# PARISH NEWS

**Birthdays for this week:** Fred Robertson 12/04, Shera Grant-Clarke, Andrea Michaels and Loicrine Jones 13/04, Owen Streete 14/04 Thelma Senior 15/04, Fr. Kitson and Daci-Ann Brown 17/04, Grace Phillips, Jermaine Gordon, Sherika Blake-Findley and Shanakay Smith 18/04,

**Congratulations to** Pearl Stern who is celebrating her 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Congratulations to** Clive and Melanie Tapper who is celebrating their 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Financial support for your Church** - Although we are facing challenging times, the Church still needs your regular subscriptions/offerings to maintain daily operations such as utility bills, security, salaries, etc. Kindly use the following means to support our church so that we can maintain financial viability in these testing times. We would like to thank all those who have contributed to the support of the ministry of our church.

#### Electronic payment instruction JAMAICAN DOLLARS

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Beneficiary Name:	St. Andrew Parish Church	
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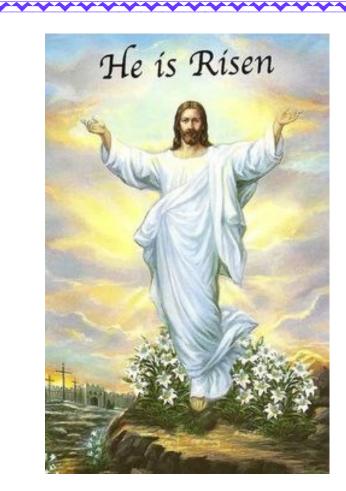
Please note that debit/credit card payments can be done at the Church Office during Office hours. A sealed container, manned by security, will also be available in the Fellowship Court for those who choose to give via their envelopes.

# Connecting to the streaming link

### https://www.facebook.com/sapcjamaica.

- 1. Click on the link above
- 2. On the page that says St. Andrew Parish Church, scroll down until you see Live video
- 3. Click on Live and you are on.

If you receive the link via WhatsApp follow the same as above. You can also connect via laptop or computer. You do not need a Facebook account to get on



# Diocese of Jamaica & The Cayman Islands ST. ANDREW PARISH CHURCH

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#### **Rector's Message**

April 12, 2020

Easter this year for us, will be remembered for a very long time, as its celebration will be through the use of technology. The 'new normal' marked by curfew, social distance and staying at home, has impacted our ability to gather in large numbers to sing the Pascha nostrum; "Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us: so let us celebrate the feast," and our Easter Hymns, "Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia" and "The day of resurrection!" Despite the limitations of our situation, the celebration of our faith will not be diminished by Covid 19, rather our faith in God who raised Jesus is the reason for our continued celebration from year to year. "The risen Christ makes life a continual festival, a festival without end." Saint Athanasius.

Our yearly celebration, of the Christian Passover, is a proclamation of God's persistent action to deliver us from the grasp of death and anything that seeks to subject us to death. "he has burst his three days prison; let the whole wide earth rejoice. Death is conquered man is free," (CPWI 187). This mighty action of God, who raised Jesus, transmits an eternal message of defeat to anything that seeks to separate us from God's love and presence. In the resurrection of Jesus, we share in God's mission and passion to raise humanity from death and despair to **new life** and hope. There are many forms of death in the midst of daily life. There is the domestic death of those who are abused and see no way out of their situation. There is the social death of those who are trapped in the socio-economic structures that keep them dependent on welfare and handouts. It is the risen Christ who suffers with us and for us, who is our companion and our liberator.

The resurrection faith lives, and is sustained by the One who raised Jesus and shows power in our resistance to evil and sin. In this faith there is the gift of eternal life to all who believe and trust in God's ability to free us from sin and defeat death. "Easter is a feast and is celebrated as a feast of freedom. For Easter is the beginning of the laughter of freedom and the dance of the liberated." (Experiences of God, Jurgen Moltmonn). We celebrate Easter; the Pascal Mystery, as a people who have encountered the risen Christ, especially through those situations in which we have been rescued from the darkness of anguish, fear, frustration and grief to experience the joy and peace of His presence.

It is through the resurrection that we have **new life** and a movement towards a new beginning, which for us will be experienced at the end of Covid19. It will be the start of a whole new type of relating and relationship in community and family, not marked by social distance, rather there'll be togetherness sustained by the fellowship and power of the Holy Spirit.

We welcome His Grace the Most Rev. Howard Gregory who is our celebrant and preacher, and to all members and online visitors a Holy Easter.

#### AnthemHallelujahG. F Handel

#### Welcome & Notices

Recessional Hymn: 180 The day of resurrection!

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad; the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God. From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory. 2 Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light; and listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain, his own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

**3** Now let the heavens be joyful! and earth her song begin! the round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein! Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend, for Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

# The Dismissal

Celebrant:Alleluia Christ is risen!People:The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!Celebrant:Go in peace and serve the Lord.People:In the name of Christ. Amen

#### SICK AND SHUT-IN

Egbert Robertson (Priest)	Heron Wright	Allune Mullings
Ernle Gordon (Priest)	Ellonia Gordon	Clio Whittingham
Alton Tulloch (Priest)	Joan Reader	Fay Jenkinson
Vincent Lawrence	Jean King	Fred Robertson

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.

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Then the Ministers and People may greet each other in the name of the Lord.

### THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

### Offertory Hymn: 183 Thine be the glory

1. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay. Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son, Endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won.

2. Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the Church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing; for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting. Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son, Endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won.

**3.** No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love: bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son, Endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won.

### President & People:

God of life and health, accept the offering of your holy people and grant that he who is baptized into Christ may be perfected in your salvation, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

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### The Blessing

### 8:00 a.m.. - SOLEMN EUCHARIST & SERMON

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 187 He is risen (Edom)

1. He is risen, he is risen! Tell it out with joyful voice: He has burst his three days' prison; Let the whole wide earth rejoice: Death is conquered, man is free, Christ has won the victory.

2. Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted, With glad smile and radiant brow! Lent's long shadows have departed; All his woes are over now, And the passion that he bore -Sin and pain can vex no more. **3.** Come, with high and holy hymning, Chant our Lord's triumphant day; Not one darksome cloud is dimming Yonder glorious morning ray, Braking o'er the purple east Brighter far our Easter-feast.

4. He is risen, he is risen! He hath opened heaven's gate: We are free from sin's dark prison, Risen to a holier state; And a brighter Easter beam On our longing eyes shall stream.

# **Easter Acclamation**

Celebrant:	Alleluia! Christ the Lord is risen indeed:
<b>People:</b>	Come, let us adore Him, Alleluia!
Celebrant: <b>People:</b>	+Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ He has given us new life and hope! He has raised Jesus from the dead!
Celebrant: <b>People:</b>	God has claimed us as his own: He has brought us out of darkness! He has made us light to the world!
Celebrant:	Alleluia! Christ the Morning Star has risen:
<b>People:</b>	He is alive and reigns for ever and ever. Alleluia!

### **The Collect For Purity**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Canticle: Glory to God on high - Tune Moscow

1. Glory to God on high! Let heav'n and earth reply. Praise ye his name. His love and grace adore, Who all our sorrows bore. Sing aloud evermore: Worthy the Lamb! 2. Jesus, our Lord and God, Bore sin's tremendous load. Praise ye his name. Tell what his arm has done, What spoils from death he won. Sing his great name alone: Worthy the Lamb!

**3.** Let all the hosts above Join in one song of love, Praising his name. To him ascribed be Honor and majesty Thru all eternity: Worthy the Lamb!

#### THE COLLECT FOR EASTER DAY

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts 10: 34 - 43

Pascha Nostrum: Christ Our Passover (Old setting)

Christ our Passover is sacri | ficed for us: \*therefore | let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven, neither with leaven of | malice and wickedness; \*but with the unleavened bread of sin | cerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead | dieth  $\cdot$  no more; \*death hath no more do | minion over Him.

For in that he died, he died unto | sin once: \*but in that he liveth, he | liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead in | deed unto sin, \*but alive unto God through | Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ is risen | from the dead, \*and become the | first-fruits of | them that slept.

For since by | man came death, \*by man came also the resur | rection of the dead. For as in Adam | all die, \*even so in Christ shall | all be made alive.

Glory be to the Father, and | to the Son, \*and | to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever shall be, \* world without | end. Amen.

#### Second Reading Colossians 3: 1 - 4

The following acclamation is sung before and after the Gospel

He is Lord, He is Lord. He is risen from the dead and He is Lord, Every knee shall bow and every tongue confess, that Jesus Christ is Lord.

The Gospel John 20: 1-18

#### The Sermon Most Rev. Howard Gregory

### **The Prayers**

#### 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.

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**The aspersion with Holy Water** *During the sprinkling of the people with Holy Water the following shall be sung:* **Wonderful grace** 

Wonderful grace	Washes away the stain
That gives what I don't deserve,	That once covered me.
Pays me what Christ has earned	
Then lets me go free.	Refrain:
Wonderful grace	And all that I have, I lay at the feet
That gives me the time to change,	Of the wonderful Saviour Who loves
	me.

### THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant: *Alleluia! Christ is Risen, seek the things that are above* **People: Where Christ is seated at the right hand of God Alleluia**