



**GRACE CHURCH**  
IN NEWARK

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**Prelude** – Noel sur les flutes  
John Romeri, Organist

Louis-Claude Daquin (1694-1772)

## Processional Hymn 75

There's a voice in the wilderness crying

*Please stand at the sound of the bells and join in singing the hymn, which can be found in the blue hymnal. After the procession, the Priest sprinkles the people with holy water as a sign of their baptism.*

## Introit

*Graduale Romanum*

*The Cantor sings the Antiphon. The Priest kisses and censes the altar with frankincense and myrrh, the gifts of the Magi at Jesus's birth, in honor of Christ's sacrifice, and presence among us in the Blessed Sacrament.*

Gaudete in Domino semper: iterum dico,  
gaudete: modestia vestra nota sit omnibus  
hominibus: Dominus prope est. Nihil  
solliciti sitis: sed in omni oratione petitiones  
vestrae innotescant apud Deum.  
Ps. Benedixisti, Domine, terram tuam:  
avertisti captivitatem Iacob.

*Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Let your forbearance be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Do not be anxious over anything; but in all manner of prayer, let your requests be made known unto God. Ps. Lord, you have blessed your land; you have put an end to Jacob's captivity. Philippians 4 & Psalm 85*

## Kyrie

Robert Powell (1937-2025)

*Please remain standing and join in singing the Kyrie. Please repeat each petition after the Cantor.*



Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

## Collect of the Day

*Please sing "Amen" on a monotone throughout the service unless otherwise indicated. This prayer sets the theme for the day, reflected in the Gregorian Chant, as well as the readings and post-communion prayer.*

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Priest* Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Isaiah 35: 1-10

*Please be seated for the Readings and the Psalm.*

*Reader* A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### Gradual – Psalm 146

Thomas Norris (1741-1790)

*The Cantor alone sings the Gradual.*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise the LORD, O my soul! \*  
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \*  
for there is no help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \*  
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*  
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \*  
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \*  
and food to those who hunger.

- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; \*  
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous;  
the LORD cares for the stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- 9 The LORD shall reign for ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!

## Second Reading

James 5: 7-10

*Reader* A Reading from the Letter of James.

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia

*Please stand. The Cantor sings the Alleluia, then all repeat.*



Al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia.

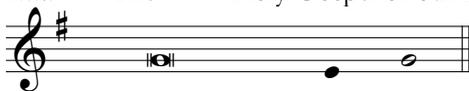
*Cantor* The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.  
*All repeat Alleluia.*

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 11: 2-11

*Please remain standing for the Gospel, which is censed with frankincense and myrrh as a way of giving honor to the ancient account of the life, death, and resurrection of Our Lord. It is customary to make three small signs of the cross with one's thumb on the forehead, lips, and heart, asking God for the Gospel to be in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.*

*Priest* The ✠✠✠ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

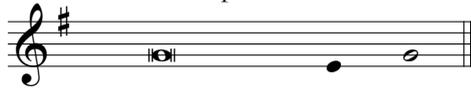


*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them,

‘Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.’ As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: ‘What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, “See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.” Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.’

*Priest*      The Gospel of the Lord.



*People*      Praise to you,      Lord Christ

## Homily

Egan Pemberton, Nominee for the Priesthood

*Please be seated when the homilist says “✠ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”*

## Nicene Creed

*Please stand for the Creed. The music can be found inside the back cover of the blue hymnal.*

## Prayer Biddings

*Please remain standing for the Prayers of the People. The Priest makes special prayer biddings.*

- ✠ **The Church:** Pray for *Sarah Mullally*, Archbishop of Canterbury designate, *Sean Rowe* our Primate, *Carlye Hughes* our Bishop, and *Leo* and *Bartholomew*, primates of the other branches of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. Pray for the growth and sustainability of our parish, our various ministries, and our leaders, the Members of Vestry, *Andre* and *Tracy* our Wardens, *Michael* our Ministry Fellow, *Emmanuel* our Director of Choristers *Luke* our Candidate for the Priesthood in seminary, *Egan* our Nominee for the Priesthood, and *Brent* our Rector.
- ✠ **The Nation & World:** Pray for *Donald*, President, Members of Congress, Justices of the Supreme Court, *Mikie*, Governor-Elect, and *Ras*, Mayor. Pray for the people of the nations of the world, especially Palestine, Israel, Sudan, Nigeria, Ghana, Liberia, Jamaica, Haiti, Ukraine, and Russia. Pray for peace and justice in the Middle East, for those who are suffering, and all who have been killed.
- ✠ **Parish Prayer List:** Pray for our parishioners, especially *Mark McFadzean* and his family, *Comfort Abogan*, and for our family and friends, especially *Tom Durrell*, husband of Sandra, *Jason Bowers*, friend of Rosemary Kearney, and *Damion H. Arthur*, son of Pat.
- ✠ **Birthdays:** Give thanks for those whose birthdays are this past week, especially *Misan Ama* (12/07) and *Egan Pemberton* (12/08).

✠ **Departed:** Pray for the recently departed, especially *Monica McFadzgan (11/29/2025)*, mother of Mark, *Doreen Peters (11/20/2025)*, aunt of Judith Alexander-Edwards, and in years past, especially *Herbert Brown (12/12/1970)*, priest, and former rector of Grace Church in Newark, and *Gilbert Beck (12/12/2019)*.

## Prayers of the People

*The Cantor leads the Prayers of the People*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here and after every petition, the people respond*



*People* Lord, have mer- cy.

For all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who live and work in this community we pray to you, O Lord.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

*Please respond*



*People* To you, O Lord our God.

*The Priest adds a concluding Collect*

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

## Confession of Sin

*Priest* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Please kneel or bow profoundly for the Confession and say*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Priest proclaims God's absolution of sin saying*

Almighty God have mercy on you, ✠ forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## The Peace

*Please stand for the peace.*



*Priest* The peace of the Lord be al- ways with you. *People* And al- so with you.

## Announcements

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*Please be seated during the preparation of the Altar, stand for the hymn, then stand or kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer. All baptized Christians of any tradition are welcome to receive the Blessed Sacrament; Speak to the priest to discuss baptism. Please receive the bread on the tongue or folded hands with palms up. Wine may be sipped, but dipping bread is not allowed. If you need the Blessed Sacrament brought to your pew, please signal an usher.*

## Offertory Antiphon

*Graduale Romanum*

*The Cantor sings the Offertory Antiphon.*

Benedixisti, Domine, terram tuam: avertisti captivitatem Iacob: remisisti iniquitatem plebis tuæ.

*O Lord, you have blessed your land, you have put an end to Jacob's captivity; you have forgotten the guilt of your people. Psalm 85*

## Offertory Anthem – Magnificat in C Minor

George Dyson (1883-1964)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat; and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever. 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. *Luke 1:46-55*

## Offertory Hymn 67

Comfort, comfort ye my people

*Please stand and join in singing the hymn.*

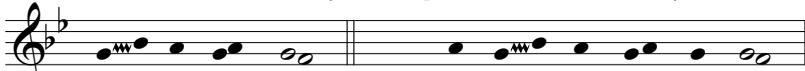
## Eucharistic Prayer B

*Sanctus* – Robert Powell (1937-2025)

*Please remain standing for the following.*



*Priest* The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.



*Priest* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.



*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth;

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death,  
and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life;

that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world,  
we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you,

joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven,  
who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
 might hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.\_\_\_\_\_

*Please kneel or remain standing as the Priest continues.*

We give thanks to you, O God,

for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation;  
 in the calling of Israel to be your people;  
 in your Word spoken through the prophets;  
 and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
 to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth,  
 out of sin into righteousness,  
 out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;  
 and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,  
 "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;

and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,  
 "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant,  
 which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;*  
 And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all;  
 presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts  
 that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him,  
 being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ,  
 and bring us to that heavenly country where,

with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints,  
 we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.  
 By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
 all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*Please affirm the consecration of the Bread & Wine as the Body & Blood of Christ by exclaiming the Great Amen.*



*People* A- MEN.

## The Lord's Prayer

*The Priest begins*

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Please continue*

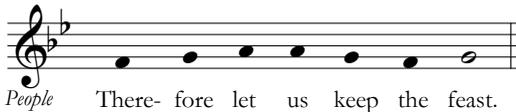
Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal - low ed be thy Name,  
 thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
 hea - ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres -  
 -pass-es, as we for-give those who tress-pass a-against us. And lead us  
 not in-to temp-ta tion, but de-liv-er us from e - vil. For thine is the  
 king-dom and the pow'r and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.

## The Fraction

*The Priest breaks the bread.*



*Priest* Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us.



People There- fore let us keep the feast.

## Agnus Dei

Robert Powell (1937-2025)

*Please join the Cantor in singing the Agnus Dei.*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

## Invitation to Receive the Blessed Sacrament

*Please come forward immediately after the following invitation in order to receive the Blessed Sacrament.*

✠ Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

*The people may privately say the Prayer of Humble Access for preparation to receive the Blessed Sacrament.*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

*A Prayer of Spiritual Communion for all who worship remotely or do not wish to receive the Blessed Sacrament*

In union, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

## Communion Antiphon

*Graduale Romanum*

*The Cantor sings the Communion Antiphon.*

Dicite: Pusillanimes confortamini, et nolite timere: ecce Deus noster veniet, et salvabit nos.

*Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us. Isaiah 35*

## Communion Hymn 60

Creator of the stars of night

*Please stand, join in the singing of the hymn, and remain standing until the dismissal.*

## Postcommunion Prayer

*After any remaining Sacrament has been consumed and the Altar has been cleared, the Priest says*

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and by the help of your grace bestowed upon us in these holy mysteries keep us free from sin: that with joyful hearts we may celebrate the birth of our redeemer, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## Advent Blessing

*The Priest offers a blessing*

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.



*People* A- men.

## Dismissal

*The Priest dismisses the people. Please remain standing until the end of the exit hymn, then be seated for the organ piece.*

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.



*People* Thanks be to God.

## Recessional Hymn 66

Come, thou long expected Jesus

**Postlude** – Noel sur les anches  
John Romeri, Organist

Louis-Claude Daquin (1694-1772)

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## GRACE NOTES

Welcome to our visitors this morning. We hope you will fill out a visitor's card located in your pew. All are welcome to join us at Coffee Hour upstairs in the Parish House after Mass. We are very glad to have new families worshipping with us! If you are in need of childcare, ask an usher.

Online giving is easy at [bit.ly/GraceOnlineGiving](https://bit.ly/GraceOnlineGiving) or Venmo (@GraceNewark)

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### CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS, DONATIONS, & SERVICES

**Greening:** Please mark your calendars to help with the greening of the church on Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> after High Mass.

**Christmas Donations:** We are receiving donations for poinsettias, wreaths, and music for Christmas. Thank you to those who have already made donations: *Sam Armab, Ottie Blamah-Sab, Monique Elisee, and Egan Pemberton.*

**Christmas Services:** The Christmas Eve Mass will be at 7:00 p.m. and Christmas Day Mass at 10:30 a.m.

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### COME SING WITH THE GRACE CHURCH ADULT CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS!

Do you love singing and want to be more involved in the life of the Church? We'd love to invite **you** to join the **Adult Parish Choir** at Grace Church! Whether you've sung in choirs before or are simply drawn to the beauty of sacred music, this is a great opportunity to help lead worship—especially for **holidays and special liturgies** throughout the church year. The Choir will rehearse regularly and sing at Masses on Sundays and for major feasts. It's a meaningful way to serve, grow musically, and be part of a supportive community rooted in faith and tradition. **Interested? Speak with or send Michael Banks, Ministry Fellow, an email ([mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org](mailto:mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org)) with any questions about rehearsal schedules, commitments, or expectations. Singers of all skill levels are welcome.** Come and see what it's like to sing for the glory of God at Grace Church! **Rehearsals for Christmas will begin after High Mass on November 30<sup>th</sup>.**

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### CHORISTER SEASON HAS BEGUN

Please help us to recruit new children to the program, whether your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, or neighbors, or friends of the family. *The program is tuition free and the Choristers receive a stipend.* Please help us get the word out! The Chorister rehearsals are now on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. during the school year. The children will perform twice per month.

## PLEDGE CAMPAIGN 2026

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their pledges. Thank you for your generosity! It is not too late to make a pledge. Please get a pledge card from the usher or complete it online by using the QR code or at <https://bit.ly/GracePledge2026>. These are the donors received through Dec 11.



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## FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We warmly invite you to join us in serving our neighbors in need at our weekly Food Ministry. Every Saturday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, we gather to provide nourishment and support to those facing hunger in our community. Your hands and heart can make a difference. Whether you're new to serving or a regular participant, your presence is a blessing to those we serve. Come and be a part of this meaningful work, as we show God's love through action. Please contact Michael Banks for more information at [mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org](mailto:mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org).

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## COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED

Coffee hour hosts are needed for upcoming months. Consider signing up to bring a small dish (coffee cake, Dunkin Donuts, bagels, etc.) for us to share during this time of fellowship. Friends can team up to cook or bring a dish as well. The sign-up sheet is located in the Parish Hall.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School meets on the first Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Parlor. Any school age child is welcome to join for a lesson on the day's scriptures. The children will join the Mass after the Peace for Holy Communion. For more information speak to Mariyam Kayjay or Father Bates.

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### PRAYER LIST

**Active members of our parish** – Mark McFadzean and family; Comfort Abogan; Cornell H. Bell; Sylvia Christie; Ethelyn Washington; Mother Susy and Scott Norris; Alman Clarke; The Elisee Family; Dolores Carter-Brown; Beverly Brathwaite; Monique Williams; Bernice Tillis; Valerie Munro; West Ambrose; Akintoye Lapite; Oyinkansola Lapite; Aidan Mandigora, and his parents Grant and Nezile; Allie Ulrich; Monique Elisée; Andy Phillips and Nadia; Fred Gaspard; Madison Pigott; Winifred Langevine; Jordan Elisée; James Porter; Joan Knowles; Beatrice Breton; Brisco Kayjay; William Carter; Paola Breton.

**Friends of our parish** – Gabriel Bowman, husband of Rose; Damion H. Arthur, son of Pat Arthur; Jason Bowers, friend of Rosemary Kearney; Tiffany Blanco, niece of Judith Alexander-Edwards; Madihah Brown, daughter of Tony Kearney; Anthony Mack, Sr., cousin of Judith Alexander-Edwards; Ed & Linda Naskret, parents of Allie Ulrich; Aisha Lemon, wife of Rosemary Kearney's co-worker; Frank Barber, Jr., friend of Courtney Dover; Orlan Springer, friend of Keith Beckles; Brandon Bates, brother of Father Bates; Joseph Johnston and his family; Evelyn Cruz, mother of Ed Cruz; Geraldine Clarke, wife of Alman; Joanne Murray, mother of Andre Murray; Robert Alexander, brother of Judith Alexander-Edwards; Father Lloyd Prator, former Priest Associate; Dick Jaco, friend of Father Prator; Susan Webb, daughter of Sylvia Christie, and Isabelle Wiltshire, granddaughter of Sylvia Christie; Clifford 'Cliffy' Gunsam and Ellen Greenwood, friends of Sylvia Christie; Tiffany Colon, daughter-in-law of, and Heather Hall Chambers, sister-in-law of, Jewel Lowe; Elizabeth Silva, former sexton of Grace Church; Stephan Rochefort, friend of Luke Andersen; Max Woolley, son of Peter Woolley; Christal Phillips, sister of Nadia; Kenneth J. Jones III, nephew of Courtney Dover; Marjorie & India Calloway, Laverne Poole, Henrietta Pemberton, Mary Carroll, Annie Myhand, friends of Joan Knowles; Nate Williams, Connie Jeffrey, Louis Neblett, Brooklyn Joan, nephews and niece of Joan Knowles; Shamar O'Neil, Ronney Davis, Charon Davis, Mike and Joan Knowles' grandsons; the Riddick family, relatives of Joan Knowles; Cheryl Abernathy; Elijah Lassiter, great-grandson of Daphne Turner; Ann Clay, Eunice Clay, and Sharon Robinson, sisters of Ernest; Tom Durrell, husband of Sandra; Jean Armand Gaspard & Nicole Brevil, brother and sister-in-law of, and Wilner Altidor, brother-in-law of, Fred Gaspard; Michelle Portee, Ariel Maldonado, and Stan Zilinski, friends of Fred Gaspard; Yvonne Dunn, sister of Alman Clarke; Sean Devers, son of André; Joseph Jolly, husband of Deleena and father of Brisco and Mariyam; Jay Gordon, former curate of Grace Church.

## SERVICE TIMES

### **Sunday Services**

8:00 a.m. – Said Mass

*A simple spoken service celebrated at a side altar*

10:30 a.m. – High Mass

*An elaborate sung service with music, acolytes, and incense*

### **Weekday Services – Tuesday through Friday**

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

12:10 p.m. – Midday Mass

*Anointing for Healing offered Thursdays*

5:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer

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Egan Pemberton, *Nominee for the Priesthood*

Andre Murray & Tracy Cummings, *Wardens*

Judith Alexander-Edwards, Luis Sanchez, & Peter Woolley, *Vestry Class of 2026*

Rosemary Kearney, Allie Ulrich, & Jeff Ulrich, *Vestry Class of 2027*

Comfort Abogan, Shevon Armstrong, & Jason Scully, *Vestry Class of 2028*