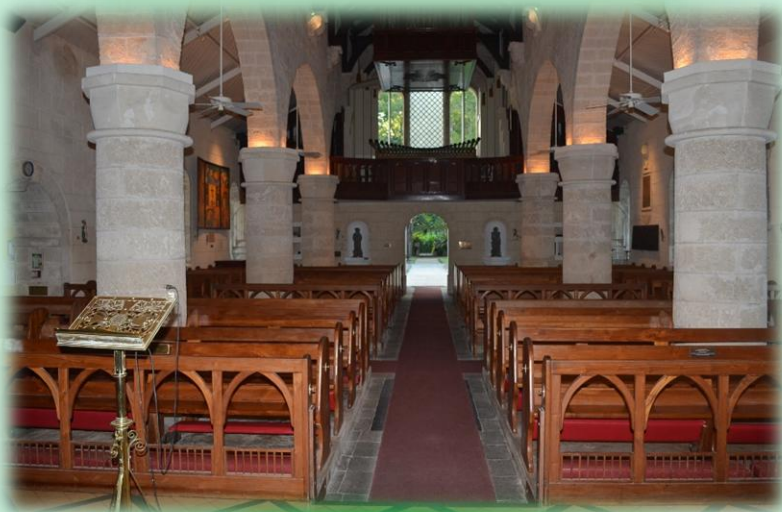


# St. James Parish Church

*Holetown, St. James, Barbados*

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



THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 25, 2026

7:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sermon

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**ASSISTANT PRIEST: REV. GRAVENEY BANNISTER**

**ASSISTANT CURATE: REV. STEVENSON SOBERS**

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## **ORGAN PRELUDE**

*Organist: Dr. Philip Forde, ARCM, FRCO*

## **OPENING SENTENCES: EPIPHANY**

God chose to make known how great among the nations are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

*Colossians 1: 27*

## **HYMN FOR THE INTROIT: 3**

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise,  
triumph o'er the shades of night;  
dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.
2. Dark and cheerless is the morn  
unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return,  
till thy mercy's beams I see;  
till they inward light impart,  
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
3. Visit then this soul of mine,  
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
fill me, Radiancy Divine,  
scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
shining to the perfect day.

## **PRESIDENT:**

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

**ALL:**

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.  
(*Alleluia! Alleluia*).

## **THE PRAYER OF INTENT**

**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.*

*The following may also be said:*

## **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.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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.

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.

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. Amen.

**PRESIDENT:** Let us pray.

## **THE COLLECT:**

### **THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his **marvelous** works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever . **Amen.**

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST READING - ISAIAH 9:1-4

*Isaiah tells of a future time when those in the northern regions of Israel, whom God subjugated to Assyrian rule, will not only be free but will also reflect God's power. Those so honoured will include people of many nations.*

*A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of Isaiah, Chapter 9, beginning at the first verse.*

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep  
darkness--  
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,

the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of  
Midian.

*The people:*           The Word of the Lord  
                              *Thanks be to God.*

### **PSALM 27:1, 5-13**

***The psalmist expresses great trust and confidence in the Lord and asks always to be in God's presence.***

- 1 The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I fear? \*  
the Lord is the strength of my life;  
of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 5 One thing have I asked of the Lord;  
one thing I seek; \*  
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all  
the days of my life;
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord \*  
and to seek him in his temple.
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me  
safe in his shelter; \*  
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his  
dwelling  
and set me high upon a rock.
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head \*  
above my enemies round about me.

- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an  
oblation  
with sounds of great gladness; \*  
I will sing and make music to the Lord.
- 10 Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; \*  
have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my  
face." \*  
Your face, Lord, will I seek.
- 12 Hide not your face from me, \*  
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- 13 You have been my helper;  
cast me not away; \*  
do not forsake me, O God of 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 1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-18**

***Paul tackles the problem of divisions in the Corinth Community and points out that their (our) loyalty should be to Christ and not to particular leaders.***

***A Reading from the Word of God, written in the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, Chapter 1 beginning at the tenth verse.***



Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The Word of the Lord

***The people:***      *Thanks be to God.*

## **HYMN FOR THE GRADUAL: 499**

1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways!  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise.
2. In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word,  
rise up and follow thee.
3. \* O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!
4. Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace.
5. Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind,  
and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm.

## **THE GOSPEL - MATTHEW 4:12-23**

***Jesus begins his public ministry.***

***Gospeler:                    The Lord be with you***

**All:** *And also with you*

**Gospeler:** *A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.*

**All:** *Glory to Christ Our Saviour.*

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
on the road by the sea, across the  
Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

the people who sat in darkness  
have seen a great light,

and for those who sat in the region and  
shadow of death  
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim,  
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come  
near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and

followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

**This is the Gospel of Christ**  
*The people: Praise to Christ our Lord.*

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## THE SERMON

## THE NICENE CREED

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 PRAYERS: INTERCESSION: FORM E**

**7:15 A.M. SUSAN GILES**

**9:15 A.M. SANDRA LEACOCK**

**LEADER:**

Let us pray for the fellowship of the Church of Christ, and for all God's creatures.

**LEADER:**

With all who confess the name of Jesus, as Lord and Saviour, we offer our prayers and praises, in Spirit and in truth.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

With Jesus Christ, our Great High Priest, who ever lives to intercede for us, we uphold all ministers of God's Word and Sacraments, that they may fulfil their high calling in the Faith.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

We pray for the unfailing guidance of the Holy Spirit on those who are called to interpret and expound the will of the Lord to others.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

We pray for all organizations, within the fellowship of the Body of Christ, that their work may edify the

people of God, and bear faithful witness to the Gospel.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

We pray for all persons who do not share our confession of faith, that with courage, truth and love we may work together with them, and promote the common good.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

For the leaders of our country, and all who make decisions on our behalf, that they may be guided by the Spirit, to direct our affairs in righteousness and peace.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

For our Judges, Magistrates and all who administer justice, that in all things they may seek to do your will, and to protect the rights and freedom of your people.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

In our schools, and in all other places of learning, may true knowledge, sound wisdom, and godly discipline ever be found.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

To the poor, the hungry, the unemployed, and all victims of persecution and discrimination of any kind, may God in Christ help us all to bring relief, justice and protection.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

To all who suffer now from pain and disease, from human discomfort and misery, may God in Christ bring healing and joy, for the renewal of their faith.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

That we may use aright the fullness of the earth, that our pursuits in science, and the advancement of our skills, may ever be in service of that true humanity, which is created in the image of God.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

That we may never become the slaves of money, or of the lust for power, but may rather strive for victory through the power of love.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

**LEADER:**

That with all who belong to the communion of saints, both living and departed, we may ever



rejoice in the blessed assurance of that hope, which has been won for us in Christ.

*Father in Heaven,*

**ALL:** Receive these our prayers in the name of your dear Son, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*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)*

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: 108**

1. The people that in darkness sat  
A glorious light have seen;  
The light has shined on them who long  
In shades of death have been,
2. To hail thee, Sun of righteousness,  
The gathering nations come;  
They joy as when the reapers bear  
Their harvest treasures home.
3. For thou their burden dost remove,  
and break the tyrant's rod,  
as in the day when Midian fell  
before the sword of God.
4. For unto us a child is born,  
To us the Son is given,  
And on his shoulder ever rests  
All power in earth and heaven.
5. His name shall be the Prince of Peace,  
The Everlasting Lord,  
The Wonderful, the Counselor,  
The God by all adored.
6. His righteous government and power  
Shall over all extend;  
On judgment and on justice based,  
His reign shall have no end
7. Lord Jesus, reign is us, we pray,  
And make us thine alone,  
Who with the Father ever art  
And Holy spirit, one.

## **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:

## **EPIPHANY**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Because in coming to dwell among us as man, He revealed the radiance of His glory, and brought us out of darkness into His own marvellous light.

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!

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER - FORM C:**

**PRESIDENT:**

**W**e give thanks to you, Lord our God,  
for the goodness and love you have made known  
to us in creation;  
in calling Israel to be your people;  
in your Word spoken through the prophets;  
and, above all, in the Word made flesh,  
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent Him  
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.  
In Him, you have delivered us from evil,  
and made us worthy to stand before you.  
In Him, you have brought us out of error into truth,  
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.  
For, on the night that 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:**

**T**herefore, Father, according to His command:  
**ALL:     We remember His death;  
             We proclaim His resurrection;  
             We await His coming in glory.**

**PRESIDENT:**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise  
and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;  
presenting to you, from your creation,  
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,  
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts

that they may be the sacrament  
of the Body of Christ  
and His Blood of the New Covenant.  
Unite us to your Son in His sacrifice  
that we, made acceptable in Him,  
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,  
reconcile all things in Christ,  
and make them new,  
and bring us to that city of light  
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
the firstborn of all creation,  
the head of the Church,  
and the author of our salvation:

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours,  
Almighty Father, now and ever.

**ALL: Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**PRESIDENT:**

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

**ALL:**

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:** The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**ALL:** Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we  
will sing glad songs of praise to Him.



## **HYMN FOR THE COMMUNION: 608**

1. My God, and is thy table spread,  
and doth thy cup with love o'erflow?  
Thither be all thy children led,  
and let them all thy sweetness know.
2. Hail, sacred feast, which Jesus makes,  
rich banquet of his flesh and blood!  
Thrice happy he who here partakes  
that sacred stream, that heavenly food.
3. Why are its dainties all in vain  
before unwilling hearts displayed?  
Was not for them the Victim slain?  
Are they forbid the children's Bread?
4. O let thy table honoured be,  
and furnished well with joyful guests;  
and may each soul salvation see,  
that here its sacred pledges tastes.
5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost  
the God whom heaven and earth adore,  
from men and from the angel-host  
be praise and glory evermore.

## **HYMN FOR THE BLESSING: 654**

1. Jesus, friend of little children,  
be a friend to me;  
take my hand and ever keep me  
close to thee.

2. Teach me how to grow in goodness  
daily as I grow;  
thou hast been a child and surely  
thou dost know.
3. Step by step, O lead me onward,  
upward into youth;  
wiser, stronger, still becoming  
in thy truth.
4. Never leave me nor forsake me,  
ever be my friend,  
for I need thee from life's dawning  
to its end.

## **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**

### **EPIPHANY**

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with  
good news of His kingdom; and the blessing of  
God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy  
Spirit, be among you and remain with you  
always.

**ALL: Amen**

## **HYMN FOR THE RECESSION: 99**

1. Earth has many a noble city;  
Bethl'em, thou dost all excel:  
out of thee the Lord from heaven  
came to rule his Israel.
2. Fairer than the sun at morning  
was the star that told his birth,  
to the world its God announcing  
seen in fleshly form on earth.
3. Eastern sages at his cradle  
make oblations rich and rare;  
see them give in deep devotion,  
gold and frankincense and myrrh.
4. Sacred gifts of mystic meaning:  
incense doth their God disclose,  
gold the King of kings proclaimeth,  
myrrh his sepulchre foreshows.
5. Jesu, whom the Gentiles worshipped  
at thy glad Epiphany,  
unto thee with God the Father  
and the Spirit, glory be.

## **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.*

## *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., most especially those from overseas .*
- *We also pray that this service will be an inspiration to all.*
- *Please be informed that Stewardship Envelopes are now available and can be collected at the end of each Service.*

## *Harvest Garden Part 26*

- *The Harvest Garden Party will take place on Saturday, February 7 at 1:00 p.m.*
- *Tickets are available at \$15 for adults.*
- *You are kindly asked to make your donations towards any stall of your choice and/or any of the flower arrangements which will be on display.*

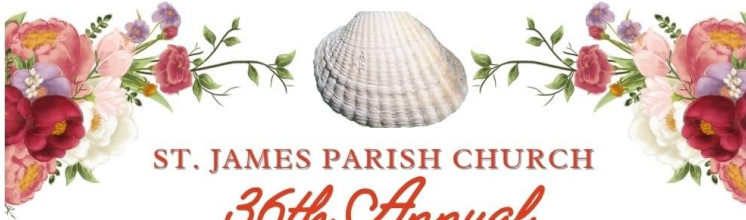
### ***BIRTHDAY GREETINGS:***

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

<b><i>Hatch, Marcus (Mr.)</i></b>	<b><i>Jan. 28</i></b>
<b><i>Jordan, Audley (Mr.)</i></b>	<b><i>Jan. 27</i></b>
<b><i>Riley, Iotha (Mrs.)</i></b>	<b><i>Jan. 26</i></b>

## **STEWARDSHIP**

*Christian stewardship is a life commitment to the worship of God and to the study of His will for us as this is revealed in the Holy Scriptures:*



ST. JAMES PARISH CHURCH

### *36th Annual Harvest Garden Party*

Come see The Church decorated with flowers  
In the Garden Sidewalk Art, Craft, Food, Drinks, Tea  
Activities for Children  
Entertainment by The Barbados Police Service Band and  
others



Saturday, February 7, 2026  
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm on the Church grounds

ADMISSION: Adults \$15.00

Children under 12 - \$5 at the gate

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