apostles claim a higher authority and proclaim that the executed Jesus is their exalted Leader and Saviour, offering forgiveness to Israel. The apostles and the Holy Spirit must bear witness to Jesus.
Psalm 150

A song of praise and rejoicing in which all that has breath is invited to join.

Second Reading: (The Epistle): Revelation 1:4-8

Comment: *“Jesus Christ, firstborn of the dead, is coming.”*

In this lesson **John the Seer addresses seven representative churches in Asia Minor with a hymn of praise to Christ, the firstborn from the dead and now ruler of all.** The resurrected Jesus frees disciples from their sins and makes them a kingdom of priests serving his God and Father, the One who is and was and is to come.

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

Comment: *“Beholding the wounds of the risen Christ.”*

Our gospel presents **two appearances of the risen Lord to his disciples.** The first takes place on the very evening of the day of the resurrection. The disciples are gathered in fear, but Jesus brings them peace, gives them their mission, and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. A week later, Thomas, who had been absent when Jesus first appeared and who doubted his resurrection, now knows Jesus by his wounds and worships him as his Lord and God. Future disciples will

not have Jesus' physical presence, but they will be blessed in their belief.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

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.

1. **INITIAL OFFERING:** A total of (\$3,310.00) 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)

2. 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. Further to a recent meeting of the Parochial Church Council, members are asked to consider the following projects in pursuance of our goals. They are as follows:
 - 1) Streaming Equipment Foundational Setup - \$35,000.00
 - 2) Repairs to the Southern Balcony - \$59,400.00
 - 3) Repairs to the Chapter Room - \$12,750.00
 - 4) Repairs to five (5) Windows in the Nave - \$17,500.00
 - 5) Purchase of a Photocopier - \$18,346.45
 - 6) Rentokil Treatment to safeguard the building from the influx of pigeons - \$28,000.00
 - 7) Ceiling Light fittings for the Southern Balcony – (\$2,000.00)

The season of Easter, a time to think about new life, is an opportune time to work to further our goals. It is also important that parishioners solicit the support of friends, business partners and people of good will to support the

programme of revitalization. Donation Cards are still available.

***Congratulation to all those person celebrating birthdays
this week ~ April 27 - May 3, 2025***

27 Mrs. Denise Taitt-Proute

Ms. Alice P. Hall

28 Ms. Undine Straker

29 Ms. Andrea A. D. Thomas

30 Mrs. Sherry L. S. Cumberbatch

2 Mrs. Helen Blugh-Taylor

Mr. Leo A. Taylor



May God bless and strengthen you.



VACATION: Members are asked to note that Dean Jeffrey is currently on holiday until Wednesday, April 30, 2025. During his absence the Rev'd Erma Ambrose will serve as Priest-in-Charge; The Rev'd Michael "Tony" Haynes and Canon George Knight will be responsible for the Sunday services at 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M. respectively. They will be ably assisted by the Church Wardens and the Administrative Assistant.





SICK: Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Daphne Browne, Margaret Browne, Colleen Byer, Darwin Clarke, Heather Coward-Downes, The Most Rev'd Drexel Gomez, Alice P. Hall, Martin Haynes, Beverley Hinds, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Judy King, Marlene Moore, Blair Murray, Clyde Outram, Sylvester (Blues) Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Claudette Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Arlington Watson, The Rt. Rev'd Dr. Sir Wilfred Wood, Basil Worrell, and Ernesta Yarde.



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



- Mr. George Yearwood
- Mr. Valdene Vanderpool
- Ms. Joan Waldron

We thank God for their lives, work, and witness among us.

May the bereaved families know the blessedness of those who mourn.

THEME FOR THE WEEK

“When we admit the Spirit into our lives, the results are often amazing.”



Cathedral's Self-Denial Cards: Sincere thanks to all who have participated in the Lenten act of self-denial, almsgiving and Bible Study under the theme: “Building the

Beloved Community”. Please place the completed Cards, with the envelopes, in the boxes which have been provided.



Sunday, April 27, 2025

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, April 30, 2025

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Looking Ahead!

Sunday, May 4, 2025

**6:00 P.M. ~ Choral Evensong : The Collation and
Installation of the Archdeacon and Three (3) Canons**



Thursday, May 8, 2025

**9:00 A.M ~ The St. Michael School Founders’ Day
Service**



Sunday, May 11, 2025 ~ Mother’s Day

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

President and Preacher :

The Rev’d Michael “Tony” Haynes

9:00 A.M. ~ Mother's Day
President and Preacher
The Rev'd Dr. Eleanor Glasgow-Layne of the Diocese of
the Windward Islands



**Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings
April 27 to May 3, 2025**

Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Second Sunday of Easter	Psalms 146, 147 Isaiah 43:8-13 1 Peter 2:2-10	Psalms 111, 112, 113 Exodus 14:5-22 John 14:1-7
Monday	Psalm 145 Ecclesiasticus 2:1-11 Acts 12:25—13:3	Psalms 67, 96 Isaiah 62:6-12 2 Timothy 4:1-11
Tuesday	Psalms 5, 6 Daniel 2:1-16 1 John 2:1-11	Psalms 10, 11 Exodus 15:1-21 John 17:12-19
Wednesday	Psalm 119:1-124 Daniel 2:17-30 1 John 2:12-17	Psalms 12, 13, 14 Exodus 15:22—16:10 John 17:20-26
Thursday	Psalms 119:137-160 Job 23:1-12 John 1:43-51	Psalm 139 Proverbs 4:7-18 John 12:20-26
Friday	Psalms 16, 17 Daniel 3:1-18 1 John 3:1-10	Psalms 134, 135 Exodus 16:23-36 Luke 3:15-22
Saturday	Psalms 20, 21:1-7(8-14) Daniel 3:19-30 1 John 3:11-18	Psalms 110:1-5(6-7), 116, 117 Exodus 17:1-16 Luke 4:1-13 <i>Collect for 3 Easter</i>

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