

# Third Sunday of Advent December 16, 2012

## TODAY (Violet)

Zep 3:14-18a  
Phil 4:4-7  
Lk 3:10-18  
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## NEXT WEEK (Violet)

Mi 5:1-4a  
Heb 10:5-10  
Lk 1:39-45

John's clear and unequivocal answers to "What should we do?" gave direction to people's lives. He challenged the crowds and tax collectors and soldiers to change their behavior, to make other people their focus and care. John's good news, however, went beyond merely telling the people how to behave toward each other. His answers indicated that something new was happening. His good news pointed to the One who is all Good News and now dwells in our midst. The Good News is not a message but a person—Jesus.

*Living liturgy*

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

**December 15, Saturday**  
6:00 p.m. B'day Yves Beaubrun

**December 16, Sunday**  
7:00 a.m. +Raphael Brathwaite rb Shana Brathwaite  
9:30 a.m. St Ann Parish Family

**December 18, Tuesday**  
12:15p.m. Thanksgiving rb Maria Jones

**December 19, Wednesday**  
6:30 a.m. +Stephanie Ross & Leeland Cambridge  
rb Jean Ross  
9:30 a.m. Catholic School students & administration  
Special Int. Yolanda Thomas rb her Family  
+Anitius & Agatha Julien rb their Family

**December 20, Thursday**  
12:15 p.m. Special Int. Vera Irwin rb Theodosia & Delores

**December 21, Friday**  
6:30 a.m. B'day Ashton George rb Cecil & Eunice George

**December 22, Saturday**  
8:30 a.m. Special Int. Louis Brusca rb John Kosak

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Gn 49:2, 8-10	Mt 1:1-17
Tues. Jer 23:5-8	Mt 1:18-25
Wed. Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a	Lk 1:5-25
Thurs. Is 7:10-14	Lk 1:26-38
Fri. Sg 2:8-14	Lk 1:39-45
Sat. 1Sm 1:24-28	Lk 1:46-56

## WEEK IN PREVIEW

**Mon.**

**OFFICE CLOSED**

**Tues.**

7:00 p.m. **Penance Service** (Priests from other parishes will be available for private Confessions)

**Wed. & Fri.**

8:30–11:00 a.m. Deacon Hyacinthe available for Prayer and Counseling

**Wed.**

10:30 a.m. Service at Grigg Home for Aged

**Fri.**

Day of Adoration beginning with Holy Mass at 6:30 a.m., and ending with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 6:30 p.m.

### Religious Education Classes

**Sat.**

8:30 -10:45 a.m. Levels 7, 8, & 9 Confirmation  
11:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m. First Communion and Levels 3, 4, 5, & 6  
12:30 – 1:00 p.m. Children's Choir Practice

**(PLEASE PICK THE STUDENTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER CLASS)**

## Coming Events:

**Advent Rally:** Come and join us to Praise the Lord, with Fr. Anthony Abraham, Sunday, Dec. 16, 4:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church, Frederiksted.

**A Pre-Christmas Mass** with Bishop Bevard for all Catholic School students and teachers will be on Wednesday, December 19, 9:30 a.m. at Sts. Joachim & Ann Church.

## Offertory Envelopes

2013 Offertory Envelopes are available in the Marian Hall. A box is reserved for those who used the envelopes faithfully in 2012. Anyone wishing to start using the envelopes, please complete the sign-up sheet with your name, address, tel. # and box no. We encourage you to be a good steward and give an acceptable portion of your time, talent and treasure for the work of the kingdom. Religious Calendars for 2013 are available in the Marian Hall. Help yourself. One calendar for each home, please! THANK YOU

St. Joseph's Church, Mt. Pleasant, has a Day of Adoration every Tuesday beginning with Mass at 6:30a.m., and concluding with Benediction at 6:00 pm.

## PLAN AHEAD FOR CHRISTMAS:

Frozen Foods will be collected this week for Catholic Charities and the Soup Kitchen from Tuesday Dec. 18 until Friday, Dec. 21.

### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

**Tuesday, December 18, 2012**

**7:00 p.m. Penance Service**

**Priests from other parishes will be available for Private Confessions**

**Monday, December 24,**

**6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Vigil Mass**

**11:15 p.m. Christmas Carols**

**12:00 Midnight Mass**

**Tuesday, December 25, Christmas Day**

**10:00 a.m. Christmas Mass**

**Saturday/Sunday, December 29\ 30**

**Feast of the Holy Family**

**6:00 p.m. Vigil Mass**

**7:00 a.m. Morning Mass**

**9:30 a.m. Morning Mass**

**Monday, December 31**

**6:00 p.m. Old Year's Night Vigil Mass**

**11:00 p.m. Holy Hour**

**12:00 Midnight Mass**

**Tuesday, January 1, 2013, New Year's Day**

**10:00 a.m. New Year's Mass**

### **FOURTH ANNUAL KEYS AND SWORD AWARD BENEFIT, JANUARY 26, 2013**

His Excellency, Bishop Herbert Bevard will present the 2013 Keys and Sword award to HIS EMINENCE, SEAN CARDINAL O'MALLEY, O.F.M. CAP, the ARCHBISHOP OF BOSTON. Bishop's Reception 6:00 p.m. at The Grand Ball Room, Marriott Frenchman's Reef Hotel 7:15 p.m. Dinner, Dancing, Awards, Raffles, Door prizes

Tickets are available from each Parish office. Proceeds support the Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral Restoration Project

For more information, please call Charlotte Banks or Lillia King at 774-3166 ext. 213

### **Christmas Blessings and a Joyful New Year To All Our Volunteers**

Deacons & Wives, Parish & Financial Council, Music Ministry, Acolytes, Lectors, Religious Education Teachers & Aides, Ushers, Stewardship Counters, Faithful Crews that clean The Church & Shrine every Saturday, Bookstore & Office Helpers, Altar Servers...and to all St. Ann Family for your loyalty and generosity over the years.

### **CHRISTMAS IS COMING**

**Although the economy is sluggish, your generosity continues to support your church and other charitable agencies. Please put St. Ann's on top of your Christmas list, especially now, when we are beginning to "feel the pinch." God is Love!**

### **Bookstore**

Advent began on December 2nd. The bookstore has Advent Wreaths and Advent Candle Sets. Also on display are individual Christmas cards or boxed Christmas cards. Come see, Come browse!

**OUR SICK: Please keep in the charity of your prayers the sick amongst us.** Doris Encarnacion, Alberta Hendrickson, Agneta C. Petersen, Magdalene James, Lucinda Pemberton, Mary Denis, Catherine Decembre, Leona Javoir, Pricilla Brown, Doreen Pemberton, Zephrine Thomas, Muriel Campbell, Elden Serrant, Steve Beharry, Olive Alexander, Joseph Jones, Abel Javois, Stanislaus Prescott, Marv E. Jon, Frances Allen, Julie Dizon, Irene Prevot, Josephine Prescott, Hyacinthe Bright, Steve Keith, Doreen Henry, Anthony Smith, Catherine Samuel, Larry Cook, Fenton Pierre, Omar Dubois, Mary Bishop, Bernadette Koupie, Keith Scantlebury, Centelia Matthews, Claude Steele, Olive Le Cointe, Maria Hall, Stephanie Jordan, Derick James, Walter E. Durant Sr., Clementina Tuitt, Mary-Jane Gaston, Joseph Mathurine, Kay Colon, Bernadette Megahy, Celestine Clovis, Troy Jones, Ann Marie Marius, Maurille Philemon, Steve Gardiner, Varonica Fleming, Stephen Williams, Monika Schoenbohm, Yvonne Monroe, Martha Campbell, Anna Lindo, Desmond Etienne, Joseph Plant, Charles Gilbert 111, Mervyn Tyrell, Linda White, Kianna Ireland, Francis Davinci, Peter Joseph John, Theresa Larichere, Junie Matthews, Louis Lawrence, Grace Xavier, Melissa Brooks, Wilberto Bennet, Claudelle Mathurin., Norbert Auguste, Michelin James, Enis Hilaire, Magdalene Greene. Norman Francis, Adeline Le Cointe, Linda White, Reuben Henry, Phillip Joseph. Brenda Plaskett, Jennifer Degazo, Olaf smith, Catherine Royer. **Please call the Office to add or remove names from this list.**

### **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES**

God of all goodness, look with love on those who wait for the safe return of their loved ones who serve in the armed forces of their country. In faith and hope we turn to you for comfort. Grant that we may trust in your mercy and send an angel to sustain us as we await their safe return. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

### **SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

Fr. Simon Obeng, Fr. Alejandro Sanchez, Fr. Jose Herrera, Fr. Cecil Corneille, Sanil-Dale Tison, Darryl D'Souza, Brian Krauser, Gemma Emmanuel, Levi Denios, Natasha & Ivone Alcala, Linus Felix, Camillus Thomas, Erica A. Toussaint, Nareka Selkriege, Agnes Lindsay, Patrick Rivers, Denecia Weekes, Marcus Maximin, Miguel Navarro, Jr., Mariel Chinouyaz, Audin Benjamin, Jane William, Verin Nesbitt Wescott, Michael Moorehead, Brian Halloway, Istomin & Ismael Lampe, John Noel, Pablo Montanez, Jr., Dwayne Thomas, Xandrio Tank Yuk, Robinson Ferdinand, Kimberly John-Baptiste, Kimberly Ferdinand, Mario Mason, Jr., Aaron Thomas, Valence Modeste Kelly, Iulani Greenidge, Anissa Eversley, David Best, Wayne J. Baker, Kareem James, Reginald Antoine, Marvin Delsol, Ismenio Lampe, Brian Peterson, Elsworth Stevenson, Patricia Charles, Terrance Ritter, Lawrence Ritter, Tasha Warner, Shana Antoine, James Frymyre, Kevin Purcell, Emmanuel Maldonado, Denis Duparl, Louis Encarnacion, Pedro Reyes, Patrick Vernon, James Gaston, Fabian Claxton, Collin Joseph, John A. Francis, Jon Megahy, Nyasia Reed, Jason Jaggernaut, Martin Alexis, Joel Gilbert, James Bressendroff, Darnell Noel, Jeffrey Centeno, Anthony Camacho, Aubrey Camaho, Austin Carino, Kernatha Auguste, Masline Noel, Darwin Richards, Jeremiah L. Charler, Alex Hector, John & Felicita Matinez-Gines, Henisha Williams, Nkosi Dennie, Jeremye Morgan, Sasha Chastanet, Eduardo A. Molina, Comeron Childres, Jainea Louis, Tyquavias & Jemel Dawson, Enja Gumbs. **Please call the office to add or remove names to this list.**