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INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:

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

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Stewardship of Our Time

The concept of stewardship is common in biblical thought. It implies that humankind is responsible before God for the use of the created world, the social health of people, and the full development of each person's abilities for the building up of community. So then, this understanding of stewardship challenges us to see that our task is to discern God's plan for the created world and humankind, and to commit ourselves as members of the Church to become a part of the transformation which seeks to bring all things and all persons into conformity with that plan.

How we use our God given **time** and **talents** is as important as how we use our financial resources. This pertains not only to church, but to every waking hour of our lives. Every minute of every day is given to us by God. Do we use our time intentionally and fruitfully? Do we use it to build up God's kingdom? Every moment need not be a productive one. In fact, or busyness can cause us to forget God. Time spent sitting silently with someone in need, slowing down, and praying is time well spent. Sabbath time, a day or other designated time during which we refrain from work, can connect us to God who gives us all we need,

Some people are born with natural gifts of athleticism or intelligence. Others cultivate skills through years of instruction and practice. Some people are good listeners, others are good organizers. We all have abilities that, like our time, can be used for God's purposes. Saint Paul reminds us that we have different gifts: "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:4) Offer your gifts for service; do not hold back. Many congregations have various ministries for members to offer their time, talent, service and spiritual abilities for the purpose of indicating the presence of God's Kingdom. It is the Holy Spirit that gives us these abilities so that we may find joy in doing God's will as we continue the ministry of Jesus, which is the mission of God.

We extend a warm welcome to all those visiting with us today.

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Stewardship of Time, Talents and Spiritual Abilities

What does it mean that everything belongs to God?

- God made it, so therefore He has the right of ownership - Deut. 10:14
- Even our own selves belong to God - Ezekiel 18:4
- God doesn't owe anyone because He preexisted - Job 41:11

Remember that we come with nothing and leave with nothing. God owns everything which means - everything then, that we have in this life is simply loaned to us temporarily.

God has given you a portion of His things to manage for a while

1. Your life

- Each person is given different abilities - I Peter 4:10
- Each person has specialties - Romans 12:4-8

2. Your wealth

- God gave man dominion over His creation - Genesis 1:28
- Often we think that success comes from our hard effort. But the reality is quite different – Deut. 8:17-18.

There are many factors that go into success, some are beyond our control - eg. our health and God gives us the ability to work - Eccle. 5:18-20

God expects you to use the things He has given us for His service - Eccl. 12:13-14

With this gift comes the responsibility. Imagine owning a store and you hire a manager to run your business, you go on a vacation, what do you expect to find when you return?

That manager is a steward, he doesn't own the store. What he does benefits the owner, and the owner rightly expects to be benefitted in exchange for giving the manager a salary. A steward must be found faithful - I Corinthians 4:1-2

President: We pray for Christ Catholic and Apostolic Church and for every member of St. Andrew Parish Church.

Leader: Holy Father you have created all things and made us in your own image. We give you thanks and praise for all that you have given to us; the gifts of time, talent, and spiritual abilities for the work of ministry through your Church. We pray that we and all your people may witness to your love, grace and mercy. We pray for John, Archbishop; Howard, Diocesan Bishop; Robert and Leon, Suffragans; Serrano, Olando, Andrea, and all clergy and church workers. We pray to you O Lord,

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord of the Nations, we pray for the leaders of the world and for leaders of Jamaica. 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. We pray to you O Lord,

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We give you thanks for faithful stewardship, for all who care and share. May your church use its possessions aright, to the relief of the needy and to your praise and glory. Give us glad and generous hearts. Let us seek out and rescue the lost and the straying, protect the young and uplift any who are fallen

We pray to you O Lord,

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We remember any who have lost their journey through life, those who have lost their moral compass and spiritual values, all who are slaves to drugs or caught up in crime. We pray for third world countries, for a right use of the wealth and the resources of the earth. We remember all who are suffering from floods or drought. For all where the land is exhausted and crops are failing. We pray for our farmers and those who work in agriculture. We pray to you O Lord,

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We remember before you all whose lives are restricted.

We pray for the handicapped, the deaf, the dumb and the blind, for all whose lives are impaired through the cruelty or neglect of others. We pray for all who are in sickness. We pray that we may help where we can. We pray to you O Lord,

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, you open the gate of glory that we may see the joy before us. We give thanks for all who have triumphed over their limitations and now have life in all its fullness. We remember those who are gone to glory

Silence May Be Kept

O Lord our God, you call us in the depths of our being, you have a purpose for us: open our ears to your call, open our hearts to your love, open our minds to your purpose that we may know you and give ourselves fully in your service, Father, Son and Holy Spirit Amen.

VISIONING PRAYER

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**

Heron Wright
William Reeson
Gem Abrahams
Daphne Graham

Hugh Williams
Daphne Goodison
Noel McConnell
Cynthia Bonner

Jemima Austin
Elaine Small
Kathleen Taylor
Karlene Gordon

SICK AND SHUT - IN

Faith Formation and Christian Education

Did you know?

God is the chief shepherd, of the believer's soul, whom He rewards with the unfading crown of Christ's glory. God gladly gives believers such rewards, because of their faithfulness in caring for His people, as well as their commitment in seeking to do His will. (Witness Lee, *The Secret of God's Organic Salvation*, 1996).

Quote for Reflection

If you tell God 'no' because He won't explain the reason He wants you to do something, you are actually hindering His blessing. But when you say 'yes' to Him, all of heaven opens to pour out His goodness and reward your obedience. What matters more than material blessings, are the things He is teaching us in our spirit. (Charles Stanley, n.d.)

Question for Reflection

When you help others in life, do you do so in order to be rewarded by God or to receive praise from others?

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK (July 2 - 8)

The Church is open **Monday to Friday**
between **9 a.m. and 5 p.m.** for prayer

Monday	5:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	4:00 p.m.	Moreton Park
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion to the sick & shut-in (Clergy)
	5:30 p.m.	Property & Building
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	SAPC Choir Rehearsal
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

PARISH NEWS

Birthdays for this week: Melrose Reid 02/07, Georgia Hinds and Latanya Findley 03/07, Gloria Hobbins and Fay Duncan 04/07, and Jean King 05/07.

Congratulations to our curate Rev. Orlando Gayle who celebrates his first wedding anniversary today, July 2, 2017. He will be on leave for the month of July.

Ordination - Your prayers and support are requested for the ordination of Dwane Blackwood, Marjorie Downer and Natalie Blake to the Priesthood and Nina-Rae Barrett to the Diaconate today July 2 at 3:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Spanish Town.

There will be NO 6 p.m. Service TODAY and Next Sunday.

Clergy in Concert is back July 9 at 4:00pm at Karl Hendrickson Auditorium. Contribution \$1,500.

Pastoral Care & Counseling: for persons in Grief, Crisis & Trauma - Contact the Rector/Clergy staff for an appointment. 926-6692.

Summer Camp 2017 - Juniors July 14-21; Intermediates July 21-28 and Seniors Aug. 11-18. at our new camp site at Auchtembeddie. Registration deadline July 7, 14 and Aug. 4 respectively. Please make an effort to attend/sponsor a child to our Diocesan camps this year.

Summer Music Camp - Will be held at Christ Church, Vineyard Town, July 10 - 21, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. ages 6 to 11 years.

Prayer Requests - Please place your prayer requests in the box provided at the back. Including your name is optional.

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

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 2, 2017 - Year A Proper 8

6:30 a.m.

Old Testament
Psalm 13
(BCP page 482)
Epistle
Gospel
Homily
Prayer of Intercession

HOLY EUCHARIST

Genesis 22: 1 - 14 Robert Gregory
Refrain: (All sit) *“O Lord, my heart will rejoice
in your Salvation.. Alleluia”*
Romans 6: 12 - 23 Dawn Edwards-Taylor
Matthew 10: 40 - 42
Canon Sirrano Kitson
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8:00 a.m.

Processional
Old Testament
Psalm 13
(BCP page 482)
Epistle
Gradual (Sequence)
Gospel
Sermon
Prayer of Intercession
Offertory Hymn
During Communion
S.S
2nd Collection
Recessional

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(Corporate for the Church Committee)

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Genesis 22: 1 - 14 Michael Fennell
Refrain: (All sit) *“O Lord, my heart will rejoice
in your Salvation. Alleluia”*
Romans 6: 12 - 23 Twanya Smith-Sutherland
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Matthew 10: 40 - 42
Canon Sirrano Kitson
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10:30 a.m.

Processional
Venite
Psalm 13
First Lesson
Te Deum
Second Reading
Hymn
Sermon
Hymn
Recessional

MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON

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Genesis 22: 1 - 14
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Matthew 10: 40 - 42
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