

## Weekly Notices

Sunday 2nd December      Sunday School at St. Francis at 3:30 pm  
   Sunday School at St. Mark's at 3:30 pm

Sunday 9th December      Mass at St. Mark's at 6:30 am  
   Mass at St. Francis at 6:30 am  
   Holy Eucharist at St. George's at 8:30 am

1. Readings for Sunday 9th December, 2007

**Old Testament Lesson:**    **Mother's Union: Isaiah 11: 1-10**  
**The Epistle:**                    **Brotherhood: Romans 15: 4-13**  
**Intercession:**                **Mother's Union: Form G**

2. Persons are kindly asked to contact Fr. Rohim at 461-3154 for inquiries of Baptism, Weddings, or any other matters of the Parish.
3. Persons are kindly asked to contact Ms. Loretta Ireland at 461-0125 or Mr. Bertrand Phillip 562-0089 for sponsorship of bulletins or flowers.
4. **Mother's Union** meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Sundays at 4:30 pm at alternate venues every month; i.e. one month at St. Mark's Chapel and the following month at St. Francis Chapel at 4:30 pm. All members please take note and be present.
5. **The Brotherhood** meets at 6:00 pm every 1st and 3rd Mondays at St. Mark's Chapel. All members are asked to please take note and be present.
6. **The Friends of St. Francis** meets at 7:30 pm every 2nd & 4th Mondays at St. Francis Chapel. All members are asked to please take note and be present.
7. **StG.Com (St. George's on the Move)** meets at 7:30 pm every Tuesday at St. Mark's Chapel. All members are asked to please take note and be present.
8. **The St. George's Choir** meets at 7:30 pm every Thursday at St. Mark's Chapel. All members are asked to please take note and be present.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS:**

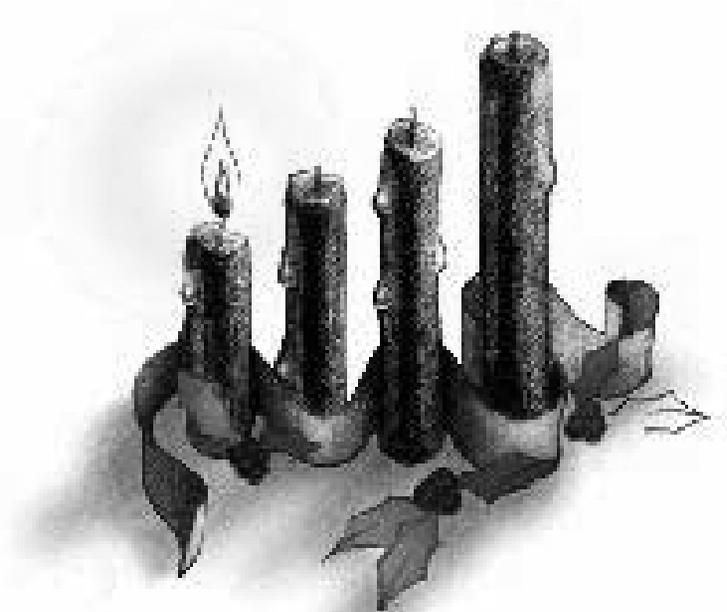


Maurice Barnes, Inez Bass (Montserrat), Ashby Benjamin, Casilda Bloodman, George Lastus Bradshaw, Carolyn Browne, Fitzroy Carr, Chanee Chalon (St. Thomas), Mildred Chiddick, Barbara Kaye Clarke-Daniel, Henry Daley, Mymin Davis (England), Cynthia Dublin, Margaret Ithmay Dublin, Olga Dublin, Glenfield Francis, Eustace Gardner, Neville Grigg, George Gloade, Carolyn Gordon (Guyana), Errol Hector, Enid Henry, Alston Isaac, Daren James, Jacqueline James (London), Rupert James, Uriel James, Eunice Jonas, Kathleen Joseph (U.S.A.), Foster King, Leonard "Reds" King, Ruth King, Viola Lawrence, Cavelle Lewis, George Lewis, Idona Lewis, Walbridge Lewis, Agatha Martin, Amanda Martin, Alfred Matthew, Enroy Matthew, Edmund Norford, Henrietta Osbourne, Kelly Paul, Enid Peters, Yvonne Peters, Charlene Phillip, Solomie Phillip, Fitzroy Ramsey (St. Maarten), Wills Richards, Doris Matthew-Robins, Frances Samuel, Mavis Samuel, Delores Solomon, Arden Thomas, Tracelyn Thomas (Canada), William Thomas, Cecilia Thompson (Blue Waters), Leona Tittle-Minette, Yvette Tomlinson, Alphonso Tonge, Gabriel Wade, Dorilyn Warner, Phyllis White, Rachel Williams, Vivianna Williams.

# St. George's Parish

With St. Mark's - Pigotts, St. Francis - Judges Hill

## Advent I



RECTOR: THE REV. FR. JOHN ROHIM

DEACONS: THE REV. CATHERINE EDWARDS, THE REV. GEORGE RICHARDS  
LAY MINISTERS: MR. ALSTON ISAAC, MR. AUSTIN SMITH  
EUCARIST MINISTERS: MARK FRANCIS, JULIUS GORE & WALTER BERRIDGE  
THE VESTRY: ALSTON ISAAC, BERTRAND PHILLIP, LORRAINE DAVIS,  
LORETTA IRELAND, JULIUS GORE, AUSTIN SMITH, CAREY THOMPSON,  
CLEO HAMPSON, LESROY GRANT.

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PUT ON OUR ARMOUR AS SOLDIERS OF LIGHT .... LET CHRIST JESUS HIMSELF BE THE ARMOUR THAT YOU WEAR. (ROM.: 12,14)

YEAR C                                      ADVENT I                                      2nd December, 2007

Processional Hymn	A&M 48
Lighting of the Advent Candle	
The Introit	A&M 50
Opening Sentences	BCP pg. 97 or pg. 99 or pg 100
Collect for Purity et al	BCP pg. 101
Kyrie, Gloria	BCP pg. 102
Collect	BCP pg. 157 - Advent 1
Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 2: 1-5
Psalm	Psalm 122 BCP pg. 641
The Epistle	Romans 13: 8-14
Gradual Hymn	A&M 217
Gospel	Matthew 24: 37-44
Hymn before the Sermon	MP 459 verses 1 & 4
The Sermon	
The Creed	BCP pg. 104
Intercessions	Form E BCP pg. 112
Act of Penitence	BCP pg. 123 or pg. 124
The Absolution	BCP pg. 124
The Peace	BCP pg. 124 or pg. 125
The Welcome and Notices	
<b>Children's Hymn</b>	<b>MP 74</b>
<b>Men's Hymn</b>	<b>A&amp;M 53</b>
Birthday & Anniversary Blessing	
The Offertory Hymns	A&M 362, A&M 47
Presentation of the Offerings	BCP pg. 126
Sursum Corda	BCP pg. 126
Eucharistic Prayer	BCP pg. 131 (A)
The Lord's Prayer	BCP pg. 144
Agnus Dei	BCP pg. 147
Communion Hymns	A&M 50, A&M 554, A&M 321, MP 204
Blessing of the Children	MP 345
Walk Up Offertory	MP 98
Meditation	Family of the late Christophine Roberts
Post Communion Prayer	BCP pg. 147 or pg. 148
The Blessing	
Recessional Hymn	MP 493

## LISTENING TO THE SERMON

Listen to the message from God's Word. Use this sheet to make some personal notes.  
Keep them for the purpose of reference, study and remembrance.

SERMON TITLE:

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BIBLICAL TEXT:

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MAIN IDEA OF THE SERMON:

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POINT(S) TO REMEMBER:

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WHAT SHOULD I DO AS A RESULT OF HEARING THIS SERMON :

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## Do You Know!

- **Marshmallow** is very soothing for any sore or inflamed part of the body. It aids the body in repelling excess fluids and mucus. It soothes and heals skin, mucus membranes, other tissues - externally and internally. It is good for bladder infections, digestive upsets, fluid retention, headache, intestinal disorders, kidney problems, sinusitis and sore throat. It is often used as a filler in the compounding of pills.

Marshmallow is also good for allergies, asthma, bedwetting, bladders, bleeding, bloody urine, bowels, burns, coughs, diabetes, diarrhea, dysentery, emphysema, eyewash, hay fever, inflammation, influenza, irritated vagina, kidney bleeding, lungs, nervous conditions, pneumonia, sore eyes, sore throat, voice loss.

**CAUTION:** PLEASE consult your doctor before using the above.

The St. George's Pastoral (Augmented) Chorale will render a programme of Christmas music at St. Andrew's Church, Fort Road on 5th December 2007 at 7:00 pm under the patronage of Her Excellency the Governor General Dame Louise Lake-Tack. Proceeds are in aid of St. George's Organ Fund.

All music lovers of St. George's Parish and the rest of Antigua and Barbuda are invited to this musical treat and to support our effort of assisting to replace the church organ. Thank You.

Please ensure that all electronic devices are switched off so that we can honor the spirit of reverence that prevails as we, the people of God, worship together.

"Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the House of God.

Before the service, speak to the Lord.

During the Service,

let the Lord speak to you.

After the service, speak to one another."



## Today's Readings



### **Old Testament: Isaiah 2: 1-5**

<sup>1</sup> The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. <sup>2</sup> It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, <sup>3</sup> and many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. <sup>4</sup> He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide for many peoples; and

they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. <sup>5</sup> O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.



**The Epistle: Romans 13: 8-14**

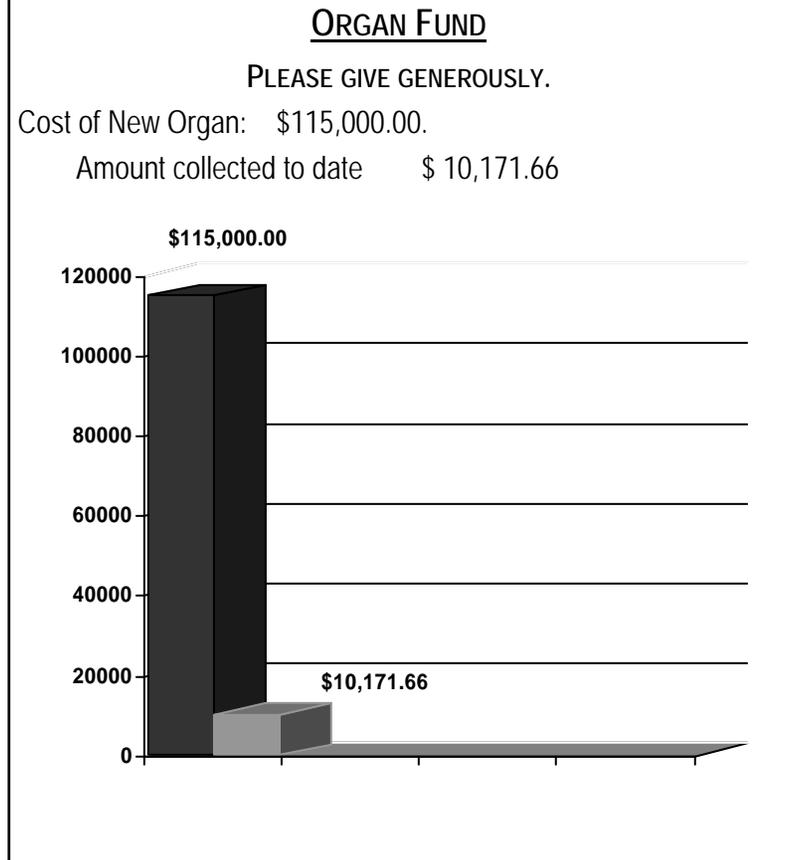
<sup>8</sup> Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law.

<sup>9</sup> The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>10</sup> Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

<sup>11</sup> Besides this you know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; <sup>12</sup> the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; <sup>13</sup> let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup> But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.



Our Walk-Up Collection goes to the Organ Fund.  
Please give generously.



Please remember that our Social Outreach Ministry continues every Wednesday. 50 persons (Senior Citizens) receive Lunch from us. The future of this Ministry is dependant upon your generous response. **PLEASE** remember to give either in cash or kind. If you wish to bring a grocery item, please note the following.  
Rice / Flour / Meats / Seasoning / Vegetables / Food Boxes / Forks / Napkins / Cups. Can and bottle items are recommended.

The Friends of St. Francis will be holding it's annual Heroes Day Luncheon on Monday 10th December, 2007 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the New Winthorpes Primary School Grounds, Barnes Hill.

Please come out and give them your support. Proceeds will go towards ongoing Church Development.

### Treasurer's Corner

Sunday 25th November, 2007

The Treasurer's Corner is designed to provide weekly information on church offerings as well as attendance. It is also intended to apprise parishioners of the importance of supporting the various ministries within the Church.

Your generous contribution is most appreciated.

#### Attendance at St. George's Parish Church:

Congregation	277
Communicants	116

Stewardship	\$ 1,698.35
Loose	911.67
Walk-Up	380.26
Harvest of Souls	240.45
Baptismal Offering	226.70
Harvest Thanksgiving	125.00
*Others	179.65

Total church offerings for Sunday 25th November, 2007 was \$3,762.08. \*Others represent:- In Thanksgiving For (ITGF), Insurance, Parish Projects, Wedding Anniversary, Loans, Social Outreach.

### The Gospel: Matthew 24: 37-44

<sup>37</sup> As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of man. <sup>38</sup> For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup> and they did not know until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of man. <sup>40</sup> Then two men will be in the field; one is taken and one is left. <sup>41</sup> Two women will be grinding at the mill; one is taken and one is left. <sup>42</sup> Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup> But know this, that if the householder had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have watched and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup> Therefore you also must be ready; for the Son of man is coming at an hour you do not expect.



Today we would like to extend a warm St. George's welcome to all those who are visiting with us for the first time or the first in a long time.



*"We embrace you all with enthusiasm, with open hearts, open minds, open doors; and we hope that you will enjoy sharing in fellowship with us."*

If you are **curious** and have come to see, if you are **weary** and have come to find rest, if you are **grateful** and have come to give thanks, if you are **hurting** and have come for solace, if you are **listening** and have come to pray, if you are **seeking** and have come for answers, WELCOME.

## CONGRATULATIONS

to all celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries  
today or during the week.

*"MAY YOU HAVE ALL THE JOY YOUR HEART CAN HOLD  
ALL THE SMILES A DAY CAN BRING .....  
ALL THE BLESSINGS A LIFE CAN UNFOLD.  
MAY YOU HAVE GOD'S BEST IN EVERYTHING"*



**MAY THE LORD BLESS YOUR BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY.**

The Flowers on the Altar are sponsored today by the family of the late Christophine Roberts whose anniversary of death occurred on November 16th, 2007



*God saw you getting tired,  
and a cure was not to be,  
so he put his arms around you  
and whispered, "Come to me."  
With tearful eyes we watched you,  
and saw you Pass away,  
and although we loved you dearly,  
we could not make you stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating,  
hard working hands at rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us,  
he only takes the best.*

We brought nothing into this world, and we take nothing out. The Lord gives, and the Lord takes away: Blessed be the name of the Lord. Job 1:21

May her soul continue to rest in peace.

Your sponsorship of the weekly Bulletins and flowers are always appreciated. This can be done on the anniversary of Marriage and Birth as a memorial gift on the anniversary of a departed relative.

Please contact Bertrand Phillip at 562-0089 or Loretta Ireland at 461-0125 for further information.

## Lighting of the ADVENT Candle

Leader: Watch for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening or at mid-night, or at cockcrow or in the morning, lest he came suddenly and find you asleep.

**TODAY WE LIGHT THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE – THE CANDLE OF HOPE.**

All: Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead us, and bring us to your holy hill and your dwelling.

Leader: Our King and Saviour now draw near

All: Come let us adore Him.

Leader: O gracious light, pure brightness of the ever living Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun and our eyes behold the Vesper light, we sing thy praises, O God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life, and to be glorified through all the worlds. Amen

All: Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord, and by thy great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers, for the love of thy only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen