# PARISH NEWS

**Birthdays for this week:** Maxine Hutchinson and Patrice White 04/04, Eurith Martin, Lisa Johnston and Douglas Folkes 05/04, Deaconess Esmin Peters, Lilith Jean Ottey and Patrick Casserly 06/04, Fr. David "Tony" Reid 07/04, Archdeacon Edmund Davis and Nicole Urquart-Edwards 08/04, Joyce Coke, Jordan Seaton and Millicent Fagan 09/04, and Stacey James 10/04

**Condolence is extended to** The Hon. Chief Justice Zaila McCalla (Ret'd) on the passing of her husband William. To Michael Harewood and family on the passing of his mother Mazeline Harewood. Also to Loyle Herdsman and family on the passing of her husband Maurice

**The Synod of our Diocese** takes place this coming week April 6-9, 2021. There will be an elective Assembly on Wednesday, April 7, to elect a new Suffragan Bishop of Kingston. Thereafter the business of Synod will continue. Please keep this event in your prayers.

The Bazaar Committee has decided to do an "Online Bazaar" due to the current situation with Covid-19 at a date to be announced.

The following are programmes hosted by the Diocese:

- Diocesan Sunday School 10:00 a.m. (www.youtube.com)
- Think on these things. Radio Jamaica Broadcast at 4:45 p.m.
- Diocesan Sunday Service repeated on Love FM at 6:00 p.m.

THERE WILL BE NO MID-WEEK SERVICE UNTIL FURTHER ADVISED.

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).

### <u>Connecting to the streaming link</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/sapcjamaica</u>.

- 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

The service can also be viewed on YouTube.

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

Patron Saint Andrew The Apostle Rector / Curate Revd. Canon Sirrano Kitson, D. Min. Assistant Priest: Revd. Fr. Craig Mears Supplementary Clergy: Revd. Deacon Claude Campbell Church Army: Sis. Andrea Taylor-Smith

April 4, 2021 9:00 a.m.

Easter Message 2021

April 4, 2021

### Excerpt of Archbishop's Easter Message

#### **Theme: God of New Futures**

The God of new futures is never absent from those human experiences which seem to be characterized by hopelessness, grief and death itself. So, according to St. John in chapter 20 of his gospel, the new future begins to be revealed in the presence of angels, messengers of God, who thereby signify that God is present and at work in the situation, though not recognized for who they are by Mary at the time, and so she questions them regarding the absent body of the dead Jesus. She then becomes aware of a third presence, which she assumes is the gardener, and whose first words of exchange with her are words of compassion and comfort, "Why are you weeping?" Mary again draws attention to her primary concern, the body of the dead Jesus that she perceives to be missing.

At this point the risen Jesus addresses her by name, "Mary". All that wells up in her as she hears her name and recognized the risen Jesus, we will never know, the best we can do is cite the words given in the text, "she cried out, "Teacher", as an act of mutual recognition. Jesus speaks to her, revealing something of the nature of his resurrected state and the future which it holds for his disciples, and then she receives a message for the disciples and leaves in obedience to that mission.

Many of us come to this Easter in this time of the COVID-19 pandemic weeping for one reason or another, something which is true not only for us as Jamaicans but across the world from the images which are beamed across our televisions on a daily basis. For those who weep this Easter or are distressed and burdened for one reason or another, there is the invitation to encounter the God of new futures who was active by the tomb of Jesus, when all seemed hopeless and defined by death, and perhaps in the process we may hear the risen Christ calling us by name, but also assuring us of victory over the situations that speak of hopelessness and death to us, and the finality of death itself.

As we come to Easter this year, I believe that some further words from biblical scholar Walter Brueggemann may shed some additional light on where we may locate our celebration as a people of faith. The resurrection of Jesus is the ultimate energizing for the new future. The wrenching of Friday had left only the despair of Saturday (Luke 24:21) and there was no reason to expect Sunday after that Friday. There is not any way to explain the resurrection out of the previously existing reality. The resurrection can only be received and affirmed and celebrated as the new action of God whose province it is to create new futures for people and to let them be amazed in the midst of despair.

Have a blessed Easter!

#### Most Rev. Dr. Howard Gregory.

Archbishop of the West Indies and Bishop of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands.

### Welcome & Notices

Recessional Hymn: 180 The day of resurrection

1. 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 God 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!
<b>People:</b>	The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!
Celebrant:	Go in peace and serve the Lord.
<b>People:</b>	In the name of Christ. Amen.

### SICK AND SHUT-IN

Egbert Robertson	(Priest)	Heron Wright	Kathleen Taylor
Alton Tulloch	(Priest)	Joscelyn Richards	Sybil Thompson
Leroy Johnson	(Priest)	Una Hinds	Craig Francis
Ralph "Jim" Parkes	(Priest)	Steven Williamson	Fred Keith 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.

Readings for April 11, 2021: Acts 4:32-35, Psalm 133,1 John 1:1-2:2 John 20:19-31

### 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 nought 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. All Amen.

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## 9:00 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.

Introit: This Joyful Eastertide The Choir

## **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 worthilv magnify your Holv Name, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Canticle: Glory to God on high - Tune Darwall's 148<sup>th</sup>

 Glory to God on high! and peace to all on earth.
We worship you, we give you thanks, our Heavenly King.
We give you praise, almighty God and Farther
Blest in glory bright. 2. Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, The Father's only Son, The sacrificial lamb, who saves the World from sin, Have mercy Lord. Beside the Father's hand enthroned, now hear our prayer.

3. You only are the Lord.You only are most high.You only are the holy one,Lord Jesus Christ.And now you reignWith Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.

### 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 1 Corinthians 15:1 - 11

Gradual: 171 Good Christian men rejoice and sing

The following acclamation is sung before and after the Gospel Alleluia(x10)

The Gospel: John 20: 1-18

The Sermon: Most Rev. Dr. 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 That gives what I don't deserve, Pays me what Christ has earned Then lets me go free. Wonderful grace That gives me the time to change, Washes away the stain That once covered me.

**Refrain:** And all that I have, I lay at the feet 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** 

Celebrant: *The peace of the risen Christ be with you!* **People:** And also with you.