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**INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:
A Call to Intentional Discipleship,
Sustained by the Holy Spirit**

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It was to the assembled disciples in the Upper Room that Jesus Christ appeared after His resurrection, not to a scattered and isolated flock. They had received the message that the tomb was empty and some had gone to verify what they had heard; the stone was rolled away, the burial clothing was in the same place and the Sepulcher was empty. Something brought the disciples and the women together to that place (the Upper Room) where Jesus had washed their feet and broken the bread of the Last Supper. "Deep within them, they knew that Jesus lived. One is not forgiven by a dead Lord, but by a living Lord" (Turning to Christ: Urban T. Holmes). To move from fear to belief, demands a willingness and an openness of the 'heart of the soul' to accept beyond any doubt that what is impossible for human beings (humanity), is always possible for God. It was on the basis of a transformed mind that Thomas who once doubted exclaimed, "My Lord and my God" (St. John 20:28).

The birth, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are the corner stone of what we believe and our witness to the world as Christians. These three acts of God, which are at the core of the gospels, shape our faith and anchor our identity in the incarnation, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The three creeds of the Church (The Apostles' Creed, The Nicene and The Saint Athanasius Creed) are an expression of the birth, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord. They give expression to the experience of the disciples and those who had not seen and yet believed that Jesus Christ is risen and He is Lord.

The presence of the risen Christ discloses to us the saving power of the awesome God, who is ever at work in and through our human frailty, brokenness, limitation, sin and a ruptured creation. Through the resurrection of Christ, humanity is reconciled, creation is renewed and the reality of **NEW LIFE** with God is available to us for eternity. This **NEW LIFE** which comes to us through the resurrection of Jesus and **BELIEF** that God raised Him from the dead is ours; **IF** we are re-born through repentance and by faith in God who raised the One who died to save us; Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

We extend a warm welcome to our visitors and friends who have come to experience our fellowship.

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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)

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
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
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 throng.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

All: *Hear our prayer*

Leader: We rejoice that You have called us to be sons and daughters of God. You have given us a faith that in you conquers all things. Bless, O Lord, all who are seeking to live by what they believe; all who long to hear your word and do Your will. We pray for all in their ministry and vocation, especially any going through a time of trial or testing. We pray for all pastors and those who have the care of Your people; we remember those who are spiritual directors and pastoral counsellors. We pray for the church, its mission and for the clergy, for Howard, Diocesan Bishop; Robert and Leon, Suffragan Bishops; Sirrano, Olando, Andrea and all church workers.

Lord of all creation

All: your will be done

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 all people.

Lord of all creation

All: your will be done

Leader: Guide all leaders in industry, agriculture and commerce; may the goods of this world be neither hoarded nor squandered. We pray that there may be a fairer distribution of wealth. We pray for all who are in the retail industry and for fair trade.

Lord of all creation

All: your will be done

Leader: Lord, we rejoice that You have called us to know You, You have called us to love You, You have called us to serve You. May we reveal our calling, love and service in all our dealings. We pray for planning officers, councillors and Civil Servants; give them wisdom and a sense of service. We pray for our own homes and our neighbourhood. Lord, bless and protect our families and loved ones.

Lord of all creation

All: your will be done

Leader: Lord of love, be a comfort to the sorrowing; be strength to the weak, give hope to all who are dying. We pray for all who have been injured this week, especially through accidents on our roads. We pray for all who have fallen into illness or disability and for those who can no longer cope on their own. We pray for the sick and shut-in ... We pray for their healing that each in their trouble may know your love and feel your presence.

Lord of all creation

All: your will be done

Leader: We look forward to the time when we shall see and know, when we shall know and love, when we shall love and enjoy You forever, and when we shall share with Your saints in glory. We remember our loved ones departed...

Lord of all creation

All: your will be done

Silence may be kept

ALL: Lord, as You have chosen us, empower and equip us; make us worthy of our calling, that we may reveal Your love and show forth Your glory; through Jesus Christ or Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit abides forever. Amen

Intentional Discipleship Prayer of the Diocese

Heavenly Father, we thank you that you have awakened Your Church to hear again, the call of our Saviour Jesus Christ to come to Him and learn from Him. Grant that as we say "Yes" to discipleship, your Holy Spirit will enable us so completely to commit all areas of our lives to His service, that in our personal, family and church lives, our work, recreational and social lives, we would act as Jesus would have acted if He were in our place; in His name and for His sake we pray. **Amen.**

SICK AND SHUT - IN

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| George Briggs | Heron Wright | Cecile Clare |
| Clement Powell | Joan Reader | Pauline Green |
| Donna Dias | Myrtle Gordon | Sheila Brown |
| Zenrine Lyons | Lucille Campbell | Ilene Thomas |

Kindly inform the Church Office when you become aware of members who are ill at home, in hospital, or absent from Church for a while.

Faith Formation and Christian Education

Did you know?

There are two main types of love in Scriptures. One is the main Greek word 'agape', the love of God, and is sometimes translated charity. [It is regarded as the highest form of love – the love that God has for all humanity and the love that humanity has for God.] The other is the Greek word 'phileo', having the meaning to be a friend. [Phileo love speaks of having affection, fondness and liking for others. It is a love which is considered to be brotherly and friendly.] The City of Philadelphia, for instance, means the city of brotherly love. (Jayner. S., *How to Read the Bible for Understanding and Power*, 2006)

Quote for Reflection

“Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.” (Mother Teresa, n.d.). Trust is implicit in love, but it’s not automatic when it comes to faith. We have to develop trust in God, to unite ourselves to His will, and serve Him as best we’re able. And when we talk about the need for us to love & trust God, let’s not forget that God’s love is infinite for the world. (*The Mystical Humanity of Christ*, 2018).

Question for Reflection

As a disciple of Jesus, how have you been living out the love with which you have been blessed?

Baptism, Wedding, Funeral and Spiritual direction by appointment with the Rector

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK May 6 - 12

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

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| Monday | 5:30 p.m. | Bible Study |
| Tuesday | 9:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist - Rogation Day II |
| | 5:30 p.m. | St. Andrew settlement |
| Wednesday | 6:30 a.m. | Holy Eucharist - Rogation Day III |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Holy Communion to sick and shut-in. (Clergy) |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Confirmation Class |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Care Center |
| Thursday | 5:30 p.m. | Ascension Day |
| | 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. | Youth Fellowship |

PARISH NEWS

Birthdays for this week: Vincent “Ricky” Powell, Michael Lawe and Karlene Ruddock 06/05, 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.

Condolence is extended to Dr. Jackie Wright-James, Mrs. Merton Wright and the rest of the Wright family on the passing of a dear relative Minette Brown. The funeral service for Claire Powell (Ricky’s mother) will be on Saturday 12th at 1:00 p.m. at Mamby Park Baptist Church.

Flowers at the foot of the altar are in loving memory of Cecil Bryan, given by his daughter Thelma Senior and the rest of the family.

May is child’s month and the theme this year is “**Train Up The Child**”. Children’s Sunday will be on May 20th at the 8:00 a.m. service

Intentional Discipleship Training will be held from June 15-17 for all congregational members.

Alpha Program - Wednesday May 9, at 5:30 p.m. in the Old Court House. Visit us on Facebook at St. Andrew Parish Church Alpha.

ST. A.P.C. Labour Day project this year focuses on, renovating the church, landscaping the Church grounds and painting the perimeter walls.

Healing Conference - May 25 - 27 at the Rose Hall Hotel.

The members of The Women’s Auxiliary wish to express their gratitude to all who supported their fund raising ‘Fish Fry’.

The Little Brothers are in dire need of help. They meet on Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Care Center. Interested persons please contact Dr. Minke Newman-McLaren.

STAPC Legal Advisory Service will meet in the courthouse on Saturday May 12 from 10:00 am to 12 noon.

Baptismal commitment for 2018

- 1. Intentional Discipleship**
- 2. Interior of Church - Painting and Carpeting**
- 3. Birthday Ingathering**
- 4. Men/Artists Perform for Christ July 22nd**

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES BEGIN AT 5:30p.m.
as of April 1, 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 6, 2018 - Year B

A Call to Intentional Discipleship, Sustained by the Holy Spirit

6:30 a.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST

First Lesson Acts 10:44 - 48 Michael Fennell

Psalm 98 BCP page 596

Refrain: “*Sing to the Lord a new song. Alleluia, alleluia.*”

Epistle 1 John 5:1 - 6 Hyacinth Hall

Gospel John 15: 9 - 17

Prayer of Intercession Page 4

8:00 a.m.

SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

Processional 166

First Lesson Acts 10:44 - 48 Joseph Clarke

Psalm 98 BCP page 596 **Chanted** (All stand)

Epistle 1 John 5:1 - 6 Sandra Watson

Gradual (Sequence) 459 (Children leave for Sunday School)

Acclamation: Alleluia! alleluia! The Lord God almighty reigns, let us rejoice
and sing, and give him glory, all the glory. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel John 15: 9 - 17

Sermon Canon Sirrano Kitson

Intercession page 4

Offertory Hymn 254

During Communion 594, 531, 577

Sunday School 658

2nd Collection 342

Recessional Easter people, raise your voices

10:30 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON

Processional 166

Venite BCP page 36

Psalm 98 BCP page 596

Refrain: “*Sing to the Lord a new song. Alleluia!, Alleluia!*”

First Reading Acts 10:44 - 48

Benedictus BCP page 40

Second Reading John 15: 9 - 17

Hymn 459

Sermon Joey James

Offertory Hymn 254

Recessional Easter people, raise your voices

5:30 p.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST