

## CENTENNIAL AWARDS GALA HONOREES

**PERCY PRESTON, JR.** is a life-long Episcopalian, long-time New Yorker and a member of St. Bart's since 1972. In succeeding years, he was a Vestry member, serving as Warden from 1990 to 1998, during which time the Reverend Tom Bowers retired and Reverend Bill Tully was called. In 1998, Mr. Preston was elected an Honorary Warden. For many years, Mr. Preston has been the church's archivist and historian, and also served as a docent and usher. Since 2007, he has chaired the St. Bart's building committee. Mr. Preston is the author of numerous books about St. Bart's, including his 1998 book *St. Bartholomew's Church, an Architectural Guide* which is being updated as part of the centennial celebrations. Mr. Preston is the president of the board of trustees of the House of the Redeemer, an Episcopal retreat facility on the Upper East Side.

**ANNE ADAMS RABBINO**, a native of Georgia, has been an active Episcopalian for over 35 years. Since joining St. Bart's in 2003 with her husband Bob, they have seen both of their daughters married at St. Bart's as well as the baptism of all four grandchildren at the church. Ms. Rabbino served on the Vestry of St. Bart's beginning in 2008 and as a Warden from 2009 until 2017, a period that included the retirements of the Reverend Bill Tully and the Reverend Buddy Stallings. She continues to assist in real estate matters related to transactions involving the sale of St. Bart's unused development rights. Ms. Rabbino has practiced law since 1980 and is currently a partner of Bryant Rabbino LLP, a transactional boutique firm, where she specializes in commercial real estate and finance for non-profit organizations. She serves as the secretary of the Trust for Cultural Resources.

**SENATOR GEORGE J. MITCHELL** has had a long and distinguished career. He served for several years as Chairman of the law firm DLA Piper, and is now Chairman Emeritus. Before that he served as a federal judge; as Majority Leader of the United States Senate; as Chairman of peace negotiations in Northern Ireland which resulted in an agreement that ended an historic conflict; and most recently as U.S. Special Envoy to the Middle East. In 2008 Time Magazine described him as one of the 100 most influential people in the world. Senator Mitchell is the author of five books. His most recent books are a memoir entitled *The Negotiator: Reflections on an American Life*, published in May 2015 and *A Path To Peace*, published in November 2016. Senator Mitchell was married to his wife Heather at St. Bart's in 1994 and has been a parishioner since then.