FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 20, 2020 - Year B

A Call to Intentional Discipleship Living in the Life of faith, in these challenging Times

6:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST

O.T. Lesson 2 Samuel 7: 1 - 11, 16 Cyril Bridge

Psalm 89: 1-4, 19-26 **Refrain** "O Lord, your love forever I will sing and

proclaim your faithfulness from age to age."

Epistle Romans 16: 25 - 27 Hyacinth Hall

Gospel Luke 1: 26 - 38 Intercession Form B. Page 107

8:00 a.m. SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

Procession 36 Christ is surely coming

O.T. Lesson 2 Samuel 7: 1 - 11, 16 Norval West Psalm 89: 1-4, 19-26 BCP page 583 Chanted **All stand**

Epistle Romans 16: 25 - 27 Michelow Thompson Gradual (Sequence) 750 Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

Gospel Luke 1: 26 - 38 Sermon Rev. Fr. Craig Mears

Nicene Creed Hymn 561

Intercession Form D page 120

Offertory Hymn
During Communion
Recessional
Love is a flag flown high... pg. 4
Let there be peace on earth, 47
53 Thy Kingdom come, O God

Offertory Hymn

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- 1. Love is a flag flown high from the castle of my hear
- 2. Hope is a flag flown high ...
- **3.** Joy is a flag flown high ...
- **4.** Peace is a flag flown high ...
- **5.** Love, Joy and Peace flown high ...

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

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- 1. Click on the link above
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Chapel of Ease:

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



A Call to Intentional Discipleship,

Living the life of Faith in these challenging times

CLERGY

Rector/Curate Revd. Canon Sirrano Kitson, D. Min. Assistant Priest Revd. Fr. Craig Mears

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The Rector is out of Office on Mondays

Faith Formation

Did You Know?

The angel, Gabriel, is mentioned only four times in the Bible. Twice he appeared to Daniel to teach him things beyond his comprehension, and in the New Testament, Gabriel announced to Zechariah the priest the coming birth of his son, John the Baptist, as well as the coming birth of Jesus, the Son of God, to Mary. The name Gabriel means "God is mighty" or "mighty man of God", and is also one of the two archangels mentioned in Holy Scripture.

Quote for Reflection

"The liturgy of Advent...helps us to understand fully the value and meaning of the mystery of Christmas. It is not just about commemorating the historical event, which occurred some 2,000 years ago in a little village of Judea. Instead, it is necessary to understand that the whole of our life must be an 'advent,' a vigilant awaiting of the final coming of Christ. To predispose our mind to welcome the Lord who, as we say in the Creed, one day will come to judge the living and the dead, we must learn to recognize him as present in the events of daily life. Therefore, Advent is, so to speak, an intense training that directs us decisively toward him who already came, who will come, and who comes continuously."

(Prepare Our Hearts for Christmas, Saint John Paul II, n.d.)

Question for Reflection

• What aspects of your life do you need to amend as you prepare your heart to receive the Christ child who brings hope, love, joy and peace into the world?

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.**

Up Coming Events

- Annual Gift-Days Thanksgiving for God's gifts, December 6 20.
- Carol Service December 20, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. Live Streamed
- Christmas Day Solemn Eucharist, December 25, 2020, 8:00 a.m.

Birthdays for this week: Revd, Michael Allen, Revd. Robin Samuda and Juliet McKenzie 21/12. Lorna White 22/12, Monique Bowie and Nicola Elliott 23/12, Toni Dilworth and Annette Webb-Samuels 24/12, Revd. Ula Ruddock, Carol Logan and Natalie Smith 25/12 and Victor Elliott 26/12.

Congratulations to Lucien and Vivienne Jones who will celebrate their 47th wedding anniversary on the 22nd.

Condolence is extended to Vernon Saunders and family on the passing of his mother Gwen Saunders.

SICK AND SHUT - IN

The Friends of the Sunday Schools would like to thank all who supported

Alton Tulloch (Priest)	Heather Anglin	Lucille Campbell
Egbert Robertson (Priest)	Neville Dallen Sr.	Ivy Walters
Heron Wright	Beryl Gillies	Lois Owen
Nancy Baugh	Rema Watt	Jean King

their cake sale.

4th Sunday of Advent

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.

We welcome items that are non-perishable for our Tuesday Charity Ministry for January 5, 2021.

Please note electronic transfer to the Church's Account can be made through members banking facility. (St. Andrew Parish Church, NCB Half-Way-Tree A/C # 301045077).

The church is open Mon-Fri between 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. for prayer.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK Dec. 20 - 26

Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharis
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

Readings for December 27, 2020: Isaiah 61: 10 - 62:3, Psalm 147:13 - 21, Galatians 3: 23 - 25, 4:4-7, John 1:1 - 18.

Advent IV Dec. 20, 2020

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: 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. 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** reminded 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 wisdom from on high, Who orderest all things mightily; To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go. 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 rescue your people from sin and death. Deliver us from conflict and strife, 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. Enable 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 this in your name who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

THE TRISAGION

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

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

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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MINISTRY OF THE WORD (All sit)