

St. Philip Parish Church



2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 08, 2024

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WELCOME: We welcome you to St. Philip this morning as we celebrate the **Second Sunday of Advent**. Readings are for Advent 2 Year C

A warm welcome is extended to all who are visiting for the first time. The members of the St. Philip's Parish Church consider it a privilege to have you worship with us and sincerely hope you enjoy your visit. It is our desire **to be an agent that ensures God's love and help reach all.**

ORDER OF SERVICE

**During the Season of Advent
The Gloria and Alleluias are omitted**

Lighting of the Second Candle

Leader: May the Lord's peace be with us all.

All: The Lord is our faith and our life.

Leader: May His love shine in our hearts.

All: Our hope is in the coming of the Lord.

Leader: Today we light the candle of **Peace**

Two purple candles are lit and allowed to burn.

Leader: Let us pray that we may experience fully the peace of Christ.

Pause for silent prayer.

Father in Heaven, the day draws near when the birth of your Son will make radiant the night of the waiting world. May His quiet coming fill us with true inner peace. Amen.

Introit Hymn 53

Thy kingdom come, O God,
thy rule, O Christ, begin;
break with thine iron rod
the tyrannies of sin.

Where is thy reign of peace
and purity and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
as in the realms above?

When comes the promised time
that war shall be no more,
and lust, oppression, crime
shall flee thy face before?

We pray thee, Lord, arise,
and come in thy great might;
revive our longing eyes,
which languish for thy sight.

Men scorn thy sacred name,
and wolves devour thy fold;
by many deeds of shame
we learn that love grows cold.

O'er heathen lands afar
thick darkness broodeth yet:
arise, O morning star,
arise, and never set!

Salutation–

Jesus says, surely I am coming soon! Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! *Revelation 22: 20*

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.

Collect: Second Sunday of Advent

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First lesson: A reading from the word of God written in the 5th Chapter of the Book of Baruch beginning at the 1st verse. (*Baruch 5:1-9*)

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, "Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies;

but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Canticle: The Song of Zechariah (The Benedictus)

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited,
and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us : in the
house of his servant David;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets : which
have been since the world began;

That we should be saved from our enemies : and from
the hands of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers : and
to remember his holy Covenant;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather
Abraham : that he would give us;

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies :
might serve him without fear;

In holiness and righteousness before him : all the days of our life.

And thou, Child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people : for the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God : whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Second lesson: A reading from the word of God written in the 1st chapter of the Letter of Paul to the Philippians beginning at the 3rd verse.

(Philippians 1:3-11)

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge

and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: 42

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake, and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
make straight the way for God within;
prepare we in our hearts a home,
where such a mighty guest may come.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge, and our great reward;
without thy grace we waste away,
like flowers that wither and decay.

To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent doth thy people free,
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Ghost for evermore.

The Holy Gospel

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel According to Luke, the 3rd chapter, beginning at the 1st verse. (Luke 3:1-6)

Glory to Christ our Saviour

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ our Lord

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.**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE FORM D

LEADER

Our Heavenly Father has promised through our Lord Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith. Let us therefore pray for the Church and the World, and let us thank God for His goodness.

Silence may be kept

LEADER

We pray for the Church of God in every place; especially for this Diocese, our Bishop(s) _____ and all the people _____ of _____ God.

ALL

Strengthen your Church to carry forward the work of Christ; that we and all who confess your Name may unite in truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory to the world.

LEADER

We pray for our country and for all the nations of the world, especially _____ and for all peoples in their various _____ callings.

ALL

Direct this nation and all nations in the ways of justice and truth. Give wisdom to all in positions of public trust and authority; that they may promote the prosperity, godliness and peace of your people everywhere.

LEADER

We pray for our own community, for this parish, for our families, friends, and all who live and work with us.

ALL

Give grace to all our friends and neighbours in Christ, that we may serve Him in one another and grow together in His love.

LEADER

We pray for the poor, the sick, the unemployed, the differently-abled; all who have requested our prayers and all who seek the prayers of the Church in their time of trouble.

ALL

Give healing and strength to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and sustain all those who remember and care for them.

LEADER

We commemorate the departed, especially

ALL

We commend all people to your unfailing love, that in them your will may be fulfilled; and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may share with them in your eternal kingdom.

Silence may be kept.

MOTHER'S UNION PRAYER

Loving Lord, we thank you for your love so freely given to us all. We pray for families around the world. Bless the work of the Mothers' Union as we seek to share our love through the encouragement, strengthening and the

support of marriage and family life. Empowered by your Spirit, may we be united in prayer and worship, and in love and service, reach out as your hands to the world. In Jesus' name. **Amen**

LEADER

Accept these prayers, O Lord our God, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

ALL: Amen.

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.

A period of silence shall be kept.

PRESIDENT: Let us therefore confess our sins

FORM B

Most Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, 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

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

ALL

They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others.

PRESIDENT

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH

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
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In peace and 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 in peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me

Offertory Hymn 41

Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding;
 ‘Christ is nigh’, it seems to say;
‘Cast away the dreams of darkness,
 O ye children of the day!’

Wakened by the solemn warning,
 let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, her Sun, all ill dispelling,
 shines upon the morning skies.

Lo, the Lamb, so long expected,
 comes with pardon down from heaven;
let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
 one and all to be forgiven;

That when next he comes with glory,
 and the world is wrapped in fear,
with his mercy he may shield us,
 and with words of love draw near.

Honour, glory, might, and blessing
 to the Father and the Son,
with the everlasting Spirit,
 while eternal ages run.

HYMN: 36

Christ is surely coming, bringing his reward,
Alpha and Omega, First and Last and Lord:
root and stem of David, brilliant Morning Star -
meet your Judge and Saviour, nations near and far;
meet your Judge and Saviour, nations near and far!

See the holy city! There they enter in,
all by Christ made holy, washed from every sin:
thirsty ones, desiring all he loves to give,
come for living water, freely drink, and live;
come for living water, freely drink, and live!

Grace be with God's people! Praise his holy name!
Father, Son, and Spirit, evermore the same:
hear the certain promise from the eternal home:
'Surely I come quickly!' - Come, Lord Jesus, come;
'Surely I come quickly!' - Come, Lord Jesus, come!

HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

ALL

Father, We offer to 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:

PRESIDENT

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in Him of eternal life; that when He shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold His appearing.

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.

Eucharistic Prayer B

PRESIDENT

Holy and gracious Father,
all creation rightly gives you praise.
All life, all holiness, comes from you
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
whom you sent to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

We therefore bring you these gifts,
and we ask you to make them holy by the power of your
Spirit,
that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who offered Himself in obedience to your will,
the Perfect Sacrifice for all mankind.

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."

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.

Do this, whenever you drink it,
For the remembrance of me.”

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.”

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

PRESIDENT

Father, calling to mind the death your Son
endured for our salvation;
His glorious Resurrection and Ascension;
His continual intercession for us in heaven;
and looking for His coming again in glory,
we offer you, in thanksgiving,
this holy and life-giving sacrifice.

Look with favour on your Church’s offering,
and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts
may be filled with your Holy Spirit
and become one body in Christ.
and serve you in unity, constancy and peace.

May He make us a perpetual offering to you and enable
us,
in communion with blessed Mary
and the whole company of heaven,
to share in the inheritance of your Saints.

With Him, and in Him, and through Him,
by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you,
Father Almighty, with all who stand before you
in earth and heaven in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. 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 Form A

PRESIDENT

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ALL

Grant gracious Lord, that we so eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, and drink His blood, that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us. Amen.

HYMNS FOR THE EUCHARIST

Hymn 572

Be still, my soul! for God is near!
The great High Priest is with thee now;
the Lord of life himself is near,
before whose face the angels bow.

To make thy heart his lowly throne
thy Saviour God in love draws nigh;
he gives himself unto his own,
for whom he once came down to die.

He pleads before the mercy-seat;
he pleads with God; he pleads for thee;
he gives thee bread from heaven to eat,
his flesh and blood in mystery.

I come, O Lord! For thou dost call -
to blend my pleading prayer with thine;
to thee I give myself - my all,
and feed on thee and make thee mine.

Hymn: 599

Jesu, gentlest Saviour,
thou art in us now,
fill us with thy goodness,
till our hearts o'erflow.

Multiply our graces,
chiefly love and fear,
and, dear Lord, the chiefest,
grace to persevere.

Oh, how can we thank thee
for a gift like this,
gift that truly maketh
heaven's eternal bliss!

Ah! When wilt thou always
make our hearts thy home?
We must wait for heaven;
then the day will come.

Children's Hymn 322 (Blessing)

It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
and soon all those around, can warm up in its glowing;
that's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced
it:
you spread his love to everyone;
you want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is spring when all the trees are
budding,
the birds begin to sing; the flowers start their blooming;
that's how it is with God's love,
once you've experienced it you want to sing,
It's fresh like spring; you want to pass it on.

I wish for you, my friend, this happiness that I've found;
you can depend on him, it matters not where you're
bound;.
I'll shout it from the mountaintop,
I want my world to know;
the Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

Post Communion

ALL

**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

Christ the Son of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

NOTICES

Recessional Hymn 35

Blest be the King whose coming
 is in the name of God!
For him let doors be opened,
 no hearts against him barred!
Not robed in royal splendour,
 in power and pomp, comes he;
but clad as are the poorest –
 such his humility!

Blest be the King whose coming
is in the name of God!
By those who truly listen
 his voice is truly heard.
Pity the proud and haughty,
 who have not learned to heed
the Christ who is the Promise
 and has our ransom paid.

Blest be the King whose coming
 is in the name of God!
He only to the humble
 reveals the face of God.
All power is his, all glory!

All things are in his hand,
all ages and all peoples,
till time itself shall end!

Blest be the King whose coming
is in the name of God!
He offers to the burdened
the rest and grace they need.
Gentle is he and humble!
And light his yoke shall be,
for he would have us bear it
so he can make us free!

NOTICES

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS (Dec 08-14) to Flora Aimey (08)
Deborah King (08), Magdalene Barrow (09), Nico
Chadderton (09), Francia Collymore (09), Ione Cox (09),
Akhalia Rowe (09) Triston Sargeant (09), Marcia Clarke
(10), Edith Mullin (10), Tyrese Parris (10), Grell Griffith (11),
Marlene Mottley (11), Shakira Hinkson (12), André
Belgrave (13), Aaron Joseph (13), Tiffany Mottley (13).

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS (Dec 08-14) to
Ulric & Joyce Sealy (08), Clive & Audine Lorde (14), Rev.
Canon Trevor & Raquel O’Neale (14).

HOUSEBOUND AND SICK: Please remember the sick in your prayers and where possible give them a call: **Hensley Robinson, Camille Wilson**, Eugene Norville, Michael Gittens, Curtis Gittens, Iolanthe Manifold, Kellman Parris, Dafton Mayers, Corletta White, Myrna McCarthy, Geneva McCarthy, Edith Mullin Glenville Davis, Kayrene Forde, Marlene Mottley, Keith Alleyne, Myrtle Inniss, Cecelia Alleyne, and Pearl Wiggins

VISITATION: Members are reminded to complete the visitation request form for relatives who are ill or those who are housebound and require the sacrament at home.

CONDOLENCES are extended to The family of the late::

- **Eunice Justine Browne**, whose funeral service will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 3:00 pm. Organist & Choir are requested.
- **Handel Barrow** who passed away in the USA.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES::

- **KERYGMA BIBLE STUDY** continues on Monday, December 09, 2024, at 7:30 pm via Zoom.
- **MIDWEEK DEVOTIONS** continue on **Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 7:00 am** via Zoom.
- **MIDWEEK EUCHARIST** has been temporarily suspended to facilitate the construction work for the installation of the organ.

INSTALLATION OF ORGAN: Construction work has started on the process of installing our new organ. Over the next few weeks, because of the drilling of holes in certain walls and the cutting of small sections of the floor, you will experience from time to time an accumulation of dust in several areas. Every effort has been and will be made in the future to clean up the dust as effectively and as soon as possible. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience and look forward to an improved quality of music in the near future.

FEAST DAY: Friday, December 13, 2024, is **the Feast Day of St. Lucy**. Please pray for the Capt. The Rev Hugh Sandiford and the congregation of St. Lucy.

LEADERS' MEETING: There will be a meeting for all leaders of organisations/groups **in the church** on Saturday December 14, 2024, at 10:00 am. At this meeting, leaders will report on activities/outcomes for 2024 and plans for 2025. Leaders are asked to make a special effort to attend or have a representative present. You are asked to avoid having one person representing more than one organization/group. Written reports may be submitted in advance.

Leaders are kindly ask to confirm attendance by Wednesday, December 11, 2024 by calling the church office or by email.

NEXT SUNDAY is the Third Sunday of Advent. There will be **one service at 8:00 am** -Sung Eucharist & Semon.

CHILDREN FELLOWSHIP HOUR Children's Fellowship Hour will be on break from **December 15, 2024, to January 5, 2025**, and will resume on January 12, 2025.

FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS: The St. Philip Parish Church Choir presents “***A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols***” on December 15, 2023, at 6:00 pm. Admission is \$25.00. Members are invited to share in the reflection on the story of humanity, the promise of the Messiah and the birth of Jesus. Tickets are available from members of the choir.

DEACONS CUPBOARD:

- Members are reminded to make their contribution towards the Deacon's Cupboard Christmas Hampers. Items required for the hamper are printed on the notice boards: bath soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, powder, hand cream, toilet paper (must be individually wrapped), tinned meats/sausages/tuna, etc., tinned vegetables (peas, mixed vegetables, baked beans etc.), tinned fruit, tinned/package fruit juices, rice, pasta/chowmein, tinned/package soups, sugar, cereals (quaker oats/corn flakes, etc.), flour, corn meal, tea bags, milo/ovaltine/horlicks, etc., evaporated milk, detergents, soap powder, biscuits - sodabix or eclipse or small pkgs. Sweet biscuits, cooking oil, ketchup/mayonnaise, ensure, jello, and any other non-perishable items

USHERS' GUILD:

- The Ushers' Guild is seeking to recruit new members. Interested persons are asked to contact the chief Usher Sis Sheryl Belgrave.
- There will be a **pie sale** on **Sunday December 15, 2024**, after the morning's service.

FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS: Persons are invited to donate flowers for Christmas in celebration of birthdays or anniversaries or in memory of loved ones. Donations may be given to any member of the Altar Guild.

OFFICE HOURS: Office hours continue on Wednesday and Friday 9:00 am to 12:noon. Persons can also visit the church's website at: <https://stphilipsparishchurch.com/see-the-priest/> to make an appointment to see the priest.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS: Members are asked to note the following new email addresses: Canon O'Neale: revoneale@stphilipsparishchurch.com
Church office: staff@stphilipsparishchurch.com

EXTRA- PAROCHIAL ACTIVITIES

- St. Luke Christmas Concert, December 8
- St. Stephen Dedication Festival, Dec. 8-15
- St. Andrew Parish Church Annual Christmas Luncheon, December 8
- Christ Church Parish Church-An Advent Candlelight Service- December 8 (Adm Free)
- St. Mary Carols and Cutters, December 13
- St. Michael Cathedral 9 Lessons and Carols, December 19.

(1) DIOCESAN FLOAT PARADE AND MOTORCADE:

As part of the Diocesan 200th Anniversary celebrations, the Diocese of Barbados will present a Diocesan Float Parade and Motorcade on **January 25, 2025** that:

- Showcases the Anglican Diocese of Barbados, its Diocesan Organisations and their roles in the Mission & Ministry of the Church. These include the Mothers' Union/Anglican Men's Association/Church Army & Prayer Groups (Evangelism) / Music / Liturgical Dancers/ Altar Servers /Youth – Sunday School / Ushers' Guild
- Collaborates with the Anglican-related Schools in the depiction of the Church's role in the development of Education in Barbados
- Incorporates the Diocesan Theme and Song.

The Christ Church Deanery -Float #3: Diocesan Commissions – Music, Liturgy & Spirituality / Justice, Advocacy & Social Responsibility

- a. Music Ministry
- b. USHERS & Health Ministries Hospitality
- c. Other elements to be developed by The Deanery.

Call to Ministry



Ministries	LEADERS	Meeting Times
Altar Guild	Sis. Jackie Franklin	Quarterly
Altar Servers	Sis Alicia Headley	3 rd Sat -4:00pm
Bereavement Group	Sis Jean-Ann Murrell	Quarterly-6:30 pm
Choir		Fri-4:00 pm
Church Army	Sis Marcia Clarke	
Health Guild	Sis. Lolita Bushell	1 st Sat -4:00pm
Men's Fellowship	Bro. Ulric Sealy	
M & E	Sis. Glenda Weir	2 nd Sat -4:30 pm
Mothers' Union	Sis. Sheila Mayers	2 nd Sat 9:15 am
Sunday School	Lyn-Marie Franklin	Sun.8:00 am
Youth Group		
Ushers' Guild	Sis Sheryl Belgrave	3 rd Sat -4:30pm

Lay Eucharistic Ministers/Lay Readers/Chalice Assistants

Sonia Gill	Hilford Murrell
Alicia Headley	Amarel Robinson
Jeanette Holder	Edwin Tudor
Jocelyn King	June Ward
Doreen Knight	Harold Weir

DAILY READINGS:

Mon	Psalm 126	Isaiah 40:1-11	Romans 8:22-25
Tue	Psalm 126	Isaiah 19:18-25	2 Peter 1:2-15
Wed	Psalm 126	Isaiah 35:3-7	Luke 7:18-30
Thu	Isaiah 12:2-6	Amos 6:1-8	2 Corinthians 8:1-15
Fri	Isaiah 12:2-6	Amos 8:4-12	2 Corinthians 9:1-15
Sat	Isaiah 12:2-6	Amos 9:8-15	Luke 1:57-66