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INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:

Proclaiming and Sharing The Gospel In A Challenging Culture

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The Rector is out of office on Mondays.

The Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of our Lord's glory in the midst of our human existence. His Baptism in the River Jordan marks His solidarity with humanity and the affirmation of the divine, "This is my beloved, Son, in whom I am well pleased." In this action Jesus is manifested to the world as redeemer and deliverer. Baptism marks the beginning of the journey of faith in which we are illuminated by the divine light and seek to walk always as children of the light.

In the renewal of our Baptismal promises and vows, we recommitted ourselves to Christ and promised to love God and obey Him as Lord, to trust His grace and love and to live in obedience to God's laws, as a loyal member of His Church. (Book of Common Prayer, Page 314-317) These promises connect both our personal relationship to the Lord and our corporate responsibility to His Church. Baptism puts our lives in proper perspectives. The Holy Spirit of God, which anoints us in Baptism, works within us to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit for benefit of building the Kingdom of God. As we grow in the Holy Spirit we radiate the fruit of love, joy, peace, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22). Let's remember that there is no restriction (Law) against these expressions of the Spirit.

The water from the Baptismal font that was sprinkled on us, constitutes a bond which is sealed by the Spirit and forms our identity in Christ as His disciples and servants of the Lord. "For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. (Galatians 3:27) This bond must be nurtured in worship, prayer and witness, and demands our time, abilities and monetary resources. If this is done by all of us the pews will be filled and there will be no need for fund raising. In Baptism we are called to yield to the Spirit and not to give in to the **OLD SELF**; that part of us that resist the pruning and cleansing of the Holy Spirit. It is through this "**Baptismal bond**" that we will grow in the Spirit and despise sin, or else we wither in self-centeredness and become comfortable with insufficient time for prayer and irregular at worship. "As in any relationship, if this bond is not nurtured, it atrophies. The way it is awakened and nourished is by hearing the voice from above, "you are my beloved child in whom I am well pleased," echoed within the community below. Without this constant reaffirmation, baptism usually becomes a forgotten ordinance of a lost faith, and can hardly empower anyone for cross-carrying servant ministry." (H.King Oehming, D. Min, Sedgwick Publishing) As the baptized we must know and feel a strong sense of belonging, steadfastness in our belief and commitment, and an unwavering dedication to become **Christ agents of change** in the lives of others.

Every Baptized member of the church has been initiated into the ministry of Christ. We are called to represent Christ and bear witness to Him wherever we may be. What is your ministry as a baptized disciple of Jesus.

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors worshipping with us today.

Sirrano +

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.

Canticle: Give Glory to God (tune Vangelis)

1. Give glory to God church
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Give glory to God
Sing praise to His name Emmanuel
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Sing praise to His name

2. Give glory to God, man
Give glory to God
Repeat
Sing praises to Him hallelujah
Sing praise to His Him
Repeat

3. Give glory to God world
Give glory to God
Repeat
Proclaim Him the King, hosanna
Proclaim Him the King
Repeat

4. Give glory and honour
to Jesus our King
Repeat
We hail You our King, hallelujah
We hail You our King.
Repeat

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: We pray for all who work to bring in your kingdom, all who seek release for captives, to bring sight to the blind, to bind up the broken-hearted and to restore the fallen. We pray that your church may seek out and recover the fallen, that we may never avoid our responsibility and pass by on the other side. We pray today for the work of the Education and Youth Ministry, for missions and for the work of the Church Army. We pray for the church, and for the clergy, for John Archbishop, Howard Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon Suffragans, Serrano, Olando, Andrea and all church workers. *Lord of compassion and love,*

ALL: Deliver us from all evil.

Leader: Lord God, we pray for our country, for our leaders and those who make decisions on our behalf. For Patrick The Governor General, Portia The Prime Minister, Andrew the leader of the Parliamentary Opposition, all members of Parliament and Senators. We pray also for all Judges and Resident Magistrates, that they may serve justice and protect and promote the welfare and dignity of every Jamaican. Bring us all to know Christ as Lord of our lives that we may live in harmony with one another. *Lord of compassion and love,*

ALL: Deliver us from all evil.

Leader: Caring God we pray for people robbed of their livelihood or their health. We remember all who are treated like slave labourers, all who are counted as disposable units. We pray for our children and young people who are on vacation at this time. *Lord of compassion and love,*

ALL: Deliver us from all evil.

Leader: We give thanks for all who look after our well-being, who protect us and seek to supply our needs. We ask you to bless our homes with your love: may they be places of gentleness and grace where all are accepted and cared for. We pray for homes where there is violence, physical, sexual and verbal abuse and cruelty, for homes where people live in fear and anxiety. *Lord of compassion and love,*

ALL: Deliver us from all evil.

Leader: We give thanks for the work of the emergency services and ask your blessing upon the fire service, ambulance workers, the police and social workers. We pray for all care-givers, especially our doctors and nurses. We remember all who are down and despondent at this time, and all who are near to death, especially if they are lonely and afraid. We pray for friends who are ill, especially..... *Lord of compassion and love,*

ALL: Deliver us from all evil.

Leader: We pray that when we are close to death, we may know that you come to us, O Lord. We remember those of our community and our loved ones who are in the fullness of eternal life. We commend to your mercy, loved ones who have gone to glory....

Lord of Compassion and love,

ALL: Deliver us from all evil.

Silence may be kept

ALL: Holy and ever-lasting God, you bind up our wounds, heal our sickness and restore us to wholeness; make us sensitive to all who are in need or trouble, that we may care for the suffering and be generous in our dealings; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

SICK AND SHUT - IN

**Joan Parris-Woodstock
Millicent Williams
Doris McConnell
Jemima Austin**

**Sybil Mair
Elaine Small
Daphne Dobson
Ellen Rob**

Did you know that?

The earliest biblical texts were written on scrolls made from papyrus (a plant-based paper) or parchment (animal skins that had been scraped, polished, and stitched together). It is very likely that all biblical books were initially written on scrolls. (Brenan Breed, 2015)

Quote for Reflection

The righteousness of God is revealed in us from faith to faith (Romans 1:17), meaning that His righteousness is already in us, but it awaits our daily faith in order to show itself in our day to day walk. (Rita Vanderstichelen, 2016)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK (Jan. 24 - 30)

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist - The Conversion of St. Paul The Apostle.
	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.	Confirmation Class
	5:30 p.m.	Reception Committee
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	SAPC Choir Rehearsal
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Brotherhood of St. Andrew
	11:00 a.m.	Little Brothers
	2:00 p.m.	Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
	4:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship

Thanks to the congregation for their tremendous support in enabling us to realizing \$1.2m profit to date for the Harvest Supper.

"Rooms for Rent: Moreton Park Cottages - Applications are invited from ladies 45 - 70 years, of slender means, who are able to care for themselves independently. Application forms with eligibility requirements are available from the Church Office, and should be returned there when completed."

INFORMATION FOR THE CHURCH

Name: _____ M () F () Visitor
Address: _____
Email: _____
Phone numbers: (H) _____ (W) _____ (Cell) _____
Date of Birth: Day _____ Month _____
Occupation _____ Ministry interest _____

PARISH NEWS

Birthdays for this week: Suzanne Harris-Henry and Lisa Russell 25/01, Kimone Chen-Sue 26/01, Myrtle Young 27/01, Ruth Banks and Kevin Harris 28/01, Joy Pilgrim, Peggy Smith and Elsie Aarons 29/01, and David Kuck and Fontain Jones 30/01.

Condolence is extended to Jackie Mighty and family on the passing of her aunt, Joyce Bulgin, also to the family of Gerda Dixon. To Andrea ChinSee and family on the passing of her aunt Sybil Baugh. Her funeral service will be on Friday the 29th at 11:00 a.m.

The flowers at the foot of the altar are in loving memory of Doris Robins, given by her family.

Congratulations to Marva Bernard for receiving a special Life Time Achievement award for playing an integral role in Ja. Netball Assoc.

SAPC Young Adult Movement will be having their initial Lyme at

St. Andrew Deanery Day will be held at The Karl Hendrickson Auditorium, Jamaica college, 189 Hope Road February 14, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. To 1:30 p.m. The Theme: "Create in me a Clean Heart." Rehearsals begin in the Old Court House on Jan. 26 at 5:30 p.m.

the Church Hall on January 30, at 6:00 p.m.

Diocesan AYF AGM will take place on January 30, at St. Dorothy's Old Harbour.

Congregation's Nominees

Melrose Reid
Sterling Soares
Danielle Mighty
Ena Dallen
Valda Ormsby
Dwayne McKenzie
Janaa-Marie Patel
Norval West

Rector's Nominees

Ludlow Bowie
Robert Gregory
Nigel Elliott
Jackie Gayle
Phillip Clarke
Ruby Anderson
Tanya Watson-Francis
Andrea Chin-See

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 24, 2016 - Year C

6:30 a.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST

Old Testament	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6 & 8-10	Patrick Lynch
Psalm 19 (BCP page 490)	Refrain: (All sit) <i>"The statutes of the Lord rejoice the heart."</i>	
New Testament	1 Corinthians 12: 12 - 31a	Faith Harker
Gospel	Luke 4: 14 - 21	
Prayer of Intercession	Form B	BCP page107

8:00 a.m.

SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

Processional	364	
Old Testament	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6 & 8-10	Carlton Hollingsworth
Psalm 19 (BCP page 490)	Refrain: (All sit) <i>"The statutes of the Lord rejoice the heart."</i>	
New Testament	1 Corinthians 12: 12 - 31a	Marie Thompson
Gradual	501	
Gospel	Luke 4: 14 - 21	
Sermon	Fr. Kitson	
Creed		
Prayer of Intercession	Form C	Page 108
Offertory Hymn	435	
During Communion	594, 469, 621, 327, 612	
Recessional	437	

**Congregational meeting will be held today,
immediately after the 8:00 a.m. Service.**

Annual Congregational Meeting Agenda 2016

1. **Opening Prayer**
 2. **Introduction to the Proceedings - Rector**
 3. **Election: Synod Reps & Church Com. Members**
 4. **Rector's Address**
 5. **General Discussion - Congregation Concerns**
 6. **Financial Report - Hon. Mike Fennell**
 7. **Presentation S.A.S. - Ms. Greta Bogues**
- Closing Prayer**

6:00 p.m. EVENING PRAYER & SERMON