

**Diocese of Jamaica & The Cayman Islands**  
**St. Andrew Parish Church**  
Patron Saint Andrew the Apostle



*“Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return”*

**SOLEMN MASS**  
**AND IMPOSITION OF ASHES**

8.00 A.M.

**ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2020**

**Rector/Curate:** Revd. Canon Serrano Kitson, D.Min  
**Assistant Curate:** Revd. Fr. Mark Jones  
**Assistant Clergy:** Revd. Fr. Craig Mears  
**Supplementary Clergy:** Rev. Deacon Claude Campbell  
**Church Army:** Sister Andrea Taylor-Smith

**Music:** St. Andrew Parish Church Choir  
**Organist/Choir Director:** Audley Davidson

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*Our worship is guided by The Ash Wednesday Liturgy BCP page 208*

*The congregation stands as the choir and ministers enter in silence.*

**Introit Hymn:** 143 Praise to the Holiest in the height  
*(The Altar is incensed)*

*Opening Sentence & Introductions* BCP page 208

*The Collect for Purity* BCP page 208

## KYRIE

Cantor: Look around you....

**Response: Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison Kyrie Eleison,**

**THE COLLECTS** BCP page 209

## THE READINGS

**First Reading:** Joel: 2:1-2, 12-17

**Psalm:** 103:8-14 (BCP page 601)

**Refrain:**

*The Lord is compassion and love; Slow to anger and rich in mercy.*

**Second Reading:** 2 Corinthians 5: 20b - 6:10

**Sequence Hymn:** 491 What a friend we have in Jesus

To be sung *before the Gospel*

*Father, we love you, We worship and adore you,*

*Glorify thy name in all the earth.*

*Glorify thy name, Glorify thy name,*

*Glorify thy name in all the earth*

**The Gospel:** Matthew 6:1-6,16-21

*After the Gospel* Jesus we love you....

**Homily:** Rev. Natalie Blake

**Invitation and imposition of Ashes**      BCP page 210

*During the Imposition of Ashes* the following Psalms are to be read:  
Psalms: 32, 34, 42, 43, 62, 130, 142, Choir Motet

*After the Imposition of Ashes the choir and Congregation shall sing the Litany*

**Then follows the Litany of penitence**      BCP      **page. 217 - 219**

**THE PEACE**      BCP      page.213

### **OFFERING OF THE EUCHARISTIC SACRIFICE**

**Offertory Hymn:** 457 O love, how deep! How broad! How high!

Prayers over the gifts      BCP      page.126

Sursum Corda

Sanctus & Benedictus      page.131

Eucharistic Rite

The Breaking of Bread

Agnus Dei      BCP 147

The Invitation

Communion of the Faithful

Hymns during communion:      601, 119, 549, 120, 552,

*Silence*

**Post Communion Prayer**      BCP page 148

Celebrant: *Bow your heads for God's blessing.*

**People: Amen**

Welcome & Notices

Recessional Hymn: 114      Forty days and forty nights

## **ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECT**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **ASH WEDNESDAY EXORTATION**

Dear friends in Christ, every year at the time of the Christian Passover we celebrate our redemption through the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to renew our life in the paschal mystery. We begin this holy season by remembering our need for repentance, and for the mercy, forgiveness and grace proclaimed in the Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

We begin our journey to Easter with the sign of ashes, an ancient sign, speaking of the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and marking the penitence of the community as a whole. Let us ask God our Father to bless these ashes to become a symbol of our intention. They have been made from the palms with which we greeted Christ our King with joy last Palm Sunday. They are a sign that we intend to prepare ourselves with penitence for Easter. BCP, page 210

## **INTENTIONAL DISCIPLESHIP PRAYER**

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.**

## QUIET MORNING

10:15 - 12:00 NOON

Hymn & Prayer

*The Lenten Disciplines for Renewal*

*Presentation and Discussion*

*(If you have to talk, outside of the discussions, please leave the church building. The clergy will be available to anyone who wishes to converse.)*

## DEVOTIONS

11:45 a.m. - 12 noon

Hymn 120

Reading

The Apostles' Creed  
Suffrages and Prayers  
Prayers for the Church

The Blessing

Hymn 124

## Ash Wednesday Study 2020 - Anglican Discipleship

Anglican disciples share the rich heritage of Celtic and Latin (Catholic) Churches, the Protestant Reformation, English Pietism, and the global mission movements of recent centuries. As Anglicans live Jesus-shaped lives in today's world they reflect the inclusive nature of God's Kingdom.

### Our Story

*A man moved into a new house. In the garden was an apple tree, but the fruit on the tree was so small that he assumed it was a 'crab apple' tree, not a tree whose fruit is good to eat. A friend visited him, and as they sat in the garden the owner of the new house expressed his disappointment that the tree was not going to give him any fruit; that it was the wrong sort of tree. 'It isn't a crab apple tree,' his friend replied. 'It is an apple tree. But it has never been pruned.' So that winter the man pruned his tree. The following summer it produced a magnificent harvest.*

### Questions for Getting Started

1. Can you think of times in your life when you have had to be pruned?
2. Have there been times when you have had to give things up, stop and start again, or change your priorities in order that your life might bear fruit?
  - (b) How did it feel?
  - (c) Who did the pruning?
3. How did it make a difference?

### Reading Luke 6.43–49

Jesus uses the example of a good tree bearing good fruit and of a wise builder digging firm foundations. He says that we will be known by our fruit and that the house built on rock will be able to stand firm even when the storms come.

### Discussion

There really isn't anything about Anglican discipleship that makes it very different from being a disciple in any Christian community, though Anglicans have always placed a great emphasis on thinking

and reasoning about our faith. However, there is one thing that is distinctively Anglican that makes a big difference to our lives as disciples of Jesus. It is the Five Marks of Mission.

**The Five Marks of Mission are:**

- 1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom.**
- 2. To teach, baptize, and nurture new believers.**
- 3. To respond to human need by loving service.**
- 4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind, and pursue peace and reconciliation.**
- 5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.**

The Five Marks of Mission describe what it looks like for a Christian community to participate in the mission of God. But they can also be the marks of an individual life that is shaped by Christ: a Jesus-shaped life. They are the roots and the foundations of what it is to live as a disciple of Jesus. The Five Marks of Mission can also be summed up in five helpful words which are at the very heart of being an Anglican disciple:

**Tell · Teach · Tend · Transform · Treasure**

This also leads to some helpful questions about how we live as Anglican disciples today. In your context in your part of the Anglican Communion how can we:

- Tell others about Jesus and why He is important to Christians?
- Teach others about God and pass on the stories of the Bible?
- Tend those in need and look after ourselves and others?
- Transform the world for one person and make a difference?
- Treasure the world we live in and preserve it for others?

Spend some time discussing these questions in twos and threes and then share your ideas with the whole group.

**Going Deeper**

Living a Jesus-shaped life according to the Five Marks of Mission will mean:

- Every Christian knowing that they are called to be a witness to Christ in their daily life;
- Every Christian being able to give a reason for the hope that is

- c. Every Christian being a good neighbour in their community and active in meeting the needs of those who are poor and disadvantaged by acts of mercy, loving service and by charitable giving;
- d. Every Christian being committed to building a better future for the world by active involvement in transforming their family, their neighbourhood, their community, and their nation; recognizing their inter-dependence across the world; and belonging to each other in ways that transcend the world's usual boundaries of nationality, colour and class;
- e. Every Christian caring for the environment, locally and globally, and developing ways of living that do not exhaust or exploit God's creation.

Jesus says that 'It is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks' (Luke 6.45). Our hearts will be full to overflowing when we pay attention to the foundations of the Christian life; when we put down roots. Then our hearts will be filled with the goodness, the values, the desires and the abundance of Christ, and it will bear fruit. It will bear fruit in the words we say, in the things we do, and, ultimately, in the communities we build. They will become God's kingdom on earth.

### **Questions for Discussion**

1. Which of the Five Marks of Mission are the most challenging for you personally?
2. Which seems the most relevant to your life? Your church? Your nation?
3. What differences would you expect to see if these Marks of Mission shaped the lives of Jesus' followers today?

As you prepare to leave, take a few minutes to write down one action you can take this coming week to live out one or more of these Five Marks of Mission. What might you need to prune in order for this to bear fruit?