

# MASS OF THANKSGIVING

for the Life of

## GLADSTONE HERBERT (TRIGGER) BLACK

“Well done, good and faithful servant”

Mathew 25: 21



January 15, 1929 – November 5, 2024

St. Ignatius Catholic Church  
Walkers Road, George Town, Grand Cayman

Saturday, November 30, 2024  
11:30 a.m.

Celebrant: Fr. Anthony Fernandes, SAC  
Organist: Mr. Albert Chin  
Cantor: Ms. Denise Tibbetts

Interment at the Dixie Cemetery



## **Pallbearers**

Mr. Forde Pierson I  
Mr. Forde Pierson II  
Mr. Phillip Pierson

Mr. Richard Black  
Mr. Nicholas Terc  
Mr. Andrew Beauchene

## **Honorary Pallbearers**

Mr. Roderick Pierson  
Mr. Mike Black  
Mr. Rich Black  
Mr. Kevin Black  
Mr. Mark Black  
Mr. Kody Ebanks  
Mr. Alexander Ebanks  
Mr. Anthony Scott  
Mr. Arney Scott  
Mr. Paul Nixon  
Mr. Duane Jackson  
Mr. Dustin Jackson  
Mr. Patrick Broderick  
Mr. Leonard Hew  
Mr. Denniston Tibbetts  
Mr. Charles Watler

## **Guest Book Attendants**

Miss Gabriella Pierson  
Miss Elena Pierson  
Miss Sarah Pierson

## **Ushers**

Mr. Anthony Scott  
Mr. Arney Scott  
St. Ignatius Ushers Ministry

## Order of The Funeral Mass

Processional Hymn: #293 O Lord, My God ..... Congregation

### The Introductory Rites

Greeting: ..... Fr. Anthony Fernandes, SAC

Sprinkling with Holy Water

Placing of the Pall: ..... Richard Black & Forde Pierson

Placing of the Christian Symbols – Bible, Crucifix, Rosary ..... Rosie Pierson & Sonia Pierson

Opening Prayer

### The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Wisdom 3: 1-6, 9 ..... Anthony Scott

Reader: The word of the Lord  
All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: #405 The Lord is My Shepherd ..... Denise Tibbetts

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18..... Denniston Tibbetts

Reader: The word of the Lord  
All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will never die.

Gospel: John 14:1-3, 21, 27 ..... Fr. Anthony Fernandes, SAC

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord  
All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily: ..... Fr. Anthony Fernandes, SAC

Prayers of the Faithful ..... Janett Scott

### The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: #127 Great is Thy Faithfulness ..... Congregation

The Eucharistic Prayer

Sanctus/Holy, Holy, Holy (sung)

Memorial Acclamation (Sung)

Great Amen (Sung)

**The Communion Rite**

Our Father (Sung)

Sign of Peace

Lamb of God (Sung)

Communion

Communion Hymn: # 504 You shall Cross the Barren Desert ..... Congregation

Prayer After Communion

Meditation Hymn: Ave Maria ..... Denise Tibbetts

Eulogy ..... Dr. Hon. Linford Pierson

**The Concluding Rites**

Final Commendation/Song of Farewell:

Song of Farewell

Priest: Saints of God, come to his aid!  
Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord!

All: Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.

Priest: May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself;  
May angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

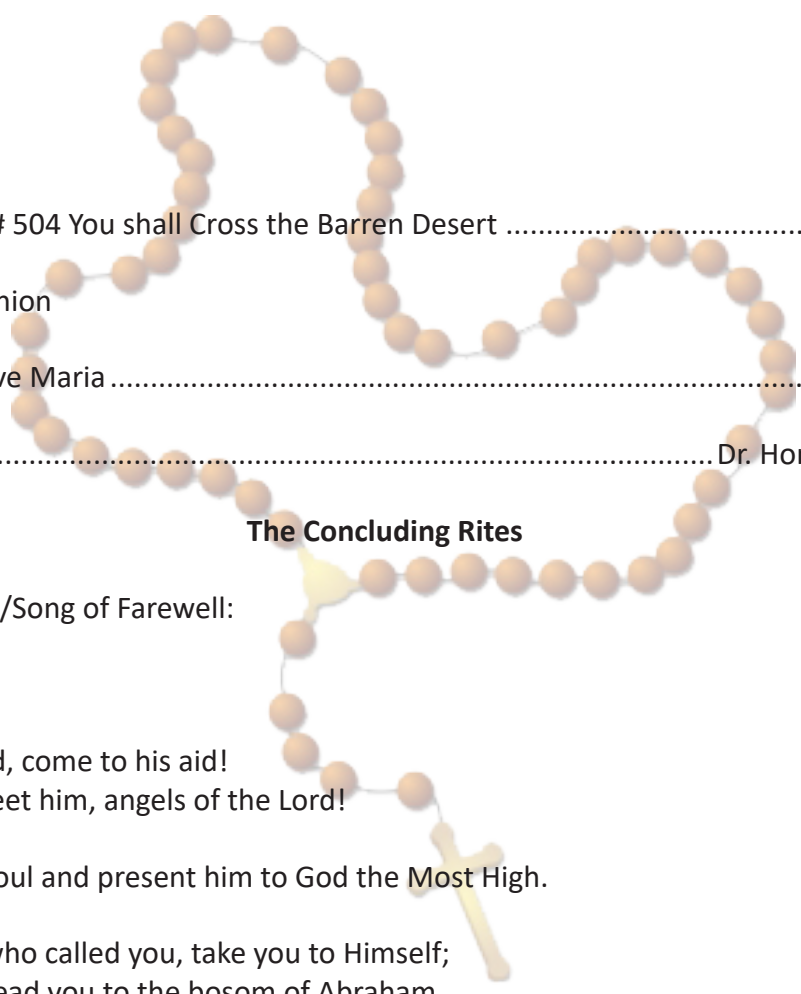
All: Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.

Priest: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,  
And let perpetual light shine upon him.

All: Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.

Prayer of Commendation

Recessional Hymn: #360 Sing with all the Saints in Glory ..... Congregation



## Graveside Hymns

### Abide With Me

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide  
The darkness deepens – Lord, with me abide;  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me!

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou, who changest not, abide with me!

I need thy presence every passing hour;  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine,  
O abide with me!

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness;  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still if Thou abide with me!

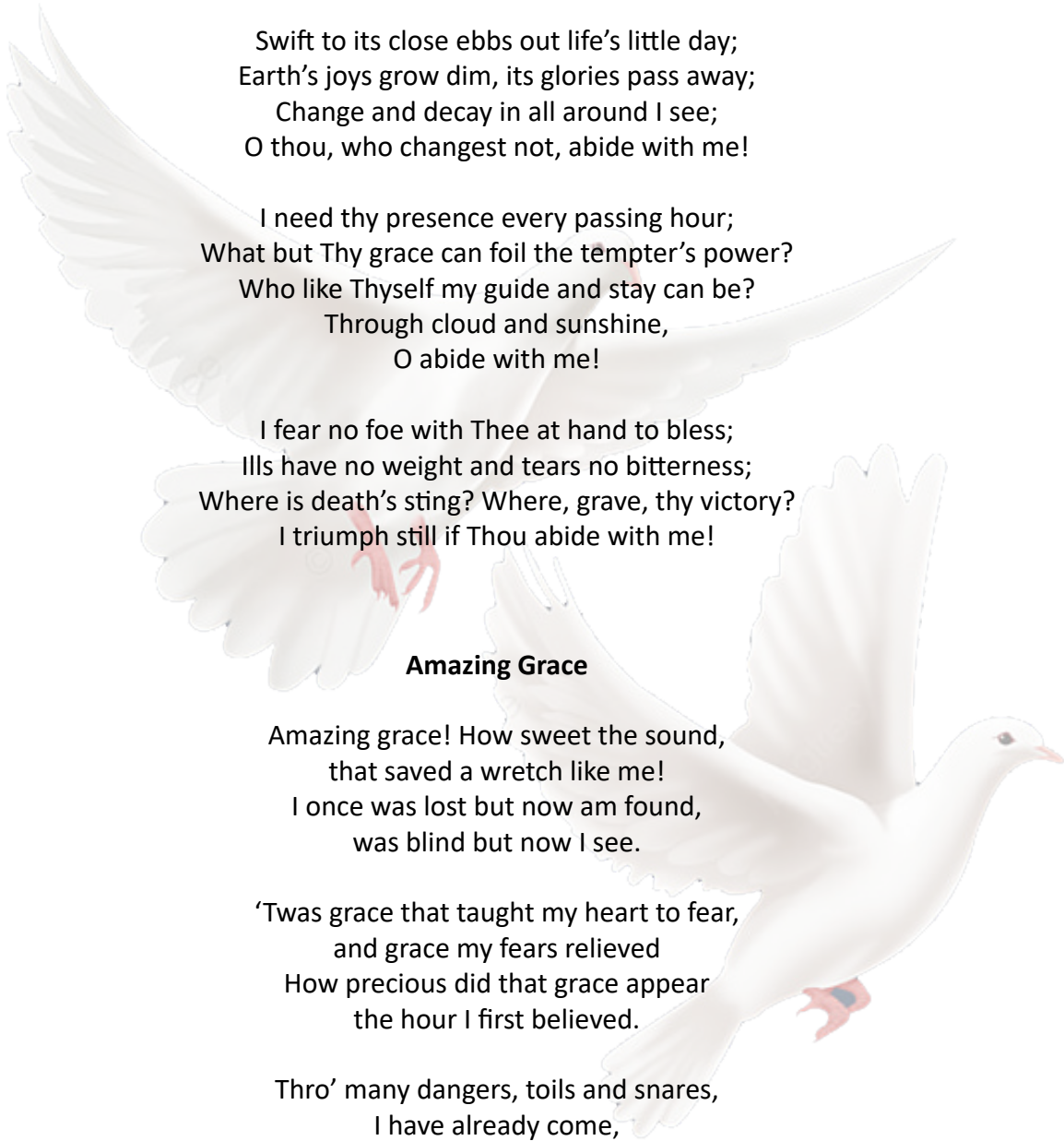
### Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed.

Thro' many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come,  
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far  
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.



## Service at the Graveside

Hymn: Abide with Me ..... Congregation

Prayer of Committal: ..... Fr. Anthony Fernandes, SAC

Hymn: Amazing Grace ..... Congregation



### **Acknowledgements**

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*We extend our heartfelt thanks to the doctors and medical teams at HSA and Health City, as well as the nurses and caregivers who provided exceptional care and kindness throughout his extended illness.*

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*With love and appreciation,*

*The Family*