

## NOTICES

**Did you remember to bring items for our needy families?**

**CORPUS CHRISTI MOTORCADE** – 2nd Annual Motorcade. Come Spread the Good News 21st January 9:00am Brighton Plantation.

**CORPUS CHRISTI ANNIVERSARY MASS** – 28th January 7:00AM

**CATHECHISTS WORKSHOP** – "Catechesis And Discipleship" 2 - 6 p.m. Saturday 27th January 2018, The Upper Room, St. Patrick's Cathedral. Call Catholic Formation Institute Tel: 426-3510

Email: formationinstitute@gmail.com

**CHRISTOLOGY – A CERTIFICATE COURSE** – Catholic Formation Institute invites you to join Reverend Dr. Winston Layne in the Upper Room, Saturday January 27th to 24th February 2018. "**CHRISTOLOGY**". "But who do YOU say that I am? Who is Jesus Christ? Who is Christ for us today?"

Email: formationinstitute@gmail.com or Tel: 426-3510 to register

See Flyer or more information.

**SERVING FOR THE HEALING OF PERSONS SUFFERING FROM GRIEF OR LOSS** – Hosted by Fr. Vibert Stephens, Monday 29th January 6:00pm, St. Patrick's Cathedral. Bring a candle.

**THE LITURGICAL YEAR EXPLAINED** – Presented by Fr. Charles Dominique Friday 2nd February 6:00pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES AND THEIR IMPORTANCE** – Facilitated by by Fr. Charles Dominique, Saturday 3rd February, 2pm-4pm The Upper Room, St. Patrick's compound.

All persons in Liturgical Ministries should attend these presentations.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Note:** Please remember when booking Mass intentions with the office that Mass on Sunday is said for our parishioners and benefactors.

### POPE'S JANUARY INTENTION

**Evangelization:** Religious Minorities in Asia

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

### VISION OF OUR CHURCH

By 2019 the Roman Catholic Church in Barbados will be a leader in integral development, forming mature disciples who build strong Christian families and vibrant communities in the service of Christian Unity, the Common Good and the Kingdom of God.

### MISSION OF OUR CHURCH

To lead all people to Unity, Encounter and Participation in Christ.

**Place prayer requests in the box at the back of the church.**

**NOTE:** All cheques are to be written in the name of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Bridgetown. Thank you.



# The Sacred Heart of Jesus Roman Catholic Church

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**2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr. B  
21st January 2018**

**Family  
That Prays Together  
Stays Together**



**The  
kingdom of  
God is at  
hand.**

### First Reading

Jon. 3:1–5, 10

### Resp. Psalm

Ps. 25:4–9

### Second Reading:

1Cor. 7:29–31

### Gospel Acclaim

Mk. 1:15

### Gospel Reading:

Mk. 1:14–20

**Oh Sacred Heart of Jesus, increase our faith and bless us!**

**Parish Priest: Fr. Clement Paul**

### Timetable

Sunday – Holy Mass: 7:00 am

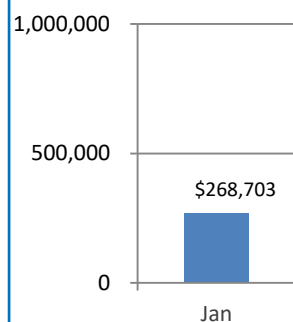
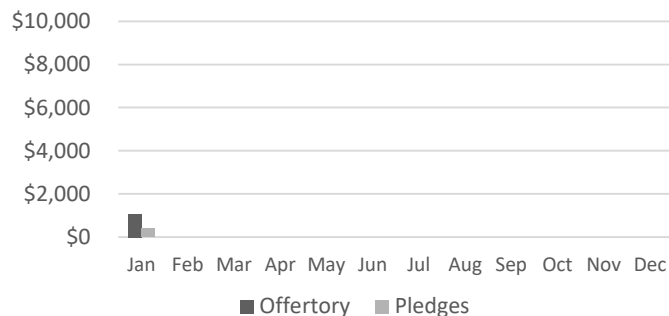
Bank Holidays – Holy Mass 7:30 am

Monday – Holy Mass: 6:15 am

Wednesday – Holy Mass & Rosary: 6:15 am

Friday – Holy Mass: 6:00 pm

**When you enter THE CHURCH talk to God;  
when you leave - talk to each other!**



# From our Pastor's Desk

21st January 2018

## The Time Has Come...Believe The Good News!

Dear Parishioner,

Note that In today's Gospel, Mark tells us that after John the Baptist was arrested, Jesus appeared in Galilee preaching that the **"Time has come, repent and believe the Good News"**. Galilee was where the action took place, but it was also a place of much challenges. It was not in Jerusalem where the temple was, that Jesus appeared, it was where people were struggling to live from day to day. Jesus begins his ministry there. He does so, Mark tells us, by calling his listeners to repent and believe.

What I find significant is the opening statement, "The time has come." When has the time come? When John the Baptist is arrested. When truth and goodness and righteousness are attacked.

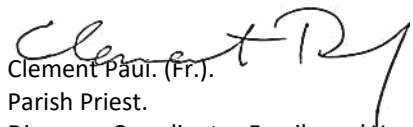
Jesus tells everyone then and now that when evil rears its head and even threatens to overwhelm, that that is the time for repentance and deep faith in the Good News. Today we are faced with economic and social challenges, suffering, violence and death. To survive we have to repent and believe the Good News.

And what is that Good News? *"God loves the world so much that he sent his only begotten Son so that all who believe in him will not perish but have everlasting life."* (John 3:16).

This is the Good news that must motivate us to refuse to let frustration and despair move us to give up. For Mark, Jesus' first proclamation is that we are to repent when things fall apart around us. Repent not only in the sense of asking forgiveness for personal sins, but more in the sense that if we are going the wrong way in our daily living to turn around and head in the right direction. Actually the word for repentance is metanoia which means turning around from the wrong way to the right path.

Yes the time has come. Let's change the direction we are going in presently, if we find it to be the wrong way. That is, repent and have faith in the Good News of Jesus Christ.

**Can you do it? I hope so.**

  
Clement Paul. (Fr.).  
Parish Priest.

Diocesan Coordinator Family and Youth Commission.



## Upcoming Activities

### ANNUAL APPEAL 2018

The Diocesan Annual Appeal will be launched on February 14th, 2018. Money raised by this Annual Appeal goes towards funding church ministries. Together We Love, Care and Help so give generously.

### BARBADOS CHRISTIAN COUNCIL WEEK OF PRAYER

Sunday January 23rd – Ecumenical Service at St. Paul's Church, Bay street 7:30pm.

### SACRED HEART REFLECTION WALK 2018

Starts 6:30am sharp from the church grounds to King George V Memorial Park. Walkers are asked to assemble as early as 6:00am. Contributions of \$5 per person are welcome.

## Homework

Say to any member of your family "Jesus loves you".



