

The Cathedral Church of St Michael Chapter



Service of Recognition for the Contributions of the
Dean Emeritus, the Archdeacon Emeritus and the
Canons Emeriti

Sunday, June 14, 2026 at 6:00 P.M

Feast of St. Basil

Choral Evensong

In the presence of His Excellency, The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson,
Acting President of Barbados and Mrs. Gibson

Officiating Ministers

President: The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell

Officiant: The Rev'd Canon Mark D. Harewood

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Peter H. O. W. Haynes

Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels

St. Michael's Row

Bridgetown, Barbados

The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

The Diocese of Barbados

Diocesan Bishop

The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. John. Maxwell, M. A.

*Dean His Excellency, The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D.
Gibson*

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ORDER OF PROCESSION

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Cathedral Choir Server

Diocesan Clergy

Cathedral Clergy

Canons Emeriti

Dean Emeritus

Rural Deans

Registrar

Chancellor

The Cathedral Chapter Attending

Server

The Bishop's Chaplain

The Bishop

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude(s) ~ Canterbury Interlude (*S. Campbell*)

Hornpipe (*G. F. Handel*)

Introit Anthem ~ Confortare (*G. Dyson*)

Welcome The Ven. Dr. Von E. Watson, Archdeacon of Barbados (*Please sit*)

Opening Hymn ~ 384 (*Please stand, as able*)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation; O
my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
all ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth: hast
thou not seen

how thy heart's wishes have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend
thee; surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee.
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do, if
to the end he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from
his people again: gladly for
aye we adore him.

*Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680),
from Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren, German;
translation: Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)*

Preces and Responses (*H. Statham*)

- 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 to 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 139:1-9 (*Please sit*)

1 O Lord thou hast searched me out and known me: thou knowest my
downsitting and mine up-rising, thou understandest my thoughts long
before. 2 Thou art about my path and about my bed: and spiest out all my
ways. 3. For lo there is not a word in my tongue: but thou O Lord knowest it
altogether.

4. Thou hast fashioned me behind and before: and laid thine hand upon me.

5. Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me: I cannot attain unto it.

6. Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit: or whither shall I go then from thy
presence?

7. If I climb up into heaven thou art there: if I go down to hell thou are there also.

8. If I take the wings of the morning: and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;

9. Even there also shall thy hand lead me: and thy right hand shall hold me.

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.

The First Lesson: Ezekiel 22:23-30

Lector: The Rev'd Canon George W. Knight

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel, the twenty-second chapter,
beginning at the twenty-third verse.

The word of the Lord came to me: Mortal, say to it: You are a land that is not
cleansed, not rained upon in the day of indignation.

Its princes within it are like a roaring lion tearing the prey; they have devoured
human lives; they have taken treasure and precious things; they have made many
widows within it. Its priests have done violence to my teaching and have profaned

my holy things; they have made no distinction between the holy and the common, neither have they taught the difference between the unclean and the clean, and they have disregarded my sabbaths, so that I am profaned among them.

Its officials within it are like wolves tearing the prey, shedding blood, destroying lives to get dishonest gain. Its prophets have smeared whitewash on their behalf, seeing false visions and divining lies for them, saying, "Thus says the Lord God," when the Lord has not spoken. The people of the land have practiced extortion and committed robbery; they have oppressed the poor and needy, and have extorted from the alien without redress. And I sought for anyone among them who would repair the wall and stand in the breach before me on behalf of the land, so that I would not destroy it; but I found no one.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God**

Office Hymn ~ 400 (*Please stand*)

We have a gospel to proclaim, good
news for men in all the earth; the
gospel of a saviour's name;
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,
not in a royal house or hall
but in a stable dark and dim: the
word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary, hated
by those he came to save; in
lonely suffering on the cross for
all he loved, his life he gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
empty the tomb, for he was free;
he broke the power of death and hell that
we might share his victory.

Tell of his reign at God's right hand, by
all creation glorified;
he sends his Spirit on his church to
live for him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name Him king:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth; this
gospel-message we proclaim:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Words: Edward Joseph Burns (1938-)
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Magnificat ~ C.V. Stanford (*in B flat*)

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 his 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: Luke 10:21-24 (*Please sit*) **Lector:**
The Rev'd Canon Curtis S. R. Goodridge

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke, the tenth chapter, beginning at the twentyfirst verse.

At that same hour Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." Then turning to the disciples, Jesus said to them privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it."

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God

Nunc Dimittis ~ C.V. Stanford (*in B flat*)

1 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:
according to thy word.

2 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation: which thou hast
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.**

(Please kneel or sit)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

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,
on 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, show 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 other 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: St. Basil, the Great, Bishop of Caesarea, 379.

Almighty God, who hast revealed to thy Church thine eternal Being of glorious majesty and perfect love as one God in Trinity of Persons: Give us grace that, like thy bishop Basil of Caesarea, we may continue steadfast in the confession of this faith, and constant in our worship of thee, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; who livest and reignest for ever and 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 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 all 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 ~ Come down O love divine (*W. Harris*)

Hymn ~ 223 (*arr. Wright*) (*Please stand, as able*)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there
is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not, as
thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see; all
I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above, join
with all nature in manifold witness to thy great
faithfulness, mercy and love:

Refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thy
own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

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(Please sit)

The Sermon: The Rev'd Canon Peter H. O. W. Haynes

Hymn ~ 700 ***(Please stand, as able)***

Lord, pour thy Spirit from on high, and
thine ordainèd servants bless; graces
and gifts to each supply, and clothe thy
priests with righteousness.

Within thy temple when they stand, to
teach the truth as taught by thee,
Saviour, like stars in thy right hand, let
all thy church's pastors be.

Wisdom, and zeal, and faith impart,
firmness with meekness, from above,
to bear thy people in their heart, and
love the souls whom thou dost love:

To watch, and pray, and never faint,
by day and night their guard to keep,
to warn the sinner, cheer the saint, to
feed thy lambs, and tend thy sheep.

So, when their work is finished here,
may they in hope their charge resign;
so, when their Master shall appear, may
they with crowns of glory shine.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854), 1833

(Please sit)

The Recognition– Dr. Sharon M. Marshall, Master of Ceremonies

- **Remarks** - The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell, Bishop of Barbados
 □ **The Presentation**
- **The Response** – The Rev'd Canon De Vere E. Murrell

A Clare Benediction (*J. Rutter*)

May the Lord show his mercy upon you;
may the light of his presence be your
guide: May he guard you and uphold you;
may his spirit be ever by your side.
When you sleep may his angels watch over you;
when you wake may he fill you with his grace:
May you love him and serve him all your days Then
in heaven my you see his face.

The Offertory Hymn ~ 672 (*Please stand, as able*)

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)

**Notices/Announcements – The Rev'd Canon Mark D. Harewood,
Secretary St. Michael's Cathedral Chapter**

The Closing Prayer and Episcopal Blessing -

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

(Please kneel or sit)

Let us pray.

God of all time, as we give thanks for the gifts of your servants' time with the St. Michael's Cathedral Chapter and in our Diocese, we pray for your blessing on them as they continue to minister.

Lord of all, we thank you that you call us in your service in a rich and beautiful variety of ways. As we give thanks for the ministry of our brothers among us, so may we be inspired by their wisdom and their faithfulness, to walk this day and always in your way, to seek out your will for our lives and to grow together in your love, as your pilgrim people on this earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PRESIDENT: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **The maker of heaven and earth.**

PRESIDENT: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **From this time forth for evermore.**

PRESIDENT:

Almighty God, who for the salvation of mankind gives to his people many gifts and ministries to the advancement of his glory, stir up in you the gifts of his grace, sustain each one of you in your own ministry; and the blessing of God Almighty the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen**

(Please stand, as able)

The Closing Hymn ~ 372 (arr. J. Rutter)

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

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace,

and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.

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

Words: Martin Rinckart (1586-1649)

Please remain standing as the Choir and Clergy depart the Cathedral

Organ Postlude ~ Nun Danket alle Gott (S. Karg-

Clergy Profiles

Dean Emeritus:

William George St. Clair, DIXON, C.B.E; B.A.; M.A.

Date of Birth: 9th October 1939
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 29th January 1975
Priest: 6th August 1975
Date of Retirement: 31st October 2004



William Dixon served as Curate at St. Peter from 1975, and as Priest-in-Charge (P-I-C) at St. Christopher from 1st March 1976. On 23rd July 1977, he was instituted as Rector of St. Christopher. He undertook studies at the University of Birmingham, UK, (1982-1983).

After his return to Barbados, he was appointed to serve as Dean of St. Michael's Cathedral (1st December 2000-31st October 2004). Following this period of service, Dean Dixon was P-I-C at St. Michael's Cathedral (1st November-31st December 2004); P-I-C at St. Catherine (1st January 2005-30th April 2010); Assistant at St. Matthias; and Assistant Priest at St. David and St. Basil.

Dean Dixon was commissioned “Dean Emeritus” by the Synod Council on 21st June 2012. He celebrated his 50th Anniversary in the Priesthood on 6th August 2025.

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Archdeacon Emeritus:

Eric Edwin LYNCH, B.A.; Th.M.



Date of Birth: 12th March 1955
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 25th July 1983
Priest: 22nd July 1984
Date of Retirement: 31st March 2025

Eric Lynch studied at Columbia Seminary in Decatur, Georgia, USA, (1982-1983). After returning to Barbados, he served as Curate at St. George (1st August 1983-1st September 1984); Curate at St. Margaret (1st September 1984 - 31st January 1986); P-I-C at Christ-the-King from 1st February 1986, and was appointed as Rector there on 14th March 1987.

On 1st November 2000, he was appointed Archdeacon of Barbados, and instituted on 10th December 2000. He held the Canon Stall of St. Ignatius.

He was P-I-C at St. Joseph and St. Aidan (1st August-30th September 2020); and also served as P-I-C at St. Luke, St. Martin and St. Saviour.

He was Chairman and Senior Canon of the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral until 18th June 2022, and Vicar General (19th July-2nd September 2022).

From 1st October 2022-28th February 2023, he was P-I-C at Christ-the-King.

His ministry continued as P-I-C at St. Lucy (1st January 2024-30th September 2024) and P-I-C at St. Alban and St. Silas (1st May 2025 –Present).

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Canons Emeriti:

Austin DeLisle CARRINGTON, B.A.; M.A. Date of Birth: 3rd
September 1953



Date of Ordination: Deacon: 15th August 1980
 Priest: 22nd July 1981
 Date of Retirement: 30th September 2023
 Date of Death: 19th May 2026

Austin Carrington was Curate at St. John the Baptist (1st July 1980-31st August 1982); P-I-C at St. Jude (1st September 1982-30th April 1984), and served as Rector of St. Jude (27th May 1984-31st August 1989).

He was then Rector of St. Barnabas (1st September 1989-31st January 1999), and after a period of study leave in the UK, was appointed Rector of St. Philip (1st February 1999-31st May 2002).

Subsequently he was appointed Rector of Christ Church (1st June 2002-31st January 2021), and was Rural Dean of the Christ Church Deanery (1st January 2002-30th September 2020). He was Canon of the Stall St. Cyprian (1st January 2009-31st January 2021). Canon Carrington was P-I-C at St. Martin (1st November-31st December 2015). He also served at All Souls during 2022.



Coleridge Athelbert DARLINGTON, LTh., Dip.Th. Date of

Birth: 28th October 1953

Date of Ordination: Deacon: 21st December 1978
 Priest: 21st December 1979

Date of Retirement: 31st October 2023



Coleridge Darlington was Curate at St. George (December 1978-1979); Curate at St. Peter (1979-14th September 1980); Curate at St. Mary (15th September 1980-30th September 1981); and Curate at St. John (1st October 1981- 1983).

He was P-I-C at St. Matthew/Resurrection (1983-10th August 1987), and was subsequently appointed Rector there (11th August 1987- 31st December 1994).

He then became Rector of All Souls (1st January 1995-30th September 2015); and Rector of St. Thomas (1st October 2015-31st October 2023). He was installed Canon to the Stall of St. Basil on 1st October 2015. Following his retirement, Canon Darlington

was P-I-C at St. Thomas (1st November – 31st December 2023); P-I-C St. Martin (1st January 2024 – 31st December 2024); and P-I-C at St. Alban and St. Silas (1st January -30th April 2025).

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Gregston Sylvester GOODING, B.A.

Date of Birth: 12th September 1945
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 7th March 1976
Priest: 22nd July 1976
Date of Retirement: 30th September 2015

Gregston Gooding was Curate at St. Ambrose from March to June 1976, before embarking on ministry overseas.

He served in The Bahamas as P-I-C at St. John and St. George in 1976, and was Rector of St. Patrick, Eleuthera (January 1978-October 1979). In 1976, he was also P-I-C at St. Mary, in the Turks and Caicos Islands.

In Barbados, he was Rector of St. David (November 1979-31st December 1994); and Rector of St. George (1st January 1995-31st December 2014).

He served as Rural Dean for St. John in 2001, and was installed as Canon to the Stall of St. Aidan on 1st March 2005.

Canon Gooding was P-I-C at St. Jude (1st June 2008-31st December 2014); P-I-C at St. Thomas (1st August-30th September 2015); P-I-C at All Souls (1st October-30th November 2015); P-I-C at Holy Cross (1st December 2015-31st December 2015); and P-I-C at St. Paul (3rd January 2016 -24th April 2016).

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**Curtis Stephen Roosevelt GOODRIDGE,
B.A. J.P.**

Date of Birth: 3rd April 1953
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 21st December 1978
Priest: 21st December 1979
Date of Retirement: 30th April 2023

Curtis Goodridge was Curate at St. Peter Parish Church; and Curate at Christ Church (1979December 1981). He was made P-I-C at Holy Innocents on 1st January 1982, and was instituted

as Rector there on 8th December 1982.

He served as Rector of St. Lucy (1st January 1985-30th April 2023). He was appointed Canon of the Cathedral Chapter to the Stall of St. Augustine (1st January 2015-30th April 2023).

Canon Goodridge was P-I-C at St. Lucy (1st May-31st December 2023).

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George Anthony HAREWOOD, B.A.

Date of Birth: 18th December 1955
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 21st December 1978
Priest: 21st December 1979
Date of Retirement: 31st December 2025



George Harewood was Assistant Curate at St. Mary (1st July 1979- 14th September 1980), and Curate at St. Peter (15th September 1980-February 1983).

He was P-I-C at St. Luke from 1st March 1983, and became Rector there (6th October 1984-April 30th 1996).

He became Rector of St. Stephen (1st May 1996-31st December 2025).

He was appointed Canon to the Stall of St. Aidan from 1st January 2015, and was installed on 1st October 2015.

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Joseph Gabriel Lake HENNIS

Date of Birth: 26th August 1930
 Date of Ordination: Deacon: 23rd December 1957
 Priest: 1958
 Date of Retirement: 31st August 1995



Joseph Hennis was Curate in Montserrat from 1958-1959, and Rector of St. George (1959-1965). He was Rector of All Saints in Antigua and Barbuda (1965-1968), and served as Archdeacon (1968-1972).

In Barbados, he became Rector of St. Mary from 1st September 1972, and was appointed Canon in the Stall of St. Basil in 1993.

He served as P-I-C at St. Mary (September to October 1995), and as Assistant Priest at Christ Church (1st November 1995- 2nd March 2014).



Wayne Erskine ISAACS, B.A., S.T.M.



Date of Birth: 29th November 1952
 Date of Ordination: Deacon: 3rd October 1978
 Priest: 16th December 1979
 Date of Retirement: 30th November 2022

Wayne Isaacs served in St. Vincent and the Grenadines as Curate at St. George Cathedral and Assistant Master, Bishops College (1978-1979). In Grenada, he was Assistant Priest at St. George's (1979-1982), and Rector of St. Patrick's (1982-1988).

In Barbados, he served as Rector of St. Ambrose from 1st September 1988 to 1995, and Rector of St. Paul from 1st March 1995. He was made

Bishop's Chaplain on 1st August 1993, and an Honorary Canon in 2001.

He was P-I-C at St. Ambrose from 1st October 2001, and appointed Canon to the Ordinary from 1st January 2002 - November 30th 2022. Canon Isaacs was Rural Dean of the St. Michael's Deanery from 1st March 2005 - 31st October 2008. He was installed as Canon of the Stall of St. Cyprian of the Cathedral on 1st June 2006.

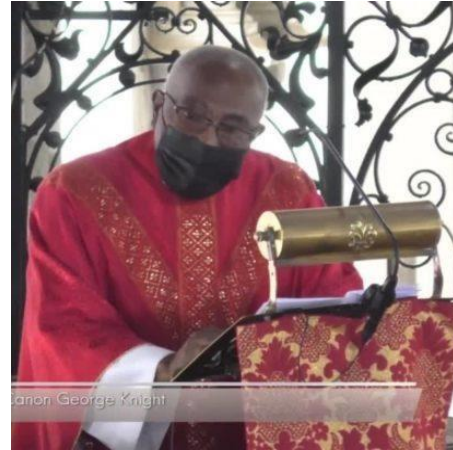
Canon Isaacs was P-I-C at St. Ambrose (31st March 2010). He served as Canon Missioner (1st November 2008-2015), and on a full-time basis (1st January 2016-31st

October) He was P-I-C at St. Mary (1st February 2016-31st August 2016), and (1st June 2019-30th November 2022); P-I-C St. Cyprian, 1st January 2023-31st December 2024; and P-I-C St. Bartholomew, 1st January 2025-Present).

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George Wilfred KNIGHT, B.Min.

Date of Birth: 2nd April 1941
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 1st May 1968
Priest: 1st May 1969
Date of Retirement: 30th April 2006



George Knight was Curate at St. John (1968-1970); P-I-C at St. Clement and St. Swithun (1970-30th September 1971); and Rector of St. Alban and St. Silas (2nd October 1971- 1975).

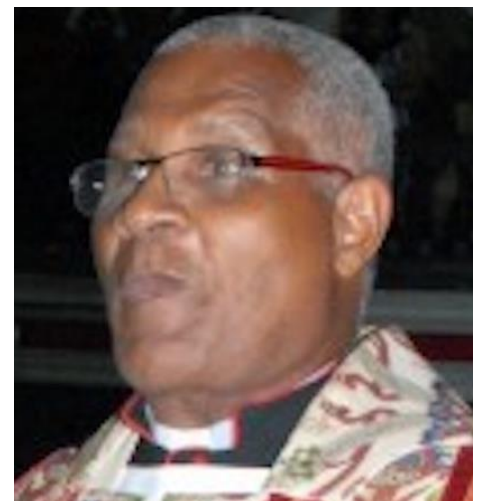
He proceeded on study leave to Huron College, Canada, (1975-1977. On his return, he was made Rector of St. Thomas on 1st July 1977. On 7th October 1990, he was installed as Canon to the Stall of St. Cyprian. He served as Rural Dean for St. Peter from 1st February 1992.

Canon Knight was P-I-C at St. Thomas (1st May 2006-31st December 2007); P-I-C at St. Saviour (1st February 2008 - 31st July 2009; and P-I-C at St. Cyprian (1st October 2009 - 31st December 2012). Assistant Priest/Precentor, the Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels, 1st January 2013 -30th April 2026.

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Geoffrey Decarlos MAYERS, B.A.; D.Min.

Date of Birth: 24th February 1952
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 25th March 1977
Priest: 22nd July 1977
Date of Retirement: 28th February 2022



Geoffrey Mayers was made Curate at St. John on 1st July 1977. He subsequently served as Rector of St. Augustine from 1979; Rector of St. Ambrose (1st January 1985-1986); Rector of Holy Cross (1st September 1988-30th June 1991); and Rector of St. John (1st July 1991-30th September 2019).

He was Rural Dean of St. John (1st July 1991-30th September 2019). He was installed as Canon in the Stall of St. Ambrose on 1st October 1998.

He was P-I-C of St. Anne (1st January 2005-31st August 2016); Assistant Priest at St. George (1st-31st December 2019); P-I-C at All Saints (5th January-29th February 2020); and Assistant Priest at St. George (1st March 2020-2022).

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DeVere Erskine St. Elma MURRELL,

Date of Birth: 3rd October 1946
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 25th March 1977
Priest: 22nd July 1977
Date of Retirement: 31st October 2016



DeVere Murrell was made Curate at Christ Church on 1st July 1977. He was then instituted as Rector of Holy Trinity on 8th September 1979. He served as Rector of St. Bartholomew (1st January 1985-30th January 1993); and Rector of St. Matthias (1st January 1993-31st December 2014).

Rev. Murrell was Communications Officer of the Diocese (1st June 1994-31st December 2001), and was installed as Canon to the Stall of St. Augustine on 1st June 2006.

He served as Assistant Priest at Holy Trinity in 2015, and P-I-C there (1st December 2018-30th June 2019); P-I-C at St. John, St. Margaret/St. Gabriel (1st January-29th February 2020); Assistant Priest at St. John/St. Margaret (1st -31st March 2020); P-IC at Christ Church from 26th February 2023; and Assistant Priest at St. Philip from 1st March 2025.

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Seibert DaCosta SMALL, M.Div.

Date of Birth: 6th August 1945
Date of Ordination: Deacon: 21st December 1972
Priest: 6th May 1973
Date of Retirement: 31st August 2015



Seibert Small served as Curate at St. John (21st December 1972-31st August 1974); and then as Rector of All Saints (1st September 1974-31st December 1978).

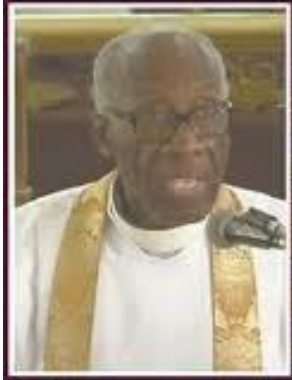
He went on study leave to Queen's Theological College, Kingston, Ontario, Canada (1977-1978). On

his return, he was made Rector of St. Martin (1st January 1979-31st August 2015). He was Acting Rural Dean of Christ Church (1985-1991), and was appointed to the Stall of St. Basil on 1st January 2002.

A service to celebrate Canon Small's 50 Years in the Priesthood was held on 6th May 2023 at St. John the Baptist.

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Noel Fitz Allan TITUS, B.A.; M.A. (Theology), Durham; M.A. (History), PhD. (History), (U.W.I.) Date of Birth: 1st August 1939



Date of Ordination: Deacon: 22nd December 1963
Priest: 18th July 1964
Date of Retirement: 31st August 2004

Noel Titus was Curate at St. Paul's, San Fernando, Trinidad and Tobago, (1964-1965), and Rector of St. Joseph, San Juan (1966-1972). In Barbados, he served as Tutor Codrington College, September 1972 – June 1975, and he also served as Vice Principal of Codrington College; P-I-C at St. Lawrence (1975-1977) and Rector there (1977-1978).

He was Canon Residentiary at St. Michael's Cathedral (1st August 1978- July 31st 1981).

Canon Titus was Principal of Codrington College (1st September 1983 - 31st May 2005).

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## THE CATHEDRAL CHAPTER

The Church of St. Michael and All Angels has long been, and remains, the principal Anglican Church in Barbados. Over the years, its rector served as the Commissary (official representative) of the bishop of London, when one was appointed by that prelate. Those serving were William Walker, Benjamin Cryer, and William Gordon.

In 1824 two bishops were appointed for the Church in the West Indies, and William Hart Coleridge arrived and was installed as the first bishop of Barbados and the Leeward Islands in St. Michael's Church. Guiana was added in two stages – 1826 and 1831; the diocese stretching from Tortola to that South American colony. Things changed in 1842 when three new bishops were appointed as follows:

- Antigua, embracing the Leeward Islands;
- Guiana, embracing the three former Dutch colonies;
- Barbados, embracing the Windward Islands, Tobago and Trinidad.

In the Letters Patent for each new appointment, the principal church in the colony was designated a cathedral, and the town a city.

It was not until 1886 that the cathedral was given capitular status – the right to have a Dean and Chapter, and the rector – the Rev. Thomas Clarke - was made the first Dean. Stalls were designated for about five Canons. Unlike England, where Canons are usually full-time members of the cathedral staff, Canons in this and other West Indian cathedrals are parish priests so honoured by the diocesan bishop.

The Cathedral Chapter comprises: The Dean: The priest who serves as the head of the chapter at a cathedral church. Each stall, with the exception of the last two listed, is named after a saint as follows:

- I. St. Ignatius – Archdeacon of Barbados
- II. St. Aidan
- III. St. Ambrose
- IV. St. Augustine
- V. St. Basil
- VI. St. Cyprian
- VII. The Canon Residentiary (1978)
- VIII. The Canon Missioner (1981)

#### THE PRESENT CHAPTER



L-R: Senator, The Rev'd Canon Dr. John A. Rogers; The Rev'd Canon Trevor S. O'Neale; The Rev'd Canon Noel A. Burke; the Dean, The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson; The Bishop of Barbados, The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell; the Archdeacon, The Ven. Dr. Von. E. Watson; The Rev'd Canon Dr. Sonia S. J. Hinds; The Rev'd Canon Mark D. Harewood; and The Rev'd Canon Peter H. O. W. Haynes.

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