January/February birthday group meets immediately after the service

ENDOWNMENT FUND

The Diocesan Endowment Fund will be launched on Sunday, November 29 at the 7:30 a.m. service. The Bishop of Jamaica & The Cayman Islands, Bishop Leon Golding will be the Celebrant at the service.

JOIN THE CHOIR!

Do you love to sing? Members of the congregation are invited to join the church choir and use their voices in praise and worship. Whether experienced or simply passionate about singing, we welcome you!

Join us now as we prepare for our Christmas services and Annual Carol Service. It's a wonderful opportunity to share in the joy of the season through music! **Rehearsals: Thursdays: 5:45 p.m.–7:00 p.m.**

SPIRITUAL FORMATION CLASSES

Spiritual Formation classes will begin on **Sunday, December 13**, for one hour (10 a.m. to 11 a.m.). The classes are open primarily to new believers and are intended to prepare persons for baptism and confirmation. Persons who wish to refresh their knowledge may also attend. Please give your names and contact numbers to Rev. Peter or to the Church Office.

Archdeacon Cunningham, Rev. DePass, Dr. Jean Lee, Sisters Claudette Marshall and Marcia Hamilton will lead the classes.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Curlene Andrade, Linda Baldie, Pearl Barrett, Norman Burke, Audrey Chisholm, Daphne Forrester, Decima Hammond, Beryl HoSang, Joyce Jarrett, Rev. Vivette Jennings, Pamela Johnson, Joy Jones, Shirley Lakhan, Kathleen Lloyd, Brenda Manning Williams, Violet Martin, Ruby Melbourne, Sheldon McIntosh, Trevor Miller, Constance Morris, Cara Murray, Lunette Palmer, Ruby Richards, Maria Reid, Keisha Robinson, Thelma Thompson, Veronica Wilson

Diocese of Jamaica & The Cayman Islands

Diocese of Jamaica & The Cayman Islands Vision Statement

A Diocese inspired by the Holy Spirit, through the energetic and joyful discipleship of its members at all levels and of all ages, commits itself to being an assertive influence for good on Society and to locate, engage and serve the wider society wherever they are, through individual mission and ministry, in faith, hope and charity and to inspire and enlist recruits into active discipleship as members of the body of Christ and new members/stakeholders of a growing and dynamic Diocese.

St. Luke's Mission

To bring people to the knowledge of God through the proclamation of the gospel, in study, worship and witness, thus creating a fellowship of disciples for ministry and mission.

Verse of the Week

"Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, …"

Matthew 25: 34

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THEME: CONVENANTED TO WORSHIP, WITNESS AND WORK

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
CHRIST THE KING
PROPER 29

My Brothers and Sisters

Christ the King: Understanding the Feast

This week marks the end of Year A in the three-year Lectionary cycle. As each year closes, we encounter Christ as King, and each year offers a different, surprising view of his reign. This year, as we finish our journey with Matthew, is no different. The Parable of the Sheep and the Goats shifts our perceptions of what it means for Jesus to be the monarch of our lives and of the world. It offers a picture of a realm of radical inclusion, welcome, grace, and mutual service.

Why the Feast Was Instituted

On this last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Church invites its members to focus on the kingship, or reign, of Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted the feast in 1925 in response to the rise of secularism and the dangerous dictatorships emerging in Europe and beyond. Although Christ had long been called King, the Pope saw respect and reverence for his authority waning amid the unrest of the early 20th century. The feast was set to reaffirm and refocus faith in the kingship of Jesus and to remind leaders and nations that they are bound to give respect to Christ. That message remains important in this postmodern age, as it was when the feast was first celebrated.

Strength for the Faithful and the Hope of Christ's Return

The feast also gives the faithful strength and courage by reminding them that Christ must reign in their hearts, minds, wills, and bodies. Because it falls just before Advent, it turns our attention to the

JOIN THE LIVE STREAM OF THE SERVICE AT 7:30 A.M.

YouTube
https://www.youtube.com/live/DSPD9pGIQl4

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NOTICES

1st Sunday of Advent: Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18; Isaiah 64: 1-9; 1 Cor. 1: 3-9; Mark 13: 24-37. Daily Office: Proper 29, Page 777, Year 2.

WELCOME: We extend a warm welcome to our brothers and sisters.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Constance Morris (23) Astar Sherwood (23) Michael Williams Jr. (25)

BIBLE STUDY: **Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.**
Join us on Zoom: **https://bit.ly/46vsyGM**
Meeting ID: 891 8360 6206 Passcode: LoveJesus

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

TODAY: **7:30 a.m.** Holy Eucharist – **Christ the King**
3:00 p.m. Christ the King Service at the Cathedral The bus will be available **(free of cost),** for persons who wish to attend the service.

Sun. Nov. 29: **7:30 a.m**. Holy Eucharist
1st Sunday of Advent (Year B)

Sun. Dec. 6: **7:30 a.m.** Holy Eucharist – **Missionary Sunday**
Please bring your missionary tin and offering

Wed. Dec. 9: **8:00 a.m.** Holy Eucharist followed by the Annual **Dorcas Distribution** - Donations in cash or kind are welcomed.

Sun. Dec.13: **7:30 a.m.** Holy Eucharist & Rally In-Gathering

Thur. Dec. 17 **6:00 p.m.** Carol Service

Order of Service

7:30 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST
CORPORATE COMMUNION: ANGLICAN WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

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	Vilya Thomas
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	Winsome Ford
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future. Our ultimate future is the day Jesus will return in glory for the final judgment, when he will award reward or punishment.

Conclusion

As we close the liturgical year, the Parable of the Sheep and the Goats and the Feast of Christ the King point to the same truth: Christ's reign is one of welcome, grace, and mutual service, and it calls for our whole selves, in heart, mind, will, and body. As Advent begins, we are invited to live under his kingship now, as we await the day he returns in glory.

Yours in Christ,

Patrick+



Our God Is An Awesome God

Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom pow'r and love
Our God is an awesome God

Richard Wayne Mullins

Our God Reigns

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him
who brings good news, good news;
Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness:
our God reigns, our God reigns!

Refrain:
Our God reigns, our God reigns, our God reigns,
our God reigns, our God reigns!

Versifer: Leonard E. Smith (1974)