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The Prodigal Son Returns

INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:

**Proclaiming and Sharing The Good News of Jesus Christ
In A Challenging Culture**

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The Rector is out of office on Mondays.

Are you satisfied with your Spiritual health? What is the temperature of our Spirituality? Is it like a burning fire, fueled by the Holy Spirit's power or is it tepid, non-engaging, restless or indifferent marked by a condition of apathy, lukewarm as the embers of the soul have lost its burning desire for the "Beloved of My Soul". The Psalmist describes this spiritual condition in this way, "like as the hart desires the water-brooks so longs my soul for you, O God. My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God, (Ps. 42:1-2a). Do we thirst for the presence of the living God?

This thirst of our parched souls for the living God is also described as the need for on-going repentance and conversion. Jesus started His ministry with the proclamation, "The time has come; the Kingdom of God is here; repent and believe the good news (Matt. 1:14-15). With this objective as the focus of His ministry, Jesus used the call to repentance as a precondition for entrance into the Kingdom of God. For spiritual growth and faith formation to take place there must be ongoing repentance for the conversion of our hearts. Unless a person is born again, how can they experience the blessed reign of God within the heart of his/her soul?

Repentance demands of us a change of mind and heart. Whenever we change our minds, it is usually the result of a reflection on the past with its negative effects and at times with regret or remorse. The purpose of repentance is for there to be a change. "Repentance is a turning away from our sins which stands in the way of God's reign, and toward God." (Turning to Christ, Urban T. Holmes) Repentance is not just constant focus on our sins or sinfulness, it is also a recognition of an impaired relationship and a desire to perceive and experience God in a new way and allow the light of God's glory and grace to shine within us.

Conversion which is a synonym for repentance reinforces the need for a turning around. This *turn* reflects the action in the early church, where candidates for initiation into the faith of Jesus Christ; Baptism, would spit upon evil and sin and turned to face the east, the dawning and descent of the light of the Christ. It was not viewed as a one-time event rather it was accepted as an ongoing process for renewal, and for spiritual and emotional transformation. May our Lenten journey be one of renewal as the light of the Holy Spirit searches out the dark areas of our lives that are in need of repentance and conversion. By so doing we will experience deeper peace and reflect more the light of God's love and grace.

We welcome all our visitors worshipping with us today.

Sirano+

God, how can we forgive (Tune Leoni)

God, how can we forgive when bonds of love are torn?
How can we rise and start anew, our trust reborn?
When human loving fails and every hope is gone,
Your love gives strength beyond our own to face the dawn

When we have missed the mark, and tears of anguish flow,
How can you still release our guilt, the debt we owe?
The ocean depth of grace surpasses all our needs
A priest who shares our human pain, Christ intercedes.

Who dares to throw the stone to damn another's sin,
When you, while knowing all our past, forgive again?
No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live.
As you , O God, forgive our sin, may we forgive

Activities for March 2016

March 13 6:30 & 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer)

March 19 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist - St. Joseph

Palm Sunday 20

6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

8:00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist & Blessing of Palm Crosses

10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer & Sermon

Holy Week

21 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:30 p.m. Stations of the cross

22 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:30 p.m. Stations of the cross

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24 9:00 a.m. Maundy Thursday- Chrism Mass -Cathedral

7:00 p.m. Institution of the Lord's Supper

25 8:00 a.m. Good Friday Liturgy

12:00 noon Three hour Devotion

26 7:00 p.m. Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil

27 Easter Day 6:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist & Sermon

- Renewal of Baptismal vows

8:00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist & Sermon

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11:00 a.m. Mass for the homebound and elderly

6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist & Sermon

Easter Week - Synod

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION March 6, 2016
THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Leader: Holy God, when we wander from the way, call us back; when we stray from the truth, redirect us; when we do not live life to the full, inspire and refresh us. May we and your whole church follow him who is the way, the truth and the life. We pray for all who have wandered away from the faith, for all who have lost touch with you and your love. We remember all who are pilgrims and seekers. We pray for Christ Catholic Church, for John Archbishop, for Howard Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon Suffragans, for Sirrano, Olando, Andrea and all church workers.

Lord, we turn to you,

All: enfold us in your love.

Leader: We pray for leaders of nations, and for rulers of peoples, For Patrick The Governor General, Andrew The Prime Minister, and for all members of Parliament elect. We pray also for all members of the judiciary. Purge our land from all that is contrary to your will. Bring us all to know Christ, that we may live in harmony with each other..

Lord, we turn to you,

All: enfold us in your love.

Leader: We remember all who are suffering from hunger or poverty, all who are experiencing a time of spiritual apathy and emotional turmoil dryness or aridity in their lives. We pray also for all who are lonely and anxious, for the homeless and destitute.

Lord, we turn to you,

All: enfold us in your love.

Leader: We pray for all who have become possessed by possessions, for all who are captive to greed and covetousness. We remember all who have suffered through the selfishness of others. Be a strength, O Lord, to all who have suffered robbery or violence, for all who have faced the murder of a loved one. We pray for all who have lost their possessions or livelihood, for those who have financial challenges.

Lord, we turn to you,

All: enfold us in your love.

Leader: We give thanks for the passion and cross of our Lord, for the gift of redemption. We remember all who are being persecuted for their religious faith or their principles. We pray for all who are afflicted and those anxious about their health or their future, for all who are waiting for surgery at this time, and we pray for our sick and shut-in especially...

Lord, we turn to you,

All: enfold us in your love.

Leader: Lord, give comfort to the bereaved, give courage to the dying. We pray for all who have entered where sorrow and pain are no more. We remember loved ones who have entered into eternal life, and we join with them to sing your praises. We remember

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All: enfold us in your love.

Silence may be kept

All: Lord of all compassion, we return to you like children who had wandered away; we trust in your love, we rejoice in your mercy, we know you will accept us. Lord, enfold us in your peace, and guide us with your wisdom through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory now and for ever. Amen.

SICK AND SHUT - IN

Phyllis Thomas C.A .	Elsie Lewis
Denise Goffe	Fidel Reid
Kathleen McBean	Clio Whittingham
Allison Hall	Fay Jenkinson
Beverley Spence-Chin	Olive Lawrence

Did you know?

The fourth Sunday of Lent is also referred to as ‘Refreshment Sunday’. This is because the rules traditionally associated with fasting during lent, are relaxed on this Sunday, in order to take in food so as to rejuvenate our physical bodies, as we set our face to the steep journey that lies ahead, leading up to Good Friday.

Quote for reflection

“The disciplines are activities of mind and body purposefully undertaken, to bring our personality and total being into effective co-operation with the divine order. They enable us more and more to live in a power that is, strictly speaking, beyond us, deriving from the spiritual realm itself...” The Spirit of the Disciplines Dallas Wallard

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK (Mar. 6 - 12)

Monday	5:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	5:30 p.m.	Home for Girls
	5:30 p.m.	Saint Andrew Settlement
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	5:30 p.m.	Care Center
	5:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	SAPC Choir Rehearsal
	5:30 p.m.	Lenten Devotion
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Saturday	11:00 a.m.	Little Brothers
	2:00 p.m.	Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
	4:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship

Kingston Parish Church invites you to a concert on Sunday March 13, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. at the University Chapel Contribution Adults \$1,500, Children \$500. Tickets are available at the Church Office.

Please support our Dorcas Basket/Tuesday Charity - Gifts of **all kind especially cheese** at this time are welcome.

PARISH NEWS

Birthdays for this week: Leonard Green 01/03, Adassa McHayle 02/03, Elaine Baker, Helen Cuthbert, Annette Morgan and Gian King 03/03, Kurt Jackson 05/03, Rachel Kitson 06/03, Janet Shaw 08/03, Patrick Gayle 10/03, Ruby Myrie and Dania Thompson 11/03, Myrtle White and Minnette Mitchell 12/03.

Condolence is extended to Clifford Strudwick and family on the passing of his brother-in-law Maurice Richardson in Florida. Also to Shirley Tyndall on the passing of her niece Sharon Fitz-Coy in Florida.

The funeral service for Charlton Tinker, will be on Friday March 11, 11:00 a.m. We remember Ricardo Lee who's anniversary of his passing was on March 3rd.

Lenten Devotions will continue this Thursday, March 10, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. Invite a friend.

Synod 2016 will commence on March 29 to April 1, 2016.

March is the focus month for Saint Andrew Settlement and they are worshipping with us today.

***Our Easter Bun Sale Project** in support of the St. Andrew Settlement continues today. Cash sale after the 6:30 service, before and after the 8:00 service and before the 10:30. The prices are as follows: 30 oz. - \$550, 38 oz. box - \$750, 42 oz. - \$850, 44 oz. box - \$900. Order forms are available.*

The Diocese of Jamaica is asking for volunteers to assist with the bedside visits of the hospitalised and to lead the midday worship at the Bustamante Hospital for Children and the Kingston Public Hospital.

INFORMATION FOR THE CHURCH

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

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 6, 2016 - Year C

6:30 a.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST

Old Testament Joshua 5: 9 - 12 Fabian Young
Psalm 32: 1 - 8 **Refrain:** *"I acknowledged my sin to you, and you forgave me the guilt of my sin."*
BCP, page 505
New Testament 2 Corinthians 5: 16 - 21 June Rose
Gospel Luke 15: 1 - 3, 11b - 32
Prayer of Intercession BCP page 212

8:00 a.m.

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Processional 342
Old Testament Joshua 5: 9 - 12 Suneca Hill
Psalm 32: 1 - 8 **Refrain:** *"I acknowledged my sin to you, and you forgave me the guilt of my sin."*
BCP, page 505
New Testament 2 Corinthians 5: 16 - 21 Ishenel Fox
Gradual (pg 3) God, How can we forgive (Children leave for SS)
Gospel Luke 15: 1 - 3, 11b - 32
Sermon Claude Campbell
Nicene Creed BCP 104
Prayer of Intercession Page 4
Offertory Hymn 347
During Communion 625, 601, 567, 667 SS 546
Second Collection 420
Recessional 472

10:30 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON

Processional 342
Venite BCP page 36
Psalm 32: 1 - 8 BCP page 505
First Reading Joshua 5: 9 - 12
Benedictus BCP page 40
Second Reading Luke 15: 1 - 3, 11b - 32
Hymn God, How can we forgive page 3
Sermon
Hymn 347
Recessional 472

6:00 p.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST AND SERMON

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