

# Diocese of Jamaica & The Cayman Islands ST. ANDREW PARISH CHURCH

*Patron Saint Andrew The Apostle*

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## Chapel of Ease:

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



**INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:  
Celebrating God's Love and Faithfulness**

## **CLERGY**

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

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## **Administration**

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Mrs. Merle Thomas

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

As we face this New Year filled with anxiety, yet with hope, we look back on the past year giving praise to God for what He has been to us, and giving thanks for what He has done for us. We have embarked on a yearlong celebration of 350 years of witness and service, acknowledging what we have achieved by God's guidance over these many years as we celebrate His love and faithfulness.

As a church, we continue to be faced with several issues, including the divisive one relating to human sexuality, in a culture and society that is perceived to have an aversion to the lifestyle of homosexuality. This issue seems to get more 'sound bite' rather than the social condition of our inner city residents, the destitute, those living behind zinc fences, the quality of our Education and Healthcare system and the impact of the cost of living and devaluation on the purchasing power of pensioners. The church advocates the human rights of persons living with AIDS, neglected children, battered women, abused men and the pollution of the environment. These issues of the churches agenda do not apparently get the 'sound bite' in the electronic and print media.

In this Post-modern period, the churches prophetic voice must be proclaimed in light of a culture of self obsession, despair and the vice of greed that reflects the moral ill health of our society. It is the responsibility of the church to proclaim the voice of the God of the Prophets with a message of hope, healing, reconciliation and faith. The culture of despair is marked by weariness and fainting, stress and distress that seek to drain our vitality and zeal. The message of hope is rooted in the God who says "***the Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary, his understanding is unsearchable, He gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless.*** (Isaiah 40: 28-29). This is our message as a church, that we are renewed through worship and corporate prayer and enabled through the power of the Holy Spirit for the work of the Lord and the building of lives of integrity, informed by the values of the gospel.

St. Andrew Parish church will continue to be an oasis, and a beacon of light in the busy hub of Half Way tree as we journey together seeking to build that which Jesus lived and died for ; the Kingdom of His Father. As we recommit ourselves, let us journey in the New Year with a vision of hope, a sense of purpose and faith in the Lord our God who is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

**Siviano +**

# THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

*(Corporate for Church Committee)*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

**Processional**

Organ Voluntary

Clergy will go to the Manger at the All Soul's Chapel

### **Station in All Soul's Chapel at the Manger**

**Hymn: 82** (O Little town of Bethlehem. First two verses)

**Celebrant:** (+) The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Do I not fill heaven and earth? Says the Lord.

**All:** Now He is made flesh and laid in a narrow manger.

**Celebrant:** *Let us pray,*

We pray you, Lord, to purify our hearts  
That they may be worthy to become your dwelling place.  
Let us never fail to find room for you.  
But come and abide in us that we may also abide in you.  
For as at this time you were born into the world for us,  
And live and reign, King of kings and Lord of lords  
Now and forever .

**All: Amen**

The Manager is incensed as the people sing:

**Hymn: 82** (O Little town of Bethlehem. Verses 3 & 4)

**Celebrant:** From eternity to eternity you are God,

**All: and we behold you incarnate in Christ the Christ of Bethlehem.**

### **INTROIT HYMN: 265**

**Celebrant:** For the God who said, "Out of darkness light shall shine,"

**All: Has caused his light to shine in our hearts, the light which is knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**

**Celebrant:** Let us bless the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit  
Alleluia!

**All:** Let us praise and exalt God forever. Amen Alleluia!

**All:** Almighty God to you all our thoughts are known, purify our desires and inspire us by your Holy presence, that we may praise you for all that you are in goodness, mercy and love, and magnify your Holy name with songs of thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **The Gloria In Excelsis**

Glory, glory in the highest, Glory to the Almighty; Glory to the Lamb of God, glory to the living Word; Glory to the Lamb!

**Men:** I give glory,

**Women:** glory,

**Men:** glory,

**Women:** glory,

**Men:** glory,

**All:** glory to the Lamb!

**Men:** I give glory...

**All:** I give glory to the Lamb.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD *(Sit)*

Old Testament: Isaiah 60: 1 - 6, 9     Sterling Soares

Psalms 72: 1 & 2, 8 & 10, 12 & 13 & 17     (BCP page 558 *All sit*)

**Refrain:** *All kings shall bow down before him; all the nations shall do him service.*

Epistle: Ephesians 3: 1 - 12     Karen Davis-Johnson

Gradual Hymn: 98

**Gospel:** Matthew 2: 1 - 12

**Sermon:**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

**Leader:** Great and wonderful God, we seek you. We look for you. We long for you. We come and offer our lives, our love, our hopes to you. God, richer than all we have to offer, we offer you our worship. We give thanks for the offering of frankincense and pray for all who give their lives in adoration.

We pray for the congregation and church to which we belong. We pray for all leaders of worship John Archbishop, Howard Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon Suffragans, Sirrano, Larius, Andrea, Andre and all church workers. For all who bow in quiet adoration.

Lord by the light of your presence,

**All: fill us with your glory.**

**Leader:** O God, Creator of all things we pray for our leaders Patrick, our Governor General. Portia, the Prime Minister, Andrew, Leader of the Parliamentary Opposition, Members of Parliament, Senators and all those who make decisions on our behalf.

Lord by the light of your presence,

**All: fill us with your glory.**

**Leader:** We give thanks for the minerals of the earth . We pray for all who work in commerce, banking and technology. We remember before you the world's poor, the bankrupt, the unemployed, and the homeless. May all who have received of your bounty share generously for the ministry of the church and those in need.

Lord by the light of your presence,

**All: fill us with your glory.**

**Leader:** O God, whose Son was born into an earthly family, bless our homes and our loved ones. Reveal your presence in our homes and in our relationships. We pray for all who are born into sordid homes or into homelessness or poverty. We pray for children who suffer from violence or neglect.

Lord by the light of your presence,

**All: fill us with your glory.**

O God, you share in our sorrows, you enter into our darkness. You, Lord, come to redeem, release and restore us. We give thanks for the strange gift of myrrh. We pray for all who are in pain or in distress, all who are troubled or anxious. We pray for all who seek to relieve pain, for doctors, nurses and dentists. We pray for all who work for the redeeming of our world.

Lord by the light of your presence,

**All: fill us with your glory.**

**Leader:** As we rejoice in Christ the Light of the world, and know the darkness is conquered, we pray for friends and loved ones who have passed through the darkness to eternal light.

Lord by the light of your presence,

**All: fill us with your glory.**

**All: Lord our redeemer we acknowledge that we have sinned and we pray for grace to be cleansed of our sins, to amend our lives and to further the reign of your Kingdom. We pray to you O Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: The Absolution ..... Almighty God....

## **The Greeting of Peace**

Celebrant: The Light of Christ scatter the darkness from before you.

**All: Let the light of Christ guide us into the way of peace.**

Celebrant: Beloved, the peace of the Lord be always with you,

**All: And also with you.**

**Offertory Hymn: 97 (CPWI)**

***The Eucharist continues as in the Book of Common Prayer (page 126)***

**During Communion: 573,402, 553, Jesus, name above all names (842)**

**Post Communion: 612**

**Second Collection: 253**

**Recessional: 94**

## **SICK AND SHUT - IN**

**Verna Panton**

**Lola Lewis**

**Gloria Dunn**

**Thelma Phipps**

**Phyllis Brown**

**Ina Robinson**

**Muriel Silvera**

**Gerda Dixon**

The following persons have been nominated for election to the Church Committee for 2015.

### **Congregation's Nominees**

Donna Evelyn  
Valda Ormsby  
Bruce James  
Rhena Williams  
Norman Davis  
Melrose King-Smith  
Nigel Elliott  
Dwayne McKenzie

### **Rector's Nominees**

Jana Patel  
Valrie Nam  
Ludlow Bowie  
Michael Lawe  
Sterling Soares  
Robert Gregory  
Claude Campbell  
Danielle Mighty

## **PARISH NEWS**

**Birthdays for this week:** Beverley Evans and Brandon Henry 05/01, Pauline Bryan 07/01, and Allan Kirton 09/01.

**Condolence** is extended to the family of Charles Thesiger and to Patrick Dunn on the passing of his Aunt Maud Brown.

**The Church Congregational** meeting will be held on January 25, immediately after the 8:00 a.m. Service.

**The envelopes** for 2015 are ready, please collect yours.

**St. APC Legal Advisory Service** will meet on Saturday January 10, from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon in the Old Court House. There is no registration fee and the advice is free.

### **SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY SERVICES: JANUARY 2015**

January 11 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (The Baptism of Our Lord)  
8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist  
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Morning Prayer  
6:00 p.m. Evening Service - Fellowship Group

January 18 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist  
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
6:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

January 25 6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist  
**Congregational Meeting after the Service.**  
6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

## THE EPIPHANY

**6:30 a.m.      January 4, 2015      Year B**

Old Testament:      Isaiah 60: 1 - 6, 9      John Lopez

Psalm 72: 1&2, 8&10, 12&13 & 17      **Refrain:** *(All sit)* "All kings shall bow  
BCP, page 558      down before him; all the nations shall do him service."

Epistle      Ephesians 3: 1 - 12      Karen Buchanan

Gospel      Matthew 2: 1 - 12

Prayers of Intercession

**10:30 a.m.      NO SERVICE**

**6:00 p.m.      HOLY EUCHARIST AND SERMON**

### ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday      5:30 p.m.      Bible Study

Tuesday      9:00 a.m.      Holy Eucharist  
5:30 p.m.      Moreton Park

Wednesday      6:30 a.m.      Holy Eucharist  
4:30 p.m.      St. Andrew Care Center

Thursday      5:30 p.m.      SAPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday      9:00 a.m.      Holy Eucharist

Saturday      11:00 a.m.      Little Brothers  
2:00 p.m.      Alleluia Choir Rehearsal  
2:00 p.m.      Servers Guild  
5:00 p.m.      Youth Fellowship