

ST. JAMES PARISH CHURCH

Holetown, St. James, Barbados

TO BE A BEACON RADIATING GOD'S LOVE AMONG ALL PEOPLE

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 9, 2025

Sunday, March 9, 2025

7:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sermon

9:15 a.m. Sung Holy Eucharist and Sermon

RECTOR: THE REV. CANON BEVERLEY SEALY-KNIGHT
ASST. PRIEST: REV. GRAVENEY BANNISTER

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JENNIFER SMITH.

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RAYN JOHNSON

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THELMA ROCK

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DIANA ROMERO

JENNY ROUSE

RALPH SHEPHERD

MICHAEL SMITH

DAISY STUART

SHARON TROTMAN

FRANCISCA WILKIE

*The St. James' Church
Family would like to
extend a blessed
welcome to all today.*

*A special welcome is
given to our visitors.
May this service be an
inspiration to all.*

THE LENTEN PROSE

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory:
lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

O thou chief cornerstone, right hand of the Father:
way of salvation, gate of life celestial:
cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated:
bow down and hearken to thy weeping children:
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

Sins oft committed, now we lay before thee:
with true contrition, now no more we veil them:
grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

Innocent captive, taken unresisting:
falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced,
save us, we pray thee, Jesu, our Redeemer.

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.*

The Lenten Prose

Refrain (Cantor first time)



Hear us, O Lord, have mer - cy up - on us:



for we have sinn'd a - gainst thee.

Cantor



1. To thee, Re - deem - er, on thy throne of glo - ry:
2. O thou chief Cor - ner stone, Right Hand of the Fa - ther:
3. God, we im - plore thee, in thy glo - ry seat - ed:
4. Sins oft com - mit - ted now we lay be - fore thee:
5. In - no - cent cap - tive, ta - ken un - re - sist - ing:



- 1 lift we our weep - ing eyes in ho - ly plead - ings:
- 2 .Way of Sal - va - tion, Gate of life cel - es - tial:
- 3 bow down and hear - ken to thy weep - ing child - ren:
- 4 with true con - tri - tion now no more we veil them:
- 5 false - ly ac - cused, and for us sin - ners sen - tenc'd,



- 1 lis - ten O Je - su, to our sup - pli - ca - tions.
- 2 cleanse thou our sin - ful souls from all de - file - ment.
- 3 pi - ty and par - don all our grie - vous tres - pas - es.
- 4 grant us, Re - deem - er, lov - ing ab - so - lu - tion.
- 5 save us we pray thee, Je - su our Re - deem - er.

The Refrain is repeated after every verse

ORGAN PRELUDE

ORGANIST: DR. PHILIP FORDE, ARCM, FRCO

OPENING SENTENCES: - LENT

Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5: 1, 2

INTROIT HYMN: 112

1. Christian, dost thou see them
on the holy ground,
how the troops of Midian
prowl and prowl around?
Christian, up and smite them,
counting gain but loss;
smite them by the merit
of the holy cross.
2. Christian, dost thou feel them,
how they work within,
striving, tempting, luring,
goading into sin?
Christian, never tremble;
never be down-cast;
smite them by the virtue
of the Lenten fast.
3. Christian, dost thou hear them,
how they speak thee fair?
'Always fast and vigil?
Always watch and prayer?'

Christian, answer boldly,
 'While I breathe I pray:'
 peace shall follow battle,
 night shall end in day.

4. 'Well I know thy trouble,
 O my servant true;
 thou art very weary,
 I was weary too;
 but that toil shall make thee
 some day all mine own,
 and the end of sorrow
 shall be near my throne.'

PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

ALL:

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. **Amen.**

ALL:

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. **Amen.**

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.

THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you .**

THE COLLECT: THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 26: 1-11

In Exodus, we read that the Israelites are to offer the first or best fruits of the harvest to God. Our reading

expands on this. By the time Deuteronomy was written, the offering was also in thanks for deliverance from Egypt.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of Deuteronomy, Chapter 26, beginning at the first verse.

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.

The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

The Word of the Lord

The people: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16

This psalm is a hymn of trust in the Lord, who will guard and deliver the one he loves and seeks refuge with God.

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the LORD,
"You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."
- 9 Because you have made the Lord your
refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,

- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your
dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you,*
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the
serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my
Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer
him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son: *
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now: *
and shall be forever. Amen.

THE SECOND READING - ROMANS 10:8B-13

In this lesson, Paul teaches that the word of faith is a gift to us; by it we make our saving confession that

Jesus is Lord and that God raised him from the dead.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Epistle to the Romans , Chapter 10, beginning at the eighth verse.

"The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

The Word of the Lord

The people: Thanks be to God.

HYMN FOR THE GRADUAL: 114

1. Forty days and forty nights
thou wast fasting in the wild;
forty days and forty nights
tempted, and yet undefiled.
2. Sunbeams scorching all the day;
chilly dew-drops nightly shed;
prowling beasts about thy way;
stones thy pillow; earth thy bed.

3. Shall not we thy sorrow share
and from earthly joys abstain,
fasting with unceasing prayer,
glad with thee to suffer pain?
4. And if Satan, vexing sore,
flesh or spirit should assail,
thou, his Vanquisher before,
grant we may not faint nor fail.
5. So shall we have peace divine:
holier gladness ours shall be;
round us too shall angels shine,
such as ministered to thee.
6. Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,
ever constant by thy side;
that with thee we may appear
at th' eternal Eastertide.

THE GOSPEL - LUKE 4:1-13

Our gospel is the story of the temptations of Jesus by the devil.

Gospeler: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Gospeler: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to Christ Our Saviour.

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the

wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,
to protect you,'

and

'On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against
a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

This is the Gospel of Christ

The people: Praise to Christ our Lord.

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THE SERMON

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We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is seen or unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 one in Being with the Father.
 Through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation
 He came down from heaven:
 by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he was born of the Virgin Mary,
 and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 He suffered, died and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in fulfilment of the Scriptures;
 He ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

THE INTERCESSION: FORM H

LEADER:

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

LEADER: *Lord, in your mercy,*

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good.

LEADER: *Lord, in your mercy,*

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honour and glory.

LEADER: *Lord, in your mercy,*

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as He loves us.

LEADER: *Lord, in your mercy,*

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

LEADER: *Lord, in your mercy,*

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

LEADER: *Lord, in your mercy,*

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The President adds a concluding Collect.

THE ACT OF PENITENCE

PRESIDENT:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(1 John 1: 8 - 9)

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

ALL: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT:

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

PRESIDENT:

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 then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

PRESIDENT:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

The President: and people shall greet one another in the name of the Lord.

SONG OF PEACE: LET THERE BE PEACE

Let there be peace on earth
 And let it begin with me.
 Let there be peace on earth
 The peace that was meant to be.
 With God as our Father
 Brothers all are we.
 Let me walk with my brother
 In perfect harmony.
 Let peace begin with me
 Let this be the moment now.
 With every step I take
 Let this be my solemn vow.
 To take each moment
 And live each moment
 With peace eternally.
 Let there be peace on earth,
 And let it begin with me.

HYMN FOR THE OFFERTORY: 425

- 1 O happy band of pilgrims,
if onward ye will tread
with Jesus as your fellow
to Jesus as your Head!
- 2 O happy, if ye labour
as Jesus did for men!
O happy, if ye hunger
as Jesus hungered then!
3. The cross that Jesus carried
he carried as your due:
the crown that Jesus weareth
he weareth it for you.
4. The faith by which ye see him,
the hope, in which ye yearn,
the love that through all troubles
to him alone will turn,
5. The trials that beset you,
the sorrows ye endure,
the manifold temptations
that death alone can cure,
6. What are they, but his jewels
of right celestial worth?
What are they but the ladder,
set up to heaven on earth?
7. O happy band of pilgrims,
look upward to the skies,

where such a light affliction
shall win so great a prize.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER:

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

ALL: And also with you

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

LENT:

For you bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast;

that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might;
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Congregation kneels as the Eucharistic Prayer continues.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER FORM D:

PRESIDENT:

All glory, praise, and thanksgiving be unto you, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, You created the world and all mankind, and of your tender mercy gave your only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon Him, and to suffer death upon the cross, for our redemption. He made there, by His own oblation of Himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins

of the whole world; and He instituted, and in His holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of His precious death, until His coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech you; and be pleased to accept, bless and sanctify these gifts and creatures of bread and wine, that they may be for us the Body and Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me".

And after supper He took the cup of wine: and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, Do this for the remembrance of me.

PRESIDENT:

In faith we acclaim You, O Christ

**ALL: Dying, You destroyed our death;
Rising, You restored our life;
Christ Jesus, come in glory.**

PRESIDENT:

Now therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we your

servants with all your holy people, having in remembrance the blessed passion, mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension of your beloved Son, do offer unto your Divine Majesty this Bread of eternal life and this Cup of everlasting salvation, rendering thanks to you for the wonderful redemption which you have made possible for us in Him.

And we beseech you, O Father, to accept upon your heavenly altar this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and to grant that by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in His blood, we and all your whole Church may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of His passion.

And we pray that by the power of your Holy Spirit all who shall be partakers of this holy Communion may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be numbered in the glorious company of your Saints.

And here we offer and present unto you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. And although we are unworthy to offer unto you any sacrifice, yet we beseech you to accept this, our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offences;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto you, O Father Almighty, throughout all ages, world without end.

ALL: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESIDENT:

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name;

your kingdom come;

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL:

Though we are many we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

THE AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

grant us peace.

THE INVITATION

PRESIDENT:

Draw near and receive the Body and Blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

ALL: We do not presume to come to this your table, most merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the Lord ever the same, ever merciful. Grant therefore, Lord of grace and love, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. *Amen.*

HYMN FOR COMMUNION : 504

1. Just as I am, without one plea
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.
2. Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.
3. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind:
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

4. Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.
5. Just as I am (thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down),
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.
6. Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN: HYMN 645

1. Do no sinful action,
speak no angry word:
ye belong to Jesus,
children of the Lord.
2. Christ is kind and gentle,
Christ is pure and true;
and his little children
must be holy too.
3. There's a wicked spirit
watching round you still,
and he tries to tempt you
to all harm and ill.
4. But ye must not hear him,

though 'tis hard for you
to resist the evil,
and the good to do.

5. For ye promised truly,
in your infant days,
to renounce him wholly,
and forsake his ways.
6. Ye are new-born Christians,
ye must learn to fight
with the bad within you,
and to do the right.
7. Christ is your own Master;
he is good and true,
and his little children
must be holy too.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God and Heavenly Father,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you and all persons in you,
with gladness and singleness of heart,
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE BLESSING: LENT

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow Him; and the Blessings of God Almighty, the Father, the Son

and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always

All: Amen

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 406

1. Be thou my guardian and my guide,
and hear me when I call;
let not my slippery footsteps slide,
and hold me lest I fall.
2. The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
thou Quickener of the dead.
3. And if I tempted am to sin,
and outward things are strong,
do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
and save my soul from wrong.
4. Still let me ever watch and pray,
and feel that I am frail;
that if the tempter cross my way,
yet he may not prevail.

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *The St. James' Church Family would like to extend a blessed welcome to all taking part in this act of worship today.
We offer a very special welcome to all of our visitors., especially those from overseas .*

THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Please feel free to depart during the postlude, mindful of those who remain to listen.

OUR BIRTHDAY LIST

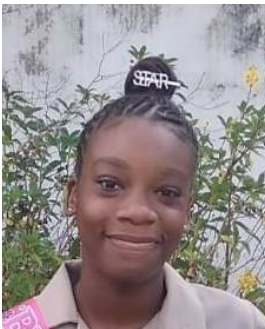
Our records indicate that the following members are celebrating their birthdays this week. Special greetings are extended to them.

Adams, Yvonne (Mrs.)

March 9

Cumberbatch, Aidan (Mr.)

March 14



Brathwaithe, Aasiyah (Miss)
March 10



Knight, Nathan (Mr.)
March 13

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