

## PARISH NEWS

We welcome all visitors to our worship and fellowship

**Birthdays for this week:** Dorothy Smith, Winnifred Johnson, Merlene Hamilton and Shanalee Cawley 21/04, Yvonne Murdock 22/04, Bishop Dr. Howard Gregory, Cynthia Smith, Suzette Dennis-Austin 23/04, Viveen Morrison 24/04, Rev. Edward Jennings, Rev. Owen Lambert, Rev. Derrick Martin, Sister Andrea Taylor-Smith, Alex Henry and John Soas 26/04.

**Belated Birthday Greetings** to Pearl Stern who was 108 on the 18th.

**Condolence is extended** to Daryan Pallas and Patricia Spence on the passing of their relative in New York.

**Flowers at the foot of the Altar** is in loving memory of Marcia Goodall, given by Audley, Judith, and Brian. **The arrangement in the Choir Stall** in memory of the choristers.

**The 154th Synod of our Diocese** will be from 22 - 25 April. The theme will be "New Wine Skin, Conveys Hope and Channels of Healing". Pray for the Synod of the Church, BCP page 79 no. 15.

**The Women's Auxiliary** will be having their annual 'Fish-Fry' lunch on Friday 25th April, from 11:00am. to 2:30pm. Escoveitch Fish, Steam Fish, BBQ Chicken and Curried Goat. Cost \$2,500.

**There will be NO mid-week services this week.**

**A Book Written** by Alvaro Casserly named "Jamaica 50 yrs of Progress" is now on sale at a cost of \$5,000.

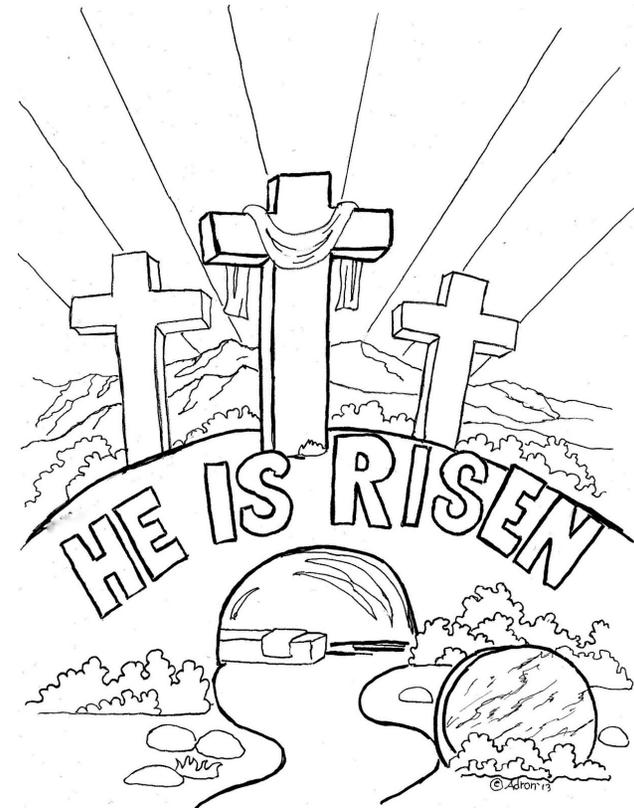
**Please support our Dorcas Basket/Tuesday Charity Ministry -** Gifts of **all** kinds, especially **bun and cheese**, will be appreciated for May.

### WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR...

Percival Lynch	(Priest)	Myrtle White	Linda Mahon
Gloria Moodie		Elesia Blackburn	Daphne Martin
Margaret Newman		Margaret Green	Mavis Bogle
Delano Fields		Ilene Henry	Daphne Whitely

**Readings for April 27, 2025: Acts 5:27 - 32, Psalm 118:14 - 29 or 150, Revelation 1:4 - 8; John 20:19-31.**

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



*Patron Saint Andrew The Apostle*

Rector /Curate The Very Revd. Canon Serrano Kitson, D. Min.

Supplementary Clergy: Revd. Claude Campbell

April 20, 2025 8:00 a.m.

## Part 1 of The Bishop's Easter Message

### Change and Renewal

The call for change has always been part of the human cry in history, especially by the oppressed, the enslaved and the underprivileged. The early disciples initially followed Jesus in the hope that their personal ambitions would be fulfilled and the political situation in Israel would change. They may even have expected Jesus to lead a coup that would topple the imperial power of Rome, establish a new regime, and restore their sovereignty as a nation with the twelve having ministerial responsibilities.

Jesus was in the business of change, albeit, not in the way that his followers anticipated. He called for the renewal of the human heart and mind. There is a cry for change, for renewal, for us to do things differently in our congregations. We all must be willing to change if we are to keep pace and be relevant to the times. However, I sometimes wonder what is meant by the call for change and renewal, and whether we are able to identify the major difference between both concepts.

Circumstances can force us to change but we may not, along with the change, experience a personal renewal. We can go with the flow to survive with no genuine change of mind or heart. External changes, as we have seen, do not necessarily lead to a change of the human heart and mind. Renewal, for me, speaks of a regeneration, a recommitment to a purpose.

One may conclude from the gospels that though the disciples journeyed with Jesus, for the better part of three and half years, they did not appreciate his message of change. It was the experience of the risen Lord that had profound effect on their lives and changed them forever. They were renewed in Christ, and this was seen in their proclamation, their lifestyle individually and corporately as the Body of Christ.

The Rt. Rev. Leon Golding  
Suffragan Bishop, Montego Bay  
Canonical Administrator  
Bishop-Elect  
Diocese of Jamaica & The Cayman Islands

Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine –  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand:  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Post Communion Prayer

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### The Blessing

#### *Welcome & Notices*

**Recessional Hymn: 172** Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia,  
our triumphant holy day, alleluia,  
who did once, upon the cross, alleluia,  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia,  
unto Christ, our heavenly King, alleluia,  
who endured the cross and grave, alleluia,  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
3. But the pains that he endured, alleluia,  
our salvation have procured; alleluia,  
now above the sky he's King, alleluia,  
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

### 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**

**170 God sent his son (Because he lives)**

1. God sent his Son, they called him Jesus;  
he came to love, heal, and forgive;  
he lived and died to buy my pardon,  
an empty grave is there to prove my Saviour lives.

**Refrain**

*Because he lives I can face tomorrow;  
because he lives all fear is gone;  
because I know he holds the future,  
and life is worth the living just because he lives.*

2. How sweet to hold a newborn baby,  
and feel the pride, and joy he gives;  
but greater still the calm assurance,  
this child can face uncertain days because he lives. **R**

3. And then one day I'll cross the river;  
I'll fight life's final war with pain:  
and then as death gives way to victory,  
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he lives. **R**

**In Christ alone my hope is found**

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save:  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied –  
For every sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain:  
Then bursting forth in glorious day

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**PROCESSIONAL 187 . He is risen, he is risen!**

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.

3. Come, with high and holy hymning,  
hail our Lord's triumphant day;  
not one darksome cloud is dimming  
yonder glorious morning ray,  
breaking o'er the purple east,  
symbol of our Easter feast.

2. Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,  
with glad smile and radiant brow!  
Lent's long shadows have departed;  
Jesus' woes are over now,  
and the passion that he bore--  
sin and pain can vex no more.

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.

**Introit: Easter Anthem - Christ our Passover**

Christ our Passover is sacrificed 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 sincerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead | dieth · no more;

\*death hath no more dominion 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 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 resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam | all die,

\*even so in Christ shall | all be made alive.

**The Easter Acclamation**

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ the Lord is risen indeed:

**People: Come, let us adore Him, Alleluia!**

Celebrant: +Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
**People: He has given us New Life and Hope! He has raised Jesus from the dead! Alleluia!**

Celebrant: We proclaim the resurrection to the New Life of the Kingdom of God.

**People: Through Baptism we are inheritors of God' Kingdom. Alleluia**

Celebrant: **Alleluia!** God has claimed us as his own:

**People: He has brought us out of darkness! He has made us light to the world! Alleluia!**

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ the Morning Star has risen:

**People: He is alive and reigns for ever and ever. Amen 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.*

### Gloria in Excelsis Traditional Revival

#### Refrain:

*Glory to Massa Gad Oh!*

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*And peace to God's people,*

*God's people pon di earth*

*Glory to God on high!*

1. Lord God heav'nly king  
Mighty God and Father  
We worship you  
Praise and thanks to you. **R**

2. Lord Jesus Christ  
Son and Lamb of God  
All sin you remove,  
Have mercy and hear wi cry. **R**

3. You are the Holy One  
You are Lord, most High  
With the Holy Spirit,  
Glory be to you. **R**

### THE COLLECT FOR EASTER DAY

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**First Reading** Acts 10: 34 - 43 (Edwin Wint 6:30) Daniel Sutherland

**Psalms 118 Paraphrased** - all sit

**R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
for his mercy endures forever.  
Let the house of Israel say,

### Fraction Anthem

*Cantor or Choir*

***Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread***

#### Refrain:

***Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread***

1. The bread which we break, alleluia,  
is the communion of the body of Christ. **R**

2. One body are we, alleluia,  
for though many we share one bread. **R**

### The Invitation Form B

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**President:** The gifts of God for the people of God

**All: Our souls will feast and be satisfied and we will sing glad songs of praise to him.**

### Hymns during Communion:

**Hymn 182** The strife is o'er, the battle done

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

1. The strife is o'er, the battle done;  
Now is the Victor's triumph won;  
O let the song of praise be sung.  
*Alleluia!*

2. Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,  
And Jesus hath His foes dispersed;  
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.  
*Alleluia!*

3. On the third morn He rose again  
Glorious in majesty to reign;  
Oh, let us swell the joyful strain!  
Alleluia!

4. Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee.  
From death's dread sting Thy servants free  
That we may live and sing to Thee.  
*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**PRESIDENT:** Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith

**All:** **Christ has died. Alleluia**  
**Christ is risen. Alleluia**  
**Christ will come again. Alleluia**  
**Amen! Amen! Amen!**

**PRESIDENT....** In songs of everlasting praise:

**All:** **Blessing and honour. Alleluia**  
**and glory and power. Alleluia**  
**be yours for ever and ever. Alleluia. Amen**

**PRESIDENT:** As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray

**Our Father** *Traditional Revival*

Our father, who art in Zion  
*Hallowed, be thy name*

Thy Kingdom come on earth, thy will be done on earth  
*Hallowed, be thy name*

Give us this day O Lord, our daily Bread.  
*Hallowed, be thy name*

Forgive our sins we pray, as we forgive others  
*Hallowed, be thy name*

And lead us not O lord, into temptation  
*Hallowed, be thy name*

Deliver us O Lord, from every evil  
*Hallowed, be thy name*

For thine the kingdom, the pow'r and glory  
*Hallowed, be thy name*

Amen, amen, amen; amen it shall be so  
*Hallowed, be thy name*

## THE COMMUNION

**Breaking of Bread**

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President: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

**All: Though we are many we are one body because we all share in one bread.**

"His mercy endures forever."

**R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

"The right hand of the Lord has struck with power;  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted.  
I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the Lord."

**R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.  
By the Lord has this been done;  
it is wonderful in our eyes.

**R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 15:19 - 26 (Jennifer Goodison) Rachel Kitson

**Gradual:** 177 Low in the grave he lay

1. Low in the grave he lay, Jesus, my Saviour; waiting the coming day, Jesus, my Lord.	2. Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus, my Saviour; Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus, my Lord. <i>R</i>
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*Refrain*

*Up from the grave he arose,  
with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;  
he arose a victor from the dark domain,  
and he lives for ever with his saints to reign:  
he arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!*

3. Death cannot keep his prey,  
Jesus, my Saviour,  
he tore the bars away,  
Jesus, my Lord. *R*

*The Alleluia is sung before and after the Gospel*

**The Gospel:** John 20: 1 - 18

**The Sermon:** The Very Rev. Canon Sirrano Kitson

**The Prayers Of Intercession**

**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.**

**The aspersion with Holy Water**

*During the sprinkling of the people with Holy Water the following shall be sung:*

**Wonderful grace**

**1.** 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.

**2.** Wonderful love  
That held in the face of death  
Breathed in its final breath  
Forgiveness for me  
Wonderful love  
Whose power can break every chain  
Giving us life again  
Setting us free. **R**

**Refrain:**  
**And all that I am**  
**I lay at the feet**  
**Of the wonderful Saviour**  
**Who loves me.**

**3.** Wonderful power  
My Lord risen from the dead  
Forging the way ahead  
With new eyes I see  
Wonderful power  
A new life for me to claim  
Jesus the Saviour reigns  
And His pow'r holds me. **R**

**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.**

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS**

**Anthem:** Come proclaim the victory Arr. Joseph M. Martin

**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. **Amen.**

**PRESIDENT:** The Lord be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**

**PRESIDENT:** Lift up your hearts.  
**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**PRESIDENT:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**PRESIDENT:**  
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-  
where to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and  
archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever  
sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

**Sanctus** *Traditional Revival*

Holy, holy, holy, holy Lord      Blessed is He who comes  
Lord God of pow'r,              In the precious name of the Lord  
pow'r and might              Hosanna upon high,  
Heav'n and earth are full,      Hosanna upon high  
oh of your glory              Blessed is He who comes.  
Holy, holy, holy, holy Lord.