



**The Third 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".

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**SUNDAY, May 4, 2025,
The Third Sunday of Easter**

President and Preacher:

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

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

Lay Eucharist Minister: Mrs. Valdine Browne

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude

Welcome

Introit Hymn ~ 174

The Lord is risen indeed!
Now is his work performed;
now is the mighty captive freed,
and death's strong castle stormed.

The Lord is risen indeed!
Then hell has lost his prey;
with him is risen the ransomed seed
to reign in endless day.

The Lord is risen indeed!
He lives, to die no more;
he lives, the sinner's cause to plead,
whose curse and shame he bore.

The Lord is risen indeed!
Attending angels, hear!
Up to the courts of heaven with speed
the joyful tidings bear.

Then take your golden lyres,
and strike each cheerful chord;
join, all ye bright celestial choirs,
to sing our risen Lord.

Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-c1854), alt.

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

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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: **“The Third Sunday of Easter”** Page 169

Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made Himself known to His disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold Him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

(Please sit)

First Lesson: **Acts 9:1-6**

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

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

A reading from the Word of God written in the Acts of the Apostles, the ninth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30 *Exaltabo te, Domine*

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- 1 I will exalt you, O LORD,
because you have lifted me up *
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 O LORD my God, I cried out to you, *
and you restored me to health.
- 3 You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; *
you restored my life as I was going down to the
grave.
- 4 Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; *
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,
*his favor for a lifetime.
- 6 Weeping may spend the night, *
but joy comes in the morning.

- 7 While I felt secure, I said,
 "I shall never be disturbed. *
 You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong
 as the mountains."
- 8 Then you hid your face, *
 and I was filled with fear.
- 9 I cried to you, O LORD; *
 I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to
 the Pit? *
 will the dust praise you or declare your
 faithfulness?
- 11 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; *
 O LORD, be my helper."
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; *
 you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me
 with joy.
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without
 ceasing;* O LORD my God, I will give you
 thanks for ever.

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 5:11-14

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. John Moore

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

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and
might
and honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the
Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might
forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as able)

The Gradual Hymn ~ 180

The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God;
from death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,

our God hath brought us over
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection-light;
and, listening to his accents,
may hear so calm and plain
his own ‘All hail,’ and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful,
and earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph,
and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen,
our joy that hath no end.

*Words: John of Damascus (c696-c754) from
translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.*

The Holy Gospel: John 21:1-19

Gospellers:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Michael A. R. “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 twenty-first chapter, beginning at the first verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast."

Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

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. ~ Prof. Anne St. John, GCM

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Shaquan Pompey

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 ~ 186

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,
your sweetest notes employ,
the Paschal victory to hymn
in strains of holy joy.

For Judah's lion bursts his chains,
crushing the serpent's head;
and cries aloud through death's domains
to wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey
at his command restore;
his ransomed hosts pursue their way
where Jesus goes before.

Triumphant in his glory now
to him all power is given;
to him in one communion bow
all saints in earth and heaven.

While we, his soldiers, praise our King,
his mercy we implore,
within his palace bright to bring
and keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be,
all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
while endless ages run.

Alleluia! Amen.

*Words: Fulbert of Chartres (9??-1028),
from Chorus navae Jerusalem, Latin; translation: Robert Campbell (1814-1868)*

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)*

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 ~ 672 & 599

O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my master and my friend;

I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway,
if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to re-assure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my master and my friend.

O let me see thy footmarks,

and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone;
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my friend.

Words: John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)

Hymn ~ 599

Jesu, gentlest Saviour,
thou art in us now,
fill us with thy goodness,
till our hearts o'erflow.

Multiply our graces,
chiefly love and fear,
and, dear Lord, the chiefest,
grace to persevere.

Oh, how can we thank thee
for a gift like this,
gift that truly maketh
heaven's eternal bliss!

Ah! When wilt thou always
make our hearts thy home?
We must wait for heaven;
then the day will come.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863)

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 Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you this day and forever more.

ALL: *Amen.*

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**The Recessional Hymn ~183**

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o’er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded graveclothes where thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o’er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;

lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love:
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

*Words: Edmond Louis Budry (1854-1932),
from *À toi la gloire, O Ressuscité*, French;
translation: Richard Birch Hoyle (1875-1939)*



The Third Sunday of Easter

Year C

First Reading: Acts 9:1-6

Comment: “*Paul’s conversion, baptism, and preaching.*”

In this reading from the story of the early church we hear how **Paul is converted from being an enemy of the Christian way in order to become the great apostle to the non-Jewish peoples.** While he is headed toward Damascus to persecute Christians, Paul is encountered by the risen Jesus. Jesus calls him by his Jewish name, Saul, and asks why he is persecuting him by persecuting his followers. Paul is blinded by the experience, and is instructed to proceed to Damascus, where God will offer further guidance

Psalm 30

A hymn of praise and thanksgiving by one who the Lord has saved from death.

Second Lesson: (The Epistle) Revelation 5:11-14

Comment: *“The song of the living creatures to the Lamb.”*

This lesson presents a **heavenly vision of the Lamb that was slain—a figure of Jesus**. Myriads of angels surrounded the elders and living creatures as they sing praises to the Lamb, joined by every creature in heaven, on earth, and under the earth. He who through his blood has offered ransom for his people, now lives and is worthy of all honour and glory.

The Holy Gospel: John 21:1-19

Comment: *“Jesus appears to the disciples.”*

Our Gospel tells of **another appearance by Jesus to his disciples—this time after their return to the Sea of Tiberias or Galilee**. Several of the disciples go fishing and do not immediately recognise Jesus standing on the shore and telling them where fish may be caught. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved (perhaps intended as a model for all disciples) perceives it is the Lord. Led by the impulsive Peter they all join Jesus, bringing with them their net full with a hundred fifty-three large fish. (The significance of this number remains unknown to us.) As often in these stories, they share a meal with their risen Lord. Jesus asks Simon Peter three times if he loves him, and three times instructs Peter to tend and feed his sheep as an expression of

that love. Peter will glorify God Even in his death.

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 (\$3,350.00) 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 ~ May 4 to 10, 2025***

4 Mr. Norton A. Brewster

Mrs. Joann M. Leslie

5 Ms. Corletta L. A. Ellis

7 Mr. Kelvin E. Ward

10 Ms. Valerie Y. Quintyne



May God bless and strengthen you.



Pastoral Leave: Members are asked to note that yesterday May 1, 2025, the Dean took the Oaths of Allegiance and of the Office of President of Barbados at approximately 6:00 P.M. He will serve until Her Excellency the Most Honourable Dame Sandra Mason, President of Barbados returns from duty leave on May 15, 2025. During this period, the Rev'd Erma Ambrose will serve as Priest-in-Charge of the Cathedral Parish and will be responsible for the Wednesday services. The Rev'd Michael A. R. "Tony" Haynes and Canon George Knight will be responsible for the Sunday services at 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M. respectively. Note, however, that the Rev'd Dr. Eleanor Glasgow-Layne of the Diocese of the Windward Island will preside and preach on Sunday, May 11, 2025 at the 9:00A.M. service.

Office hours remain 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. daily. Please contact Ms. Armel Marshall, Administrative Assistant. The

Church Wardens, Ms. Deidre Cox and Mr. Victor Sylvester will offer support, as necessary.



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. Haldene 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

“Often, our sudden awareness of the Lord’s presence can change our lives.”



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.



Today, Sunday, May 4, 2025

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

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



Wednesday, May 7, 2025

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Looking Ahead!

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 A. R. "Tony" Haynes

9:00 A.M. ~ Mother's Day

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**The Rev'd Dr. Eleanor Glasgow-Layne of the Diocese of
the Windward Islands**



**Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings
May 4 to 10, 2025**

Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Third Sunday of Easter	Psalms 148, 149, 150 Daniel 4:1-18 1 Peter 4:7-11	Psalms 114, 115 Exodus 18:1-12 John 21:15-25
Monday	Psalm 25 Daniel 4:19-27 1 John 3:19—4:6	Psalms 9, 15 Exodus 18:13-27 Luke 4:14-30
Tuesday	Psalms 26, 28 Daniel 4:28-37 1 John 4:7-21	Psalms 36, 39 Exodus 19:1-16 Luke 4:31-37
Wednesday	Psalm 38 Daniel 5:1-12 1 John 5:1-12	Psalm 119:25-48 Exodus 19:16-25 Luke 4:38-44
Thursday	Psalm 37:1-18 Daniel 5:13-30 1 John 5:13-20(21)	Psalm 37:19-42 Exodus 20:1-21 Luke 5:1-11
Friday	Psalm 105:1-22 Daniel 6:1-15 2 John 1-13	Psalm 105:23-45 Exodus 24:1-18 Luke 5:12-26
Saturday	Psalms 30, 32 Daniel 6:16-28 3 John 1-15	Psalms 42, 43 Exodus 25:1-22 Luke 5:27-39 <i>Collect for 4 Easter</i>

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