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We warmly welcome all visitors this morning. If you are new to St. Barnabas or would like to participate more fully, please complete the yellow form on the back of the pews and put it on the collection plate.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 20, 2009

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Book of Common Prayer pg. 67
Collect, Epistle and Gospel *(the readings are printed below)*

Presiding: The Rev. Jagdutt Singh
Lay Assistant: Jo Ruelle
Sidesman: John Ruelle

Following the worship please join us for refreshments in the Lower Hall.

**The flowers are given for many blessings as we welcome
Baby Carson Townsend Cripps into God's family,
and in loving memory of Carson's Grandfather,
The Late Charles Townsend Cripps**

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**10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Holy Baptism**

Liturgy from *The Book of Alternative Services*,  
hymns from *Common Praise*

**Processional Hymn No. 101**

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

(Cruger)

**Lighting of the Advent Candles**

**Children's Time**

**The Liturgy Begins** BAS pg. 151

**The Collect of the Day:** Heavenly Father, who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her

rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**The Collect for Advent I:** Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Choir Anthem:** "A Madrigal for Advent"

Dengler/Dengler

*The First Reading Micah 5:2-5a* <sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. <sup>3</sup> Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. <sup>4</sup> And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; <sup>5</sup> and he shall be the one of peace.

Reader: Hear what the spirit is saying to the Church.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle:** "Benedictus" (*sung*)

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited, and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us, in the house of his servant David;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets, which have been since the world began;

That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hands of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers, and to remember his holy covenant;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham, that he would grant us

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies might serve him without fear,

In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life,

And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people for the remission of their sins;

Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Second Reading Hebrews 10:5-10** <sup>5</sup> Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; <sup>6</sup> in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. <sup>7</sup> Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." <sup>8</sup> When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), <sup>9</sup> then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. <sup>10</sup> And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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#### **Gradual Hymn No. 95**

"O Come, Divine Messiah"

(Venez, Divin Messie)

Gospel Lesson: **Luke 1:39-45** <sup>39</sup> In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, <sup>40</sup> where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup> When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit <sup>42</sup> and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. <sup>43</sup> And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? <sup>44</sup> For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. <sup>45</sup> And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

**Presentation and Examination of the Candidates:** pg153 (infants & younger children)

**Prayers for the Candidates:** pg. 155

**The Celebration of Baptism:** pg 156

**The Baptismal Covenant:** pg. 158

**The Baptism:** pg 160

**The Giving of the Light:** pg 160

**The Peace**

**The Homily**

**Offertory Hymn No. 97**

“Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring”

(Tantum/Ergo)

**The Prayer over the Gifts:** Gracious God, by the power of the Spirit who sanctified the mother of your Son, make holy all we offer you this day. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**Eucharistic Prayer:** #4 pg. 201

**The Lord’s Prayer:** #2 pg. 211

**The Breaking of the Bread:** #5 pg. 212

**The Communion**

**Communion Hymns:**

No. 117 “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”

(Es ist ein’ Ros)

No 96 “Creator of the Stars of Night”

(Conditor Alme Siderum)

No. 77 “The Son of God Proclaim”

(Sunderland)

**Prayer after Communion:** Faithful God, in the sacrament we receive the promise of salvation. May we, like the Virgin Mary, be obedient to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion:** pg. 214

**Blessing & Dismissal**

**Announcements**

**Recessional Hymn No. 91**

**PARISH INTERCESSIONS**

**LET US PRAY FOR CHRIST’S HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH:**

In our Diocese we pray for The Rt. Rev. Derek Hoskin, The Ven. Barry Foster and the Staff of the Synod Office. In the Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for The Rt. Rev. Calvert Leopold Friday and the Staff of the Synod Office

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED OF GOD’S HEALING GIFTS:**

Doris Ford, Chyrine (COR-REEN) Thompson, Donald Sawatsky, Elizabeth Hardcastle, Elizabeth Finlayson, Margaret Baird, Willy, Darrell, Jim Watts, Eddie & Joan Norris, John Mallinson, Larry Hewitt, Russell des Cognets, Jean Spencer, Cathy King, Reta Lee, Claire Flynn, Gwen Coupland, Karen K., Linda Stevenson, Karen Norton, Win Saunders, Lisa Allison, Kay Robertson, Howard Patterson, Fay Milne, Neil McKenzie, Michele Mallinson, Esther Burgess, Lyn Innes, Don Freckelton, Sally, Daniel Eros, Sam Quinton, Janet Beattie, Purdy Mackenzie, Ross & Natalie Lynem, Ethan Compton, Mary Martinac, Isobel Attrell, and Alice Smith

**UPCOMING AT ST. BARNABAS**

- Wednesday, December 23    **Soup & Scripture** at 6:30 pm. in the Board Room
- Thursday, December 24    **Eucharist** at 10:00 am followed by Bible Study in the Board Room
- Children’s Christmas Service** 4:30 p.m.  
                                         **Christmas Eve Service** 10:30 p.m.
- Sunday, December 27    **The First Sunday After Christmas**  
                                         **Eucharist** 8:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THANK YOU:** We would like to thank the 6<sup>th</sup> Calgary, St. Barnabas Scout Troop for their generous donation of the Christmas trees that are in the church. In addition to their donation they also arranged pick up and delivery to the church. THANK YOU!

**MISSION AND OUTREACH:** There is a display in the narthex of the following suggestions and opportunities for your individual use as you so decide.

1. Neighbourlink:      Gifts for Gals Program  
                              No Crib for a Bed  
                              Adopt a Family  
                              Elfie's Festive Feasts  
                              Christmas Toys Donations
  
2. Canadian Bible Society - Magazine "Word at Work", also 2010 Bible Reading Guide available free at the store at 225 - 10th St NW.
  
3. The South American Missionary Society in Canada (SAMS)
  
4. The Leprosy Mission of Canada
  
5. Calgary Meals on Wheels
  
6. Youth for Christ, Calgary: Instructions for Streetlight's Operation Backpack
  
7. World Vision Gift Guide
  
8. FH Canada Gift Guide - A Christian non-governmental organization dedicated to sustainable development and emergency response worldwide.
  
9. Covenant House, Vancouver
  
10. Gifts of Compassion Catalogue
  
11. Servants Anonymous Society of Canada - Adopt a Family Program for single moms with children - a wish list is provided.

**LIGHT UP PAPUA NEW GUINEA:** Dear Friends,

We are currently selling T-shirts as a fundraiser with all proceeds going to Light Up Papua New Guinea - The Captain Nichola Goddard Project. This project has had a very successful start in improving the quality of health care by providing solar - powered lighting in rural health centres/first aid posts in PNG but there is still more to be done. For more info on Nichola's legacy and this project please see [www.nicholagoddard.com](http://www.nicholagoddard.com). The t-shirts are Gildan brand heavy cotton, black colour only with logo on the front and plain on the back available in sizes : S, M, L, XL and XXL (see attachment). Cost : \$20.00 ea. includes tax and home delivery in Calgary. To purchase a t-shirt please send your name, address, phone number, size(s) needed, and a cheque made out to "Light Up Papua New Guinea" to my address below or give me a call. For pre - Christmas delivery the order deadline is Dec. 09 and for end of Jan. delivery the order deadline is Jan.15, 2010.

Thanks for your support of this project,  
Jane Steele 660 Dalmeny Hill NW  
Calgary, AB T3A1T6  
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**COSAD:** When you consider your Christmas giving, please keep the people of rural Tanzania high on your list. The Sewing Singers programme started last year by COSAD has been a huge hit. Nearly every grandmother in the community wants to participate, so many sewing machines are needed (\$200 each). This programme not only supplies uniforms so children can attend school, it gives the caregivers a means of earning a small living. Money is also needed to provide fabrics and to train those who cannot use a machine. COSAD is also in need of funds to provide veterinary services and supplies for the goats and rainwater collection barrels and guttering. Every contribution made to COSAD goes directly to help the Tanzanians, currently there are no administrative costs. In addition a donor has pledged to match every donation made before May 2010, so your contribution goes twice as far as usual For more details on COSAD see [www.cosad.ca](http://www.cosad.ca)

**CHRISTMAS COOKIE DECORATING:** Cathy Noullett will be decorating Christmas Cookies with the children after the 10:15 a.m. service next Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>.

*Holy Baptism*

*Carson Townsend Cripps*

*June 29, 2009*

*Parents – Erin Marie Cripps*

*Craig Townsend Cripps*

*Godmothers*

*Samia Pinter – Erin's Mother*

*Delorse Cripps – Craig's Mother*

*The Memory Candle burning today  
signifies the presence of Carson's late  
Grandfather, Charles Townsend Cripps,  
it is the same candle present at the wedding  
of Erin + Craig June 21, 2008*

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL FAMILY  
AND FRIENDS FOR CELEBRATING THIS  
VERY SPECIAL DAY IN CARSON'S  
JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE.