



**The Cathedral Church of
Saint Michael and All Angels**
The Diocese of Barbados

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Sunday, March 22, 2026
6:00 P.M.

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

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The Very Rev'd Dr Jeffrey D. Gibson

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



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Organ Prelude

Introit Anthem ~ “*O Saviour of the World*” (Goss)

Versicles and Responses (*Darke/Fletcher*)

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

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

V. Praise ye the Lord.

R. The Lord’s Name be praised.

Psalm 145 *Exaltabo te, Deus*

1. I WILL magnify thee, O God, my King: and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
2. Every day will I give thanks unto thee: and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

3. Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised: there is no end of his greatness.
4. One generation shall praise thy works unto another: and declare thy power.
5. As for me, I will be talking of thy worship: thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;
6. So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts: and I will also tell of thy greatness.
7. The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed: and men shall sing of thy righteousness.
8. The Lord is gracious and merciful: long-suffering and of great goodness.
9. The Lord is loving unto every man: and his mercy is over all his works.
10. All thy works praise thee, O Lord: and thy saints give thanks unto thee.
11. They shew the glory of thy kingdom: and talk of thy power;
12. That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom: might be known unto men.
13. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom: and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

14. The Lord upholdeth all such as fall: and lifteth up all those that are down.
15. The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season.
16. Thou openest thine hand: and fillest all things living with plenteousness.
17. The Lord is righteous in all his ways: and holy in all his works.
18. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.
19. He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will help them.
20. The Lord preserveth all them that love him: but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.
21. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

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

First Lesson: Joel 2:2-14

Lector: Mr. Victor Small

Office Hymn ~ 15

Glory to thee, my God, this night
for all the blessings of the light;
keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
beneath thy own almighty wings.

Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,
the ill that I this day have done,
that with the world, myself, and thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

Teach me to live, that I may dread
the grave as little as my bed;
teach me to die, that so I may
rise glorious at the awful day.

O may my soul on thee repose,
and may sweet sleep mine eyelids close,
sleep that may me more vigorous make
to serve my God when I awake.

When in the night I sleepless lie,
my soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
no powers of darkness me molest.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
praise him, all creatures here below,
praise him above, angelic host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Magnificat ~ (Chant)

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

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

The Second Lesson: Matthew 28:16-20

Lector: Mr. Paul Blackman

Nunc Dimittis ~ (*Chant*)

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

The Apostles' Creed

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

V. The Lord be with you
R. And with thy spirit

All kneel

V. Let us pray
R. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer

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

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

Give us this day our daily bread.

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

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. O Lord, save our Nation.
R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. O Lord, save thy people
R. And bless thine inheritance.

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

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

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

R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect ~ “The Fifth Sunday in Lent”

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Second Collect, for Peace.

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

The Third Collect, for aid against all Perils.

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

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

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

R. Amen

The Anthem ~ *“Behold the Lamb of God” (Handel)*

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn 539

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart: it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879)

The Sermon: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson
Topic: “Investing in the Next Generation”

Offertory Hymn ~ 656

Jesus, good above all other,
gentle child of gentle mother,
in a stable born our brother,
give us grace to persevere.

Jesus, cradled in a manger,
for us facing every danger,
living as a homeless stranger,
make we thee our King most dear.

Jesus, for thy people dying,
risen Master, death defying,
Lord in heaven, thy grace supplying,
keep us to thy presence near.

Jesus, who our sorrows bearest,
all our thoughts and hopes thou sharest,

thou to man the truth declarest;
help us all thy truth to hear.

Lord, in all our doings guide us;
pride and hate shall ne'er divide us;
we'll go on with thee beside us,
and with joy we'll persevere.

Words: Percy Dearmer (1867-1936), partly based on J M Neale

Closing Prayer(s) & Blessings

Closing Hymn ~ 458

O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee:
I give thee back the life I owe,
that in thine ocean depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee:
my heart restores its borrowed ray,
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day
may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee:
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain
that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee:
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
and from the ground there blossoms red
life that shall endless be.

Words: George Matheson (1842-1906)

Organ Postlude

CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Today, Sunday, March 22, 2026

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

6:00 P.M. ~ Evensong- A Five-Part Preaching Series

***“Embracing the Kingdom’s Future: Welcoming
Children in Our Midst.”***

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

Topic: *“Investing in the Next Generation”*



Wednesday, March 25, 2026

10:00 A.M. ~ Worship, Reflection and Sacrament.

**Deacons in the Cathedral: A Six-Part Series on “The
Wilderness Experience: Challenge and Triumph along the
Christian Journey– *Broken Relationships*”**

Presenter: The Rev’d Edith Small



TICKETS: Members are asked to note that the tickets for Solemn Musick for Good Friday, to be held on **Friday, April 3, 2026 at 6:00 P.M.**, are now available **at \$30.00 each** and can be purchased after Church Services on Sundays, and from the Administrative Office during office hours.



SELF-DENIAL CARDS: The faithful are encouraged to participate in this pilgrimage of faith every day in Lent: read about the Wilderness Experience in the Bible; give alms; and offer prayers for the ministry of service. Proceeds will go towards The St. Michael Centre for Faith and Action.



DIOCESAN NEWS

- 1. ORDINATION TO THE DISTINCTIVE DIACONATE:** There will be an Ordination to the Diaconate of Mrs. Greta Yearwood on The Feast of the Annunciation, Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. at the Church of St. John the Baptist.

- 2. CHRISM MASS:** On Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 7:00 P.M., there will be a Service for the blessing of Oils, and the Renewal of Vows in the Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels.

- 3. SERVICE OF INSTALLATION:** On Sunday, April 12, 2026, at 6:00 P.M., there will be a Service of Installation at the Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels for: the recently appointed Registrar,

Ms. Cyrilene P. Forde, J.P., and Chancellor, Mr. Michael Alleyne, J.P.; and a new Canon to the Cathedral Chapter, The Rev'd Canon Dr. Sonia Hinds, to the stall of St Aidan.

- 4. ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD:**
Transitional Deacons - The Rev'd Re-Shan White, The Rev'd Denis Maynard and The Rev'd Stevenson Sobers – will be ordained to the Priesthood on the Feast of St. John the Apostle and Evangelist (Before the Latin Gate), in the Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels, on Wednesday, May 6, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.



LOOKING AHEAD !

Holy Week Schedule :

March 29 to April 4, 2026

March 29, 2026 ~ Palm Sunday,

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist -
with the Distribution of Palms

9:00 A.M. ~ The Palm Sunday Liturgy-
and Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, April 1, 2026

10:00 A.M. ~ Worship, Reflection and Sacrament.

Deacons in the Cathedral: Final in the Six-Part Series on
“The Wilderness Experience: Challenge and Triumph along
the Christian Journey– *Violence*”

Presenter: The Rev'd Re-Shan A. White

7:00 P.M. ~ CHRISM MASS

President and Preacher :

**The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell, Bishop of
Barbados**



Thursday, April 2, 2026

6:00 P.M. ~ The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday



Friday, April 3, 2026

9:00 A.M. ~ The Good Friday Liturgy

11:00 A.M. ~ Choral Matins

6:00 P.M. ~ Solemn Musick for Good Friday



EASTER SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 5, 2026

EASTER DAY

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

6:00 P.M. ~ Festal Evensong





Notes

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