

# *St. Philip Parish Church*

## THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

**December 28, 2025**

**8:00 am**

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**WELCOME:** We welcome you to St. Philip this morning as we celebrate the **First Sunday After Christmas**. 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**

#### **Hymn 79**

O Christ, Redeemer of our race,  
thou brightness of the Father's face,  
of him, and with him ever one,  
ere times and seasons had begun;

thou that art very Light of light,  
unfailing hope in sin's dark night,  
hear thou the prayers thy people pray,  
the wide world o'er, this blessed day.

Remember, Lord of life and grace,  
how once, to save a ruined race,  
thou didst our very flesh assume  
in Mary's undefiled womb.

Today, as year by year its light  
sheds o'er the world a radiance bright,  
one precious truth is echoed on,  
'tis thou hast saved us, thou alone.

Thou from the Father's throne didst come  
to call his banished children home;  
and heaven, and earth, and sea, and shore  
his love who sent thee here adore.

And gladsome too are we today,  
whose guilt thy blood has washed away;  
redeemed the new-made song we sing;  
it is the birthday of our King.

O Lord, the virgin-born, to thee  
eternal praise and glory be,  
whom with the Father we adore  
and Holy Ghost for evermore.

## **Salutation**

### **Christmas**

I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the  
whole people: today in the town of David a Saviour has  
been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. *Luke 2:10*

PRESIDENT: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**ALL: And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever  
Alleluia! Alleluia! 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.**

### **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**

### **Collect– First Sunday After Christmas**

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

**First lesson: A reading from the word of God written in the 61<sup>st</sup> & 62<sup>nd</sup> Chapters of the book of the Prophet Isaiah beginning at the 10<sup>th</sup> verse. (*Isaiah 61:10-62:3*)**

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations

shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

*The Word of the Lord.*

***Thanks be to God***

**Psalm 147:13-21**

- 13      Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; \*  
          praise your God, O Zion;
- 14      For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; \*  
          he has blessed your children within you.
- 15      He has established peace on your borders; \*  
          he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16      He sends out his command to the earth, \*  
          and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17      He gives snow like wool; \*  
          he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18      He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; \*  
          who can stand against his cold?
- 19      He sends forth his word and melts them; \*  
          he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20      He declares his word to Jacob, \*  
          his statutes and his judgments to Israel.

21        He has not done so to any other nation; \*  
            to them he has not revealed his judgments.  
            Hallelujah!

***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***

**Second lesson : A reading from the word of God written  
in the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> chapters of the letter of Paul to the  
Galatians beginning at the 23<sup>rd</sup> verse - (Galatians 3:23-  
25; 4:4-7)**

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

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

## Gradual Hymn 81

O come, Redeemer of mankind, appear,  
thee with full hearts the Virgin-born we greet;  
let every age with rapt amazement hear  
that wondrous birth which for our God is meet.

Not by the will of man, or mortal seed,  
but by the Spirit's breathed mysterious grace  
the Word of God became our flesh indeed,  
and grew a tender plant of human race.

Lo! Mary's virgin womb its burthen bears;  
nor less abides her virgin purity;  
in the King's glory see our nature shares;  
here in his temple God vouchsafes to be.

From His bright chamber, virtue's holy shrine,  
the royal Bridegroom cometh to the day;  
of twofold substance, human and divine,  
as giant swift, rejoicing on his way.

Forth from His Father to the world he goes,  
back to the Father's face his way regains,  
far down to souls beneath his glory shows,  
again at God's right hand victorious reigns.

With the Eternal Father equal, thou  
girt with our flesh dost triumph evermore,  
strengthening our feeble bodies here below  
with endless grace from thine own living store.



How doth thy lowly manger radiant shine!  
On the sweet breath of night new splendor grows;  
so may our spirits glow with faith Divine,  
where no dark cloud of sin shall interpose.

All praise and glory to the Father be,  
all praise and glory to his only son,  
all praise and glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,  
both now, and while eternal ages run.

### **The Holy Gospel**

*The Lord be with you*

***And also with you.***

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John, the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Chapter beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.( John 1:1-18)**

*Glory to Christ our Saviour*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who

believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

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 C**

#### **LEADER**

With all our heart and all our mind let us pray to the Lord.  
saying, "Lord have mercy."

#### **LEADER**

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God,  
and for the salvation of our souls:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy**

LEADER

For the peace and welfare of the world, for the witness and work of the Church, and for the unity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER

For our Bishops and all ministers of God's Word and Sacraments, that they may be filled with truth and love and be found without fault at the Lord's coming:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER

For the leaders of the nations and for those in authority among us, that they may serve justice and promote the freedom and dignity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression, and for all who labour in the cause of human liberation and fulfilment:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER

For the sick, the suffering, the sorrowful, and the dying; and for all who remember and care for them:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER

For deliverance from the ravages of hurricane, earthquake, drought or flood, and for a just and proper use of God's creation:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER

For ourselves and all who confess the name of Christ, that we may show forth the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvellous light:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

*Silence may be kept.*

### **The Church Army Prayer**

Lord our heavenly father whose son Jesus Christ came not to be ministered unto but to minister, we ask you to bless all members of the Church Army in this and other lands that following in the steps of Your Son and giving themselves to service of their fellowmen, they may be inspired by your love and so worthily minister in Your name to the fallen, the friendless and the needy for the sake of the same Your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

## **The Mission & Evangelism Prayer**

Almighty and Heavenly father, Your gifts are that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors, some teachers; but You have called all to the proclamation of Your Holy gospel. We thank You for enabling us to accept Your call, and we humbly pray that you would so shower us with Your Grace, that we, having responded to that call, may commit our lives to your service and faithfully, obediently and cheerfully do all that You command. Arm us daily, O Lord, with your Spiritual armour: bind us together in Your love and keep us faithful to you as we seek to fulfil our mission. We commit our ministry into your hands and pray that all we say and do may be to the honour and glory of Your Most Holy and matchless name!

**Amen**

**ALL**

**O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people in the multitude of your mercies. Look with compassion on us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious O Lord of love, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. 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 FORM C**

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 77**

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
come and behold him, born the King of angels:

### ***Refrain:***

*O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,*



*Christ the Lord.*

God of God, Light of Light,  
lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb;  
very God, begotten, not created:

***Refrain***

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
sing all ye citizens of heaven above:  
'Glory to God in the highest:'

***Refrain***

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;  
Jesu, to thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father now in flesh appearing:

***Refrain***

**HOLY EUCHARIST**

**THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

PRESIDENT    Father,

ALL

**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 him thanks and praise**

PRESIDENT

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

### ***Proper Preface Christmas***

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin and receive power to become your children.

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 C**

**PRESIDENT**

We 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

Therefore, 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.

PEOPLE **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 B**

**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.**

## HYMNS FOR THE EUCHARIST

### HYMN: 620

Sweet sacrament divine,  
hid in thine earthly home;  
lo, round thy lowly shrine,  
with suppliant hearts we come;  
Jesus, to thee our voice we raise  
in songs of love and heartfelt praise:  
sweet sacrament divine,  
sweet sacrament divine.

Sweet sacrament of peace,  
dear home of every heart,  
where restless yearnings cease  
and sorrows all depart;  
there in thine ear all trustfully  
we tell our tale of misery:  
sweet sacrament of peace,  
sweet sacrament of peace.

Sweet sacrament of rest,  
ark from the ocean's roar,  
within thy shelter blest  
soon may we reach the shore;  
save us, for still the tempest raves,  
save, lest we sink beneath the waves:  
sweet sacrament of rest,  
sweet sacrament of rest.

Sweet sacrament divine,  
earth's light and jubilee,  
in thy far depths doth shine  
thy Godhead's majesty;  
sweet light, so shine on us, we pray,  
that earthly joys may fade away:  
sweet sacrament divine,  
sweet sacrament divine.

### **Hymn 73**

Joy to the world, The Lord is come;  
let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Saviour reigns;  
let us our songs employ:  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
nor thorns infest the ground:  
he comes to make his blessings flow  
far as the curse is found,  
far as the curse is found,  
far as, far as the curse is found.



He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of His love,  
and wonders, and wonders, of his love.

### **Hymn 60**

Angels, from the realms of glory,  
wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
ye who sang creation's story,  
now proclaim Messiah's birth:

#### ***Refrain (with IRIS);***

*come and worship Christ the newborn King,  
come and worship, worship Christ the newborn King.*

Shepherds, in the field abiding,  
watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with man is now residing,  
yonder shines the infant Light:

#### ***Refrain***

Sages, leave your contemplations;  
brighter visions beam afar;  
seek the great Desire of Nations;  
ye have seen his natal star:

#### ***Refrain***

Saints before the altar bending,  
watching long in hope and fear,  
suddenly the Lord, descending,  
in the temple shall appear.

***Refrain***

Though an infant now we view him,  
he shall fill his Father's throne,  
gather all the nations to him;  
every knee shall then bow down:

***Refrain***

**Children's Hymn 67**

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
give ye heed to what we say;  
Jesus Christ is born today;  
ox and ass before him bow,  
and he is in the manger now.  
Christ is born today!  
Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye hear of endless bliss;  
Jesus Christ was born for this!  
He hath opened heaven's door,  
and we are blest for evermore.  
Christ was born for this!  
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice  
now ye need not fear the grave:  
Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and calls you all  
to gain his everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save!  
Christ was born to save!

### **Post Communion**

ALL

**Almighty Father,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
May we who share His Body live His risen life;  
we who drink His cup bring life to others;  
we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world.  
Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your Name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **THE BLESSING**

#### **Christmas**

Christ, who by His incarnation gathered into one, all things earthly and heavenly, fill you with His joy and peace; 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 68**

Hark! The herald-angels sing  
glory to the new-born King,  
peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled.  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with the angelic host proclaim,  
'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'

### **Refrain:**

*Hark! the herald-angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King.*

Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of a Virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!  
Hail, the incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

### **Refrain**

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of peace!  
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings,  
risen with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
Born that man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth.

### **Refrain**

## NOTICES

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS (Dec 29-Jan 03)** to Lisa Harewood (28) and Angnell Moore (28), Marjorie Clarke (30), Doreen Douglas (30), Olga Mason (30), Kevin Jordan (31), Brian Layne (31), Jocelyn Reid (02), Jamal Reifer (03), Jermaine Reifer (03), Jayda Skeete (03), Kimberley White (03).

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS (Dec 29-Jan 04)** to Barry & Cheryl Butcher (02).

**HOUSEBOUND AND SICK:** Please remember the sick in your prayers and where possible give them a call: **Patricia Clarke, Kersley Alleyne, Joyce Sealy, Agnes Belgrave, Mercil Gill, Melanie Haggins (UK), Claristine Olton, Miranda Clarke; Wilma Estwick, Erskine Batson, Carmen Franklin, Camille Wilson, Eugene Norville, Michael Gittens, Iolanthe Manifold, Dafton Mayers, Corletta White, Myrna McCarthy, Geneva McCarthy, Glenville Davis, Kayrene Forde, Marlene Mottley, and Keith Alleyne.**

**CONDOLENCES** are extended to the family of the late **Maureen Alkins** -Sister of Sis Hartnell Nurse. Her funeral service will be held on Monday January 05, 2026, at 3:00 pm. Organist and choir are requested.

**WATCHNIGHT SERVICE:** (New Year's Eve)- Watchnight Service Wednesday, December 31, 2025, at 11:00 pm.

**Members are reminded to bring a candle for the candlelight service.**

**FEAST DAY:** Thursday, January 01, 2026, is the **Feast of the Holy Name**. It is a time to honor and reflect on the name of Jesus, recognizing the blessings received through our Holy Redeemer.

**NEXT SUNDAY** is the **Second Sunday after Christmas**. There will be **one service at 8:00 am**. Following the service members are invited to share in a fellowship brunch on the rectory lawn.. This is the church's way of saying thanks for the continued support throughout the year. Members are asked to confirm attendance through the church office and collect a ticket for admission.

**FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY:** Tuesday, January 06, 2026 is the Feast of the Epiphany where we celebrate the manifestation of Jesus Christ to the World. **There will be Sung Eucharist ad Sermon at 7:30pm.**

**2026 CALENDARS:** The 2026 Diocesan Calendars are available at \$6.00 each.

**CONTRIBUTIONS:** We take this opportunity to express sincere thanks and appreciation to all members who have been making their contributions. Indeed, they have helped us tremendously in meeting our financial commitments. For those who can, contributions may be made online directly to the Church's bank account at **CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Wildey, A/C #1818610 in the name of St. Philip Parish Church.** Please keep your receipts for the records of the church or call or email us and let us know when you have made your contributions.

# *Call to Ministry*

<b>Ministries</b>	<b>LEADERS</b>	<b>Meeting Times</b>
Altar Guild	Sis. Jackie Franklin	Quarterly
Altar Servers	Sis Alicia Headley	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat -4:00pm
Bereavement Group	Sis Jean-Ann Murrell	Quarterly-6:30 pm
Bible Study	Sis. Patricia Haynes	
Choir	Bro. Shae Branch	Fri-4:00 pm
Church Army	Sis Marcia Clarke	Mon. -4:00pm
Health Guild	Sis. Lolita Bushell	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat -4:00pm
Men's Fellowship	Bro. Ulric Sealy	1 <sup>st</sup> Sun-4:30 pm
M & E	Sis. Glenda Weir	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat -4:30 pm
Mothers' Union	Sis. Sheila Mayers	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat 9:30am
Sunday School		Sun.11:30am
Youth Group		
Ushers' Guild	Sis Jeanette Holder	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat -4:30pm

## **Lay Eucharistic Ministers/Lay Readers/Chalice Assistants**

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

## **DAILY READINGS:**

Mon	Psalm 20	Genesis 12:1-7	Hebrews 11:1-12
Tue	Psalm 72	Genesis 28:10-22	Hebrews 11:13-22
Wed	Psalm 72	Exodus 3:1-5	Hebrews 11:23-31
Thu	Psalm 72	Joshua 1:1-9	Hebrews 11:32-12:2
Fri	Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14	Ephesians 3:1-12	Matthew 2:1-12
Sat	Psalm 72	1 Kings 10:1-13	Ephesians 3:14-21