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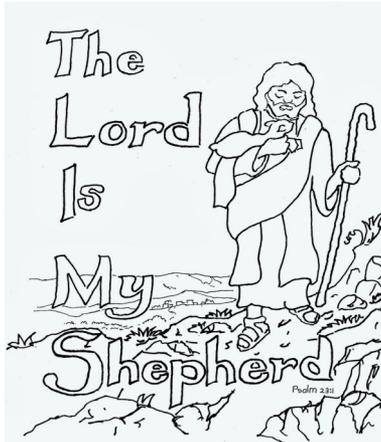
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**INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:
We are Baptized to Witness and Minister
In the Name of Jesus Christ**

CLERGY

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The Rector is out of office on Mondays.

From the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost (Whit-Sunday) the Church celebrates the Resurrection of our Lord; the Easter Season or Great Fifty Days of Easter. During this season we reaffirm our Baptismal Vows through the affirmation of the Apostles Creed. For this Easter Season the first reading of the Lectionary is always taken from the Book of Acts (Acts of the Apostles). These passages of the Book of Acts, tells us about the apostles, who were charged by the risen Christ to proclaim the His resurrection "to the people," and witness to what they had seen and heard. In these readings we hear the faith of the first Christian community after Pentecost, which has been transmitted to us through the Apostles Creed. As the Book of Common Prayer asserts, "This is the faith of the Church." "This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit." BCP Page 278 & 300)

All the readings from the scriptures during the Easter season are taken from the New Testament. The second reading is taken from the First letter of Peter (Year A), the First Letter of John (Year B) and the Book of the Revelation (Year C); and the Gospel readings are always taken from John, except for the Third Sunday in Year A and Year B.

According to the gospel of John, the appearance of the Risen Christ to His disciples "on the evening of the first day of the week" (John 20:19) describes the Apostolic Faith, (Pascal Faith). As the disciples bolted the doors, and remained locked inside the room, Jesus suddenly stood before them and said, "Peace be with you," before the disciple could react, Jesus showed them His hands and His side. No longer was Jesus limited by physical laws, as the risen Lord He is the Resurrected redeemer who is Lord of creation, with a glorified body; meaning a whole new state of being. "Transfigured, freed from the constraints of his mortal body, he can appear anywhere: no obstacle, no locked door can prevent him from "entering." As he promised, he did not leave us orphans." (DAYS OF THE LORD Vol.3) The disciples were overwhelmed and rejoiced when they saw the Risen Christ. The unfulfilled expectation of Good Friday and the despair, doubt and distress caused by the crucifixion gave way to joy, peace and hope. "Because He lives I can face ..."

We identify with this Apostolic Faith, as disciples who believe without having seen with physical eyes, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." (John 20:29b) It is through the eyes of faith that we are able to perceive the presence and activity of the Living God. Whenever the disciples experienced the Risen Christ, a new future unfolds and calls them to mission; to proclaim Christ crucified and risen from the dead. This is our mandate and duty as Baptised disciples of the Risen Christ who are the recipients of His broken Body and beneficiaries of His cross and resurrection.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors worshipping with us today, especially the members of the Sussex Lodge No. 354 E.C.

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Easter people raise your voices (Tune Regent Square)

1. Easter people raise your voices
Sounds of heaven in earth should
ring
Christ has brought us Heaven's
choices
Heavenly music let it ring
Alleluia Alleluia
Easter people let us sing

3. Every day to us is Easter
With its resurrection song
When in trouble move the
faster to our God who rights the wrong:
Alleluia Alleluia
See the pow'r of heav'nly throngs.

2. Fear of death can no more stop us
From our pressing here below
For our Lord empowered us
To triumph over every foe
Alleluia Alleluia
On to victory now we go

Canticle : God's Paschal Lamb (Pascha Nostrum)

1. God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us;
Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;
forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die again;
death has no more dominion over him;
Through him we die to sin and live to God.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:
though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh to die,
in Christ's new life shall all be made alive.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

(Sine Nomine)

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

President

We shall pray for Christ Catholic Church and for the mission and ministry of St. Andrew Parish Church, Lord in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer

Leader: Good Shepherd, we ask you to be our guide: lead us out of darkness, lead us out of trouble, lead us out of fear, lead us out of death, and bring us to the fullness of life eternal. We rejoice with the saints and the whole company of heaven and say, 'Salvation belongs to our God'. We pray for all pastors and those who have the care of your people; we remember those who are spiritual directors and counsellors. We pray for the church, its mission and for the clergy, for John Archbishop, Howard Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon Suffragans, Sirrano, Olando, Andrea and all church workers. *Good Shepherd,*

ALL: guide us and lead us.

Leader: We pray for our nation, for Patrick, Governor General, Andrew, Prime Minister, Peter, leader of the Parliamentary Opposition, members of the House of Representatives and for all members of the judiciary, that they may serve justice, safeguard human rights and promote the well-being of our people. *Good Shepherd,*

ALL: guide us and lead us.

Leader: Our Gracious and Loving Father, children are a special gift from You; help us to treasure them as God intended us to and to be sensitive to their needs. Hold all of us, who have the care and responsibility for your children, accountable for our actions. Guide us, so that we will love and care for your children even as you love and care for us. *Good Shepherd,*

ALL: guide us and lead us.

Leader: We rejoice, O God, that you delight in us. You will not leave us desolate: you are God who renews and restores your creation. We pray that we may learn to delight in each other and give our attention and love to each other. Bless our homes and our loved ones with your fullness; renew and restore us in strength and in love. We pray for all who are struggling in their relationships. *Good Shepherd,*

ALL: guide us and lead us.

Leader: We pray for the broken-hearted, for those whose hopes have died, for all who are confused by the pain and sick-

ness of our world. We remember all who travel by lonely paths, for all who live alone, for the financially distressed and for the despondent in spirit. We pray for the elderly, for all who are in care facilities, for all who cannot cope on their own, we pray for the sick..... *Good Shepherd,*

ALL: guide us and lead us.

Leader: We give thanks for all who have passed through death and reached the fullness of the promised land. We rejoice in their fellowship and their triumph. We offer ourselves, our neighbours and our loved ones to your unfailing love. We remember ... *Good Shepherd,*

ALL: guide us and lead us.

Silence may be kept

ALL: Glory to you O Lord! You have triumphed over the powers of darkness and brought us to share in the inheritance of your saints in light. Raise us up to newness of life that we may live to serve you, risen Lord, who with the Father and the life-giving Spirit are one God, world without end. Amen.

SICK AND SHUT - IN

Heron Wright

Joscelyn Richards

Myrtle Smith

Lloyd James

Denise Lewin

Hugh Williams

Clifford Strudwick

Bonnie Fraser

Verona Rambana

Laurel Mott

Kathleen Taylor

Atheline Mantock

VISIONING PRAYER OF THE DIOCESE

Almighty and everlasting God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth, and by whose grace we have been called into a goodly fellowship of faith: Send down upon our bishops, other clergy, and all your faithful people an outpouring of your Holy Spirit for the renewal and mission of your Church. Give us a vision of where you would lead your Church, and so discern new things that you are doing in your Church and the world. By your grace, save us from unnecessary distractions, so that we may be able to determine your will for us, go forward perceiving that which is right, and have the courage to pursue the same, to the end that we may utilize the gifts which you have given to each of us for the furtherance of your will in simplicity, confidence and steadfastness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Faith Formation and Christian Education

Did you know?

The Hebrew language has some 12 different words for sheep such as ram, lamb, ewe and flock. This undoubtedly reflects the important place sheep had in Israelite life and economy in the Old Testament times. Sheep were the most common animals to be sacrificed. Both the Old and New Testaments refer often to sheep symbolically as innocent, helpless, docile, or sacrificial animals. (David Howard & Gary Burge, *Fascinating Bible Facts*, 1997).

Quote for Reflection

All Christians, especially those of us in managerial or supervisory positions are called by God to represent Christ in our different vocations/careers, as shepherds of His flock. We should therefore remember that as Christ's representatives, "...the most valuable treasure God has entrusted a shepherd with, is His sheep. No sheep is perfect, but if the shepherd despises them or adopts a scornful outlook for them, then he has already begun his downward plunge into faith, which if he does not repent immediately, may eventually find himself turning against God who is our Good Shepherd." (Adelaja Sunday, n.d.)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK (May 7 - May 13)

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.	St. Andrew Settlement
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	5:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:30 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
	4:00 p.m.	AYF

**The next Church Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday
May 18, at 6:00 p.m.**

PARISH NEWS

Birthdays for this week: Yvonne Hall 07/05, Gail Lue Lim 08/05, Blossom Williams, Barbara Briggs and Brandon Mighty 09/05, Andron Findley 10/05, Lois Owen and Sean McDonald 12/05

The flowers at the foot of the altar are in loving memory of Cecil Bryan given by his daughter Thelma Senior and other members of the family.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered on May 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. All candidates are required to attend the retreat at Church of the Ascension, Mona on May 13 at 9:30 a.m.

SAPC Legal Advisory Service will be on Saturday, May 13, in the Old Court House from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

The annual St. Andrew Deanery Sunday School Festival is scheduled for **Sunday, May 21, 2017** at the Church of the Ascension, Mona, **beginning at 3:00 p.m.**

Parents and guardians are being encouraged to make arrangements to have their children/wards attend this wonderful event.

Transportation will leave St. Andrew Parish Church at 2:15 p.m. and return at 6:00 p.m.

For further information please contact the Sunday School Superintendent, Mrs. Jacqueline Mighty.

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

INFORMATION FOR THE CHURCH

Name: _____ M () F () Visitor

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone numbers: (H) _____ (W) _____ (Cell) _____

Date of Birth: Day _____ Month _____

Occupation _____ Ministry interest _____

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 7, 2017 - Year A

6:30 a.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST

First Reading	Acts 2: 42 - 47	John Lopez
Psalm 23 (BCP page 495)	Refrain: (All sit)	<i>“The Lord is my shepherd I shall, not be in want.”</i>
Epistle	1 Peter 2: 19 - 25	Hilary Phillips
Gospel	John 10: 1 - 10	
Prayer of Intercession	Page 4	

8:00 a.m.

SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

Processional	Easter people, raise your voices	
First Reading	Acts 2: 42 - 47	Berl Francis
Psalm 23	Hymn 476	
Epistle	1 Peter 2: 19 - 25	Neville Mills
Gradual	174	
Gospel	John 10: 1 - 10	
Sermon	Canon Serrano Kitson	
Prayer of Intercession	Page 4	
Offertory Hymn	469	
During Communion	583, 607, 664, [612]	
Sunday School	666	
2nd Collection	420	
Recessional	541	

10:30 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON

Processional	Easter people, raise your voices	
Venite	BCP page 36	
Psalm 23	BCP page 495	
First Reading	Acts 2: 42 - 47	
Benedictus	BCP page 40	
Second Reading	John 10: 1 - 10	
Hymn	174	
Sermon		
Offertory Hymn	469	
Recessional	541	

6:00 p.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST