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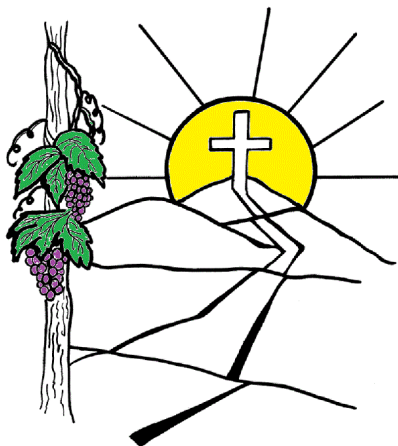
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## Chapel of Ease:

**St. Thomas Mission - Majesty Gardens and St. Clement's Mission - Kencot**



I am the vine, you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

## **INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:**

**Using Our Spiritual Gifts and Abilities to Evangelize**

## **CLERGY**

Rector Revd. Canon Maj. Serrano Kitson, D. Min.

Assistant Curate

Revd. Larius Lewis

Hon. Clergy

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**The Rector is out of office on Mondays.**

Dear People of God,

As we journey from Easter to Pentecost, we reflect on our “pass-over” from death to life, from crucifixion to resurrection. The Easter Hymn of St. John of Damascus says it clearly. *“The Passover of gladness, The Passover of God! From death to life eternal, From earth unto the sky, Our God hath brought us over, With hymns of victory”*

It requires constant reflection and contemplation, prayer and worship to get a deeper understanding of the mysteries of God's ‘**redemptive love**’. Through Jesus of Nazareth our God has revealed His **redemptive love** for humanity and creation. As God's word brought light out of chaos and darkness at creation, His word made flesh has brought new life out of the darkness of death. Good Friday and Easter morning are not past events that we recall and celebrate; they are the substance of our journey of faith, which become our lived experiences through actions of righteous-justice, unconditional-forgiveness and reconciliation as fellowship.

It is the death and resurrection of Jesus that makes forgiveness possible for sinners, reconciliation possible for the offender (transgressor) and the hope of justice possible for the victims of injustice. The actions of injustice which facilitated Jesus death facilitated God's action of mercy to reconcile and heal all that would distort and destroy His image in human-persons and the beauty of His creation. The cross and the resurrection exhibit the imminent reign of God which Jesus proclaimed at the beginning of His ministry. As we proclaim God's kingdom we are also proclaiming the power of God to transform humanity and give us hope. Hope that comes from His risen presence, “Lo! I am with you always.” (Mat28:20)

Our **belief** in the God who raised Jesus from the dead through the power of the Holy Spirit must be expressed in our actions. Our **faith** is seen by our assent to God's will and in our actions, by our consent to forgive as we repent and ask to be forgiven. Forgiveness is part of the reality of resurrected life; “ Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. (Luke 24:46-47) Forgiveness and reconciliation are the signs of our “pass-over.” Forgiveness is that act that empowers us not to allow past hurts and pain to determine our decisions and actions in the here and now. It opens the space for creating fellowship with the one forgiven and a new future for peace. We must walk and act as people of the resurrection; the Easter people, forgiven, reconciled with the gift of the new and eternal life of God.

We extend a warm welcome to all those visiting with us today. *Sirrano +*

## Opening Sentence

May 25, 2014

### Processional: Rise, O church, and lift your voices

1. Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell. Sing as all the earth rejoices; Resurrection anthems swell. Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the Risen King!
2. See the tomb where death had laid Him, Empty now, its mouth declares; "Death and I could not contain Him, For the Throne of Life He shares." Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the Risen King!
3. Hear the earth protest and tremble, See the stone removed with pow'r; All hell's minions may assemble But cannot withstand His hour. He has conquered, He has conquered, Christ the Lord, the Risen King!
4. Doubt may lift its head to murmur Scoffers mock and sinners jeer; But the truth proclaims a wonder Thoughtful hearts receive with cheer. He is risen, He is risen, Now receive the Risen King!
5. We acclaim Your life, O Jesus,  
Now we sing Your victory;  
Sin and hell may seek to seize us  
But Your conquest keeps us free.  
Stand in triumph, stand in triumph,  
Worship Christ, the Risen King!

### During Communion : Christ be beside me

1. Christ be beside me;  
Christ be before me;  
Christ be behind me,  
King of my heart.  
Christ be within me;  
Christ be below me;  
Christ be above me,  
never to part.
2. Christ on my right hand,  
Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me,  
shield in the strife.  
Christ in my sleeping,  
Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising,  
Light of my life.
3. Christ be in all hearts  
thinking about me;  
Christ be on all tongues  
telling of me.  
Christ be the vision  
in eyes that see me;  
in ears that hear me  
Christ ever be.

**PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**  
**The Sixth Sunday Of Easter**

Leader: Lord, in you we live and move and have our being, for we are your children, and you are not far from any one of us. We pray for all who have been initiated through Baptism and Confirmation, and that we with them may know that we dwell in you and you in us. We pray for Christians who are struggling in lonely or difficult places, for all who feel forsaken, for all who are longing to know your love. We pray for all who seek to do your will and fulfill your commandments. Lord, you abide in us

**All: May we know we abide in you.**

Leader: Teach us, Lord, to abide in you, that we may know you abide in us. We pray for the church, its mission and for the clergy, for John Archbishop, Howard Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon Suffragans, Sirrano, David, Larius, Andrea and all church workers. Lord, you abide in us

**All: May we know we abide in you.**

Leader: We give thanks for this Nation and the diversity of its peoples. Grant that we may so honour one another that all may be enriched by our common heritage and freed from despair, poverty and exclusion We pray for our leaders of Jamaica, Patrick Governor General, Portia Prime Minister, Andrew leader of the Parliamentary Opposition, members of Parliament and Senate. Lord, you abide in us

**All: May we know we abide in you.**

Leader: We pray for countries where laws are being flouted. We pray for nations and peoples who are in danger of destroying themselves or others. We remember areas of civil strife, areas where people are intimidated or abused. We pray for all who seek to live in simplicity, and reverence for all who suffer for doing good. Lord, you abide in us

**All: May we know we abide in you.**

Leader: By your indwelling presence make our hearts and our homes places of peace. We pray for peace in our communities, for peace and healing in our relationships, that your peace may

spread throughout our world. Lord, you abide in us

**All: May we know we abide in you.**

Leader: We pray for all who are captives to superstition or ignorance, for all who have no knowledge of God, for all whose lives are empty, or filled with the wrong things. We remember before you all whose lives are falling apart, all who are entering into darkness or sickness, that each in their weakness may know your strength. Lord, you abide in us

**All: May we know we abide in you.**

Leader: Lord if we abide in you and you are in us, we are already in the fullness of that life which is eternal. We rejoice in your presence, and pray for loved ones and friends who have gone before us. We remember..... Lord, you abide in us

**All: May we know we abide in you.**

**Silence may be kept**

**Lord Jesus, you have promised to be with us forever; teach us to rejoice in your presence, free us from all anxiety, help us to know our are always at hand, that we may work with you and to your glory, Jesus our Lord, who with the father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen**

### **SICK AND SHUT - IN**

Matthew Thompson

Kathleen Neysmith

Lorna Fraser

Noella Barclay

Carol Lawla

Beryl Gillies

Gwen Moncrieffe

Lucille Campbell

### **Did You Know?**

The title Canon is given to a priest of long standing service by the Diocesan Bishop. There are eight Canons in the diocese and special stalls are reserved for them in the Cathedral. The correct way to address a Canon is the Reverend Canon.

## Quote for Reflection

There is a spiritual battle between the forces of God and Satan, and prayer is the way to win. Many Christians go through their whole lives without realizing the battle is on. It is not surprising that they are ineffective. The book of Acts shows how seriously the first Christians took this spiritual battle. The apostles Peter and John emerge from the first of their imprisonments, and what do they and their colleagues do? They pray to the 'Sovereign Lord, who didst make the heaven and the earth'.

After Alpha: By Michael Green

### ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday	5:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	4:00 p.m.	Mothers' Union
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	5:30 p.m.	Reception Committee
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	SAPC Choir Rehearsal
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist - <b>Ascension Day</b>
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	B.S.A
	11:00 a.m.	Little Brothers
	2:00 p.m.	Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
	3:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship

### **PARISH NEWS Contd.**

**There will be a 2 weeks Music Day Camp** to be held July 14 - 25, 2014 (Mon.-Fri.) at Christ Church, Vineyard Town. Age Group 6 - 16. Cost \$10,000. Deadline to register, June 13. Please make cheques payable to Diocesan Church Fund. Make it a date!

Many thanks to all who support our **Labour Day Project**, either by your presence or by your kind donations. It was greatly appreciated.

## **PARISH NEWS**

*November 30, 2014 will be the beginning of our 350th Anniversary Celebrations.*

**Birthdays for this week:** Lena Ellis, Winnifred Hoon, Keith Goodison and Olive Creary 25/05, Rosemarie Evelyn 26/05, Abigail Mason and Vera Hanson 27/05, Claudette White 28/05, Icilyn Nugent 29/05, and Vernon Mirander 31/05.

**The funeral service** for Ethlyn Norton-Coke will be on Monday, May 26, at 11 a.m.

How can you deepen your faith and satisfy your desire to further your spiritual growth? **St. Thomas mission has the answer for you.** Please come and share your time and talent, our children need you.

**The Altar Guild** presents **The University Singers in Concert**, Sunday June 15, 2014, at the Phillip Sherlock Center at 4:00 p.m. Cost \$1,500. Tickets are available at the Church Office and from members of the Altar Guild.

**Thursday May 29, 2014 is Ascension Day. There will be a service at 5:30 p.m.**

**The Alpha Course** begins on Wednesday June 4th at 5:30 p.m. in the Old Court House. Theme "Life Worth Living" Make it a

Persons with **outstanding payments for buns**, please take them to the Church Office urgently.

**St. Andrew Settlement** is seeking the services of a Pharmacist to assist in their medical clinic one day per week.

**Second collection envelopes for June are available at the back.**

**Please remember** to take your non-perishable items for the Dorcas basket/ Tuesday charity.

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 25, 2014 - Year A

**6:30 a.m.**

### HOLY EUCHARIST

First Reading

Acts 17: 22 - 31 Robert Gregory

Psalms 148: 7 - 14

**Refrain:** (All sit) *“Sing to the Lord a  
new song. Hallelujah, Hallelujah”*

(BCP page 664)

Second Reading

1 Peter 3: 8 - 18 Gail Lue Lim

Gospel

John 15: 1 - 8

Prayer of Intercession

**8:00 a.m.**

### SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

*(Corporate for the Altar Guild)*

Processional

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Gradual

33 *(Children leave for Sunday School)*

Gospel

John 15: 1 - 8

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed 561

Prayer of Intercession

Offertory Hymn 166

During Communion 593, 584, Christ be beside me, 842,

For the Children 658

Recessional 183

**10:30 a.m.**

### HOLY EUCHARIST, SERMON & BAPTISM

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### EVENING PRAYER & SERMON