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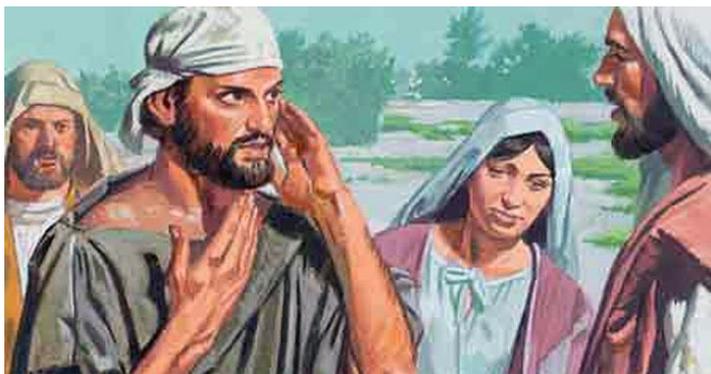
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INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:

***A Call to Intentional Discipleship,
Sustained by the Holy Spirit***

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The invasion of Chick V (Chickengunea) transmitted by male mosquitoes penetrated the body of many of us. This resulted in much pain and impairment of our health as this virus attacked and inflamed many organs, muscles, cells and joints of our bodies. So many people would like to get rid of this affliction and many other diseases which assail and impair our health, including cancer, diabetes and hypertension. Although medicine does help, it may not restore us to sound health. However, for the Christian, the Physician of souls provides the medicine for the healing of body, mind and spirit. "And they went out, and preached that men should repent. They cast out many evil spirits, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them". (Mark 6:12-13). According to the gospel, Jesus gave the disciples power to heal and to preach as He did as they used oil to anoint the sick.

This practice of Anointing with Oil has remained a sacramental rite of the Church. As the sign of the cross is made upon the person's forehead with prayer, the oil used is a tangible and visible means of conveying the power and presence of God's grace to make us whole in body, mind and spirit. In this act the intention is for "the will of God to meet us at our point of need through Jesus Christ and to make a healing and transforming difference through that meeting" (*Roy Lawrence, "The practice of Christian Healing"*). We are all in need of healing at the point of our need known and unknown and what we truly need is known by God. Healing and wholeness is God's ministry to us; it is God's grace working in us according to God's timeframe and not ours. God's intention is to redeem and transform us so that beyond death we can see His Light face to face.

Do we feel the need to ask God to make us whole? This question was asked by Jesus in John 5:6 to the man lying at the pool at the Sheep Gate. It was after thirty years that he was ready to put aside his excuses, quit blaming others and was ready to accept and to be healed by the power of Jesus. The Good News of God's grace enables us to know that we are unconditionally loved by God that helps us to feel a sense of worth. To make excuses and to blame our past or situation, or emotional hurt will only continue to frustrate us and make us toxic. God is committed to being with us in each experience, every emotion, thought, attitude and behavior to heal and make us whole. It is in this way that our choices and decisions can be sound and facilitate our wellbeing, health and gives us peace.

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

O Christ, the healer, we have come

1 O Christ, the healer, we have come
to pray for health, to plead for friends.
How can we fail to be restored,
when reached by love that never
ends?

2 From every ailment flesh endures
our bodies clamor to be freed;
yet in our hearts we would confess
that wholeness is our deepest need.

3 How strong, O Lord, are our de-
sires,
how weak our knowledge of our-
selves!
Release in us those healing truths
unconscious pride resists or shelves.

4 In conflicts that destroy our
health,
we diagnose the world's disease;
our common life declares our ills:
is there no cure, O Christ, for these?

5 Grant that we all, made one in faith,
in your community may find
the wholeness that, enriching us,
shall reach the whole of humankind.

What is Inner Healing

The idea behind inner healing is simply that we can ask Jesus Christ to walk back to the time we were hurt and to free us from the effects of that wound in the present. This involves two things then:

1. **Bringing to light** the things that have hurt us. Usually this is best done with another person; even the talking out of the problem is in itself a healing process.
2. **Praying** the Lord to heal the binding effects of the hurtful incidents of the past.

The basic idea of inner healing is simply this: that Jesus, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever, can take the memories of our past and

- 1) **Heal** them from the wounds that still remain and affect our present lives;
- 2) **Fill with his love** all these places in us that have been empty for so long, once they have been healed and drained of the poison of past hurts and resentment.

(Healing -Francis MacNutt)

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: We give you thanks and praise for your life-giving and life-extending love. May your church help others to extend their lives and rejoice in your world. We pray for all who are working for the justice and freedom of captives, for all who seek to bring food to the hungry and comfort to the lonely. Lord, as you raise us up, help us to lift others out of their troubles. We pray for the church's mission for all Christians to witness to the faith of Jesus. We pray for Howard, Diocesan Bishop; Robert and Leon, Suffragan Bishops; Serrano, Mark, Craig, Andrea and all other clergy and church workers.

Lord in you mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the Nations, 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.

Lord in you mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the members of the Industrial Dispute Tribunal. We remember all workers in the Public and Private Sectors. We pray for all who have laboured in vain, all whose work has been frustrating and all whose work or livelihood has been destroyed. We pray for the unemployed, the homeless the destitute and the vulnerable.

Lord in you mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: God, strengthen the bonds of community where we live; direct all who have dealings with community groups or the care of individuals. We pray for all who feel isolated or cut off from others. We pray for our own homes and loved ones, for all children taken into care.

Lord in you mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for all who have difficulty in communicating with others, those with hearing and speech difficulties, and the visually impaired. We remember all who are mentally ill or severely physically disabled. We pray for those caring for children with autism or adults with learning difficulties. We give thanks for those who have been restored to good health. And, we pray for all who are finding their lives restricted through illness.

Lord in you mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Blessed are you, Lord our God, you have opened for us the kingdom of heaven. We remember before you the whole company of saints, and pray for our loved ones departed.

Lord in you mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Silence may be kept

All: Lord, open our lives to your goodness. Open our eyes to your presence. Open our ears to your call. Open our hearts to your love. Open our lips to your praises. Open us to your glory. 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

Barry Soares -Priest	Reva Williams	Millicent Williams
Alton Tulloch - Priest	Heron Wright	Paul Brown
Tony Martin - Priest	Keith Dickson	Enid McFarlane
George Briggs	Clifford Strudwick	Linda Mahon
Phyllis Brown	Dede Welsh	Fay Jenkinson

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.

Did you know?

It is at the Maundy Thursday Service, our Bishops consecrate Oils to be used for Anointing at Baptism, (OC) the Infirm, Confirmation and Ordination (SC). This oil of the Infirm (OI) is used by the Priest for the laying on of hands and anointing for our healing and to make us whole.

Quote for Reflection

Inner healing is indicated whenever we become aware that we are held down in any way by the hurts of the past. We all suffer from this kind of bondage to one degree or another, some severely, some minimally. Any unreasonable fear, anxiety, or compulsion caused by patterns built up in the past can be broken by prayer, provided the person is also doing his best to discipline his life in a Christian way. (**Healing-** Francis MacNutt)

Question for Reflection: What are our expectations as we pray for healing?

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

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK Sept. 9 - Sept. 15
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
	5:30 p.m.	Home for Girls
	5:30 p.m.	St. Andrew Settlement
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion to the sick & shut-in (Clergy)
	3:45 p.m.	Care Center
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	SAPC Choir Rehearsal
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist - Holy Cross
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: Pauline Fairclough, Marina Payne, Kristen Hunt and Terrence Forrester 09/09, Hilary Marsh 10/9, Penelope Morgan, Zadhia Tulloch, Vaneter Mott and Tanya McKenzie-Marley 11/09, Myrtle Gordon 12/09, Beverley Lawrence, Gay Mitchell and Kareen Scott 13/09 and Cynthia Cooper, Sharon Williamson, Justin Seaton, Jackie Wright-James and Pierre-Anthony Leake 15/09.

Congratulations to Clio Whittingham (a shut-in) who celebrated her 99th birthday on September 1.

Congratulations to Horace and Mable Marsh who will be celebrating their 48th wedding Anniversary on the 12th.

Condolence is extended to Fontain & Ethan Jones on the passing of their uncle Erwin Jones. The funeral service for Linnet Allen will be on Saturday 15, at 9:30 a.m..

Confirmation class will begin on September 12 at 5:30 p.m.

A Retreat for Lay Readers and Chalice Bearers will be on Saturday, September 29 at 9:00 a.m.

Tickets are now available for “Men Perform for Christ” - Date: September 30, 2018 **at** St. Andrew Parish Church Hall, Ellesmere Road.
Time: 5:00 pm. **Performers:** Fab 5, Ken Boothe, Boris Gardener, Wayne Marshall, Dwight Pickney, Nicholas Laraque, Michael Abrahams and more.
Tickets: \$2,500 adults; children: \$500.

The Parish Planning Retreat will be on Saturday, November 3, 2018.

The Harvest Supper will be on November 16. The Committee is inviting members and their families to utilize advertising space in the 2018 Harvest Supper Magazine. Tickets are now available at a cost of \$1,600.

Baptismal commitment for 2018

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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 9, 2018 - Year B; Proper 18

A Call to Intentional Discipleship, Sustained by the Holy Spirit

6:30 a.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST

Old Testament

Proverbs 22:1 - 2, 8 - 9, 22 - 23 Deryke Smith

Psalm 125

Refrain: (All sit) *"The Lord stands about His people
for evermore. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia"*

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Epistle

James 2:1 - 10, 14 - 17 Jennifer Goodison

Gospel

Mark 7:24 - 37

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8:00 a.m.

SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

(Revival Mass Setting)

Processional

360

Old Testament

Proverbs 22:1 - 2, 8 - 9, 22 - 23 William Reeson

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James 2:1 - 10, 14 - 17 Suzanne Harris-Henry

Gradual

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Gospel

Mark 7:24 - 37

Sermon

Rev. Mark Jones

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Intercession

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Offertory Hymn

730

During Communion

840, 587, 627.

Sunday School

Recessional

373

10:30 a.m.

CONTEMPORARY MORNING PRAYER

5:30 p.m.

EVENING PRAYER

Readings for Sept. 16, 2018 :Proverbs 1:20-33, Psalm 19, James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38