

Weekly Notices

Sunday 4th March Sunday School at St. Francis at 3:30 pm
 Sunday School at St. Mark's at 3:30 pm

Sunday 11th March Mass at St. Francis at 6:30 am
 Mass at St. Mark's at 6:30 am
 Holy Eucharist at St. Georges at 8:30 am.

1. Readings for Sunday 11th March, 2007.

First Lesson: **Mother's Union: Exodus 3: 1-15**
Epistle: **Faith & Hope: 1st Corinthians 10: 1-13**
Intercession: **Form F**

2. Persons are kindly asked to contact Fr. Rohim at 461-3154 for inquiries of Baptism, Weddings, Sponsorship of the Bulletin or any other matters of the Parish.
3. **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.
4. **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.
5. **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.
6. **The St. Francis Youth Fellowship** meets at 4:00 pm every 1st and last Sunday 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.
9. The congregation are reminded that the Ushers are to ensure that those coming up for Holy Communion and Blessing do so in an orderly manner. Kindly co-operate with them at all times. Thank you!

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS:

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

St. George's Parish

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

LENT II

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.

YEAR C LENT II 4TH MARCH, 2007

Processional Hymn	A&M 91
The Introit	A&M 92
Opening Sentences	BCP pg. 98
Collect for Purity et al	BCP pg. 101
Kyrie, Gloria	BCP pg. 102
Collect	BCP pg. 163 - Lent II
First Lesson	Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18
Psalm	Ps. 27 vs. 10-18 pg. 500
The Epistle	Philippians 3: 17-4:1
Gradual Hymn	MP 22
The Gospel	Luke 13: 31-35
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
Peace Song	Sweet, Sweet, Spirit
The Welcome and Notices	
Children's Hymn	I have the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy
Men's Hymn	A&M 270
Birthday & Anniversary Blessing	
The Offertory Hymns	MP 315, A&M 292
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 318, A&M 391, MP 258, MP 116
Blessing of the Children	
Walk Up Offertory	A&M 548
Post Communion Prayer	BCP pg. 147 or pg. 148
The Blessing	
Recessional Hymn	MP 192

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE REMAINDER OF LENT

- Fri. 2nd Mar. Mission Service & Bible Study at 6:30 pm at St. Francis
 Fri. 9th Mar. Mission Service & Bible Study at 6:30 pm at St. Mark's
 Fri. 16th Mar. Mission Service & Bible Study at 6:30 pm at St. Francis
 Fri. 23rd Mar. Mission Service & Bible Study at 6:30 pm at St. Mark's
 Fri. 30th Mar. Mission Service & Bible Study at 6:30 pm at St. Francis

HOLY WEEK

- Sun. 1st April - Palm Sunday 8::30 am at St. George's
 Blessing & Distribution of Palms
 Solemn Procession - Holy Eucharist
- Thurs. 5th April - Maundy Thursday 7:30 pm at St. George's
 Feet Washing Ceremony & Holy Eucharist
- Fri. 6th April - Good Friday Service 7:30 am at St. Francis
 - Good Friday Service at 7:30 am at St. Mark's
 - Good Friday Service 12:30 pm at St. George's
- Sat. 7th April - Holy Saturday (Paschal Mysteries) Holy Eucharist at
 St. George's at 10:00 pm
- Sun 8th April - Easter Sunday
 - Deacons Administration 6:30 am at St. Francis
 - Holy Eucharist at 8:30 am at St. George's

OUR WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AND MISSION SERVICE continues every Friday. There are extra copies of last Friday's Session available at the main entrance of the church for those persons interested. It would be nice if others could join in this weekly session.

You don't know what you're missing.

CHILDREN'S HYMN: I have the joy, joy, joy, joy

I have the joy, joy, joy, joy,
Down in my heart, (where?)
Down in my heart, (where?)
Down in my heart.
I have the joy, joy, joy, joy,
Down in my heart, (where?)
Down in my heart to stay.

And I'm so happy, so very happy
I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.
And I'm so happy, so very happy
I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.

And if the devil doesn't like it he can
Sit on a tack (ouch!)
Sit on a tack (ouch!)
Sit on a tack (ouch!)
And if the devil doesn't like it he can sit
on a tack.
Jesus is there to stay!

And I'm so happy, so very happy
I have the love of Jesus in my heart.
(down in my heart)
And I'm so happy, so very happy
I have the love of Jesus in my heart.



Peace Song: There's A Sweet, Sweet, Spirit in this Place

There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place
And I know that it's the spirit of the Lord.
There are sweet expressions on each face
And I know that it's the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly dove
Stay right here with us filling us with your love.
And for all these blessings we lift our hearts in praise
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place...

First Lesson: Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Elie'zer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "Behold, thou hast given me no offspring; and a slave born in my house will be my heir." ⁴ And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; your own son shall be your heir." ⁵ And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the LORD; and he reckoned it to him as righteousness. ⁷ And he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chalde'ans, to give you this land to possess." ⁸ But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" ⁹ He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a she-goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰ And he brought him all these, cut them in two, and laid each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹ And when birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away. ¹² As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram; and lo, a dread and great darkness fell upon him. ¹⁷ When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸ On that day the

LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

Second Lesson: Philippians 3: 17 - 4:1

¹⁷ Brethren, join in imitating me, and mark those who so live as you have an example in us. ¹⁸ For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, live as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹ Their end is destruction, their god is the belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰ But our commonwealth is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power which enables him even to subject all things to himself.

⁴ ¹ Therefore, my brethren, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.



The Gospel: Luke 13: 31-35

³¹ At that very hour some Pharisees came, and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." ³² And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course.' ³³ Nevertheless I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following; for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.'" ³⁴ O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, killing the prophets and stoning those who are sent to you! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen

bring out the meaning:

"Thou shalt love the Lord Thy God with all thy heart"; Deut. 6:5

"I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart", Psalm 9: 1

These statements refer to the vital or essential part of a human being, love and will power. If one substitutes this combination for the word "heart", the interpretation will be true to the symbolism of the heart. God commands his children to love Him with their whole love and will power; and they should give thanks unto him with their whole love and will power.

A HEART SURROUNDED BY A FLAME signifies intense zeal or devotion.

WHEN THE SYMBOL OF THE HEART IS COMBINED WITH A CROSS AND AN ANCHOR; as on some bookmarks, bracelets, necklaces and church steeples, the meaning of the symbols is simply stated by referring to the three as; "FAITH, HOPE and LOVE". FAITH refers to the Cross, HOPE and LOVE to the heart". Speaking of faith, hope and love, St. Paul wrote, "The greatest of these is love" 1 Corinthians 13:13.

PICTURES OF HANDS CONVEY VARIOUS MEANINGS.

- * Two clasped hands beneath the extended hand of God signify the blessings of marriage by the Church.
- * On a tombstone, the clasped hands signify farewell and welcome.
- * The palms of two hands together, fingers upwards, suggest worship and adoration.
- * Folded hands are symbolic of Prayer.

To be continued next week



Do You Know?

DOVE – *continued from last week.*

The Nimbus surrounds the heads of sacred persons and symbols in circular form, and surrounds persons honoured while still living in rectangular or square form. Sometimes the light of the Nimbus takes the form of rays of light, again as jewels adorning the sanctified, and again as a mere circle of light. Sometimes, rays of light seem to emanate from the entire body of our Lord. The elongated irradiation of light is called the AUREOLE.

A Tri-radiant Nimbus surrounds the head of a Lamb, the Dove, and other Symbols of God.

THE SHEAF OF WHEAT is a symbol of God's bounty, conveying the thought that every year, practically without fail, there is a harvest to be GARNERED from the fields. God is good!

He "makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust" (Matthew 5:45)

As God enables mankind to garner a harvest from the earth, he makes it possible to reap a spiritual harvest. St. Paul gave a summary of this law of life when he wrote "Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his own flesh will the flesh reap corruption; but he who sows to the Spirit will from the spirit reap eternal life In due season we shall reap, if we do not lose heart" (Galatians 6: 7-9)

THE SHEAF OF WHEAT COMBINED WITH A SICKLE is a symbol of the harvest and a reminder of the autumn of life.

Sometimes we find a red heart pictured in art glass windows.

THE HEART is the everlasting symbol of both love and will power. The biblical references to the heart of man in the following typical examples

gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not!
³⁵ Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"



Today we would like to extend a warm St. George's welcome to Dean Smithen who is the visiting Priest today in the Lenten Exchange. Also a special welcome is extended 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."*

Today we welcome the employees of FirstCaribbean International Bank and Gender Affairs. We are elated to have you in our midst and be assured of our prayers and best wishes for you and your family.

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.

FR. JOHN ROHIM, OUR PARISH PRIEST, IS TODAY CELEBRATING MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S AND THE VALLEY AS A PART OF THIS YEAR'S LENTEN EXCHANGE PROGRAMME. PLEASE REMEMBER HIM IN YOUR PRAYERS.

THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE PASTORAL COMMITTEE ON WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH, 2007 AT ST. FRANCIS CHAPEL AT 6:30 PM. **ALL** ARE ASKED TO BE PRESENT AND TO PLEASE BE ON TIME.

The **Provincial Mother's Union** is inviting participants for Sunday School and all Youths to participate in an **ART COMPETITION** on the theme "to address the escalating cases of rape and violence against women and children". Please contact any member of the Mother's Union for further information and entry forms.

I wish to remind parishioners that the Sacrament of Holy Baptism is a very sacred and important event in the life of a person. Consequently, I am not prepared to devalue this Sacrament. I further wish to urge that there are two preparation classes for parents and God Parents which must be attended by all.

In addition, god parents who are not members of this Parish are required to bring a letter from their Pastor/Priest to verify their membership in their Church.

Each organization is asked to please submit the names of all its members and their respective positions within the organisation, to Fr. Rohim as soon as possible. This information is needed for the Website www.dioneca.org. Check it out. Thank you.

I would like to suggest that those organizations who do not have a banner to try to get one as soon as possible.

It is always a wonderful sight especially in processions, to see the groups of the Church with banners and not just uniforms.

To All Anglicans, please support our young Anglicans this afternoon as they compete in the HIV/AIDS Liturgical Arts Competition organised by the Diocesan Youth Office.

This competition takes place at the Cathedral Cultural Centre and runs from 5:00 to 7:30pm. Participants will be competing in the areas of Dance, Drama and the Visual Arts and should reflect the theme, Our Christian Response to HIV/AIDS.

This will be an entertaining, educational evening with guest appearance by Gospel Recording artist Brian "Stone Acts" Peters. This event is produced by the Diocesan Youth Office and the Liturgical Arts Team, endorsed by the Aids Secretariat, and funded by the Global Health Fund.

Admission is free. Refreshments will be on sale.

Church Income for Month of February, 2007

1st Sunday	General Account	\$5,737.64	
	Building Account	\$ 640.69	
			\$6,378.33
2nd Sunday	General Account	\$4,586.89	
	Building Account	\$ 420.21	
			\$5,007.10
3rd Sunday	General Account	\$5,328.24	
	Building Account	\$1,122.94	
			\$6,361.18
4th Sunday	General Account	\$3,988.14	
	Building Account	\$ 908.38	
			\$4,896.52
	Total		<u>\$22,643.13</u>

Expenses for the month of February, 2007

Stipends	\$4,712.67
Utilities	\$2,278.81
Car Rental	\$1,620.00
Flowers	\$ 400.00
Gasoline (Car)	\$ 523.37
Photocopier Rental	\$ 454.25
Diocese of NECA (Loan, quota, etc.)	\$6,897.98
Total	<u>\$16,887.08</u>

Treasurer's Corner

Sunday 25th February, 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 to support the various ministries within the Church.

Your generous contribution is most appreciated.

Attendance at St. George's Parish Church:

Congregation 304

Communicants 94

Stewardship	\$ 2,465.00
Loose	854.89
Walk-Up	355.45
New Year's	210.00
In Thanksgiving For	195.00
Baptismal Offering	183.25
Parish Projects	131.74
Monday Ministry	50.00
*Others	451.19

Total church offerings for Sunday 25th February was \$ 4,896.52

*Others represents:- Christmas, Wedding Offering, Insurance, Loan, Social Outreach and All Saint's Contribution to Vestry Seminar.

*All things come from you O Lord and of your own do we give you.
(1st Chronicles 29:14)*

The **Faith and Hope High School Past Student Association** will be celebrating their 20th Anniversary with us at St. George's on Sunday March 11th, 2007. Though the school is no longer in existence, the Association is presently working on a project to open a Primary School. Its founder, Agatha Goodwin, has made significant contributions to Education in this country.

The Rt. Rev. Howard Gregory, suffragant Bishop of Montego Bay, Jamaica, has written to ask Mr. Anthony Hampson (Leader of Le Chateau D'Or) to accommodate a group of young people for a summer camp of this year (23rd July to 10th August). Mr. Hampson took a group of young people to Jamaica two (2) years ago for a similar exercise.

As a Parish we ought to be blessed to have such a band connected with us and I wish to urge Parishioners to support this proposed trip. I believe two (2) Anglican Priests will accompany the group.

I would appreciate if persons in the Parish can assist in providing accommodation. If you are interested in offering accommodation please contact Fr. Rohim as soon as possible.

SOCIAL OUTREACH

EVERY WEDNESDAY WE PROVIDE A MEAL FOR 50 SENIOR CITIZENS.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION WILL BE MOST APPRECIATED.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

MRS. KATHLEEN PHILLIP, MR. AUSTIN SMITH OR FR. ROHIM.

OUR **ANNUAL CHURCH DINNER** WILL BE HELD ON **FRIDAY 27TH APRIL, 2007** FROM 6:30 PM AT THE UNDERCROFT AT ST. MARK'S, PIGOTTS.

TICKETS ARE \$20.00 AND ARE AVAILABLE FROM ANY MEMBER OF THE DINNER COMMITTEE.

ALL PERSONS, who each year assist with the St. George's Annual Dinner, are pleased asked to attend a very important meeting at St. Francis Chapel at 6:30 pm on Tuesday 13th March, 2007.

Your presence would be appreciated and please be on time.

I wish to offer my congratulations to StG.Com (St. George's on the Move) as they begin their 5th Anniversary Celebrations today. I trust that God will continue to Bless you and your work.

Fr. John Rohim

StG.Com

5th Anniversary Week of Activities

Sunday 4th March	Corporate Worship at St. George's
Monday 5th March	Bible Study at 7:30 pm at St. Mark's Facilitator: Mr. Julius Gore
Tuesday 6th March	Lecture - "Stress & Pressure faced by Families" at 7:30 pm at St. Mark's Facilitator: Mrs. Constance Moe Retired Nurse & Co-ordinator of Parenting Department - COPE
Wednesday 7th March	Lecture - "Chronic Diseases - Diabetes and Hypertension" at 7:30 pm at St. Mark's Facilitators: Dr. Leslie Walwyn-Venugopal Family Physician Ms. Rosalie Hughes Nutritionist
Thursday 8th March	Free
Friday 9th March	Social Evening
Saturday 10th March	Visiting of the Sick and Shut-In in the Parish

Persons interested in becoming members of **StG.Com (St. George's on the move)** are asked to contact Mrs. Pamela Stevens 461-3600, Miss Garilyn Joseph 461-5334, Miss Lisa Kentish 775-3911 or any other member of the Group.

PROFILE



MR. CAREY THOMPSON
VESTRY MEMBER

- * Native of Barbados where he received his early education followed by professional studies in Taxation and Estate Management at the Commonwealth Institute of Taxation and London University respectively;
- * Employed as a teacher in Secondary School System in Barbados and later a tutor at the Barbados Technical Institute now renamed the Samuel Jackson Prescod Polytechnic;
- * Served as Inspector of Taxes, Barbados; Commissioner of Inland Revenue, Montserrat; and Tax Advisor, CARICOM SECRETARIAT;
- * Anglican by denomination from baptism;
- * Member of Choir, St. Mary's Church, Bridgetown, Barbados;
- * Choral Director St. Anthony's Church, Montserrat;
- * Member of Vestry of St. Anthony's Church, Montserrat and Lay Representative to Synod, Diocese NECA;
- * Member of Vestry of St. George's Church, Antigua.

"May The Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you.

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace."