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"Hosanna in the Highest. . . .

Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord."

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

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Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday of our Lord's Passion marks the beginning of Holy Week, which unfolds the purposes of God made manifest through the life of the Son of God; Jesus Christ. Each gospel narrates the events of the week, from Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, through his clash with the merchants in the temple, his last meal with his disciples, his prayer in the garden of Gethsemane, his betrayal and mock trial culminate with his death and subsequent reports that he had been raised from the dead.

As Jesus goes towards Jerusalem, he moves in a determined manner as he faces the religious and political authorities knowing that it would place him in lethal danger. This inevitable encounter is approached by Jesus not as a victim nor as one who is a survivor of the system, rather he demonstrates his unflinching commitment to do the will of the Father in the face of human objection and abuse; "Yet, not my will but yours be done" (Luke 22:42b). For us to view his death as the atoning sacrifice for disobedient sinners without seeing the context, in which his death took place, implies that we have missed the story of Good Friday. Let us not forget that it was the religious leaders; Annas and Caiaphas and the Roman governor, which determined that, Jesus must die, and induced the consent of the people to reject him. It was the self-interest of the authorities who objected to Jesus' demonstration of God's reconciling love and compassion that achieved his death. This is the story that reflects the world in which we live and it's intention not to accommodate **God's presence**. The message of the gospel from John chapters eighteen and nineteen and Luke chapters twenty two and twenty three tells us of how entrenched we are in the structures of the culture of the world that facilitate our self-interest and self-will which cause us to refuse to accept God's amazing love.

The Philippians passage (Philippians 2; 5-11) explains Jesus' **selfless** (self emptying) choice to experience a criminal's death on a cross to show and manifest the glory of God; self-denial not for self-promotion or self-interest but **selflessness** to make the love and mercy of God known to all His created people. "Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all." (Hymn 108 A&M). This **selfless** (self-emptying) choice consistently lived by Jesus is both the goal and substance of our Christian way of life. Follow me, says Jesus.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors who are worshipping with us today, especially the members of the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management at the University of Technology.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Palm Sunday

Leader: Lord, we come to you as a church wounded by sin, divided by factions. We come weak in our mission and evangelism, failing in holiness. We come neglectful in our prayers and insensitive to your presence. We come lacking in vision, wavering in faith. We remember all who have broken faith, broken vows, broken commitments. We pray for all who seek healing and hope.

Lord, broken on the cross, we come to you.

All: Only you can make us whole.

Leader: Lord of the church we pray for the mission of the church, for those in its ministry, for John Archbishop, Howard Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon Suffragans, Serrano, Olando, Andrea and all church workers. May they be faithful ministers of your word and sacraments.

Lord, broken on the cross, we come to you .

All: Only you can make us whole.

Leader: Lord of the nation we pray for Patrick, Governor General, Andrew, Prime Minister and Portia, Leader of the Parliamentary Opposition, members of the House of Representative. We pray also members of the Judiciary and for all who make decisions about our welfare.

Lord, broken on the cross, we come to you .

All: Only you can make us whole.

Leader: We come with people broken by conflict, with all divided by fear, with all who are shattered by betrayal of trust, with all who are fractured by oppression. Lord, we come with broken hopes and broken dreams, with broken relationships and broken hearts, with broken promises and broken trust. We come as shattered people in need of renewal and of our faith.

Lord, broken on the cross, we come to you .

All: Only you can make us whole.

Leader: We come with all your broken people. We come with broken in spirit, with the despondent and the despairing, We

come with the deeply distressed and the disturbed. We come to you with all our needs with the broken in body, with all who are injured and all who are sick and shut-in.

Lord, broken on the cross, we come to you .

All: Only you can make us whole.

Leader: We remember all who have been killed through injustice, cruelty or carelessness, all who have died that others might live. We rejoice that now they know the wholeness and holiness of your kingdom. We remember.....

Lord, broken on the cross, we come to you .

All: Only you can make us whole.

President: Lord Jesus Christ you save.....

Act of Penitence

President: The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, thou will not despise.

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen

The Greeting of Peace

President: The King of Glory the Prince of peace comes to your Hosanna in the Highest. The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

SICK AND SHUT - IN

**Enid Lawrence
Muriel Aries
Allison Hall
Donna Dias**

**Lloyd James
Charles Henry
Carol Lawla
Beryl Gillies**

Did you know?

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy week, which focuses on the last days of Jesus' life, and an anticipation of His triumph over death - the means through which we have everlasting life.

Quote for reflection

“We will never stand in awe of being loved by God until we reckon with the seriousness of our sin and the justice of his wrath against us. But when, by grace, we waken to our unworthiness, then we may look at the suffering and death of Christ and say, “In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins” (1 John 4:10).” (John Piper, 2006)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK (Mar. 20 - 26, 2016)

Monday	9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Stations of the Cross
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	6:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Stations of the Cross
Thursday	10:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Chrism Mass - Cathedral Sp. Town SAPC Choir Rehearsal Institution of the Last Supper & washing of feet
Friday	8:00 a.m. 12 noon	Good Friday Liturgy Three Hour Service
Saturday	11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Little Brothers Alleluia Choir Rehearsal Youth Fellowship The Easter Vigil Liturgy & Baptism

Hear the good news of salvation (tune Nettleton)

Hear the good news of salvation:
Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy!
Come to us from heaven above.

Refrain

Jesus Christ, how much I love You!
Jesus Christ, You save from sin!
How I love You! Look upon me.
Love me still and cleanse within.

Open our eyes, Lord

Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus
to reach out and touch Him
and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord.
help us to listen;
O open our eyes Lord,
we want to see Jesus!

All the sins I have committed
To my Savior now I bring.
I bow down with tears of anguish;
Christ forgives and so I sing:

Refrain

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR
MARCH 2016

March 27, 2016 - Easter Sunday - The Resurrection of Our Lord

- 6:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist and Sermon
(Renewal of Baptismal Vows)
- 8:00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist and Sermon
(Renewal of Baptismal Vows)
- 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Sermon
Service for Shut-In
- 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon

**March 29 - April 1, 2016 146th Synod of the Diocese to be held in
St. James.** Pray for the synod, clergy and people.

PARISH NEWS

Birthdays for this week: Margaret Green, Myrtle Salmon, Eduardo Dean-Neil, Desrine Russell and Andrew Williams 24/03 and Elisa Blackburn and Marjorie Stair 25/03.

Condolence is extended to Pearl Stern and family on the passing of her sister Winsome Allison. To Calvin Murray and family on the passing of his father Jerome Murray also to Linda Mahon on the passing of her brother Irvin Facey in Florida.

Get involved in this year's Rally. Your support is needed to make this event a success.

March is the focus month for Saint Andrew Settlement.

***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.

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

An original painting of St. Andrew Parish Church by Eugene Campbell is available for sale. Cost \$60,000. Interested persons can contact the Rector or The Church Office.

The Altar Guild, once again, invites members of the church to make donations towards floral decorations for Easter, in memory of their departed loved ones. Contributors may contact the church office. Please provide the office with the names of loved ones for dedication of the flowers.

PALM SUNDAY
March 20, 2016 - Year C

6:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST

Old Testament:	Isaiah 50:4 - 9a	Trevor Blake
Psalm 31: 9 -16	Refrain: <i>“In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge”</i>	
BCP, page 504		
Epistle	Philippians 2:5-11	Rhonda Goodison
Gospel	Luke 23: 1 - 49	

8:00 a.m. SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON
Corporate for The Women’s Working Committee

Place your book marks at page 222-225 BCP.

Organ Voluntary	All Stand	
The Choir Sings	“Ride on King Jesus” <i>During the incensing of the altar</i>	
Then follows the liturgy	of the Palms	
Processional	127	
Old Testament	Isaiah 50: 4 - 9a	Marie Thompson
Psalm 31: 9 - 16		
Refrain:		
New Testament	Philippians 2: 5-11	Tashanna Reid
Gradual	129	
Gospel	Luke 23: 1 - 49	
Sermon	Rev. Orlando Gayle	
Offertory	134	
During Communion	608,461, 507	
Recessional	144 Part 1 & the Doxology (Tune Westminster Abby)	

10:30 a.m. MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON

Processional	127
Venite	BCP page 36
Psalm 31: 9 - 16	BCP page 504
First Reading	Isaiah 50: 4 - 9a
Benedictus	BCP page 40
Second Reading	Luke 23: 1 - 49
Hymn	129
Sermon	
Hymn	134
Recessional	144

6:00 p.m. HOLY EUCHARIST AND SERMON