

PARISH NEWS

We welcome all visitors to our worship and fellowship

Birthdays for this week: Eurith Martin, Lisa Johnston, Douglas Folkes, Lilith Jean Ottey, Fr. David “Tony” Reid, Nona Lindo, Nicole Urquart-Edwards, Jordan Seaton, Stacey James, Rev. Ralph “Jim” Parkes.

Condolence is extended to Franklyn Johnston and family on the passing of his son Xesus Teape Johnston and to the family of Herbert Grant.

Flowers at the foot of the Altar are in loving memory of Merle Thomas from her children and grand-children.

The 155th Synod of the Diocese will be from April 7 - 10 via Zoom. Pray for the Synod, (BCP page 79 no. 15 and 16) . The Opening Service will be at 3:30pm at The Cathedral, Spanish Town.

Clergy exchange will be on April 12, 2026

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

Deanery Day will be at St. Luke’s on the 26 of April at 9:00 a.m.

The Women’s Auxiliary will be having their annual ‘Fish-Fry’ lunch on Friday 17th April, from 11:00am. to 2:30pm. Cost \$3,000.

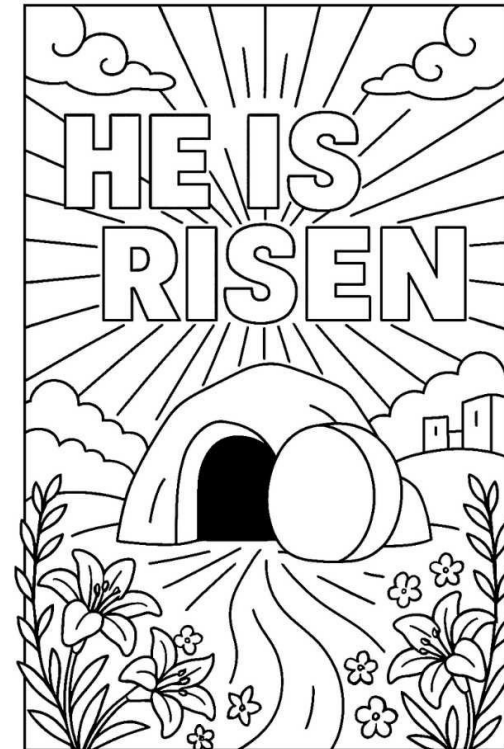
Please support our Dorcas Basket/Tuesday Charity Ministry - Gifts of all kinds, especially toiletries and non-perishables.

WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR...

Alvin Stone (Priest)	Horace Creary	Muriel Smith
Percival Lynch (Priest)	Cynthia McFarlane	Emily Hemmings
Joshua Slack	Frederick Green	Pauline Christie
Kingsley Goodison	Dana Harris	Loyle Herdsman

Readings for April 12, 2026: Acts 2:14a, 22 - 32, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1:3 - 9, John 20: 19 - 31.

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



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Patron Saint Andrew The Apostle

April 5, 2026 8:00 a.m.

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

Supplementary Clergy: Revd. Fr. Claude Campbell

Choir: St Andrew Church
Organist & Choirmaster: Audley Davidson

Part 1 of the Bishop's Easter Message

Jesus lives...now what?

We arrive again at that point in the church's liturgical year, Easter Sunday, when we heighten our celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a time of alleluias, bright colours, joyful music, and gorgeous flowers. However, our celebrations should not stop with our decorations and shouts of praise.

The resurrection is about our salvation, being set free from sin and the hope of eternal life in Christ. In many congregations on the first Sunday of Easter, members will be invited to affirm their commitment to Christ in renewing their baptismal vows. Through this act, we promise to be steadfast in the mission of Christ by resisting evil, seeking justice and loving our neighbour.

(See the Easter Vigil, CPWI pages 264-267)

A central feature of the post-resurrection stories is that the risen Christ, before his ascension, summons the disciples to be active in his name. Across the Gospels, Christ consistently sends his followers outward. In Matthew, Jesus charged his disciples, in the words of the Great Commission, to make disciples of all nations (28:19). In Mark, his message is "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation." (16:15). The risen Christ tells them in Luke that they are witnesses to the events that took place. (24: 47-48) In John's account, Jesus declares, "As the Father has sent me so I send you." (20:21) There is a clear and strong emphasis for the disciples to continue the work of engaging the world in the name of Christ. In every account, the appearance of the risen Christ leads to responsibility.

The Rt. Rev. Leon Golding
Bishop, of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands

3. Lives again our glorious King;
where, O death, is now thy sting?
Dying once, he all doth save;
where thy victory, O grave?

4. Soar we now where Christ has led,
following our exalted Head;
made like him, like him we rise;
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

5. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!
praise to thee by both be given:
thee we greet triumphant now;
hail, the resurrection thou!

Post Communion Affirmation

**The Risen Jesus Christ abides with us to grow in the faith
Jesus Christ, Son of God, make yourself known to me;
Jesus Christ, Son of God, make yourself known through me;
Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, speak through me to others.
Lord renew the Church beginning with me.**

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Hallelujah Chorus *Fr. Messiah G.F. Handel The choir*

Welcome & Notices

Recessional Hymn: 172 Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia! (all stand)

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

Oh Lamb of God, oh Lamb of God
You take away the sin of the world
Have mercy pon wi soul
(Repeat)

Oh Lamb of God, oh Lamb of God
You take away the sin of the world
Grant us peace .

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 Holy Communion:

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**

Christians, shout for joy and gladness *J.S. Bach arr. Alan Bullard*

173 Love's redeeming work is done

1. Love's redeeming work is done;
fought the fight, the battle won:
lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er,
lo, he sets in blood no more.

2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ has burst the gates of hell;
death in vain forbids his rise;
Christ has opened paradise.

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

Processional: 168 Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem (all stand)

1. Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem,
cleave the skies with shouts of praise;
sing to him who found the ransom,
Ancient of eternal days,
God of God, the Word Incarnate,
whom the heaven of heaven obeys.

4. High on yon celestial mountains
stands his gem-built throne, all bright,
midst unending alleluias
bursting from the sons of light;
Zion's people tell his praises,
Victor after hard-won fight.

2. Ere he raised the lofty mountains,
formed the seas, or built the sky,
love eternal, free and boundless,
moved the Lord of life to die,
foreordained the Prince of princes
for the throne of Calvary.

5. Bring your harps, and bring your
incense,
sweep the string and pour the lay;
let the earth proclaim his wonders,
King of that celestial day;
he the lamb once slain is worthy,
who was dead, and lives for aye.

3. There, for us and our redemption,
see him all his lifeblood pour,
there he wins our full salvation,
dies that we may die no more;
then, arising, lives for ever,
reigning where he was before.

6. Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
consubstantial, co-eternal,
while unending ages run.

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 of Jesus for 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 Evans/Clarke*

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 (*Deryke Smith 6:30*) Dwayne McKenzie

Canticle - Christ our Passover (all stand)

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 | certy and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead | dieth · 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.

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.

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.

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 everywhere 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* *Evans/Clarke*

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.	

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.

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 with our end. Amen

Second Reading Colossians 3:1 - 4 (*Karen Buchanan 6:30*) Lisa Campbell

Gradual: 177 Low in the grave he lay (all stand)

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. R
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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.

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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

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

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| 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 |
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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

Offertory Hymns: 187 He is risen, he is risen!

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| 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. |

In Christ alone my hope is found

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| 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
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. | |