

Weekly Notices

Sunday 30th December No Sunday School at St. Francis
Sunday School at St. Mark's at 3:30 pm

Sunday 6th January Holy Eucharist at St. George's at 8:30 am

1. Readings for Sunday 6th January, 2008
Old Testament Lesson: StG.Com - Isaiah 60: 1-6,9
The Epistle: Ephesians 3: 1-12
Intercession: StG.Com - Form C
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, 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, Henrietta Osbourne, Kelly Paul, 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, Viviana Williams.

St. George's Parish

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

Christmas 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 CHRISTMAS I 30th December, 2007

Processional Hymn	A&M 59
The Introit	MP 393
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. 159 - Christmas I
Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3
Psalms	Psalms 147 vs. 13-21 BCP pg. 663
The Epistle	Galatians 3:23 - 25; 4:4 - 7
Gradual Hymn	A&M 52
Gospel	John 1:1 -18
Hymn before the Sermon	MP 459 verses 1 & 4
The Sermon	
The Creed	BCP pg. 104
Intercessions	Form B - BCP pg. 107
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	
Children's Hymn	MP 47
Birthday & Anniversary Blessing	
The Offertory Hymns	A&M 61, MP 503
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	MP 644, MP 740, MP 345, MP 749
Blessing of the Children	A&M 55, MP 35
Walk Up Offertory	MP 114
Post Communion Prayer	BCP pg. 147 or pg. 148
The Blessing	
Recessional Hymn	A&M 60

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 :

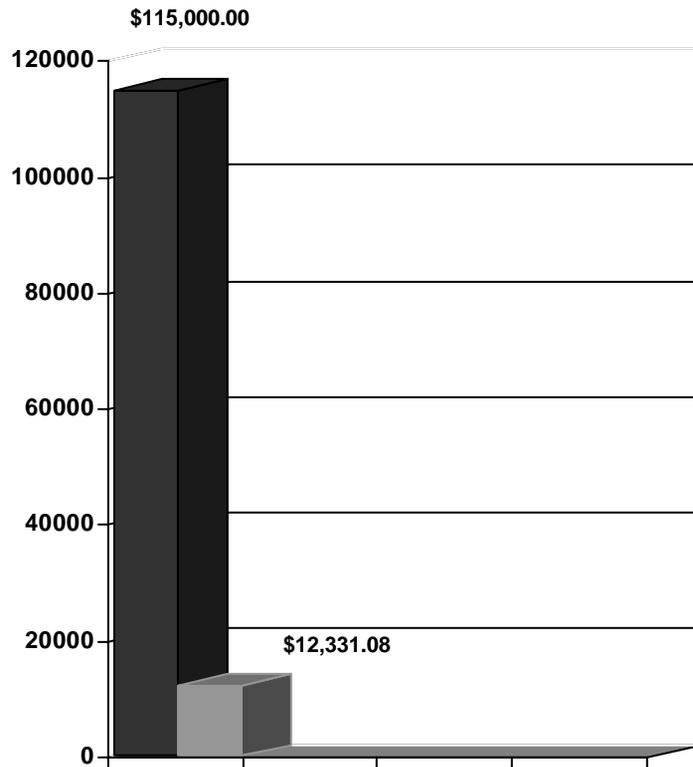
Our Walk-Up Collection goes to the Organ Fund.
Please give generously.

ORGAN FUND

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY.

Cost of New Organ: \$115,000.00.

Amount collected to date \$ 12,331.08



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 61:10 - 62:3

¹⁰ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. ¹¹ For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

62 ¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. ² The nations shall see

your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name which the mouth of the LORD will give. ³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.



The Epistle: Galatians 3: 23-25; 4: 4-7

²³ Now before faith came, we were confined under the law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. ²⁴ So that the law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith.

²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian;

4 ⁴ But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷ So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir.



The Gospel: John 1-18

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the

Treasurer's Corner

Sunday 23rd December, 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	253
Communicants	117
Stewardship	\$ 6,729.75
Loose	1,301.76
Walk-Up	843.91
Contribution to St. George's Church	5,000.00
Christmas Offering	595.00
Harvest Offering	250.00
Funeral Offering (Neville Grigg)	395.99
Funeral Offering (Edmund Norford)	136.25
Birthday	250.00
Donation to St. Mark's	100.00
**Others	260.00

Total church offerings for Sunday 23rd December, 2007 was \$15,862.66. *Others represent:- In Thanksgiving For (ITGF), Wedding, Parish Projects, Social Outreach, Loan.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICE FOR
OLD YEAR'S NIGHT
MONDAY 31ST DECEMBER, 2007
(OLD YEAR'S NIGHT)

ST. GEORGE'S - 10:30 PM - SERVICE OF REDEDICATION

ALL ORGANIZATIONS are asked to provide a list of their fund raising events for the year 2008. Please have the list presented to the Secretary of the Vestry by 30th December, 2007.

Our stewardship envelopes have been ordered but are late in arriving. Parishioners are asked to use their old envelopes if this is necessary. Please be sure to put your number and date when using same.

HAPPY MOMENTS, PRAISE GOD
DIFFICULT MOMENTS, SEEK GOD
QUIET MOMENTS, WORSHIP GOD
PAINFUL MOMENTS, TRUST GOD
EVERY MOMENT, THANK GOD.



beginning with God; ³ all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. ⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷ He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸ He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light. ⁹ The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. ¹¹ He came to his own home, and his own people received him not. ¹² But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; ¹³ who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. ¹⁵ (John bore witness to him, and cried, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, for he was before me.'") ¹⁶ And from his fulness have we all received, grace upon grace. ¹⁷ For the law was given through

Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.
¹⁸ No one has ever seen God; the only Son, who is
in the bosom of the Father, he has made him
known.



Members of the Congregation who are unable to come to the Altar for the Sacrament of Holy Communion and who wish to receive the Sacrament are please asked to indicate this to any of the Ushers before the distribution of the Sacrament begins.

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.

Please be advised that No Lunch will be prepared for the Senior Citizens on Wednesday 2nd January, 2008. Kindly be guided accordingly.

The Annual Christmas Party for the Senior Citizens will be held on Wednesday 30th January, 2008.
Further details will be provided in upcoming bulletins.

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.

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.

It would be most appreciated if someone can make available to the Church a large basket to collect food items on Sundays. Parishioners are encouraged to bring non-perishables to assist in this programme.