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**Chapel of Ease:**

**St. Thomas Mission - Majesty Gardens and St. Clement's Mission - Kencot**



**INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:**

**God has called and equipped us for Ministry in His Kingdom**

**CLERGY**

Rector Revd. Canon Maj. Siranno Kitson, D. Min.

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**The Rector is out of office on Mondays.**

**Introit: As we are gathered**

As we are gathered, Jesus is here:  
One with each other, Jesus is here;  
Joined by the Spirit, built up in love  
Part of the body, the Church of God.  
As we are gathered Jesus is here;  
One with each other Jesus is here

**Processional**

**THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH**

**Celebrant:** Jesus says, "Surely I am Coming Soon!"

**All:** Amen, Come, Lord Jesus!

(+) Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord  
Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Celebrant:** Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Celebrant:** Today is the fourth Sunday of Advent and we will light  
the

Candle of Peace.

Last Sunday we lit the third Candle in our Advent Wreath, and celebrated the patriarchs, the First Candle reminded us of our Hope in Christ, the Second Candle reminded us that love is the fulfillment of the law and through Christ we experience the love of God. The third candle of Joy reminds us that when Jesus is born in us we have joy and that through him there will be everlasting joy on earth.

**The Candle of Peace**

Today we light the fourth Candle of Advent, the Candle of Peace. We remember the prophets who spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a Saviour would be born, a king in the line of King David. The prophet Isaiah called Christ "the Prince of Peace". They told us how he would

rule the world wisely and bless all the nations.

When Jesus came he taught people the importance of being peace-makers. He said that those who make peace shall be called the children of God. When Christ comes to us he brings us peace and he will bring everlasting peace when he comes again. We light the Candle of Peace to remind us that Jesus is the Prince of Peace and that through him peace is found.

*(Fourth Candle, the Candle of Peace is lit)*

*The following is sung:*

**O come, thou Key of David, come,  
And open wide our heavenly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery.**

*Refrain*

**Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

**Celebrant:** Peace is like a light shining in a dark place.

**People:** As we look at this candle we celebrate the peace we find in Jesus Christ.

**Celebrant:** Let us pray:

**All:** Lord Jesus, Light of the World, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people from trouble. Give peace in our hearts at Christmastide. We ask that as we wait for you to come again, that you would remain present with us. Help us today, and everyday to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your peace with each other. We ask it in your name who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

## **THE TRISAGION**

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and Immortal One,  
Have mercy up on us.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and Immortal One,  
Have mercy up on us.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and Immortal One,

**Celebrant:** The Lord is here.

**People:** His Spirit is with us!

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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**THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - DECEMBER 22, 2013  
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Leader:** Lord, we give you thanks for the peace of this place, the deep and lasting peace you give to us. We pray for all who go out in mission, for all who proclaim the Good News; we remember house groups, our fellowship groups, church-planters, and all who build up the Body of Christ. We give thanks for all who, with various talents, seek to establish your kingdom. We pray for our clergy, John Archbishop, Howard Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon Suffragans, Sirrano, David, Larius, Andrea and all church workers.

*Lord of all creation,*

**ALL:** equip us to serve you.

**Leader:** We pray for all in their various callings, that they may be sensitive to the needs of others and to the world about them. We remember the unemployed, the recently redundant, and those who have never worked. We pray for the World Health Organization, and all organizations and agencies that care for the poor and rejected of our world. Give wisdom to those in authority in this land, for Patrick, Governor General; Portia, Prime Minister; Andrew, Leader of the Parliamentary Opposition; Members of Parliament and Senate.

*Lord of all creation,*

**ALL:** equip us to serve you.

**Leader:** We give thanks that you come to us, in our homes and in our work. We give thanks that we have found favour with you, and that you love us. In our homes, make us attentive to your word and ready to do your will. We pray for expectant mothers, for single parents, for those adopting children. We remember children in places of danger or violence, and those being led astray by others. We pray for our children especially those in care and protection and for our Home for Girls.

*Lord of all creation,*

**ALL:** equip us to serve you.

**Leader:** Lord, you are our strength and salvation: you alone can make us whole, you alone give life which is eternal. We pray for the healing of our emotions, and broken relationship. We pray for those coping with cancer. We pray for all who are in need at this time: for those whose lives lack peace, for all who are disturbed. We pray for the homeless, for places of shelter, for the street children of our world. We remember all who are in trouble or in sickness, we pray for our sick and shut-in ... We pray for all who are caring for the needs of others.

*Lord of all creation,*

**ALL: equip us to serve you.**

**Leader:** We give thanks for all who have faithfully served you and are now in the fullness of your glory. We pray for loved ones departed, especially ...

*Lord of all creation,*

**ALL: equip us to serve you.**

*Silence may be kept*

Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of peace--your shalom, a blessing of fullness and completeness, your desire that all of creation be whole. Help me to be an agent of your peace, to share in word and deed the good news of shalom and so do your will on earth as it is done in heaven. In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, Amen.

#### **SICK AND SHUT - IN**

**Annette Wilson  
Lynnette Allen  
Emery Woodstock  
Gerda Dixon**

**Winsome Allison  
Clio Whittingham  
John Isaacs  
Joan Bartlett**

## Did You Know?

December 25th was the day on which the largest number of Christians were martyred during the persecutions of the early Christians.

## QUOTE FOR REFLECTION

It's interesting that in this letter to the Ephesians, (Ephesians 6: 13 - 15) St. Paul puts peace in the context of war, and that he places this bit of armor on our feet. Typically we think of peace as the opposite of war, belonging not on our feet so much as in our hearts, and suggesting stillness rather than action. But Paul gives us a different slant: peace is the thing that grounds us and readies us. The good news about peace, in other words, is that it prepares us for action.

### Schedule of Special Services

Tues. Dec. 24	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Tues. Dec. 24	11:00 p.m.	Carols/Blessing of Manger and First Mass of Christmas
Wed. Dec. 25	8:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Holy Eucharist and Sermon
Thur. Dec. 26	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist St. Stephen's Day
Fri. Dec. 27	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist St. John the Apostle's Day
Sat. Dec. 28	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Holy Innocents' Day
Sun. Dec. 29	6:30 a.m.	Mass of Christmas
	8:00 a.m.	Mass of Christmas
	11:00 a.m.	Mass for homebound and elderly Please assist with invitations and transport.
Tue. Dec. 31	11:00 p.m.	New Year's Eve - Watch Night Service
Wed. Jan. 1	8:00 a.m.	New Year's Day - Holy Eucharist Holy Name
Sun. Jan. 5	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	8:00 a.m.	Solemn Eucharist Celebrant/Preacher Rt. Rev. Howard Gregory
	10:30 a.m.	<b>NO SERVICE</b>
Sun. Jan. 12	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	8:00 a.m.	Sung Eucharist - The Baptism of Our Lord
	10:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer

# PARISH NEWS

**Birthdays for this week:** Lorna White 22/12, Nicola Elliott 23/12, Iris Bentley, Sylvia Bennett, Toni Dilworth and Annette Webb-Samuels 24/12, Noella Barclay, Carol Logan and Natalie Smith 25/12, Victor Elliott and Paula Wright 26/12, Ludlow Bowie 27/12, John McGarry and Everton Dixon 28/12.

**Congratulations** to Paul and Jacinth Wright who will be celebrating their 35th wedding anniversary on the 30th, to Aston and Alcie Daley who will be celebrating 27yrs on the 27th, and to Damion and Casie Davis who celebrated their third wedding anniversary on the 18th.

**Condolence** is extended to the Norval and Lilieth West and family on the passing of his mother Rev. Doret Sylvester-Brown. To Linda Mahan on the passing of her sister-in-law Madge Facey in the U.K.

We thank the **Harvest Supper Committee** for realizing \$900,000 to date.

The Friends of the St. Andrew Parish Church Sunday School's annual **Christmas Cake & Pudding sale**, this is the last Sunday to place your order. 1lb puddings - \$1,200; 2lb puddings - \$2,400 and 40 oz. cake -\$1,800. Diabetic puddings are available on order. Place your order today!

**A Christmas Musical Drama "Follow the star"** will be presented at the Church of St. Margaret's, 167 Old Hope Road, Sunday December 29 at 6:00 p.m. A donation of \$500 or any other generous contribution will be accepted.

**Kingston College Chapel Choir presents "Christmas Concert 2013"**

Dec. 22, U.W.I. Chapel, Mona at 5:00 p.m.

Dec. 29, Church of St Mary the Virgin, 99 Molyne's Road, at 5:00 p.m.

**Young Adult Ministry:** Ages 21 - 35yrs.

Using our Special Gifts and Abilities for Ministry to Evangelize.

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**6:30 a.m.      December 22, 2013      4th Sunday of Advent Year A**

Old Testament:      Isaiah 7:10 - 17      Trevor Blake  
Psalm 24: 1 - 7      **Refrain:** *(All sit) "Lift up your heads, O gates;  
BCP,      page 496      and the king of Glory shall come in ."*  
Epistle      Romans 1:1 - 7      June Rose  
Gospel      Matthew 1:18 - 25  
Prayers of Intercession

**8:00 a.m.      SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON**

Processional      40  
Old Testament:      Isaiah 7:10 - 17      Jevaugh Hurge  
Psalm 24: 1 - 7      **Refrain:** *(All sit) "Today is born a Saviour Christ  
BCP page 496      our Lord ."*  
Epistle      Romans 1:1 - 7      Rachel Kitson  
Gradual      44  
Gospel      Matthew 1:18 - 25  
Sermon  
Prayers of Intercession  
Offertory      52  
During Communion      613, 589, 525, (612)  
Recessional      36

**10:30 a.m.      HOLY EUCHARIST AND BAPTISM**

Processional      40  
Old Testament:      Isaiah 7:10 - 17  
Psalm 24: 1 - 7      **Refrain:** *All sit) "Lift up your heads, O gates;  
BCP,      page 496      and the king of Glory shall come in ."*  
Epistle      Romans 1:1 - 7  
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Gospel      Matthew 1:18 - 25  
Sermon  
Offertory      52  
During Communion      613, 589, 525, (612)  
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**6:00 p.m.      EVENSONG AND SERMON**