

## THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 25, 2026 Lectionary Year A

**6:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST**  
O. T. Lesson Isaiah 9: 1 - 4 Milton Samuda  
Psalm 27:1, 5 - 13 **Refrain:** (all sit) *"The Lord is my light and Salvation. Alleluia."*  
BCP page 499  
Epistle 1 Corinthians 1:10 - 18 Hilary Phillips  
Gospel Matthew 4:12 - 23  
Prayer of Intercession BCP Form H page 120

**8:00 a.m. SOLEMN EUCHARIST AND SERMON**  
Processional 3 Christ, whose glory fills the sky  
O. T. Lesson Isaiah 9: 1 - 4 Vivienne Jones  
Psalm 27 Hymn 229 Jah is my keeper (all stand)  
Epistle 1 Corinthians 1:10 - 18 Lilieth West  
Acclamation *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path*  
*Children leave for Sunday School*  
Gospel Matthew 4:12 - 23  
Sermon Norval West  
The Creed BCP page 104  
Intercession BCP Form H page 120  
Anthem The Lord is my light - Arthur Tate  
Offertory 416 I The Lord of sea and sky/Here I am Lord  
During Communion 616, 147, 539  
S.S. 652 Jesus bids us shine with a clear pure light  
Recessional 241 Thou, whose almighty word

**5:00 pm Evening Song and Praise**

**Annual Congregational Meeting Agenda**  
**Chairman - The Very Rev. Canon Sirrano Kitson - Rector**

**Veni Sante Spiritus**

1. Welcome and Meeting Call to Order - Rector
2. Election of Synod Rep. & Church Committee
3. Rector's Address
4. Strategic Plan for St. Andrew Parish Church - Wardens
5. Financial Report and 2025 Budget - Hon. Mike Fennell
6. Adjournment and Closing Prayer
7. 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of The Church Committee

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

<https://www.facebook.com/sapcjamaica>.

The 8 a.m. service can also be viewed on Youtube.

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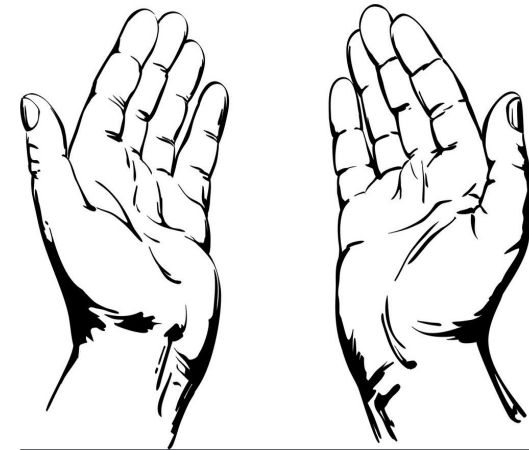
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**Chapel of Ease:**

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



Repent For The Kingdom Of God is at Hand

### CLERGY

Rector/Curate The Very Revd. Canon Sirrano Kitson, D. Min.

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

**Faith Formation and Christian Education****Did you know?**

“The light that has come into the world is not a star but the person of Jesus. This Light, Jesus himself, still shines upon all people, revealing either a darker side of the human heart or the radiance of God’s glory. From the very birth this Light arouses one to be “greatly troubled” or “overjoyed”. The Light is a welcoming, peaceful warmth to which we surrender and are overjoyed. The light also thickens the darkness and makes the contrast between goodness and evil that much more magnified. Those who choose to recognize the Light are drawn to give homage and open the gifts of their heart. Those who choose darkness face a path of trouble and destruction.

**Quote for Reflection**

This feast of the Epiphany celebrates the Light being manifested to all who would respond. The Light also divides our world, and this division will only be resolved when Christ comes in final glory to establish God’s reign once and for all. This feast invites each of us to be among the seekers of the Light who do Christ homage. Our joy is found in the real surprise of the gospel message: we are “members of the same body” (second reading) who are now the light that shines in the darkness. Our own shining forth hastens God’s reign. With such grace, no wonder all we can do is set our hearts rightly, offer homage and gifts, and follow the Light wherever it leads.

“Living Liturgy”

**Question for reflection**

- What does the Light of Christ reveal in our lives!

**Post Communion Acclamation**

**Jesus Christ, Son of God, make yourself known to me;  
Jesus Christ, Son of God, make yourself known through me ;  
Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, speak through me to others.  
Lord renew your Church beginning with me.**

**Readings for February 1, 2026: Micah 6: 1 - 8, Psalm 15,  
1 Corinthians 1: 18 - 31, Matthew 5: 1 - 12.**

**Birthdays for this week:** , Suzanne Harris-Henry and Lisa Russell 25/01, Kimone Chen-Sue 26/01, Myrtle Young 27/01, Archdeacon Alvin Stone, Maggie Banks and Kevin Harris 28/01, Elsie Aarons, Cynthia Lue-Bernard, Joy Pilgrim, David Clarke and Peggy Smith 29/01, Rev. Cleverton Beckford, Beverley Barrett and Fountain Jones 30/01, Sasha Wright, Karl Lewin, William Chin See, Daphne Whitely and Andrea Tinker 31/01.

**Condolence is extended** to the family of Laceta Brown, and the family of Christopher Bovell.

**The Interment** for Judith Sayle will be on Friday 30th at 9 am

**The Church’s Annual Congregational meeting** will be held today, January 25, 2026, after the 8:00 a.m. service.

**Tuesday Charity Ministry** will be on the 3rd of February 2026. All gifts of non-perishables are welcomed.

**Mothers’ Union ‘Fish Fry’** will be on February 20, 2026, cost \$2,500.

**Your 2026 envelopes** can be collected from the conference room.

**Last Wednesday, St. Andrew Parish Church and Holy Cross Catholic Church celebrated the 45th Anniversary of The Marian Ecumenical Service.**

**Faith formation Training for Christian Discipleship** - Contact the Church Office.

**Events for February 2026**

<b>Feb. 8</b>	<b>Provincial Sunday</b>
<b>Feb. 18</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>

**SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK Jan. 25 - 31**

Jan. 27	Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Jan. 28	Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Jan. 30	Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

**WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR...**

Percival Lynch	(Priest)	Elesia Blackburn	Beatrice Lovelock
Winnifred Johnson		Margaret Green	Daphne Martin
Loyle Herdsman		Ilene Henry	Mavis Bogle
Myrtle White		Linda Mahon	Daphne Whitely

## SEASONAL SENTENCE

President: For the God who said...

President: (+) Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

**People: And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

President: O Christ, you have manifested yourself and enlightened the world.  
Alleluia!

**All: We are baptized to proclaim your light of Salvation to all  
people. Alleluia!**

President: Our Saviour is made manifest for the redemption of the world.  
Alleluia!

**All: All nations of the world will gather to worship you, Alleluia**

President: Come let us worship the Lord who is proclaimed as the Beloved  
Son of God. Alleluia!

**All: Christ is anointed to deliver the afflicted, emancipate the  
enslaved and to bind up the broken hearted. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

### The Collect for Purity

**ALL:** Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and  
from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily  
magnify your Holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Let us pray... **Amen**

### Gloria In Excelsis Mass of St. Thomas - David Thorne

**Refrain: Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. <b>R</b>	<b>2.</b> Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. <b>R</b>
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For you alone are the Holy One; you alone are the Lord: you alone are the  
Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **R**

### The Collect of the day

## Message for Meditation and Reflection

Our theme for this week is: Proclaiming the Good News to all People  
In the first lesson Isaiah tell the people that their days of fear are coming to  
an end. The people were troubled by the threat of an invasion from the  
enemies of Assyria, who were their close associates. The prophet tells the  
people that the light of God would soon shine on God's people. This would  
bring great joy to a people who were once filled with sadness and fear.

In the second reading, Paul reminded the believers in Corinth of God's word  
of light and truth. The people all belonged to Christ, being united with Him  
through their faith. Paul wanted them to know the things which caused  
divisions among them were not necessary. When the believers in Corinth  
come to understand that they were brought together in Christ, they would be  
enlightened to live as the renewed community of God's people.

In the gospel reading, John was arrested and Jesus withdrew to Capernaum  
to begin His public ministry, proclaiming the good news of life and light.  
The message He proclaimed was repentance as the gateway into God's  
kingdom. Jesus also began to call together the company of disciples to  
follow Him and to help proclaim the presence of the kingdom of God.

The last few gospel readings have given focus to an interplay between John  
the Baptist and Jesus. First John's baptism of Jesus, then his testimony about  
Jesus. Now the reading tells of John's arrest and the beginning of Jesus's  
public ministry. Matthew did not indicate why John was arrested, however, it  
can be assumed that it may be a result of his mission to advance the message  
of the kingdom.

Following John's arrest, Jesus withdrew to Capernaum, a move which  
fulfills the reading from Isaiah 9:2. For the people in this region, the light  
and message of God's love would now shine on them. By this, Matthew  
signals the work of God through Jesus Christ proclaiming the message of  
repentance. This is an expansion of John's message who preached  
repentance for the forgiveness of sins. Jesus was saying repent, for the  
Kingdom (reign) of God was now taking place.

Matthew tells of Jesus calling disciples to follow Him. Two brothers Simon  
and Andrew who were fishing were called to fish for people. He also called  
James and John who left their father to follow Jesus.

In closing, Matthew tells that Jesus went throughout the region teaching in  
the synagogues and bringing freedom to many who were oppressed. These  
things he performed to show that the kingdom of was present on earth.

**We are to proclaim the good news to all People.**