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# INTENTION FOR THE YEAR: Every Member A Ministry

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The Rector is out of office on Mondays.

## Rector's New Year's Message 2014

As we begin a New Year, we take with us the experiences and lessons of the past, and with renewed faith in God, we will have hope for the future. The number one concern that has created fear and anxiety is crime and violence committed by evil men and women. Our collective experience has informed us that, it takes more than government and the security forces to detain and deter the criminal enterprise that is presently stalking our communities. A critical factor in the armour of crime fighting of any country is intelligence gathering. This requires the participation of all who are committed to the development of our country, to be the place to do business and raise a family.

A new social order has emerged in our country since the eighties, creating an environment of new and old values and norms. The socializing agents of the family, church, school and community have been and are still being challenged by the influence of a certain type of North American culture through Cable Television, the deejay music culture and the Information Technology of cell phones, tablet and computers. These have given access to face book, the social media and Youtube. Where is the need for the family, church and school as the cradle for the formation of relationship, character education and training in, how to relate as basic and necessary to human, social interaction? At the start of this New Year, there must be a new resolve for us as a church to re-examine our mandate for Mission and Ministry in light of these realities.

In this New Year, we will continue to face the worldwide phenomenon of religion in which, there is an increasing emphasis on "spirituality" without any participation in the church worship of organized Christianity which is due in some part to, "the rise of individualism, de-institutionalization, migration and globalization." (Religion and Ethics Newsweekly) Also, according the recent census, there has emerged over the past three decades a growing number of persons with no religious/church affiliation. The questions that we face are: what strategies can we utilize to engage more of our youth and young people in Christian Formation? What opportunities can be organised and made available, for those who are searching for meaning, to experience the gospel of faith in Jesus Christ?

Whatever maybe the challenges that we face, be they economic or social, let us remember that God's Mission is our goal and purpose: healing and forgiveness, justice and equity, love and mercy, joy and peace. This will demand our renewed **commitment** and the **participation** of all of us, for the renewal of our congregational life for the growth of the church, to express the presence of the **Kingdom of God** among us.

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# THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

(Corporate for Church Committee)

#### **GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

**Processional** 

Organ Voluntary

Clergy will go to the Manger at the All Soul's Chapel

# Station in All Soul's Chapel at the Manger

**Hymn: 82** (O Little town of Bethlehem. First two verses)

**Celebrant:** (+) The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Do I not fill heaven and earth? Says the Lord.

All: Now He is made flesh and laid in a narrow manger.

Celebrant: Let us pray,

We pray you, Lord, to purify our hearts
That they may be worthy to become your dwelling place.
Let us never fail to find room for you.
But come and abide in us that we may also abide in you.
For as at this time you were born into the world for us,
And live and reign, King of kings and Lord of lords
Now and forever.

All: Amen

The Manager is incensed as the people sing:

**Hymn: 82** (O Little town of Bethlehem. Verses 3 & 4) **Celebrant:** From eternity to eternity you are God,

All: and we behold you incarnate in Christ the Christ of Bethlehem.

# The Eucharist continues as set out in the Book of Common Prayer

**INTROIT HYMN: 265** 

**Celebrant:** For the God who said, "Out of darkness light shall shine,"

All: Has caused his light to shine in our hearts, the light which is knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**Celebrant:** Let us bless the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit Alleluia!

All: Let us praise and exalt God forever. Amen Alleluia!

All: Almighty God to you all our thoughts are known, purify our desires and inspire us by your Holy presence, that we may praise you for all that you are in goodness, mercy and love, and magnify your Holy name with songs of thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Gloria In Excelsis

Glory, glory in the highest, Glory to the Almighty; Glory to the Lamb of God, glory to the living Word; Glory to the Lamb!

Men: I give glory, Women: glory, Men: glory, Women: glory, Men: glory,

**All:** glory to the Lamb! **Men:** I give glory...

All: I give glory to the Lamb.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD (Sit)

Old Testament: Isaiah 60: 1 - 6, 9 Bruce James

Psalm 72: 1 & 2, 8 & 10, 12 & 13 & 17 (BCP page 558 *All sit*)

Refrain: All kings shall bow down before him; all the nations shall do him service.

Epistle: Ephesians 3: 1 - 12 Donna Evelyn

Gradual Hymn: 98

Gospel: Matthew 2: 1 - 12

Sermon:

# **Prayers of Intercession**

Leader: Great and wonderful God, we seek you. We look for you. We long for you. We come and offer our lives, our love, our hopes to you. God, richer than all we have to offer, we offer you our worship. We give thanks for the offering of frankincense and pray for all who give their lives in adoration. We pray for the congregation and church to which we belong. We pray for all leaders of worship John Archbishop, Howard Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon Suffragans, Sirrano, David, Larius, Andrea and all church workers. For all who bow in quiet adoration.

Lord by the light of your presence,

All: fill us with your glory.

**Leader:** O God, Creator of all things we pray for tour leaders Patrick, our Governor General. Portia, the Prime Minister, Andrew, Leader of the Opposition, Members of Parliament, Senate and all those who make decisions on our behalf. We offer you all we have received. We offer our talents, our possessions, ourselves in your service. We give thanks for the minerals of the earth. We pray for all who work in commerce, banking and technology. We remember before you the world's poor, the bankrupt, the underprivileged, the starving. May all who have received of your bounty share generously for the ministry of the church and those in need.

Lord by the light of your presence,

All: fill us with your glory.

**Leader:** O God, whose Son was born into an earthly family, bless our homes and our loved ones. Reveal your presence in our homes and in our relationships. We pray for all who are born into sordid homes or into homelessness or poverty. We pray for children who suffer from violence or through neglect.

Lord by the light of your presence,

All: fill us with your glory.

O God, you share in our sorrows, you enter into our darkness. You, Lord, come to redeem, release and restore us. We give thanks for the strange gift of myrrh. We pray for all who are in pain or in distress, all who are troubled or anxious. We pray for all who seek to relieve pain, for doctors, nurses and dentists. We pray for all who work for the redeeming of our world.

Lord by the light of your presence,

All: fill us with your glory.

**Leader:** As we rejoice in Christ the Light of the world, and know the darkness is conquered, we pray for friends and loved ones who have passed through the darkness to eternal light. O Christ, our morning star, when the darkness of this world is past, let us come before your presence in love and adoration.

Lord by the light of your presence,

All: fill us with your glory.

All: O Holy Father, who gave guidance to the wise men until they bowed in worship before our Saviour, lead us to an awareness of your presence and to bow in adoration before Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now

#### and for ever. Amen. The Absolution

El Shaddai, El Shaddai, El-Elyon na Adonai,

Age to age You're still the same, By the power of the name. El Shaddai, El Shaddai,

Erkamka na Adonai,

We will praise and lift You high,

El Shad-

dai.

Through your love and through the ram, You saved the son of Abraham;

Through the power of your hand, Turned the sea into dry land. To the outcast on her knees.

You were the God who really sees,

And by Your might,

You set Your children free.

Through the years You made it clear, That the time of Christ was near, Though the people couldn't see What Messiah ought to be. Though Your Word contained the plan, They just could not understand

They just could not understand Your most awesome work was done Through the frailty of Your Son.

## The Greeting of Peace

**Leader:** The Light of Christ scatter the darkness from before you.

All: Let the light of Christ guide us into the way of peace.

Offertory Hymn: 97 (CPWI)

**During Communion:** 573,493, 553, Jesus, name above all names

**Post Communion:** 612 **Second Collection:** 253

**Recessional:** 106

#### SICK AND SHUT - IN

Vivette Jennings Madge Day
Linnet Allen Ivy Thompson
Bothwell Davis Maisie Foster
Emery Woodstock Neville Fletcher

#### Did You Know?

That "watch night service" is not an official service of the Anglican Church. January 1, is the feast of the Holy Name. Due to cultural prac-

# **PARISH NEWS**

**Birthdays for this week:** Beverley Evans and Brandon Henry 05/01, Pauline Bryan 07/01, Allan Kirton 09/01, Jacinth Wright and Yolande Whitely-Guthrie 11/01.

**Condolence** is extended to Derrick Dyer on the passing of his sister Neita Bedasse.

**The Church Congregational** meeting will be held on January 26, immediately after the 8:00 a.m. Service.

**Little Brother's Ministry** - Volunteers are badly needed for this ministry . Kindly contact Minke Newman.

**The Girl's Home** is in need of mentors. Interested persons may contact the church office.

Young Adult Ministry: Ages 21 - 35yrs.

Using our Special Gifts and Abilities for Ministry to Evangelize.

## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES: JANUARY 2014**

January 12 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (The Baptism of Our Lord) 8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist - Rt. Rev. Howard Gregory 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Rt. Rev. Howard Gregory 6:00 p.m. Evening Service - Fellowship Group

January 19 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

January 26 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist

**Congregational Meeting after the Service.** 

6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

#### THE EPIPHANY

6:30 a.m. January 5, 2014 Year A

Old Testament: Isaiah 60: 1 - 6, 9 John Patterson

Psalm 72: 1&2, 8&10, 12&13 & 17 **Refrain**: (All sit) "All kings shall bow BCP, page 558 down before him; all the nations shall do him service."

Epistle Ephesians 3: 1 - 12 Jean King

Gospel Matthew 2: 1 - 12

Prayers of Intercession

10:30 a.m. NO SERVICE

6:00 p.m. HOLY EUCHARIST AND SERMON

**ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK** 

Monday 5:30 p.m. Bible Study

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:30 p.m. Moreton Park

Wednesday 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

4:30 p.m. St. Andrew Care Center 5:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

Thursday 5:30 p.m. SAPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Saturday 11:00 a.m. Little Brothers

2:00 p.m. Alleluia Choir Rehearsal

2:00 p.m. Servers Guild 5:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship