

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**November 29, 2020 - Year B**  
**A Call to Intentional Discipleship**  
**Living the life of faith, in challenging times**

**6:30 a.m.**

**HOLY EUCHARIST**

O.T. Lesson  
 Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18  
 BCP page 573  
 Epistle  
 Gospel  
 Intercession

Isaiah 64: 1 - 9      Winston Bayley  
**Refrain** “ Restore us O Lord, show us the light of  
 your countenance and we shall be saved. ”  
 1 Corinthians 1:3 - 9      Natalie Smith  
 Mark 13: 24 - 37  
 Form H. Page 120

**8:00 a.m.**

**SOLEMN EUCHARIST AND SERMON**

Processional  
 O.T. Lesson  
 Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18  
 Epistle  
 Gradual (Sequence)  
 Gospel  
 Sermon  
 The Creed  
 Intercession  
 Offertory Anthem  
 Doxology  
 During Communion  
 Recessional

34 Come, thou long-expected Jesus  
 Isaiah 64:1 - 9      Andrea Tinker  
 BCP page 573 **(Chanted) - all stand**  
 1 Corinthians 1:3 - 9      Jacqueline Mighty  
 40 Hark the glad sound! the Saviour comes  
 Mark 13: 24 - 37  
 Revd. Canon Serrano Kitson  
 Hymn 561  
 Form C page 108  
 Zion hears the watchmen’s voices, **The Choir**  
 Praise God from whom ... **(all stand)**  
 598, 619  
 55 The Lord will come and not be slow,

**Connecting to the streaming link for 8:00 a.m. Service**

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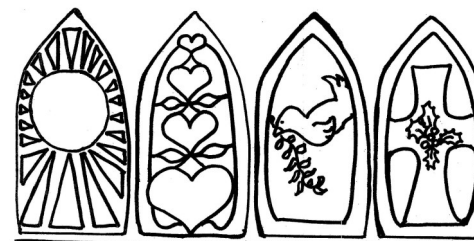
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**Chapel of Ease:**

**St. Thomas - Majesty Gardens 10:30 a.m. and St. Clement's - Kencot 10:30 a.m.**



**Hope    Peace    Joy    Love**

**INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:**

**A Call to Intentional Discipleship,  
 Living the life of Faith, in changing Times**

**CLERGY**

Rector/Curate	Revd. Canon Serrano Kitson, D. Min.
Assistant Priest	Revd. Fr. Craig Mears
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Church Army	Sister Andrea Taylor-Smith

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**The Rector is out of Office on Mondays**

## Faith Formation

## Did you know?

The word 'Advent' is from the Latin '*Adventus*,' which means 'coming.' Advent is the beginning of a new liturgical year (in the Western churches), and encompasses the span of time from the fourth Sunday before Christmas, until the Nativity of Our Lord is celebrated. The first Sunday of Advent is the Sunday nearest the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle (which is November 30th), and so it will always fall somewhere between November 27<sup>th</sup> at the earliest and December 3<sup>rd</sup> at the latest. Like Lent, Advent is a preparatory season. It has significance because it is a season of looking forward and waiting for something greater; both for the annual celebration of the event of Christ's birth, and for the time when Christ will come again. (*Aquinas and More*, 2017).

## Quote for Reflection

“Optimism and hope are radically different attitudes. Optimism is the expectation that things - the weather, human relationship, the economy, the political situation, and so on - will get better. Hope is trust that God will fulfill God’s promises to us in a way that leads us to true freedom.” (Henri Nouwen, *Bread for the Journey*, 1996)

## Question for Reflection

- As we celebrate the Pascal Mystery, what is the hope that we proclaim?.
- What aspect of the Advent discipline (virtues) of Hope, Love, Joy and Peace can we intentionally practice in our lives?

Intentional Discipleship Prayer of the Diocese

Heavenly Father, we thank you that you have awakened Your Church to hear again, the call of our Saviour Jesus Christ to come to Him and learn from Him. Grant that as we say “Yes” to discipleship, your Holy Spirit will enable us so completely to commit all areas of our lives to His service, that in our personal, family and church lives, our work, recreational and social lives, we would act as Jesus would have acted if He were in our place; in His name and for His sake we pray. **Amen.**

## Upcoming Events

- **St. Andrew the Apostle** - November 30, Holy Eucharist at 9:00 a.m.
- **Patronal Festival** - December 6, 2020.
- **Annual Gift-Days** - Thanksgiving for God’s gifts, December 6 - 20.
- **Carol Service** - December 20, 2020, at 5:30 p.m.

**Birthdays for this week:** Kaye-Anne Parke 29/11, Jacqueline Mighty 01/12, Gloria Laing and Michael Grant 03/12, Andrea Livingston-Prince, John Lopez, Andrea Robins and John Levy 4/12, Marilyn Lawrence-Wright and Steve Ferguson 05/12.

**Congratulations to** Gwen Saunders (a shut-in) who will be celebrating her 100th birthday today the 29th. We also congratulate William and Shirley Reeson who will be celebrating 39 yrs. of marriage on December 5th.

**Condolence is extended to** Mavis Morgan and family on the passing of her Step-Mother Cecelia Parkes.

## SICK AND SHUT - IN

Egbert Robertson (Priest)	Ellonia Gordon	Garland Morrison
Alton Tulloch (Priest)	Heather Anglin	Fred Robertson
Heron Wright	Fay Jenkinson	Olive Lawrence
Nancy Baugh	Clio Whittingham	Gwen Saunders

**We express thanks to our members who continue to give sacrificially to ensure that the ministry and mission of the church are sustained as we continue to witness and minister in these challenging times.**

**The Friends of the Sunday Schools** will be having its annual Christmas Cake and Puddings fundraising sale in December. Buccaneer 24 oz Fruit Cake \$1,600, 1 lb Christmas Pudding \$1,300, 2 lb Christmas Pudding \$2,500. Order forms are available on the Church’s website. Please send orders to FriendsChristmasCakes@gmail.com or by WhatsApp 876-858-1524.

**We welcome** items that are non-perishable for our Tuesday Charity Ministry on December 1, 2020.

**The Altar Guild** is asking those who wish to **donate Poinsettias** for the Christmas decorations to contact the Church Office.

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK Nov. 29 - Dec. 5

Monday	9:00. a.m.	Holy Eucharist - <b>St. Andrew the Apostle</b>
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

**Readings for December 6, 2020: Isaiah 40: 1 - 11, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13, 2 Peter 3: 8 - 15a, Mark 1: 1 - 8.**

Nov. 29, 2020

The First Sunday of Advent

### THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

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

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

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

**All:** Thanks be to God

**Celebrant:** Today is the First Sunday of Advent and we will light the Candle of Hope.

**Introduction to the observance of Advent - Sunday School**

### THE BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH (All stand)

**Celebrant:** Dearly beloved, now we stand in the house of the Lord, at the center of a universe which is not ours as we know it. As we prepare to worship the living God, let us call to mind in silence the divine Presence that surrounds our lives. It is our Holy God who calls us by name and draws us into the mystery of Christ Jesus who is alive and in our midst.

*Silence*

**Celebrant:** You are just, O Holy One, great and amazing are your deeds, Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, King of the nations! As you reveal your majesty in your son Jesus Christ at His first coming, so may this Advent Wreath and Candles be to us a sign of your presence this Advent tide Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen

### The Candle of Hope

The Christian Hope is rooted in Christ risen and ascended, who will come again in glory and in power to judge. He will make all things new. "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats." (Matthew 25:31-32) Our hope also is to live with confidence in newness and fullness of life, and to await the coming of Christ in glory, and the completion of God's purpose for the world. (BCP pg.413)

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

**All:** Thanks be to God

**Hymn: O come, Emmanuel (first stanza only)**

O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the son of God appear.

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

**Celebrant:** On this First Sunday of Advent, we light the candle of Hope.

(First Candle is lit)

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

**People:** As we look at the light of this candle, we celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

**Celebrant:** Let us pray:

**All :** God of Abraham and Sarah and all the Patriarchs of old, you are our Father too. Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, Son of God, and son of David. Help us today and every day to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing the hope we have with others. We ask this in the name of the One who was born in Bethlehem. Amen

### THE TRISAGION

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

**Celebrant:** The Lord is here.

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

**President:** Let us pray.

**The Collect: First Sunday of Advent**

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD (All sit)**