

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 30, 2020 - Year A Proper 17

**A Call to Intentional Discipleship**  
**Keep the Faith & Bear the Fruit of the Spirit**

### 6:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST

O.T. Lesson	Exodus 3: 1 - 15 Faith Harker
Psalm 105: 1-6, 23-26, 45 (BCP page 608)	<b>Refrain</b> "Let us make known the wonderful works of the Lord among the people. <i>Alleluia</i> "
Epistle	Romans 12 : 9 - 21 Demitri Smith-Wint
Gospel	Matthew 16: 21 - 28
Intercession	Form B. Page 107

### 8:00 a.m. SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

Processional	379 Praise him, praise him!
O.T. Lesson	Exodus 3: 1 - 15 Steve Ferguson
Psalm 105: 1-6, 23-26, 45 Page 608	<b>Chanted All stand</b>
Epistle	Romans 12: 9 - 21 Valda Ormsby
Gradual	429 Who would true valour see,
Gospel	Matthew 16: 21 - 28
Sermon	Rev. Canon Michael Allen
The Nicene Creed	Page 104
Intercession	Form H page 120
Offertory Hymn	418 I'm pressing on the upward way;
During Communion	451, 461
Recessional	618 Sent forth by God's blessing,

**Connecting to the streaming link for 8:00 a.m. Service**

**<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.
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### **Chapel of Ease:**

**St. Thomas - Majesty Gardens 10:30 a.m. and St. Clement's - Kencot 10:30 a.m.**



### **INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:**

**A Call to Intentional Discipleship,  
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### **CLERGY**

Rector/Curate	Rev. Canon Sirrano Kitson, D. Min.
Assistant Clergy	Rev. Fr. Craig Mears
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**The Rector is out of Office on Mondays**

We live in a world where the dominant culture states that our worth is dependent on what we accumulate and achieve. This places on us a lot of pressure as we pursue a performance based type of living. There is also a culture that defines success as possessing wealth, receiving recognition, social status and promotes the dominant views of a capitalist system. A system that rewards the survival of the fittest and its culture is grounded on the notion that, "you are as valuable as our popularity, success, status, or social recognition," as a means to live a fulfilling life. Unfortunately, many Christians embrace these values that are contrary to the sacred values of the Kingdom of God, as described in the Beatitudes of Matthew chapter five verses three to eleven (Matt. 5:3-11). According to the Gospels, Jesus admired those who lived a lifestyle of self-giving and self-sacrifice, as they work for justice and with a heart of charity for the "least of these".

These are the people who pour out their lives in humble service, and seek to promote God's agenda and purpose, which is, to advocate for the welfare of the "least of these"; the poor, the defenseless, the vulnerable, the destitute, the social outcast and lepers of society. "As you did it to one of the least of these, you have done it to me" (Matt. 25: 40). The structures and systems that create and perpetuate the social conditions of the "least of these" must be our priority as the people of God. What quality health care can they access and afford, in a system that places the need for dialysis outside their reach? There is the political economy that continues to reward the few and underdeveloped the majority, made up of employees, labourers and minimum wage workers. The level of poverty in our society is an issue of social justice, as it is the socioeconomic policies over the decades that made many of us "hewers of wood and drawers of water." It is Jesus who champions the issues and conditions of the "least of these," and who has given to His disciples the mandate to do as He did. "Follow Me."

Jesus invites us to sit at His table where all are fed especially the "least of these" and nothing that we need is scarce. This is the Lord's Table, located within the household of God's economy and gives us daily bread, provides the breath we breathe, vitamin D through sunlight, rainfall to quench our thirst for water and the word of life to satisfy our soul's desire. In this economy of God's Kingdom, there is equity for all and no one is denied justice, peace reigns and all are embraced and accepted with unconditional love. These are not vain promises that cannot be achieved in half a decade, rather they are God's provision for us each day and for our health, our well-being and welfare.

We extend a warm welcome to Rev. Canon Michael Allen and to all our visitors, congregants and children who are worshipping with us today and online.

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**Birthdays for this week:** Michelle Neita and Timothy Kitson 30/08, Albert Mighty, Carole Willis and Jason Jones 31/8, Rema Buckley 1/09, Winsome Leon 02/09, Jhulan Bowie, Janice Thomas and Patricia Spence 03/09, Terri-Ann Richardson-James and Rohan Scott 04/09.

**Congratulations to** Rema Watt (Shut in) who celebrated her 97<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 20<sup>th</sup> and Clio Whittingham (Shut in) who will be celebrating her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday on September 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.

**Condolence is extended to** Mable Marsh and family on the passing of her husband Justice Horace Marsh .

### SICK AND SHUT - IN

Egbert Robertson (Priest)	Juliet Gordon	Nancy Baugh
Ernie Gordon (Priest)	Daja Samuels	Jean King
Alton Tulloch (Priest)	Verona Solomon	Joan Reader
Heron Wright	Myrtle White	Glory Robertson

**We express thanks to our members who continue to give sacrificially to ensure that the ministry and mission of the church are sustained as we continue to witness and minister in these challenging times.**

**Please note electronic transfer to the Church's Account can be made through members banking facility. (St. Andrew Parish Church, NCB Half-Way-Tree A/C # 301045077).**

### ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK August 30 - Sept. 5

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

Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Sunday	7:00 a.m.	SAPC Choir Rehearsal

**Readings for September 6, 2020 : Exodus 12: 1 - 14, Psalm 149, Romans 13: 8 - 14, Matthew 18: 15 - 20.**