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**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE
JANUARY 2023**

Jan. 1 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Holy Name
8:00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist - Holy Name
Jan. 6 9:00 a.m. The Epiphany
Jan. 8 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Baptism of Our Lord
8:00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist - Baptism of Our Lord
Jan. 18 6:00 p.m. Marian Service
Jan. 22 8:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting

SICK AND SHUT - IN

Alton Tulloch	(Priest)	Muriel Smith	Mildred Johnson
Percival Lynch	(Priest)	Pauline Christie	Richard Frater
George Thomas	(Priest)	Ellonia Gordon	Gwen Donaldson
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The Rector is out of office on Mondays.

Processional Hymn 383 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.
2. Praise him for his grace and favor
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.
3. Father-like, he tends and spares us
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely as his mercy flows.
4. Angels, help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before
him, Dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

Opening Sentence (Stand)

- V. Blessed be the Lord our God.
R. By whose grace we are yet alive.
- V. Blessed be His Son Jesus Christ
R. By whose rising we are set free.
- V. Blessed be the Spirit of God.
R. In whom is our hope and our joy.

FAITH FORMATION AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**Did you know**

“The celebration of Christmas in Jamaica dates back to the period of slavery in the 17th century....During that period, plantation work would cease from Christmas Eve until Boxing Day, every year, and plantation owners would give each of the slaves the annual gift of a piece of cloth and meat. For slaves, who usually had only the entrails and other leftover scraps of the animal, the treat of meat was a delight, but what triggered even more merriment was the rare gift of wine the slaves received. The plantations then had all-night dances that included masqueraders and plenty of drumming. It is from these all-night dances that one of Jamaica’s most enduring Christmas traditions emerged — Jonkunnu.”

Jamaican Christmas Customs by the Jamaica Information Service

Quote for reflection

“Stevie Wonder used to have a hit that said, ‘I just called to say I love you.’ In Jesus, in this birth it is as if God were saying to you, and to you, and to you, and to me, ‘I just called to say I love you....’ God through Jesus says to you, ‘...You are precious to me and help me to have a truly Anno Domini in 2000 – a new society, compassionate and gentle, caring and sharing – for I just called to say I love you.’”

From Archbishop Desmond Tutu’s 1999 Christmas sermon at the Washington National Cathedral

Question for reflection.

- How, in this Christmas season, can I communicate to others God’s message of “I love you”?

Readings for January 8, 2023: Isaiah 42: 1 - 9, Psalm 29, Acts 10: 34 - 43, Matthew 3:13 - 17.

Recessional Hymn: 94 Father, let me dedicate

1. Father, let me dedicate,
all this year to Thee,
In whatever worldly state
Thou wilt have me be:
Not from sorrow, pain or care,
freedom dare I claim;
This alone shall be my prayer,
“Glorify Thy Name”

2. Can a child presume to choose
where or how to live?
Can a Father’s love refuse
all the best to give?
More Thou givest every day
than the best can claim
Nor withholdest aught that may
“Glorify Thy Name”

3. If in mercy thou wilt spare,
Joys that yet are mine;
If on life, serene and fair,
Brighter rays may shine;
Let my glad heart, while it sings,
Thee in all proclaim,
And, whate’er the future brings,
Glorify thy name.

4. If Thou callest to the cross,
and its shadow come,
Turning all my gain to loss,
shrouding heart and home;
Let me think how Thy dear Son
to His glory came,
And in deepest woe pray on,
“Glorify Thy Name.”

Minister and people:

Father, we come together in the Name of your Son Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, to offer you our worship, praise and thanksgiving. To you belong all power and glory. You are the source of all goodness. Let our worship bear witness to your peace and saving power. Through your Spirit may we ever rejoice in the abiding presence of our risen and ascended Lord. **Amen.**

Invitatory (Tune: Crimond)

1. O gracious Light, the brightness pure
Of the eternal One,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed,
The Father’s only Son!

2. Our eyes now, as the sunset comes,
Behold the vesper light;
We sing your praises Father, Son,
And Spirit as is right.

3. Lord, you are worthy at all times
O joyful voices praise,
O Son of God, Giver of life,
Through endless worlds and days.

The Minister says:

Lord, we pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins:

Silence may be kept.

Minister and people, kneeling, together say:

**Have mercy upon us,
most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honour and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution: Almighty God have mercy upon ...

Amen.

Psalm 8

Refrain: *O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world.*

1. O Lord our governor,* how exalted is your name in all the world!
2. Out of the mouths of infants and children* your majesty is praised above the heavens.
3. You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries," to -quell the enemy and the avenger.
4. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,* the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
5. What is man that you should be mindful of him?* the son of man that you should seek him out?
6. You have made him but little lower than the angels;* you adorn him with glory and honour;
7. You give him mastery over the works of your hands;* you put all things under his feet:
8. All sheep and oxen,* even the wild beasts of the field,
9. The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,* and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
10. O Lord our governor,* how exalted is your name in all the world!

Refrain: *O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world.*

The First Lesson: Numbers 6: 22 - 27

Hilary Phillips

Offertory 553 You have all my future in Your hands

1. You have all our future in your hands, in your hands.
We bid you take over all our life, Lord
our dreams, aspirations, all our best, Jesus Christ.
Our all we place in your hands.

Refrain:

***In your hands, Lord, we place today, tomorrow;
in your hands, Lord, we surrender all.
To your hands we commit our joys, our sorrow;
in your hands, Lord, we surrender all.***

Keep walking beside us every night, every day,
and giving us courage for the fray, Lord.
We need you to guide us every step of the way;
Forsake us not, Lord, we pray. **R**

You place many duties in our hands, in our hands;
And shaping our world is our task, Lord.
On you we depend, Lord, for the power; this we ask
that all make sense in our hands. **R**

You call us to service in this land, in this land,
whose soul is just aching for your touch, Lord;
and we too are reaching for your hand, Jesus, Lord
Redeem us as we take our stand. **R**

So, Lord, we are trusting everything to your hands,
and then we keep praying for our land, Lord,
to labour with others for the best, Jesus, Lord.
Our all we place in your hands. **R**

Welcome & Notices

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Welcome & Notices

2. Beneath the shadow of Thy throne,
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

3. Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

4. A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

6. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home!

Sermon: Fr. Bertram Gayle

Prayers for Renewal & O Holy Night

The Greeting of Peace: We are the body of Christ, by the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

All: Let us pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

Hymn: What Child is this

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest,
on Mary's lap, is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems
sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain:

*This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds seek and angels sing:
haste, haste to bring Him praise,
the Babe, the Son of Mary.*

2. Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christians, fear; for sinners here
The silent world is pleading. **R**

3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh
Come, peasant, king, to own him
The King of kings salvation brings
Let loving hearts enthrone Him. **R**

Magnificat (Tune: Amazing Grace) *All stand*

1. My soul proclaims the Lord my God,
My spirit sings His praise.
He looks on me; He lifts me up
And gladness fills my days

2. All nations now will share my joy,
His gifts he has outpoured.
His little one He has made great
I magnify the Lord.

3. His mercy is forever more,
His name I praise again,
His strong right arm puts down the
proud: And raises lowly men.

4. He fills the hungry with good things
The rich He sends away,
The promise made to Abraham
Is filled to endless days.

5. Magnificat - Magnificat
Magnificat - Praise God,
Praise God - Praise God,
Praise God, Praise God
Magnificat, Praise God

The Second Lesson Philippians 2:5 - 11 Andrea Chin See

Nunc Dimittis (Tune: Melcombe, L.M.) *All Stand*

Lord, you have set your servant free
To go in peace as you declared;
These eyes of mine at last have seen
The Saviour whom you have prepared;

A light which will enlighten all,
And Israel's glory equally;
All glory to the Father, Son,
And Spirit evermore shall be.

Gospel: **Luke 2:15 - 21** (*All Remain standing*)

The Apostles' Creed (*All Stand*)

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried,
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Prayers (*Kneel*)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

The Suffrages

V. Lord, reveal your love among us;

R. That we may know the joy of your salvation.

V. Grant peace within and among all nations;

R. And teach our leaders wisdom.

V. Endow your Church with faithfulness;

R. And her servants with knowledge and true godliness.

V. Defend, O Lord, the rights of the poor and the oppressed;

R. That your justice may be known among all people.

V. Lord, renew your spirit within us;

R. That in us and through us your will may be done.

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Hymn before the Sermon 234 O God, our help in ages past

1. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home: