

Celebrating 103 Years of Witness in the North East Bronx

THEME: CENTERING ON GOD

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 18th, 2016 – 7:30/11:00am
Holy Eucharist & Sermon (Rite II) Year A

ORGAN PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN..... # 76

ADVENT CANDLELIGHTING LITURGY

INTROIT HYMN..... # 66

Celebrant: *"Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins"*

People: *"His mercy endures for ever."*

THE BIBLICAL SENTENCE Pg. 351

The Confession and Absolution Pg. 352

THE TRISAGION..... Pg. 356

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 7: 10-16

PSALM 80: 1-7, 16-18

THE SECOND LESSON: Romans 1: 1-7

THE SEQUENCE HYMN..... # 73

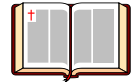
THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 1: 18-25

THE SERMON..... **Canon Williams**

The Nicene Creed (**All Stand**) Pg. 358

The Prayers of the People: Form III Pg. 387

THE PEACE (**All Stand**)



THE OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Choir

THE OFFERTORY HYMNS..... #'s 59, 615, LEV 9

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 'A' Pg. 361

Sursum Corda (**All Stand**)

Sanctus Benedictus (**All Stand**)..... S 130

Prayer of Consecration (**All Kneel**)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

COMMUNION HYMNS: # 601, 343, LEV 208

POST COMMUNION PRAYER..... Pg. 365

BLESSINGS (SPECIAL AND GENERAL)

NOTICES

RECESSIONAL HYMN: # 539

THE DISMISSAL:

Celebrant: *"Go in peace to love and serve the Lord"*

People: *"Thanks be to God"*



WELCOME

To St. Luke's Episcopal Church



Readers

	7:30am	11:00am
First Lesson	C. Gordon	A. Sample-Bradshaw
Second Lesson	J. Christian	C. Greenidge
Prayers of the People	W. Grant	A. Walcott

WORSHIP SERVICES

- LOW MASS..... Sundays at 7:30 am
- FAMILY SERVICEEvery First Sunday at 9:30 am
- SUNDAY SCHOOL..... at 9:30 am
- SUNG MASS Sundays at 11:00 am
- LOW MASS & BIBLE STUDY..... Wednesdays at 9:30 am
- HEALING MASS First Wednesdays at 9:30 am
- BIBLE STUDY Wednesdays at 7:30 pm

MUSIC MINISTRY REHEARSALS

- GOOD NEWS CHORALE..... Wednesdays at 7:30 pm
- CHANCEL CHOIR Fridays at 7:30 pm
- CHILDREN'S CHOIR..... Saturdays at 1:00 pm
- YOUTH CHOIR..... Wednesdays at 6:45 pm

OUR VESTRY

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| Mrs. Alecia Bradshaw (2017) | Dr. Jewellyn Holder (2018) |
| Ms. Nicoal Crawford (2019) | Mrs. Clarissa Igle (2019) |
| Mr. Milton Davis (2018) | Mrs. Joyce Francis-Marsh (2017) |
| Mrs. Beatrice Goodwyn (2019) | Mrs. Patricia McFadzean (2017) |
| Dr. Winsome Grant (2018) | Mr. Donald Smith (2019) |
| Mr. Larjo Guy (2017) | Ms. Marcia Williams (2018) |

Clerk of the Vestry: Mrs. Olive Cole (2017)

Wardens: Dr. Christine Greenidge (2017)
Mrs. Shirley Thompson-Nelson (2018)

Treasurers: Mrs. Dionne Williams (2017)
Mr. Robert Williams (2017)

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Morning Prayer

Monday	Psalm 61, 62; Isaiah 11: 1-9; Revelation 20: 1-10; John 5: 30-47
Tuesday	Psalm 66, 67; Isaiah 11: 10-16; Revelation 20: 11- 21: 8; Luke 1: 5-25
Wednesday	Psalm 23, 121; Job 42: 1-6; 1 Peter 1: 3-9
Thursday	Psalm 80; Isaiah 29: 13-24; Revelation 21: 22- 22 : 5; Luke 1: 39-48a(48b-56)
Friday	Psalm 93, 96; Isaiah 33: 17-22; Revelation 22: 6-11, 18-20; Luke 1: 57-66
Saturday	Psalm 89: 1-29; Isaiah 59: 15b-21; Philippians 2: 5-11

*Congratulations and best wishes to all celebrating Wedding Anniversaries
this week, especially*

Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn and Dobsy White 12/19

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard and Mavis Gallier 12/19

Mr. and Mrs. Donald and Vida Smith 12/20

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin and Derinda Crawford 12/20

*Bread and Wine for five weeks are given by Kate Arkorful in memory of the
life of Gideon Arkorful. "You are always in my heart. Rest in perfect peace;
Amen."*

*Bread and Wine for four weeks are given by Sharon Samuels in loving
memory of her mother – Zephlin Samuels 12/11/2010. "Gone but not
forgotten. You are forever in my heart."*

*Candles for two weeks are given by Winnifred Roper in thanksgiving to
God for another joyful grandson – Zachary Walker 08/22/16 of Neil and
Georgette. "All good things come of you O'Lord. Thanks be to God."*

*Bread and Wine for two weeks are given by Dr. Virginia Bernard in
thanksgiving to God for His many blessings and especially for allowing her
another "special" birthday 12/18.*



Next Sunday Coffee Hour will be hosted by **St. Theresa's Guild.**



In case of emergency and immediate need of pastoral care, please call
929-328-6848 and your call will be returned promptly. Please call the
Church Office for appointments and questions pertaining to time of service.



Fourth Sunday of Advent

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Readings for next Sunday – CHRISTMAS DAY: Isaiah 9: 2-7;
Psalm 96; Titus 2: 11-14; Luke 2: 1-14, (15-20).



The below are reminders of events and/or deadlines for **TODAY:**

- Brief meeting of the International Committee with Fr. Steele at 9:30am in the choir stall.
- Report of 2016 activities from all church organizations for the upcoming Annual Parish Meeting.
- Sunday School Pageant at 5:30pm.



Schedule of Services for Christmas and New Year.

Saturday, December 24th	Christmas Eve: Carol Singing at 10:00pm, Mass 10:30pm
Sunday, December 25th	Christmas Day: 10:00am
Saturday, December 31st	New Year's Eve: 10:30pm
Sunday, January 1st	Holy Name: 10am (New Year's Day).



The next **Baptism and Installation of New Members** will be held on **Sunday, January 8th, 2017**. Interested applicants are invited to contact the Church Office to complete an application form, and receive additional information. **Application deadline is Thursday, December 22nd, 2016.**



Our 2017 Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 22nd, 2017. Nomination Forms are now available from the Ushers. Please return completed nomination forms to any member of the Nominating Committee – Dr. Christine Greenidge (Chair), Larjo Guy, and Alecia Sample-Bradshaw by **Sunday, January 8th, 2017.**



2017 Contribution Envelopes are now ready for distribution. They are all in alphabetical order on the stage in the Church Hall. Please verify your name and number on the box before leaving the Church. Notify the Church Office immediately if you have not located your envelope.



The renovating of our Church Hall is almost complete. To maintain the décor we discourage the application of posters, decorations, thumb tacks, tapes, photographs etc. to the walls and ceiling.

SAVE THE DATE: Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration at 10am on Monday, January 16th, 2017 here at St. Luke's. *All are invited!!!*



The **YMCA** is offering scholarships in the amount of \$2500 for an academic year to High School seniors who are residents of New York. Recipients may be eligible to renew scholarships for up to four years. Please go to harlemymca.wufoo.com to apply. Deadline: 01/31/ 2017.



Pictorial Directory – ONE LAST SHOT!

An invitation was extended to every parishioner to have a photograph (headshot) taken for our next publication of the Pictorial Directory. We are very much appreciative of those who have responded, and now encourage those who were unable, to use this **LAST OPPORTUNITY** to have a headshot done. Lifetouch will return on;

- Wednesday, January 18th 2:00pm – 9:00pm
- Thursday, January 19th – **Organizations Photograph only**
- Friday, January 20th 2:00pm – 9:00pm
- Saturday, January 21st 10:00am – 5:00pm
- Sunday, January 22nd 9:30am – 3:30pm.

Please send an e-mail to Mrs. Cole at oliduds@gmail.com to sign up for your session. Please make sure to state the date and time. Thank you for your cooperation.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 12/18** Sandra Douglas, Hugh Williams, Virginia Bernard, Desmond Lewis
- 12/19** Cynthia Lowe, Howard Smith, Sydney Nelson, Melody Quattlebaum
- 12/20** Nalda Searlett, Josephine Byfield, Dion Harper
- 12/21** Joyce Francis, Evan Blake
- 12/22** Edward Wallace, Sheila Brown, Olive Pitt
- 12/23** Joyce Mignott, Olive Bush, Donald Stephenson, Garneth Francis, Veronica Lloyd
- 12/24** Doris Dunbar, Alveda Gayle, Hazel Rose, Enid Costley, Kaiden Williams



Father, we pray for all who suffer from pain, disease, human discomfort, and misery, that God may bring healing and joy for the renewal of their faith. We pray for our shut-ins especially ...

Emeline Davis (NH), Ella Golding, Gloria Hanson, Venice Lewis, Arnold Shaw, Eileen Wiltshire, Ouida Webb.

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:

Biblical Text:

Main Idea Of The Sermon:

Point(s) To Remember:

What Should I Do As A Result Of Hearing This Sermon?
