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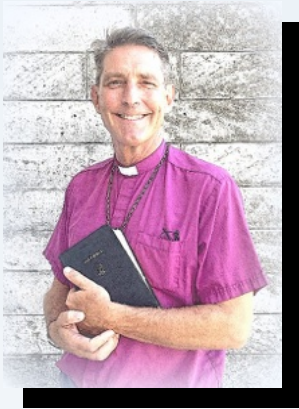
**Photo:** On Sat., May 6, Charles III was crowned King of England.

On Sun., May 7, at the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, there was a service in celebration of the coronation of King Charles III. Ewen Ratteray, retired bishop of Bermuda, gave the opening prayer. Other attendees following the celebration. For more photos of the celebration, see Page 4.



# 10 years as Bishop

## PUSH & PULL OF CALLING



**By Nicholas Dill**

*Bishop of Bermuda/Dean of  
the Anglican Cathedral of  
the Most Holy Trinity*

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It is just as well that Paul penned these words, because I have to confess that the work of a bishop is often mundane, ineffective, and doesn’t always feel noble or significant. Alongside being a teacher, evangelist and guardian of the faith, there is a lot of firefighting, a lot of administration, HR, PR, fund raising, property managing, lawyering, conflict resolving. There are many hats to wear – bishop, dean, president, chairman – alongside the important roles of husband, father and grandfather.

The things that bring me real joy are seeing others growing in faith and ministry; witnessing life and growth; encouraging individuals and congregations and seeing them rise up and take risks; bringing good news and God’s truth into other’s lives, and experiencing the privilege of being present in individual and national moments of mourning and rejoicing.

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It is the people who bring the greatest joy; but it is also the people that bring the greatest sorrow. Humanly speaking, I could do none of this without the support, encouragement, prayers and love of my family and particularly the angel who I am privileged to know as my beloved, my wife Fiona.

From the start she had the ability to allow me to cry and bleat, but also helped keep my feet on the path and to encourage. I am not very good at hearing the encouragement of others, but when she speaks it is a tonic. I remember whilst going off to buy a bishop's ring (!?!?!?!), sighing to myself, already missing the fulfilment of the plans we had made in Pembroke; feeling at a loss at what a bishop was supposed to be. We stopped in the middle of Front Street and she reminded me: "You just need to get over yourself. You are the bishop. Just get on with it." By the grace of God a decade has passed. I rediscovered a quote from St. Augustine on the anniversary of his consecration when he wrote:

***"Where I'm terrified by what I am for you, I am given comfort by what I am with you. For you, I am a bishop. With you, after all, I am a Christian. The first is the name of an office undertaken, the second a name of grace; that one means danger, this one salvation. Finally, as if in the open sea, I am being tossed about by the stormy activity involved in that one; but as I recall by whose blood I have been redeemed, I enter a safe harbor in the tranquil recollection of this one; and thus while toiling away at my own proper office, I take my rest in the marvellous benefit conferred on all of us in common. So I hope the fact that I have been bought together with you gives me more pleasure than my having been placed at your head..."***





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There is something in the pomp and show that speaks to something deeper in our hearts. Every part of the service was designed as a reminder to us that ultimate power and salvation come not through kings, rulers, parliaments or human governments, but from the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Our psalm today, Psalm 20, reminds us that though some put their trust in chariots and horses (in today's world, nuclear weapons, large bank accounts and geopolitical alliances), we trust in God and are saved not by might or human will but by the Lord.

This ceremony is otherworldly and grand with its music and symbols – many of which trace their origins back to the foundation of kingship in the Old Testament, the days of Saul, David and Solomon. But the refrain throughout is "God save the King," not the other way around. King Charles may be declared defender of the faith, but it is God who is the Saviour and source of all power and might and authority...

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There is something about ceremonies from birthdays to coronations that unites and lifts our eyes above and beyond the trials of this life. I would say to you who have come today – dressed in your finery to be a part of

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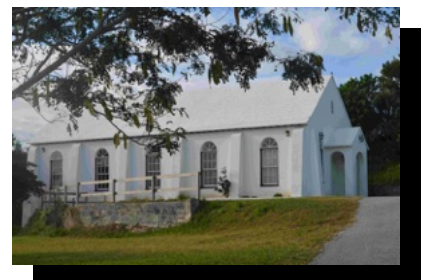
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## Window Celebrates St. Anne's 400th Anniversary

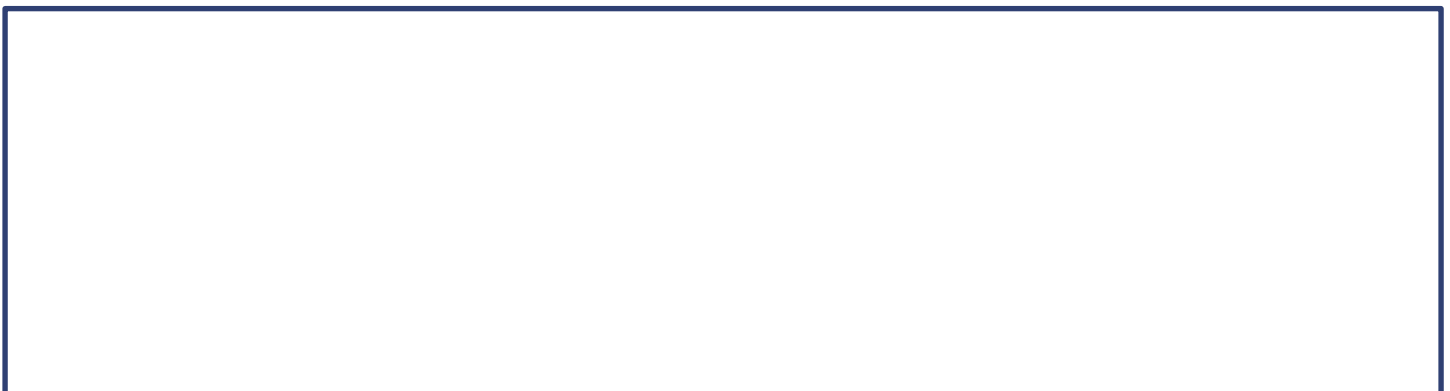
When Ruth Thomas heard the Rev. David Matthews express the church's desire to install a 400th anniversary celebratory window, she had the combination of a physical, spiritual and emotional connection. She will never forget that jarring reaction. At that moment she knew that she would be part of the church. Previous thoughts of an anniversary mosaic presentation by Ruth Thomas were eliminated.

After a few minor drawbacks and promises from a select few that the donor would be the one-year process began. The proposed subjects blended well: Ruth Thomas' connection between our church and the ocean and Bermuda's love for boating. In due time, the plain-glass and iron window on the south wall would be no more. The vessels of America's Cup from the artist Vivienne Gardner, and a request for more. Ruth, a dazzling new window was designed.

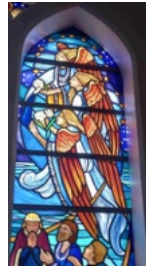
On Jan. 15, 2017, the window with the inscription, "To God's Glory," was dedicated. The Rev. Don Moore, our interim priest, assisted with the service. The benefactor, a surprise of many, was revealed.

A church press release describes the window as, "depicting the evolution of sailing vessels during the 400 years to the present-day, Spirit of Bermuda and America's Cup and surmounted by Gibbs Hill Lighthouse – all reflecting the light of Christ."

*See more about windows on Page 11.*



# This old church



## St. Andrew

The circular window of St. Andrew was donated to the St. Andrew's Mission in memory of Edna Simons by her family, around 1975. Designed by Vivienne Gardner, this window was originally located above the altar at the mission. It is now installed above the altar in the St. Andrew's Chapel at St. Anne's. John Burland suggested that it be moved to St. Anne's when there was a possibility that the church would be sold around 2005.

A resident of Southampton after her marriage to Brunswick, Edna Simons was an active member of St. Andrew's and a member of St. Andrew's Guild. She was the mother of Randy and Elva and mother-in-law to Jane. Both Elva and Jane Simons have continued her legacy of dedication to our church. Mrs. Edna Simons' family tree now extends five generations.

Elva Simons reminisces about the era when there was a full congregation at St. Andrew's; when Sunday school was held at 3.30 p.m. and evensong at 7.30 p.m., on Sundays.

## Praying Hands

Kelly Zuill knew for several years that the blank wall on the northern side of St. Anne's Church would be the location of a stained glass window that he would donate when his mother Adulcie Zuill, who was born on Sept. 13, 1919, became a centenarian.

As we know, there are countless connections on these isles. The story of the two windows, Praying Hands and St. Andrew, have a few: Mrs. Zuill is the sister to Brunswick Simons; the husband of Edna; both windows were designed by Vivienne Gardner; and the symmetrical space available was perfect for the round window Kelly proposed to honour his mother.

Kelly Zuill is partial to the drawing Praying Hands by the German painter Durer. During a vacation to Washington D.C., he overheard his mom saying her bedtime prayers. Praying Hands became more meaningful to him; he was moved, the art now evoked the essence of his mother.

Vivienne suggested a dove in lieu of the 3 longtails Kelly Zuill had envisioned on the window, representative of him and his two brothers. Ultimately, one white dove, symbolic of the attributes of the Holy Spirit and suggestive of Adulcie Zuill's devotions to the Almighty was agreed on. Kelly Zuill's younger brother had passed, but his older brother and other family and friends were pleased with the final drawing.

The window was dedicated at a service at St. Annes's in 2020 by Bishop Nicholas Dill when Adulcie Zuill was 101 years old. When asked her opinion of the window, she looked up at it, commented on the nice bright colours and said, "It is absolutely beautiful."

*See previous page for more on windows.*

# Young Men Part



Micah Lambert and his family are making names for themselves in the community. Micah has served them well in the sports arena, but he has also been a dedicated member of St. Annes's church. Mrs. Lambert mentions that one Sunday morning, Micah has been attending on a regular basis since he was a child. He carries the cross during the Mass, reads weekly lessons and when the need arises in the chancel, he holds the altar candles and helps with communion. In addition to his church duties, he is as determined with his tennis. He first picked up a tennis racket at Prospect Primary School. Brent Smith was the tennis coach in the schools for several years. Micah remembers that Micah, who was a special needs student, liked to play and was good at it. He was not doing it because he was told he had to; he wanted to do it.

Micah proudly told me that he caught on to tennis right away. He attended Dellwood Middle School and graduated from The Berkeley Institute in 2021.

Micah is particular; he prefers that things remain consistent. So how does he do well at tennis with various opponents in matches that can take hours? Coach Smith cites practice, lots of practice. Micah will train five days a week, not just because of upcoming tournaments, but because he loves playing. At times he still gets nervous, but his concern of having to face new players has diminished. His coach jovially speaks of Micah's first World Games, when he had an appointed coach; it was a big shocker for him. He feels that Micah is more confident now as he has been required to play a diverse group of players every week and has been exposed to different coaches as part of his training.

Micah describes himself as being an all-rounder, known for his powerful serve. Coach Smith describes him as a left hander, who has developed his craft through practice and repetition. Off the court, his coach sees a mannerly young man, who is humble, patient and kind. Micah has competed in several International Special Olympics tournaments under his coach's guidance. He won a gold medal when he placed 4th in the singles Level 5; the South Carolina State Games in 2021 and the USA Summer Games Orlando, Florida in 2022. He won a silver medal and the bronze in the mixed doubles. Micah looks forward to competing at the Paralympic Games in Berlin this year.

Micah Lambert declares that "he loves tennis." He plays tennis on a regular basis at St. Ann's Church. He is usually on collection duty and leads congregants during a church lunch, a holler went out for Jediah. It was a great day for Jediah who recently turned 17, is in S3 at CedarBridge Academy. He has hopes of becoming a professional MotoGP rider.

Jediah's father took him to a bike race when he was about 65 while racing and got discouraged. This was not for Jediah's birthday party. At that point he knew he wanted to ride! He joined the Bermuda Cycle Racing Club (BMRC) now the Bermuda Motorcycling Club (BMCA). The BMRA season is from April to December. After a few years of racing, he won his first championship at age 12. He continued to compete locally. In 2018 in California, Young Lee CEO of M1GP took him under his wing. Lee tutored him in drills, mock races, circuits and endurance races. Jediah was fine tuning his skills. Jediah continued to race locally and returned to overseas racing and training in Washington State, United States.



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Micah, who is 19 years old, started attending St. Annes's about four years ago with his grandmother Gwen Lambert and his sister Michelle. Mrs. Lambert mentions that one Sunday morning he told her that he would be attending church with her. He has been attending on a regular basis since then.

Micah's main duty at church is that of crucifer. Trained by Canon Francis, he carries the cross during processions. In addition, he has read weekly lessons and when the need arises in the chancel, he holds the chalice for the priest, attends to the altar candles and helps with communion.

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International Special Olympics tournaments under his belt are: World Games Abu Dhabi; UAE March 2019 when he placed 4th in the singles Level 5; the South Carolina North American Tennis Championship 2022 and the USA Summer Games Orlando, Florida in 2022, when he captured the men's singles tennis silver medal and the bronze in the mixed doubles. Micah looks forward to participating in the World Summer



tennis." He plans to play for the rest of his life. In addition to the support of Janet Todd, who assists where needed on a regular basis at St. Anne's, Micah is supported by his family: his mother Patricia, his sisters S'Nya and Priya and his aunt Valerie Riley. He is a member of the church and participates in the Eucharist during the communion part of the service. Recently during a service, he was asked to help with the chalice. It was time for him to dish up food for the diners. Does he have any other culinary arts? The answer is an emphatic no. Jediah who recently graduated from the school of culinary arts. He has his mind set on graduating. His career goal is to be a chef.

When he was about 7 years old, he got a fender bender on a Cobra 65 motorcycle. It was not for him! Things changed after his 11th scrambling birthday when he decided to ride! He was promptly signed up with the Bermuda Motor Cycle Club and the Bermuda Motorcycle Racing Association (BMRA).

He started racing in September. After a few races at South Side, Jediah started winning. He continued to compete locally. In 2018 in California, Young Lee CEO of the club tutored him in drills, mock races, circuits and endurance races. Jediah

returned to overseas racing and training in Washington State, United States. In September 2022 he hit the tracks in Georgia, U.S. He was in the North American Talent Cup (NATC) 250cc class in these races, and placed in the teens each time. Jediah acknowledges that at times he is less skillful than he wants to be. He speaks of a time when he was disappointed in his performance, he made a mistake and crashed. He explained that in the NATC Motocross Race Series the top 2 riders (who win cash prizes) travel to Italy to try out for the Red Bull Rookies Cup (a trial race) as part of the MotoGP. MotoGP (professional motocross) has three classes: Moto 3 - 250 cc bikes, Moto 2 - 750 cc and MotoGP, which is 1000 cc and over.

On island, Jediah rides a Yamaha T2 125 Grand Prix. He says it is fast but adds that racing at home has not been challenging lately. He is looking forward to being in the local premier class in the near future.

A highlight of his most recent overseas competition was in February 2023 in California when his talent was recognized and he was moved from amateur to the expert class. He placed first, second and third twice, riding a Kawasaki Ninja 400.

Jediah is a soft-spoken young man, who believes that he must be true to himself. He told me that when things go bad, "he has to keep on keeping on." He adds that one should not let the past hold one back.

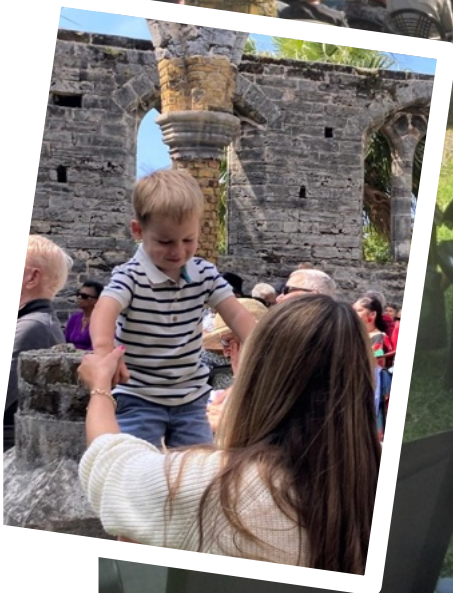


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## **By Canon Jerry Smith**

As much as we say everyone is welcome in church, we don't often make our services prone to shuffle them off to Sunday School and still suggest that they are part of the church. Often other motivations supersede that truth.

Children often get bored in church and then are reluctant to attend.

We want to make them feel welcome, but we don't want to cater to them. We want them to be attracted to Christ, but we don't want to become trendy, like slick advertising. We want them to feel safe bringing their children, yet they need to worship and be fed themselves so they don't come to church just to teach their own children in Sunday school.

I personally wish there was one good solution, but after 47-plus years of doing ministry, I don't have the magic answer. At the Cathedral we have tried one option that seems to be working, but it has yet to be proven over the long term.

Each Sunday, a child comes forward (before the liturgy of the Word) with a box. They bring the box and the preacher for the day is challenged to identify what is hidden and then relate it to the Gospel.

Only two rules to this exercise: what is inside the box CANNOT be alive nor can it be recently dead!

Yes, it has become a game, but it is also an example that we need to be able to see Christ and the story of God in most all of his creation.

There may be a pair of sunglasses in the box, making us think of the glory of God that shone from Moses' face; or a toy that reminds us of the pleasure of God or a piece of string that is reminiscent of Isaiah 40:31 about being twisted together with Christ. Both the preacher and the children find this part of the service challenging.



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