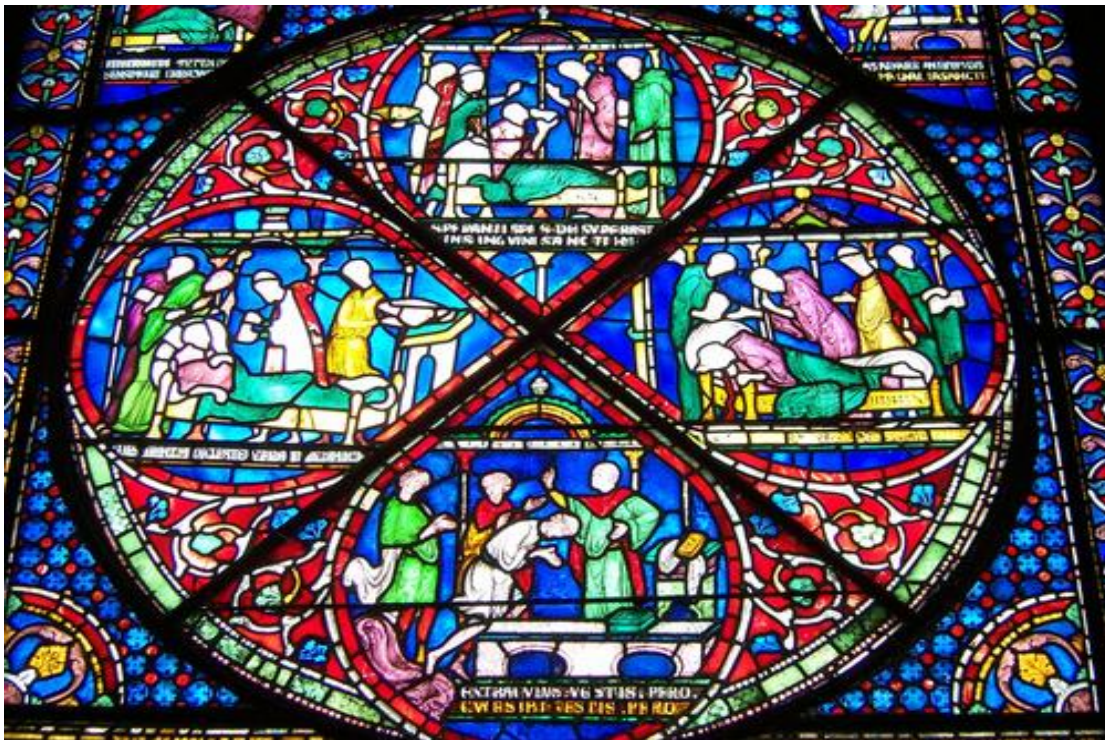


**THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
MEADOWBROOK/MERRIVALE CURE OF THE
DIOCESE OF JAMAICA IN THE PROVINCE OF
THE WEST INDIES**

**MINUTES, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS
2020
FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ANNUAL CONGREGATION
MEETING
SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021**



**MRS. YVONNE JOHNSON-REID
MR. GILROY GRAHAM**

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**RECTOR'S WARDEN
PEOPLE'S WARDEN**

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Congregational Meeting and Election of Officers of the Church of St John the Evangelist will be held on Sunday, January 17, 2021, immediately after Mass

AGENDA

1. Meeting call to order
2. Prayers
3. Welcome
4. Remembrance of members who have died in 2020
5. Apologies for Absence
6. Corrections and Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held January 19, 2020
7. Matters arising from the Minutes
8. Election of Members to the Church Committee
9. Reports:
 - 1 Church Committee
 - 2 Treasurer's Report
 - 3 Ecclesiastical Returns
 - 4 Reports circulated from Committees/ Groups
 1. Fundraising
 2. Outreach
 3. Communication
 4. Choir
 5. Sunday school
 6. AYF
 7. Mothers' Union
 8. Women's Auxiliary
 9. Altar Guild
 10. Men's Group
 11. Building and Maintenance
 12. Fellowship Groups
10. New Business: Diary of Events
11. Chairperson's Closing remarks and Grace

**MINUTES OF THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST (SJE)
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (ACM)
HELD ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2020
@ 9:15 AM IN SJE CHURCH HALL**

PRESENT:

<i>Table 1: Attendees to SJE AGM 2020</i>	
NAMES	
1. Bishop Rt. Rev. Robert Thompson	29. Seymour Watson
2. Mrs. Charmaine Thompson	30. Vastina Welcome
3. Pamela Ballantyne	31. Audrey Campbell Wharfe
4. Audley Betton	32. Michael White
5. Faith Bertram	33. Ostensia Williams
6. Dianne Brooks	34. Carolyn Young
7. Pansy Chatto	35. Denzie Nelson
8. Davlyn Dewar	36. Milton Wright
9. Wendy Ducasse	37. Brittini McFarlane
10. Grace Lawrence	38. Eda March
11. Simone M. Lloyd	39. Ashleigh Chatto Britto
12. Danielle Matheson	40. Diana Burke
13. Sydnia Matheson	41. David Richards
14. Beverley McDonald	42. Kevin Campbell
15. Molby McKay	43. Craig Campbell
16. Claudette McKenzie	44. Carva Crawford
17. Rocquella Taylor	45. Hermine Price
18. Sonja Nugent	46. Geraldine Graham
19. Adelaide Pinnock	47. Jhawn Graham
20. Karen Pinnock	48. Selena Tapper
21. Molly Pinnock	49. Helen McIntosh
22. Sharon Powell	50. Chevanese Morais
23. Yvonne Johnson Reid	51. Una Whitely
24. Flora Bryant	52. Victoria Ramgolam
25. Cecile Russell	53. Hervin Ramgolam
26. Melvin Carey	54. Jolan Walker
27. Gilroy Graham	55. Hazel Greaves
28. C.N. Powell	

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Bishop Rt. Rev. Robert Thompson called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m., and extended warm greetings to all who were present. The Bishop shared that this would have been his last congregation meeting with us, as he would be retiring as Bishop of Kingston in September 2020. He expressed gratitude for the support received from us over the decades.

2. PRAYER

Opening prayer was offered by Bishop Rt. Rev. Robert Thompson.

3. REMEMBRANCE OF MEMBERS WHO DIED IN 2019

Special tribute via a period of silence and reflection was observed for the following members of the church who died in 2019:

- Acynthia Reid
- Angelle Thompson
- Vincent Chung

4. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of the following members:

- Susan Brodber
- Yvonne Ennis

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Congregational meeting which was held on January 13, 2019 was tabled. The following amendments were tabled:

- a) Pg. 2, Section 5: "Apoption of Minutes" should read "Adoption of Minutes"
- b) Pg. 3, Section 7A, second line in table at the top: a space should occur between "yearend" to reflect "year end".
- c) Pg. 5, Table, 1st row, 1st column: "December 10, 2017", should read "December 9, 2018".
- d) Pg. 5, Table, 3rd row, 1st column: "November, 2017" should read "November, 2018"
- e) Pg. 6, 1st Table, 2nd row, 2nd column: "December 16, 2017" should read "December 15, 2018".

The minutes were accepted by Ms. Simone Lloyd and seconded by Ms. Wendy Ducasse.

6. ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE 2020 CHURCH COMMITTEE

Eleven (11) members were previously nominated via congregation decision. They included (*Table 2*):

Table 2: Previously Nominated Members for New Church Committee 2020

Nominated Members
a. Yvonne Johnson Reid
b. Claudette McKenzie
c. Faith Bertram
d. Simone Lloyd
e. Gilroy Graham
f. Vermont Samuda

Nominated Members	
g.	Sydnia Matheson
h.	Helen McIntosh
i.	Craig Campbell
j.	Davlyn Dewar
k.	Audrey Campbell-Wharfe

Bishop Thompson invited additional nominations from the attending members. He then nominated Mrs. Ashleigh Chatto Britto.

The Bishop acknowledged receiving a letter from Mrs. Hermine Price, relinquishing her post as Rector’s Warden and indicated not desiring to be re-elected given her new Provincial Mother’s Union duties and related demands.

Additionally, Bishop Thompson acknowledged and approved the previous request received for Mrs. Faith Bertram to serve again on the church committee, given that she has served over five (5) consecutive years.

The nominated election scrutineers included: Messers C.N. Powell and Hervin Ramgolam.

Ms. Simone Lloyd was the only nomination received for Synod Representative. This was the first post confirmed.

Given election procedures undertaken, the following nine (9) members were elected to serve on the 2020 church committee (*Table 3*):

Table 3: Finalized Elected Members to New Church Committee 2020

Newly Elected Members	Category
a. Yvonne Johnson Reid	Returning
b. Claudette McKenzie	New
c. Faith Bertram	Returning
d. Simone Lloyd (<i>Synod Representative</i>)	Returning
e. Gilroy Graham	New
f. Sydnia Matheson	Returning
g. Helen McIntosh	New
h. Davlyn Dewar	Returning
i. Ashleigh Chatto Britto	New

Bishop Thompson encouraged us to find communicant members who have not been active for some time. He charged that this is our responsibility to check on them and invite them back to church. He indicated that both baptized and non-communicant members need to be examined. These would include: a) communicant members on elector’s role b) non-participatory communicant members c) baptized non-communicants and d) transfers.

Mrs. Pamela Ballantyne recommended that all the members of the 2019 Church Committee stand and be recognized for their hard work and dedication. Bishop Thompson endorsed this move. The congregation then offered a round of applause.

7. PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Sharon Powell tabled the Financial Report for the year ending December 31, 2019. Below is a brief summary (*Tables 4 & 5*):

Table 4: Summary of Financial Report 2019

ITEM	DETAILS
TOTAL INCOME	\$8,840,990
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$8,871,662
MISSION SHARE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frozen Account • Balance at Sept. 2019 • Assessment - 2019 • Payments - 2019 • Rebate on 2018 Mission Share • Provisional for 2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$9,046,639 \$7,144,384 (<i>Dec. balance not yet available</i>) \$2,477,438 \$3,006,000 \$168,700 \$3,551,230
MORTGAGE	Payments totalling \$466,439 were made to the Cure representing St. John's contribution for the four quarters of the year. The mortgage is scheduled to end at year end 2020.
INSURANCE	The required amount of \$77,685.00 for 2020 insurance (church building and hall) was paid to the Anglican Church Insurance Fund (ACIF) at Church House. A further \$29,125 will be paid to General Accident Insurance Co. Ltd. for coverage of contents (pews and organ) in January 2020.
ACCOUNT BALANCE	The cash balance as at December 31, 2019 was not yet available. Bank balance as at December 31, 2019 was \$1,177,632.

Table 5: Special / Miscellaneous Income & Expenditure 2019

Miscellaneous Income for Specific Purposes	Amount
Bahamas Hurricane Relief	\$63,000
Withdrawal from Sustentation Reserve Fund (SRF) to facilitate church floor resurfacing	\$700,000
Contribution from members to church floor resurfacing	\$18,000
Total	\$781,000

Bishop Thompson expressed serious concern of our indebtedness of \$16.18 million (frozen account of \$9,046,639 and balance of \$7,144,384). He noted that the overall indebtedness of congregations was around \$300 million to the Diocese.

Bishop Thompson indicated concern, as we should not have had an 18% increase in Mission Share, as most of our income remained the same. He indicated that we could receive relief from the Mission Share Assessment and so requested to see a copy of the annual report before it goes to Church House. He stated that fundraising activities need to be treated carefully. Eg. Fundraising for paying mortgage, maintenance, frozen A/C etc. can be utilized to claim relief on these amounts. He recommended that a representative attend the Mission Share related workshops organized by the Diocese to better fill out the Mission Share Forms.

Bishop Thompson recommended that a group of persons meet with the Synod representative and frame a resolution regarding the Mission Share. He said we should consult the Keucher Report to assist with preparing the resolution. This report was prepared by Rev. Gerald W. Keucher in 2015, after being invited by the Rt. Rev. Howard Gregory, Bishop of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands, to visit Jamaica and to make recommendations on various challenges facing the Anglican Church. Bishop Thompson recommended that we consult Rev. Keucher's recommendations regarding Indebtedness and Mission Share towards justifying a proposed new resolution. The draft resolution should be shared with Bishop Thompson for feedback, before submission to the Synod Secretary.

Ms. Lloyd, the re-elected Synod representative, advised Bishop Thompson that another resolution involving the use of geographic information systems (GIS) technologies to address Diocesan issues will be drafted, as per initial discussions held during the 2019 Synod session.

Mr. White indicated concern and recommended that an income and expenditure sheet be prepared to be able to see the assets and liabilities of our church. He requested to see a detailed copy of the church's financials. Ms. Powell indicated that such reports are prepared for submission to Church House but not usually for Annual Congregational Meetings (ACM). He also recommended that the minutes and all reports be shared at least one week ahead of ACM each year to facilitate enough time for reading, review and provision of feedback. Mrs. Price then encouraged group leaders to submit their reports early enough to facilitate collation and provision to the congregation one week early.

Ms. Powell thanked the congregation and committee for their support. Ms. Selena Tapper thanked Ms. Powell on behalf of the congregation for her hard work and dedication and for transforming the financial management of the church.

B. FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT 2019

Ms. Wendy Ducasse delivered the reports on the fundraising activities executed during the period. These primarily included: Musical Rhapsody, Pre-Harvest Fish Fry and Rally of the Patriarchs and Monarchs.

i) Musical Rhapsody

The Musical Rhapsody 2019 Live Concert was held June 30, 2019 at the Courtleigh Auditorium, New Kingston. The show featured eight (8) artists, backed by Desi Jones & the Skool Band, with master of ceremonies – Mr. Dervan Malcolm. The following tables outline the income and expenditure figures. A surplus of **\$813,272.95** was earned (*Tables 6 & 7*):

Table 6: Musical Rhapsody Income 2019

Income for Musical Rhapsody	Amount
Nineteen (19) different businesses placed ads in the concert booklet	\$660,000
Food and Beverages on Sale	\$57,950
Tickets Sales (324)	\$972,000
Cash Contributions (Individuals & Businesses)	\$36,150
Total	1,726,100

Table 7: Musical Rhapsody Income & Expenditure Summary 2019

Musical Rhapsody Income & Expenditure	Amount
Total Income	1,726,100
Total Expenses	\$912,827.05
Surplus	\$813,272.95

ii) Pre-Harvest Fish Fry 2019

- Event was held on October 4, 2019 in the Church Hall.
- Menu comprised fried or steamed fish with steamed/fried bammy, corn and vegetables. Pastry and beverages were also sold.
- Three hundred and ten (310) tickets distributed at \$950 each.
- Monies received for 304 tickets (selling price of \$1500 each).
- Surplus/Profit of \$176,900 made (*Table 8*).

Table 8: Pre-Harvest Fish Fry Income & Expenditure 2019

ITEM	DETAILS
Income	\$480,000
Expenditure	\$303,500
Surplus	\$176,900

iii) Rally of the Patriarchs and Monarchs 2019

- Rally was held on Sunday December 1, 2019
- Total income collected was \$1,331,728 (Table 9).

Table 9: Rally Collections Summary 2019

Fellowship Group	Patriarch/Matriarch	Final Collection
Capricarian	Abraham	151,712
Pat	Sarah	615,016
Inner Circle	Isaac	148,908
Cornerstone	Rebecca	111,700
Vibes	Jacob	196,550
Cherubims	Leah	107, 842
Total		1,331,728

C. SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT 2019

The above report which was tabled and presented by Superintendent Ms. Dianne Brooks. She highlighted the following:

- There are nineteen (19) children on register (5 boys and 14 girls) with an average weekly attendance of 12.
- There are three (3) classes, namely Kindergarten, Junior and Senior.
- Activities of the Sunday School included:
 - Presence on the St. Andrew Deanery Sunday School Council and attendance at related meetings.
 - Participation in the Bible Reading Competition held at the St. Andrew Parish church. A team of three (3) entered. Ms. Zara Sterling came 1st in her category.
 - Attendance at Sunday School Festival at St. Jude’s Stony Hill in August 2019.
 - Participation in Sunday School Teacher’s Conference in Mandeville.
- Plans for 2020 will include:
 - Participation in the Bible Reading Competition on February 5, 2019 at St. Andrew Church Hall
 - Planning for Children’s Sunday on May 3, 2020 and annual Children’s Festival on May 17, 2020
 - Participation in Sunday School Bible Quiz on October 24, 2020 at the St. Luke’s Church Hall.
 - Collaborations with the Mother’s Union to facilitate intervention where needed.

Mrs. Brooks extended special gratitude to all the teachers for their hardwork and dedication, especially Ms. Grace Lawrence for her years of service.

Bishop expressed concerns about the low enrolment figure of only nineteen (19) students. He encouraged us to consider a later church start time than 7:00 am to possibly facilitate attendance by children and their parents. Congregants however expressed that the feedback received is that we have a boring church and so young adults, children and their parents are uninterested.

Dr. Dewar volunteered to assist with the Sunday School if it was held after service, as she was not willing to leave during Sunday service given the current arrangement. Ms. Brooks explained that Sunday School was previously 9:00 - 11:00 am after Sunday Service, it was however found that many parents did not return until very late in the afternoon for the children. As such, Sunday School was rescheduled to after the 'Hymn for the Children' during service (approximately 8:00 am or so). This would facilitate an earlier ending soon after service ends for the parents to stay behind and drop home their children.

Mrs. Pamella Ballantyne recommended that a meeting be held with the parents of the children of the Anglican Youth Fellowship (AYF) and Sunday School age group, towards addressing their concerns/issues. She also recommended that members of the congregation could consider adopting a child from the Sunday School/AYF with a view to encouraging them to move forward positively.

Bishop Thompson encouraged us to work on finding solutions. He highlighted that our church is ideally surrounded by many residential areas with many children who are not going to a church. This provides a unique opportunity for us to engage them. He also recommended inviting Rev. Blake, the new Director of Youth at Church House and have him come and talk with the church committee and Sunday School teachers.

Ms. Selena Tapper recommended that we possibly tap on doors and engender a relationship with the parents and so encourage the children to come out to church.

Mrs. Ashleigh Britto indicated that there is a need for recycling of persons, possibly new and younger persons who can rotate with helping with the Sunday School, as the older persons have been serving for very long and are burnt out. She stated that support and involvement of parents was integral.

Bishop also encouraged us to research and examine the "Total Ministry" document on the Church House website. He wants us to use it to guide the process of getting different voices together for ministry through our congregation.

The above report was adopted in a motion moved by Ms. Simone Lloyd seconded by Mrs. Yvonne Johnson Reid.

D. OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT 2019

The above report that was tabled and presented by the Committee Chair Dr. Davlyn Dewar. Table 10 provides a synopsis of the report:

Table 10: Synopsis of Outreach Committee Report 2019

ITEM	DETAILS
Monthly Care Packages	Fourteen (14) packages were distributed monthly. These included dry goods, canned products, toiletries etc. All were provided by a combination of weekly congregant contributions and purchases made from second collection.
Bi-Monthly Health Clinics	Four (4) free Health Clinics were held during the year. On average ten (10) to twelve (12) patients were seen at each clinic. Assistance provided mainly by members of the committee, Dr. Lisa Chin-Harty and representatives from St. John Ambulance Brigade.
Education Assistance	\$159,000 was disbursed from the Education Fund to thirteen (13) primary to university institution recipients. These included members and non-members. A total of \$103,966 was received as contribution to the Education Fund.
Soup Kitchen	On a weekly basis soup is provided to approximately thirty (30) persons, and approximately fifteen (15) persons received breakfast after the Tuesday service.
Visitation of Sick and Shut-In Members	Fifteen (15) visits were made during the period. These occurred on the 3 rd Sunday after service each month. One (1) shut-in member died this year.
Fundraising	Fundraising efforts included two (2) Movie Nights and Jumble Sales. The sum of \$46,839 was raised, which contributed to the Education Fund.
Annual Health Fair	The annual Health Fair was held on November 16, 2019, in collaboration with the major sponsor, the Pharmaceutical Society of Jamaica (PSJ), who filled prescriptions. A total of one hundred and five (105) persons were registered. Forty five (45) persons were seen by three (3) doctors, twenty eight (28) persons received dental service and nine (9) vision testing.
Outreach and Mother's Union Mass and Luncheon	This event was held on Saturday December 14, 2019. The objective of which was to encourage fellowship between the Church and the nearby community and the Education Fund recipients. Approximately twenty (20) persons attended.
Facebook Page of the Church	The Church's Facebook Page was updated weekly with uplifting messages including those written by the Priests as well as the Bible readings for Sunday services.

E. MOTHERS' UNION (MU) REPORT 2019

The following is a summary of the Mother's Union annual report which was tabled, and presented by Branch Head, Mrs. Claudette McKenzie. She stated that a review of the Mothers' Union calendar for the year indicated another successful year. All reports to the Deanery, as well as the Annual Report were submitted within the specified time; all communications from the Deanery

Presiding Member were responded to promptly, and as required. The branch participated in all Deanery, Regional and Diocesan activities.

The year started with twenty-five (25) members, of which two (2) were shut-ins and five (5) inactive; none of the members are below the age of forty (40) years. Meetings were held in the Church Hall on the second Sunday of each month after service and was preceded by breakfast. Average attendance at the meetings was fifteen (15). During the review period the Branch had ten (10) monthly meetings, none was held in February because the date clashed with the St. Andrew Deanery Day. Corporate Communication was done quarterly and on the day of the Annual General Meeting.

The MU continued to struggle with the challenge of recruiting new members, efforts are currently being made to recruit younger members in the congregation.

Some of the major achievements of the MU are outlined in Table 11 below.

Table 11: MU Major Achievements 2019

ITEM	DETAILS
Sixteen (16) Days of Activism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activism celebrated on November 5 - December 10, 2019 • “International Day of Elimination of Violence against Women” was celebrated on November 25, 2019. A “Treat the Batterer - End the Cycle” event was held for men at Quality Academics Auditorium.
Annual General Meeting (AGM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM was held on December 9, 2019, and preceded by Corporate Communion. • Guest Speaker was Ms. Stephanie Hazle, Head Girl, Girls First International. She indicated that her organization assists women and girls who are facing abuse of various kinds. Mentoring and prayer being primary activities to reach out to them.
Health Fair (November 16, 2019)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than sixty five (65) persons registered for the available services provided by the doctors. • A meal/soup was provided for attendees in need.
Visitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In collaboration with the Church’s Outreach Committee, the MU continued to pray for, visit and kept in touch via telephone calls with the sick and shut-in members. • Visits were made to persons on Mothers’ and Fathers’ Days.
Cradle Roll	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project continues to make strides since its reintroduction. One (1) birthday card was sent to a child in 2019.
Indoor Prayer Circle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Regional President for Kingston is serving as Coordinator for the groups of shut-ins until someone is identified. • Newsletters for October to December were received and hand delivered.
Wellness Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members continuously encouraged to participate in regular physical activities (eg. Walking) at Emancipation Park or in the Church Hall or yard. • Motivational session held called “Confronting Suicide in the 21st Century”, with guest speaker delivering a presentation.

ITEM	DETAILS
Breakfast Feeding for Junior Choir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of breakfast feeding for Junior Choir continued on 2nd Sundays.
Swallowfield Primary & Junior High	<p>A research was done and it was found that the school started at the Church of St. John many years ago, and so it was thought that the church should be involved with the school. In this regard, devotions were held at the school, and a Parenting Programme was introduced. Based on the Church's plans for the school, the MU will give its full support.</p>
Outreach Mass and Luncheon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Saturday, December 14, 2019 the MU and Outreach members hosted the Annual Outreach Mass and Luncheon, (formally called Service for the Sick). • Special invitation was extended to persons in the neighbouring communities of St. John and Lemon Lanes. • Fellowship entailed the singing of carols while sharing a meal.
Remedial Classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remedial classes in Mathematics and English were held for youngsters aged 8-12 years on Tuesday afternoons in the Church Hall.
Vacation Bible School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MU members contributed refreshments and provided support with various activities throughout the two (2) weeks period in July 2019.
Special Observances	<p>MU participated in several Special Observances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mothering Sunday - March 31, 2019 (red and white rosettes were made and disseminated via a procession near service end). • Lady Day at Church of the Ascension - Monday March 25, 2019. • Mary Sumner Day celebrated with special devotion session in Church Hall - Friday August 9, 2019 • Annual World Day of Prayer - March 1, 2019 • International Women's Day - Friday March 8, 2019 • International Day of Families - May 15, 2019 • Mothers' Day - May 12, 2019 • Fathers' Day - June 16, 2019
My Sister's Keeper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each member was assigned another member with whom to stay in touch, offer prayers and support.
Annual Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This was held in the Church Hall in November 2019.
Annual Family Fun Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This was held at the Seaside Dutchie Beach in St. Ann on August 17, 2019; approximately 20 persons participated.
Annual Deanery Prayer Breakfast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six (6) members as well as a male representative participated on June 15, 2019 at St. Luke's Church Hall.
St. Andrew Deanery Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seven (7) members attended the service which was held at the Jamaica College Auditorium on February 10, 2019.
Regional Service/Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four (4) members attended the service and meeting at the Church of the Conversion of St. Paul, Portmore on Sunday October 6, 2019.

ITEM	DETAILS
DIOCESAN ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebration of the 120th anniversary of the Mothers' Union in Jamaica occurred in September 2020. Mrs Sheran Harper, Worldwide President of the MU visited Jamaica for one week commencing Thursday September 19, 2020. Various activities were held with involvement of SJE MU members. • Branch continued to administer the Deanery Family Project with welfare for family of three (3) persons. • On Sunday, February 24, 2019 the Diocesan MU's Annual General meeting was held in the Montego Bay Community College. Ten (10) representatives attended. Overall, there were eight hundred (800) persons in attendance.
Individual Membership: Church Women United (Jamaica)	Participation facilitated in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM at King's Gate United Church - Saturday May 4, 2019 • Fish Fry at Webster Memorial Church - June 28, 2019 • Health Fair at Church of the Redeemer - Saturday November 2, 2019

F. WOMEN'S AUXILIARY (WA) REPORT 2019

The above captioned report which was tabled and presented by its Chairman Mrs. H. Beverley McDonald, highlighted the following (*Table 12*):

Table 12: WA Major Achievements 2019

ITEM	DETAILS
Number of members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twelve (12) active, three (3) shut-ins
Meeting Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly on last Sunday
Corporate Communion Sundays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly on last Sunday
Participation in Outreach Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soup Kitchen on Tuesdays after service • Homework and remedial reading classes • Visitation to the sick and Shut-ins • Community outreach executed jointly with church and Mothers' Union for needy persons in the community
Sustainable Income Generating Project (s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Prayer Breakfast • Bake Sale
Recruitment & Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of newly admitted members: one (1) • Current total on member role: eleven (11) • Three (3) new prospects being worked on for the new year.
Anglican Women's Auxiliary Executive Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2018 elected Chairman of the Anglican Women's Auxiliary Executive Committee, Mrs. H. Beverley McDonald provided representation and direction throughout the year.
Attendance & Participation in national and regional WA events:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bishop's Day: two (2) members • Regional meeting: one (1) member

G. COMBINED CHOIR REPORT 2019

The Choir Director, Ms. Wendy Ducasse highlighted the following from her tabled report:

- Senior Choir Practices that were originally held on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., have been rescheduled to Saturdays at 3:00 pm as per the unanimous decision of members given security concerns.
- Junior Choir Practice were held after Mass on the second Sunday of each month. Attendance has however been inconsistent and when held averaged 3 or 4 members.
- Junior Choir Practice continued to lead singing during Mass on third Sundays, while the Senior Choir led on all other Sundays.
- Both choirs participated in the Cure Easter programme held on April 21, 2019, while the Senior Choir participated in the Christmas programme held on December 15, 2019.
- Assistance was provided to sister church St. Martin of Tours, Padmore for their Harvest and Rally Celebrations.

Ms. Ducasse extended welcome for new members to join both choirs.

H. ECCLESIASTICAL RETURNS 2019

Table 13 below, outlines the Ecclesiastical returns tabled in the Annual Reports package:

Table 13: Summary of Ecclesiastical Returns 2019

	ITEM	DETAILS
1	Funerals	4
2	Weddings	-
3	Baptisms	-
4	Confirmands	3
5	Visiting the sick	21
6	Sundays	51
	Average attendance	75
7	Weekdays	64
	Average attendance	15
8	Sunday School	19
	Average attendance	10
9	AYF	-
	Average attendance	-

I. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

During the general discussion which ensued, the following points were noted for consideration going forward:

- 1) Mrs. Ballantyne recommended restarting prayer group meetings on Sunday afternoons, as it has been years. Bishop commented that it has to be in a proper form and structure and that these should be pursued with the knowledge and participation of the priest/rector/bishop and that they be invited on occasion. He encouraged Mrs. Ballantyne to examine the potential structure.
- 2) Mr. White remarked that many of us do not know the Cannons and that we need to examine and become aware of its clauses to guide our activities. Mrs. Bertram confirmed that it is available on the Diocesan website.
- 3) Dr. Dewar recommended possibly revisiting the idea of having church an hour late at 8:00 am to accommodate more children, youth and their parent's participation.
- 4) The Church needs to consider different options in stimulating the growth of its membership. We also need to develop and implement new activities to attract and retain the youth.

J. CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING REMARKS

Bishop Thompson recommended that we meet more regularly to have further discussion and a common mind on important issues to chart way forward. He committed to coming back to continue the conversation of working together as a congregation. He encouraged us to examine the "Total Ministry" document on the Diocesan website, to guide process of getting different voices together for Ministry through the congregation.

Bishop expressed special gratitude to the Wardens, members of the Church Committee, and the members of all the Sub-Committees of the Church for their invaluable contribution during 2019 and welcomed the new committee for 2020.

K. TERMINATION

There being no other business to be discussed, the closing prayer was offered by Bishop Thompson, all sang the doxology and the meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Submitted by: Simone Lloyd, December 2020



ACTION ITEMS

Items	Responsibility	Timeframe	Status
1. Share detailed financial breakdown with Bishop Thompson to determine areas for possible relief.	Treasurer	February 2020	
2. Prepare and share detailed church's financials (income, expenditure, assets and liabilities) with Mr. White.	Treasurer	December 2020	
3. Have a representative attend Mission Share Form completion workshops to facilitate better filling out of annual Mission Share forms and the receiving of relief from fundraising and other areas.	Church Committee	2020	
4. Organize meeting with the Synod representative, consult the Keucher Report and frame a resolution regarding the Mission Share.	Church Committee & Synod representative	March 2020	
5. Draft the Mission Share resolution with support from church member (Selena Tapper) assigned by Bishop Thompson and share draft with him before submission to Synod Secretary.	Synod representative & Selena Tapper	March 2020	
6. Draft resolution on the use of geographic information systems (GIS) technology to support mapping of Anglican Diocese assets and surveying of churches to determine youth status and targeted interventions.	Synod representative	March 2020	
7. Invite Rev. Blake, the new Director of Youth at Church House to come and talk with the church committee and Sunday School teachers regarding the Sunday School and AYF.	Church Committee, Sunday School & Superintendent	2020	
8. Research and examine the "Total Ministry" document on the Church House website and use it to guide the process of getting different voices together for ministry through our congregation.	All church members	2020 and ongoing	
9. Examine restarting prayer group meetings on Sunday afternoons but with a proper form and structure, with the knowledge and	Church Committee	2020 and ongoing	

Items	Responsibility	Timeframe	Status
participation of the priest/rector/bishop and that they be invited on occasion.	Mrs. Ballantyne to assist with examining potential structure.		
10. Access Church Cannons from Diocesan website, circulate and become aware of its clauses to guide our activities.	All church members	2020	
11. Determine, develop and implement new activities to attract and retain the youth in our church.	Church Committee, AYF and Sunday School	2020 and ongoing	
12. Examine four (4) potential categories of members (active communicant members, non-participatory and baptized non-communicant and transfers), prepare and publish a list and ask for help to locate them.	Stewardship & Membership Committee	2020 and ongoing	
13. Examine possibly having church an hour later at 8:00 am to accommodate more children, youth and their children's participation.	Church Committee	2020	
14. Action 2019 AGM decision of incorporating an annual report from People's Warden for future AGMs.	Church Committee & People's Warden	December 2020	
15. Organize the last AGM minutes, action items and all committee reports for circulation at least a week ahead of the upcoming AGM.	Church Committee & all committees	December 2020	

Submitted by: Simone Lloyd, December 20



CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST (SJE)

Church Committee Report 2020

A. Background

The 2020 St. John the Evangelist (SJE) Church Committee made the decision to commence the submission of a Church Committee report for the Annual Congregational Meeting (ACM). The year 2020 presented unique challenges because of the COVID-19 pandemic but also provided unique opportunities for growth and transformation as the Church Committee directed the leadership of our church. The commencement of an annual Church Committee report submission, facilitates the official documentation of work executed, related accountability and the opportunity to present and address these matters at the 2021 and subsequent ACMs. This 2020 report marks the first official report being tendered by a SJE Church Committee for an ACM. It highlights major activities and achievements for the period January - December 2020.

B. Committee Composition

The Church Committee for 2020 was elected during the Annual Congregational meeting held Sunday January 19, 2020 in the SJE Church Hall, immediately following Mass. It comprised a mixture of nine (9) new and returning members, in new and pre-existing roles. The committee composition breakdown is outlined in table 1 below:

Table 1: Church Committee Composition 2020

Newly Elected Members	Category	Role Served
j. Yvonne Johnson - Reid	Returning	Rector's Warden
k. Gilroy Graham	New	People's Warden
l. Helen McIntosh	New	Treasurer
m. Claudette McKenzie	New	Secretary
n. Simone Lloyd	Returning	Lay Synod Representative
o. Sydnie Matheson	Returning	Deanery Representative
p. Faith Bertram	Returning	Alternate Deanery Representative
q. Davlyn Dewar	Returning	
r. Ashleigh Chatto Britto	New	

NB. Category denotes members who were 'new' or 'returning' to serve on the church committee but not necessarily serving in the same role if they were returning.

C. Meetings

The first Church Committee meeting was convened by Bishop Robert Thompson on January 19, 2020 immediately following the 2020 ACM, as per the within seven (7) days after election stipulation outlined

by The Cannons. The agreed assigned roles depicted in table 1 above were then finalized and all related documentation completed and signed.

The Church Committee subsequently held standard monthly meetings chaired by the Rector's Warden - Mrs. Yvonne Johnson - Reid, on the afternoon of the first Sunday of each month. Additional meetings were held as necessary given matters needing attention.

The Committee started the year on a high note, making plans for the year ahead with a schedule of events we hoped to achieve. This had to be revised with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic virus which began to impact Jamaica in March 2020. It was important for us to continue worship while maintaining strict protocols shared by the Government of Jamaica, the Ministry of Health & Wellness and the Anglican Diocese of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands through our Archbishop. This significantly influenced the events and activities that were planned and executed and how they were executed.

D. Synod 2020 Preparations

During the 2020 SJE ACM, given concerns raised regarding Mission Share debt and annual payments, Bishop Robert Thompson made the recommendation for the synod representative to consult the Keucher report and draft a resolution regarding Mission Share Contributions, with the help of key persons. The resolution would focus on interest on unpaid mission share contributions and the cancellation of assessment debts prior to 2015.

Bishop Thompson had an introductory session with Ms. Simone Lloyd (re-elected Lay Synod Representative) and Ms. Selena Tapper (congregant member) regarding the assignment. Ms. Lloyd followed-up with consultation and drafting sessions with Ms. Tapper. Two drafts of the resolution entitled 'Amendment to Assessment Charges' were prepared and a meeting sought with Bishop Thompson to finalize same in March 2020. Given COVID-19 and the non-hosting of Synod 2020, further work was postponed.

Given serious concerns expressed by many Lay and Clergy representatives during the 2019 Synod in Montego Bay regarding the Anglican Diocese, Ms. Lloyd indicated willingness to utilize her background in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technology to assist in examining and addressing some of the issues shared. Ms. Lloyd had follow-up discussions with the Lord Bishop Rev. Dr. Howard Gregory (Archbishop of the West Indies) in March 2020 regarding the needs of the Anglican Church and crafting of the resolution. Work commenced on drafting a resolution on the use of geographic information systems (GIS) technology to support mapping of Anglican Diocese assets and surveying of churches to determine youth status, targeted interventions and possible other areas. Given COVID-19 and the non-hosting of Synod 2020, further work was postponed.

E. COVID-19 Strategies Employed

COVID-19 Strategies shared by the Ministry of Health & Wellness, the Government of Jamaica and the Anglican Diocese were disseminated to the congregation via the newly established St. John Members WhatsApp group.

The protocols resulted in an assessment being conducted of the church building to determine the maximum amount of congregants that can be facilitated, given social distancing restrictions. A maximum of forty five (45) congregants was determined. The spacing and marking of benches to indicate where congregants and choristers can sit was executed.

Additionally, the placing of a sanitizer station at the church entrance, closing and use of only one church entrance, use of mandatory temperature checks and hand sanitizing upon entry; hand sanitization before receipt of communion, markings on floor to indicate standing places to receive communion wafer only (no wine dissemination), no holding of hands or physical greeting of peace were some of the many new measures employed. These were executed under the coordination of the People's Warden.

F. Communication, Fellowship & Worship Strategies

The Communication Committee played an integral role throughout 2020 under the leadership of Mrs. Ashleigh Britto. Through the use of various forms of technology, communication was facilitated with the wider church body and within groups, in addition to various worship and fellowship activities. **Zoom and YouTube** ([St John the Evangelist Anglican Church - Kgn JA - YouTube](#)) accounts were created/upgraded to facilitate online streaming of services and the virtual hosting of meetings (*Figure 1*).

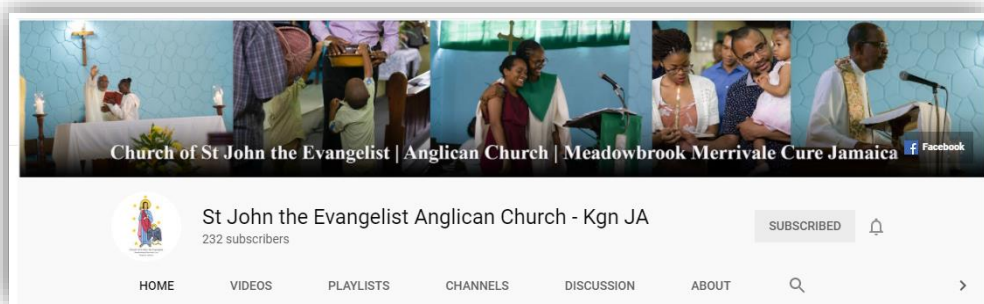


Figure 1: St John the Evangelist Anglican Church - Kgn JA – YouTube

We were able to **live stream services** via Zoom for SJE on Sundays in March 2020. In April 2020, live streaming was facilitated via YouTube on alternating Sundays with the Church of The Transfiguration (COT). As such, service start time was rescheduled to 8:00 am instead of 7:00 am to facilitate setup by the audiovisual team from 7:00 am. These alternating services have continued throughout 2020.

Streaming via YouTube, facilitated sharing our services for the first time with members and visitors from across the diaspora with more than one hundred (100) weekly live viewers. Additionally, three to four hundred (300 - 400) or more weekly post service views were recorded.

Daily Cure Morning Prayer, weekly Cure Bible Study and weekly AYF meetings have been facilitated via the Zoom platform.

Additionally, **WhatsApp groups** were created for the Church Committee, St. John Members and Attorneys & Group Leaders Committee. This facilitated regular posting of updates, sending and receiving information with the general membership and specific groups.

Additionally, updated email address listing was facilitated, a new SJE Website (<https://stjohnevangelistja.com/>) was created and has been maintained on a weekly basis (Figure 2). Meetings have been held via Zoom and training in the use of these technologies has been completed.

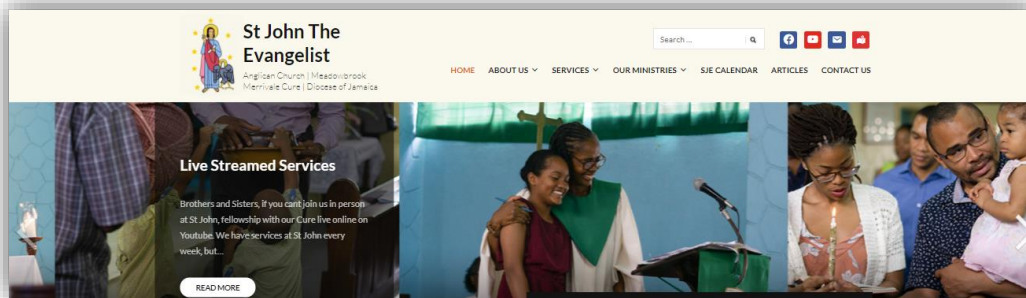


Figure 2: New SJE Website (<https://stjohnevangelistja.com/>)

G. SJE Start Time & Worship Experience Survey



Figure 3: SJE Start Time & Worship Experience Survey

The Church Committee administered an online 'SJE Start time & Worship Experience Survey' via the new SJE website during July - September 2020 (Figure 3). This sought to obtain feedback on:

- Start time for Church service both on Sundays when there is or is not live streaming from SJE;
- Gain insights into why some persons have not returned to church since resumption of congregational worship;
- Obtain feedback on how many persons are able to join live streaming and what have been their experience;
- Obtain feedback on whether we should continue with live streaming after COVID 19.

Thirty-four (34) members completed the survey. The results of the survey were prepared and shared in a report with the congregants via the St. John Members WhatsApp group in November 2020.

An overwhelming 88% have been able to attend / view the live streamed services, whether at St. John the Evangelist or via Church of the Transfiguration. Many positive reviews were provided for the online streaming of services: spiritually uplifting, very good, enriching, keeps them connected etc. Seventy seven percent (77%) believed that we should continue online streaming after COVID-19.

H. SJE Attorneys and Group Leaders Committee

The SJE Attorneys and Group Leaders Committee was established in July 2020, to maintain a flow of communication with the members of our congregation and to receive feedback from them through their Group leaders. This body was chaired by the People's Warden, Mr. Gilroy Graham. It is comprised of the attorneys of the church, namely the Rector's and People's Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary of the Church Committee, in addition to the leaders of all committees and groups or bodies of the church. Regular monthly meetings have been facilitated since its inception.

I. Plans, Templates & Inventory Documents

A series of meetings were held towards the preparation of a draft **Strategic Plan for 2020 - 2025** document. The Strategic Plan is a document required from all churches by the Diocese. Further work will continue in 2021 towards finalization. The components of the Plan and their execution will be facilitated by the Committees of SJE.

A **SJE Committee Terms of Reference Template** was developed to guide the standard development of TORs for all committees of the church. The template comprises areas such as applicable period/term, background, mission, vision, purpose, structure, duration of appointment/service, roles and responsibilities, meetings, transparency and confidentiality, quorum, deliverables, communications and termination of tenure. During 2021, all committees will be asked to adopt the template and generate their own TORs to facilitate better documentation and more streamlined operations.

Additionally, a **SJE Disaster Plan Checklist** was prepared. Initial preparations has commenced for a draft Disaster Plan for our Church. All major hazards will be examined for incorporation in the Disaster Plan.

A **SJE Inventory Exercise** was conducted of the assets contained in the Church and the Church Hall in July - August 2020. A detailed Inventory listing with associated costing was completed. This will form the basis to increase insurance amounts to cover all contents in 2021.

J. Financing

Given the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic resulting in significantly reduced physical presence at church, significant effort was placed on promoting the use of online banking facilities for transfers to the SJE NCB Bank accounts. Congregants were asked to communicate transfers via email, WhatsApp, phone calls etc. to the Treasurer, Ms. Helen McIntosh upon completion.

Although our major fundraiser was not possible this year, the Fundraising Committee had other activities which brought in additional funds. The Rally this year was exceptional; this was done via ZOOM and after the Church Service for those who were present. In this period of Covid-19 and social distancing, the Fellowship Groups exceeded the target and collected the largest amounts ever recorded. Our heartiest congratulations to all for their effort during this difficult period.

Significant effort was exerted to promote donations for the **Appeal Fund for Online Streaming Equipment** via the St. John Members WhatsApp group, new St. John website and weekly Sunday Service notices (Figure 4). General monetary donations were received or direct donations for identified equipment. All funds received have been/are being utilized to purchase needed Information and Communication (ICT) equipment.

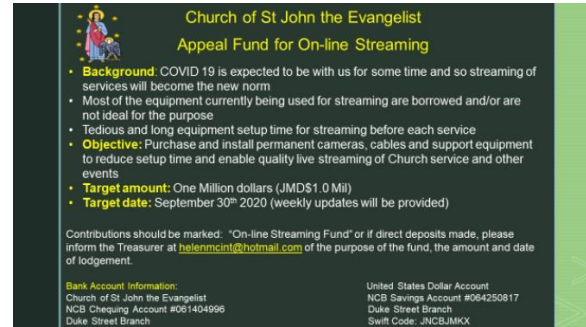


Figure 4: Appeal Fund for Online Streaming

Detailed financials are outlined in the Treasurer's report tendered by Ms. Helen McIntosh.

K. Planning for 2021

A Planning meeting was held on December 6, 2020, Action Plans were made to guide the Church Committee during 2021. Highlights included the Strategic Plan, completion of the Disaster Plan, having quarterly Congregational meetings, the reintroduction of 5th Sunday activities and Tuesday morning Mass. We will also be focusing on the digitizing and proper online storage of all Church documents.

L. Closing Remarks

We thank the members of the congregation for your kind understanding, flexibility, adaptability and continued support during this challenging year. We know that you have had to transcend norms of which you were accustomed in order to adapt to the new norms brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our church has an aging population and so we understand and support the need to remain safely at home. We hope that the various new communication and worship strategies have been helpful for everyone.

Special thanks is extended to all the Committees and Groups, especially the Communication Committee and audiovisual team, for their hard work and committed members. Given that a majority of the outgoing Committee have offered ourselves for continued service on the 2021 Church Committee, guided by directive from Church House, we will continue to give our full support for these new and future initiatives that facilitate better communication, fellowship and worship for all our congregants in 2021.

God bless you all.

Submitted by: Mrs. Yvonne Johnson Reid, Rector's Warden and Mrs. Claudette McKenzie, Secretary, December 2020

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020

This report covers the financial performance of the Church for the year ending December 2020 and also provides comparative information for year ending December 2019 and the extent of the changes with regard to the reporting year. It is important to note that the financial performance of the Church of St. John The Evangelist, during the year was impacted negatively by the presence of the COVID-19 virus.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

INCOME

Income for the period January to December 2020 totaled **\$7,258,818** which was \$1,582,171 less than the income received in 2019. The table below highlights the main areas of income during the period.

INCOME	2020	2019	
	Actual	Actual	Change
COLLECTIONS	4,363,881	4,175,882	187,999
Ordinary	330,626	783,271	(452,645)
Freewill	3,525,650	3,103,193	422,457
Outreach	310,358	-	310,358
Xmas	132,700	116,540	16,160
Other	64,547	172,878	(108,331)
FUNDRAISING	2,775,114	3,549,705	(774,591)
Rally	1,369,751	1,332,105	37,646
Rhapsody	-	1,736,100	(1,736,100)
Fish Fry	1,109,800	470,900	638,900
Streaming	295,563	-	295,563
Other	-	10,600	(10,600)
			-
OTHER	119,823	1,115,402	(995,579)
Maintenance Building Fund		733,000	(733,000)
Other	119,823	382,402	(262,579)
TOTAL	7,258,818	8,840,989	(1,582,171)

For the year 2020, income from collections amounted to \$4,263,881 which was \$187,999 more than the amount collected in 2019. Of note, is the disaggregation of Outreach funds in the Collections in 2020. However, fundraising was negatively impacted in the year. Fundraising efforts yielded gross income of \$2,775,114 in 2020 compared to \$3,549,705 in 2019, a difference of \$774,591. Other sources of income yielded \$119,823, compared to \$1,115,402 in 2019. The lower amount arose primarily because the Church did not draw on money from the Maintenance Building Fund which it did in 2019 in the amount of \$733,000.

EXPENDITURE

Expenditure in 2020 amounted to **\$7,800,050** which was \$1,071,613 less than the amount spent in 2019.

EXPENDITURE	2020 Actual	2019 Actual	Change
DIOCESE	2,794,665	3,076,860	(282,195)
Mission Share	2,794,665	3,076,860	(282,195)
Sustentation Reserve Fund	-	-	-
CURE	989,388	901,439	87,949
Cure Contribution - 30%	522,500	435,000	87,500
Mortgage - 30%	466,888	466,439	449
St. John the Evangelist	2,589,809	3,202,641	(612,832)
Salaries	1,292,004	1,321,706	(29,702)
Utilities	512,255	418,399	93,856
Insurance	29,125	184,495	(155,370)
Security	231,902	378,610	(146,708)
Repairs & Maintenance	524,523	899,431	(374,908)
OTHER	1,426,188	1,690,723	(264,535)
Synod/Deanery	77,750	87,750	(10,000)
Fund-Raising - Fish Fry	629,200	294,000	335,200
Fund-Raising - Rhapsody	-	1,012,347	(1,012,347)
Fund-Raising - Streaming	229,292	-	229,292
Transfer to Outreach (net)	346,258	30,000	316,258
Miscellaneous	143,688	266,626	(122,938)
TOTAL	7,800,050	8,871,663	(1,071,613)

A disaggregation of expenditure incurred in 2020 reflects the following:

- Payments to the Diocese totaled \$2,794,665 while CURE payments were \$989,388 reflecting a decline of \$282,195 in payments to the Diocese and an increase of \$87,949 in CURE payments.
- Expenditure for the running of the Church amounted to \$2,589,809 being \$612,832 lower than the amount spent in 2019. This reduction in expenditure were mainly in the areas of security which was related to the closure of the Church during the earlier period of the COVID 19 experience and maintenance as no major maintenance work was undertaken on the Church during 2020. The decline of \$155,370 in insurance expenditure in 2020 reflects the payment of insurance for 2020 in late 2019. This was not done in 2020 as the payment for insurance due for 2021 was made in early 2021.
- Expenditure in the OTHER category decreasing by \$264,535 in 2020 relative to 2019. Savings of \$1,012,347 related to the non-holding of the Musical Rhapsody were partly offset by increased expenditure on the Fish Fry (\$335,200) and on equipment and furniture necessary for the streaming of church services in the context of COVID 19 (\$229,292) as well as the increased transfer of funds to the Outreach account (\$316,258).

BANK BALANCES

With income earned during 2020 of **\$7,258,818** being lower than the expenditure incurred of **\$7,800,050** there was a need to use some of the bank balances existing at the end of December 2019. In that context bank balances declined by \$541,232.

INCOME LESS EXPENDITURE IN 2020			(541,232)	
Account Balances	Dec 31, 2020	Dec 31, 2019	Change	Change (JMD)
Main Account (J\$)	404,799	1,177,632	(772,833)	(772,833)
USD Account (US\$)	11,482	9,562	1,920	231,600
TOTAL (J\$)				(541,233)
OUTREACH Account (J\$)	577,524	427,566	149,958	

ASSETS and LIABILITIES (PROVISIONAL)

The assets and liabilities of Church of St. John the Evangelist were **\$23,495,130** at December 2020. This reflects an increase of \$ 4,758,241 relative to the position at end December 2019.

ASSETS

The increase in assets of **\$4,758,241** was primarily due to the revaluation of the contents of the property which resulted in an increase of \$5,298,392 in their value. This was partially offset by a decline in cash at bank of \$541,233. The table below provides further details.

	2020	2019	
ASSETS	Actual	Actual	Change
CASH AT BANK	636,399	1,177,632	(541,233)
HELD BY CHURCH HOUSE	2,507,339	2,506,257	1,082
Sustentation Reserve Fund	137,519	273,819	(136,300)
Special Deposits	2,369,820	2,232,438	137,382
Other		-	-
LAND & BUILDINGS	9,755,000	9,755,000	-
Church	7,315,000	7,315,000	-
Church Hall	2,090,000	2,090,000	-
Verger's Cottage	350,000	350,000	-
CONTENTS	10,596,392	5,298,000	5,298,392
Church	8,489,672	4,000,000	
Church Hall	1,708,720	900,000	
Other	398,000	398,000	
TOTAL ASSETS	23,495,130	18,736,889	4,758,241

LIABILITIES

The increase in liabilities of **\$4,758,241** was primarily due to the change in accumulated surplus/deficit resulting from the valuation of the assets of the Church which resulted in an increase in their value.

Of continued concern is the extent of exposure arising from the amounts payable to Church House. Of note is the Frozen Account balance of \$9,046,639 representing Mission Share that St. John was unable to pay in previous years and which attracts a yearly interest cost.

	2020	2019	
LIABILITIES	Actual	Actual	Change
VENDORS	-	-	-
UTILITIES			
CONTRACTORS			
SUPPLIES			
OTHER			
PAYABLE TO CHURCH HOUSE	16,630,215	16,640,215	(10,000)
FROZEN ACCOUNT	9,046,639	9,046,639	-
CURRENT ACCOUNT	7,583,576	7,593,576	(10,000)
MISSION SHARE			
OTHER			
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	6,864,915	2,096,674	4,768,241
TOTAL LIABILITIES	23,495,130	18,736,889	4,758,241

Prepared by Helen McIntosh
Treasurer, Church of St. John the Evangelist
For Congregational Meeting – January 17,2021

ECCLESIASTICAL RETURNS 2020
CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

FUNERALS	Two (2)
WEDDINGS	-
BAPTISMS	One (1)
CONFIRMANDS	-
VISITING THE SICK	Three (3)
SUNDAYS	Forty-three (43)
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	Thirty-three (33)
WEEKDAYS	Ten (10)
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	Fifteen (15)
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Nineteen (19 up to March 2020)
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	Ten (10)
AYF	-
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	-

MEMBERS WHO DIED IN 2020

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**CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2020
AND BUDGET FOR 2021**

FUNDRAISING EVENTS 2020							
FISH FRY 2020 21 FEBRUARY 2020				FISH & SHRIMP SUMMER FEST 2020 28 AUGUST 2020			
INCOME		EXPENDITURE		INCOME		EXPENDIYURE	
362 TKTS. @1,500	549,500	362 TKTS. @850	307,700	338 TKTS. @1,500	507,000	337 TKTS.@900	303,300
PASTRY	22,200	Printing of tickets, flyers, posters	16,000	PASTRY	22,600	Printing of tickets, flyers, posters	10,700
			323,700				314,000
		FINAL PROFIT	248,000			FINAL PROFIT	215,600
TOTAL INCOME	571,700		571,700	TOTAL INCOME	529.600		529,600

RALLY OF RIVERS AND SEAS IN THE BIBLE-OCTOBER 26, 2020	
FELLOWSHIP GROUP	AMOUNT COLLECTED \$
CAPRIQUARIAN	132,900
PAT	652,041.01
INNER CIRCLE	105,619.30
CORNERSTONES	116,450
VIBES	135,460
CHERUBIMS	253,660
TOTAL	1,396,130.31

**CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2020
AND BUDGET FOR 2021**

PROPOSED FUNDRAISING EVENTS 2021							
FISH & SHRIMP LENTEN FEST 2021 26 FEBRUARY 2021				HARVEST FISH & SHRIMP FEST 2021 26 NOVEMBER 2021			
INCOME		EXPENDITURE		INCOME		EXPENDIYURE	
400 TKTS. @1,600	640,000	400 TKTS. @1000	400,000	400 TKTS. @1,600	640,000	400 TKTS.@1000	400,000
PASTRY	20,000	Printing of tickets, flyers, posters	12,000	PASTRY	25,000	Printing of tickets, flyers, posters	12,000
			412,000				412,000
		BUDGETED PROFIT	248,000			BUDGETED. PROFIT	253,000
TOTAL INCOME	660,000		660,000	TOTAL INCOME	665,000		665,000

**RALLY 2021(THEME TO BE DECIDED)
SEPTEMBER 05,2021
BUDGETED COLLECTION-\$1,500,000**

SUMMARY FUNDRAISING EVENTS 2020 AND EVENTS PROPOSED 2021			
ACTUAL PROFIT 2020 (\$)		BUDGETED PROFIT 2021 (\$)	
FISH FRY	248,000	FISH & SHRIMP LENTEN FEST	248,000
FISH & SHRIMP SUMMER FEST	215,600	HARVEST FISH & SHRIMP	253,000
RALLY	1,396,130.31	RALLY	1,500,000
TOTAL PROFIT	1,859,730.31	TOTAL	2,001,000

MUSICAL RHAPSODY 2021 PROPOSED FOR OCTOBER 3, 2021, BUT NOT BUDGETED FOR, GIVEN THE UNCERTAINTY OF THE TIMELINE OF THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC.



Wendy DuCasse
Co-chair - Fundraising Committee
December 28, 2020

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE OF THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN EVANGELIST

January to December 2020

The Outreach activities of the Church of St. John Evangelist involve:

- Distribution of Monthly Care Packages
- Bi-monthly Health Clinics
- Education Assistance
- Soup Kitchen
- Visitation of the Sick and Shut-in members
- Fundraising activities
- Financial assistance
- Annual Health Fair
- Outreach and Mothers' Union Mass and Luncheon

Monthly Care Packages:

Fifteen (15) packages were distributed monthly. They contain rice, flour, sugar, cornmeal, powdered milk, corned beef, mackerel, noodle soup, water crackers, bath and washing soap, tooth paste and toilet paper. These items are provided by members of the Church and/or purchased monthly utilising funds obtained from the second collection at Sunday services and donations online to the Outreach. Additional items for distribution were received from Food for the Poor through our Mothers' union, Grace Kennedy and the Private Sector Organisation of Jamaica. Also, selected members of the Church received packages from our Diocese.

Bi-monthly Health Clinics:

Only one (1) Health clinic was held in January of this year. Health clinics were suspended thereafter due to Covid-19 restrictions and precautions. Prescription and non-prescription items and reading glasses earmarked for distribution at our Health Clinics were donated to various Health centres in Kingston and St. Andrew.

Education Assistance:

Thirteen (13) persons were recipients of our Education fund. A total of two hundred and five thousand dollars (\$205 000) was disbursed with each recipient receiving amounts of five thousand (\$5 000) to fifty thousand dollars (\$50 000). Students at secondary schools and University received the larger amounts. Bags with stationery were also distributed to these persons. Recipients were members of the Church, members of St. Martin of Tours-Padmores as well as non-members from the Meadowbrook Merrivale community.

Soup Kitchen:

Our soup kitchen was suspended due to restrictions for Covid-19. Distribution of packets of soup with printed inspirational messages was continued weekly.

Visitation of Sick and Shut-in Members:

One visit was made in person in February then telephone calls were made to keep in contact with these members. Subsequently, visitation resumed via a combination of zoom and telephone calls. Three (3) such visitations were held.

Fundraising:

Our fundraising efforts included two (2) Movie Nights, and a Dancethon which were held via Zoom after March 2020. Income generated in aid of our Education fund was \$26 500.00

Financial Assistance:

This was provided to a member in need. A smart phone was also donated to the member to assist with internet connectivity.

Annual Health Fair:

No Health Fair was held due to Covid-19 restrictions. Distribution of non-prescription items was planned in lieu of the Health fair. These were distributed in December 2020.

Outreach and Mothers' Union Mass and Luncheon:

This was not held this year. Instead, special packages were prepared for distribution which included over-the-counter medications donated by Health 2000 Inc. Thirty-four (34) packages were distributed including fifteen (15) special packages for young persons.

We thank all members who faithfully support the efforts of the Outreach. May we continue God's work. Blessings for 2021.

Yours sincerely,



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Dr. Davlyn Dewar

Chairperson

Outreach Committee,

Church of St. John Evangelist

REPORT OF THE COMMUNICATIONS GROUP CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Communications Group for the Church of St John The Evangelist fell into place in 2019 with the implementation of the EasyWorship Programme. The group is comprised of the Audio-Visual Group and the Communications Group of the Church.

The team developed further when the COVID-19 Pandemic struck in 2020 and persons were not able to come to church as they were accustomed. It was decided and agreed that a group comprising of both members of the St John the Evangelist and the Church of the Transfiguration would be formed to provide streaming services via YouTube on Sundays from the two churches.

It was decided that streaming would take place on consecutive Sundays, as required, from respective churches. Streaming commenced in April and has continued on successive Sundays and grown on a weekly/daily basis.

We have also instituted a website which is updated on a weekly and daily basis with events that are happening in the church. The website provides relevant and timely information about the church.

The team is seeking volunteers to assist on Sundays and with set-up at both churches. We currently assist with all Sunday services and any other congregational service such as Carol Service as required.

The team is also seeking funding to purchase equipment and any donations are welcome.

For the coming year, we plan to grow and implement more techniques and plans as they come into play.

Karen Pinnock/Ashleigh Britto
Communications Team

CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

THE CHOIRS

The year started with both Senior & Junior Choirs giving of their time and talent in support of the worship experience of the Church.

The Senior Choir, as part of its continued service outside our walls, supported our sister church, St. Martin of Tours, in their Harvest celebrations in February.

However, in came the Coronavirus Pandemic in March and we have had to be doing things differently as we abide by the protocols.

On a sad note, we lost our dear sister, Phyllis Orlebar, a member of the soprano line, on September 17, 2020. We give God thanks for her and the contribution she made to the choir over the years, as she was always suggesting ways that we could improve.

The senior choir participated in the Meadowbrook/Merrivale Cure's Christmas Concert that was streamed on December 20, 2020.

We thank God for what we have accomplished in 2020 as we learned to embrace our new virtual reality and, with God's help, hope to achieve much more in 2021.



Wendy DuCasse
Choir Director
December 29, 2020

**CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT
JANUARY 2020 – DECEMBER 2020**

The start of the year 2020 saw an enrollment of nineteen (19) children with an average attendance of ten (10) children.

Sunday School Bible quiz was held in February 2020, but the Church of St, John the Evangelist was unable to participate.

April 2020 due to the increase of COVID-19 saw the closure of Churches Island wide and the St. Andrew School Deanery Council had virtual Classes on Sundays for ages 7-11 and 12 and up. The Anglican Diocese continues to have online classes.

Vacation bible school was held online in August 2020

The Sunday School festival was replaced by an online Children celebration 2020 using the theme “together we Encourage & Nurture (TEND) disciples. Aaliyah did a poem as well as Sydney contributed a drawing. This was held on June 14, 2020

The St Andrew Sunday School council had election of officers via zoom on September 12, 2020 which I attended.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the teaches and they who helped.

DIANNE BROOKS
SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Report of the Church of St. John the Evangelist

Anglican Youth Fellowship (AYF) 2020

The Anglican Youth Fellowship of St. John the Evangelist was restarted on Friday, 15th May 2020 which was also National Children's Day in Jamaica. It has been held via Zoom from 6 pm on Fridays. The co-ordinators are Ms. Dianne Brooks and Dr. Davlyn Dewar.

On restarting, four (4) to seven (7) members of the Church between the ages of 12 to 25 years participated weekly. In the latter two months of the year, attendance has been two (2) to four (4) young persons. Some have been engaged with school related activities or have had internet connectivity issues resulting in decreased attendance.

Activities at AYF include reading of the Gospel, Bible study, Bible quizzes, learning to pray, discussions about important liturgical events and topics of importance to young people. Documentaries about biblical figures and historical events or sites are viewed as well as playing games and crafting.

We ask the support of parents in encouraging the attendance and participation of their children at AYF.

Yours sincerely,



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Dr. Davlyn Dewar

Co-ordinator of SJE, AYF

Diocesan of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands
The St. Andrew Deanery of Mothers' Union Branch
Church of St. John the Evangelist
7 Mannings Hill Road
Kingston 8



ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2020

A review of the Church of St. John the Evangelist Mothers' Union (MU) calendar for the year indicated that the Mothers' Union members of the branch were unable to have regular meetings due to the Coronavirus (COVID- 19) pandemic which started in mid-March.

The year started with twenty-five (25) members of which two (2) are shut-ins and six (6) are inactive. None of our members are below the age of forty (40) years. It was hoped that one (1) new member would have been added before the end of the year. Meetings were held in the Church Hall on the second Sunday of the month after service preceded by breakfast. Average attendance of our members was fifteen (15).

The branch had two (2) monthly meetings this year (in January and March). None was held in February because the date clashed with St. Andrew Deanery Day (Sunday, February 9) which took precedence in the Deanery.

Sixteen (16) Days of Activism

The sixteen (16) days of Activism began on November 25 to December 10, 2019 under the theme "Awareness and Action". The congregation was informed what Activism represents, and were encouraged to participate in the march from Half Way Tree to Emancipation Park. Many young persons participated in the march.

INVOLVEMENT IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH AND THE COMMUNITY

Health Fair

Our Annual Health Fair held on Saturday, November 16, 2019 was well attended although fewer persons were in attendance than previous years.

Visitation

In collaboration with the Outreach Committee, MU members visited virtually after March and continued to pray for sick and shut-in members of the Church. Other members kept in touch by telephone calls.

During the month of May, the Branch President, Mrs. Claudette McKenzie, the Regional President, Mrs. Yvonne Johnson Reid and Mrs. Beverley McDonald visited the Wortley Home for Girls on Child's Day, May

15, 2020 and donated food items, personal care packages and gift items. They were appreciative of our visit and gifts although we had to maintain social distancing. Visits were also made to Homes for the Aged, where our shut-in Mothers' Union members are residents. Boxes of Intrust, and Vitamins E and D were delivered to be shared with all the residents. It was a delight to have the Regional and Deanery Presidents visiting the Homes of the Aged with us.

Outreach Mass and Luncheon

MU and Outreach members hosted the Annual Outreach and Luncheon formally called Service for the Sick and Shut-ins, on Saturday, December 14, 2019. Persons in the neighbouring communities (St. John's and Lemon Lanes) were specially invited.

OTHER SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Annual World Day of Prayer

Four (4) members attended the Annual World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 6, 2020 at the Salvation Army on Mannings Hill Road. The service was conducted by the sisters from Zimbabwe.

International Women's Day

This was celebrated on Sunday, March 8, 2020. A message was read from the Hon. Olivia Grange, Minister of Culture, Gender, Entertainment and Sport.

MEMBERSHIP

Our branch continues to struggle with the challenge of recruiting new members made even more difficult with the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. One (1) person should have been enrolled this year, but it is hoped that this will be happen in the near future.

MEMBERS WELFARE

Sharing

At the beginning of each meeting members have the opportunity to share recent happenings about themselves, their families and friends, as well as general concerns in the nation and the world. This activity continues especially during this time of the pandemic.

It was with much sadness when we learnt of the passing of Miss Phyllis Orlebar on September 17, 2020.

Miss Orlebar was an active and committed member and will be deeply missed.

My Sister's Keeper

Each member was assigned another member with whom she stays in touch, offer prayers and support as the need arises especially during this time.

Annual Social

This event was held on Saturday, February 1, 2020. This was a successful fundraiser for us, everyone who attended had fun. There was food, pastries, music, prizes and surprises. The organizers were commended on a job done very well.

INVOLVEMENT IN DEANERY ACTIVITIES

St. Andrew Deanery Day

Six (6) members attended the service held in the Auditorium, Jamaica College on Sunday, February 9, 2020.

INVOLVEMENT IN REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

Regional Service/Meeting

The regional service of the Mothers' Union was held on Sunday, November 1, 2020 at Christ Church in Morant Bay, St. Thomas. The Celebrant and Preacher was the Rev. Jim Parkes. Members were able to view via YouTube.

INVOLVEMENT IN DIOCESAN ACTIVITIES

The Diocese Mothers' Union organized a Strategic Planning Workshop on Saturday January 11, 2020 at St Johns Church Hall, Ocho Rios, St. Ann, Facilitator was Deaconess Elaine Cunningham. Six members of the branch were in attendance.

On Sunday, February 23, 2020, the Diocesan Mothers' Union Annual General Meeting was held at the Versailles Hotel, May Pen. Ten (10) members were in attendance. Our Banner Bearer took part in the March of Witness.

The Celebrant and Preacher was the Rt. Rev. Robert Thompson, Suffragan Bishop of Kingston who delivered a thought-provoking message. He spoke on a number of issues, but was firm on the role of the Mothers' Union in the Church. He pointed out that we are the strongest group in the Anglican Church. We have power as a group, but it must be used in the right way.

CONCLUDING COMMENTS

We thank God for the guidance and accomplishments during the year under review, and for what our members were able to do individually and collectively in the church and community in spite of the challenges caused by the Coronavirus (Covid 19) pandemic. We pray for the strength and courage to remain committed to our calling as members of the Mothers' Union guided by the theme "Building Hope and Confidence".

Prepared by:

Audrey Campbell-Wharfe

Secretary

Rev. Fr. Edward Jennings

Priest

St. John the Evangelist

Claudette McKenzie

Branch President

Women's Auxiliary Report 2020

Chairman: Mrs. Beverley McDonald

Secretary: Mrs. Audrey Wharfe

Treasurer: Mrs. Brenda Stewart

Representative to the Executive Committee: H. Beverley McDonald

The Branch usually meets on the last Sunday, quarterly, however because of Covid-19, no meetings were held in 2020. We kept in touch via the telephone.

Outreach: Packages were delivered to Wortley Home and Maxfield Park Children's Home jointly with the Mothers' Union. Care packages were also given to families within the Community of St John.

No fundraising was done this year due to Covid-19.

There were 10 members on roll as at December 2020. We started the year with 11 members but unfortunately, our valued member Sister Phyllis Orlebar died in September. May her soul rest in peace.

The Diocesan Executive held virtual meetings throughout the year but we were unrepresented because of communication challenges. Telephone communication was maintained. The branch was represented at one training exercise.

The branch is hoping that they will achieve their planned activities in 2021 and for greater participation in Diocesan activities.

Hoping for a productive and successful 2021.

Submitted by: H. Beverley McDonald

REPORT OF THE ALTAR GUILD OF THE CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Altar Guild is presently comprised of two persons. We continue to provide floral arrangements for church services on a Sunday and if required on any other days.

We continually seek contributions either in cash or kind (flowers) to continue to do the arrangements as we have been doing.

Please contribute as you are able and if you would like to volunteer, please join us on a Saturday afternoon to assist in decorating the church for service on Sunday.

Submitted by: Adelaide Pinnock/Beverley McDonald



Church of Saint John the Evangelist

SJE Men's Fellowship

2020 Activities

The SJE Men's Fellowship remained in contact with each other throughout 2020 via WhatsApp and Zoom. Due to COVID 19 protocols that were established during the early part of the year, there were no face-to-face meetings. The group's focus was on the promotion of camaraderie and spiritual development of its members through its monthly "Son of Man talk" series via Zoom.

Son of Man Talk

Commencing in the month of June 2020, the SJE Men's Fellowship held a monthly series of discussions via Zoom entitled "Son of Man Talk"

The Following is a summary of the topics discussed and the persons who facilitated the discussions.

Month	Topic	Facilitator
June	Is our God Loving & Caring or Revengeful and Destructive?	Rev. Prof Veront Satchell
July	In saying that He did not come on earth to bring peace but a sword, is Jesus truly the Prince of Peace or the Prince of Terror?	Rev. Prof. Veront Satchell & Rev. Edward Jennings
August	Summer Break	
September	What is God's Will and how do we recognize it?	Rev. Prof. Veront Satchell & Rev. Edward Jennings
October	Which sin does the Word of God say will "never be forgiven" and why?	Rev. Prof. Veront Satchell & Rev. Edward Jennings
November	Should the Anglican Church publicly promulgate moral and ethical principles and guidelines for Jamaicans in public and private lives, including publicly calling out breaches	Open discussion for all members of the Church
December	Christmas Break	

Activities Planned for 2021

For 2021 the group plan to continue to connect and communicate with each other via WhatsApp and Zoom and will carry out the following activities:

- Its monthly “Son of Man Talk” series
- Assist the Fundraising Committee with execution of its planned activities
- Commence a mentorship program for male youths in collaboration with the Mother’s Union.

**Prepared by Gilroy Graham
December 28, 2020**

SJE Men’s Fellowship



Church of Saint John the Evangelist

Building & Maintenance Committee

2020 Activities

During the past year the Building and Maintenance Committee conducted the following activities:

- Completed the resurfacing of the Church floor
- Completed termite treatment of the Church Hall
- Deep cleaning and sanitisation were done for the reopening of church for congregational services early June 2020. Cleaning and sanitisation have continued in preparation for weekly services.
- Sanitisation and temperature checking stations were established within the Church in compliance with COVID 19 protocols established by the Ministry of Health and Wellness.
- The pews and the floor of the church were marked to ensure that a minimum of 6 feet distance spacing was maintained within the Church
- Several pews were repaired and resurfaced.
- To facilitate live streaming of services and other events, we have commenced installation of cameras and cables and upgrading of the electrical wiring.
- The cemetery was cleaned, and the Columbarium was painted
- The urn receptable diagram was updated with names of receptacles that are in use and/or committed.
- The inventory of all items with the Church and Church Hall has been completed documented along estimated value.

Planned Activities for 2021

- General maintenance of buildings and equipment
- Paining of the Church and Church Hall
- Repairs to the Church and Church Hall roofs
- Complete installation of cameras and cables to facilitate live streaming
- Enhancing the area around the Columbarium

Prepared by Gilroy Graham
December 28, 2020

Building & Maintenance Committee

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST (SJE)
THE CHERUBIM FELLOWSHIP GROUP REPORT 2020

A. Introduction

When the year 2020 began, little did the members of the Cherubim Fellowship Group know that this was going to be an unprecedented year for our group, for our church and our entire world. The situations, the circumstances and the events that unfolded in the ensuing weeks, set the stage for what later became known as the “new norm”, as a result of the transformation which took place, due to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Most of the things we were accustomed to do and how we did them, were changed based on directives and legislations given by the Government of Jamaica, through the Ministry of Health & Wellness, as well as our church leaders. The following outlines updates, activities and achievements of our fellowship group for the period January - December 2020.

B. Membership

Our group is comprised of persons born in the months of **November and December**, numbering thirty seven (37) in total; 50% of which are active members. Pre-COVID-19 meetings petered out to a halt, as members found it increasingly difficult to remain behind for our regular bi-monthly meetings, on a fourth Sunday after Mass. Contacts between members took place in very small groups or one-on-one over the phone.

September was a sad time for our group, when we heard of the death of one of our active members, **Phyllis Orlebar**. To add to our great loss and feelings of sadness, was our inability to lend our usual support leading up to and at her cremation; due to the restrictions related to COVID-19 protocols and risk management measures. May her sweet soul rest in peace.

C. Easter Bun Sale

Our annual Easter Bun Sale took place as usual during Easter in April 2020, though the support was on a steady decline. Thanks to all who supported it this past year.

D. Outreach

Our group has, for many years, spearheaded an **Annual Easter Bun and Cheese Treat** for the residents and staff of Cluster F at the Golden Age Home in Vineyard Town. We catered for approximately sixty nine (69) residents and twelve (12) staff members. The treat took the place of their lunch on Holy Saturday (April 11, 2020). The sponsorship of bun and cheese by members of our church family, despite financial hardships and constraints was commendable. In spite of the “new norm” and stringent COVID-19 protocols and risk management guidelines, we were allowed to provide the items for the treat. The individually packaged bun and cheese and cases of bottled water were taken as far as the main entry gate,

and presented to Cluster F staff representatives, because we were not allowed to enter the premises. We were saddened but understood the new protocols that prevented the personal interaction with each resident and the usual prayer session with the staff. We received sincere gratitude from one of the Cluster Supervisors, Miss Baker, on behalf of the staff and residents.

Thanks to our People's Warden, Mr. Gilroy Graham, who provided invaluable assistance on Holy Saturday by accompanying Mrs. Pamela Ballantyne and provided support as official driver.

An extra special word of gratitude is extended to Mr. Peter Grant, who for many years, accompanied us and was our official driver. Also, an extra special word of gratitude to Mrs. Gloria Grant who accompanied Mrs. Ballantyne for many years and assisted in distributing the bun and cheese personally, to each resident. She also assisted with prayers with the staff before we left.

E. Rally

Our fellowship group was assigned the **'The River Nile'** for the 'Rally of the Seas and Rivers of the Bible' held on October 25, 2020. God continued to grant us His enabling Spirit as a group, empowering us, in the midst of a pandemic, COVID-19, to perform at our annual Church Rally – above and beyond any previous years. When we counted our "one one cocoa," we garnered \$203,660, which was the second highest amount given by the fellowship groups this year. To God be the glory, great things He has done.

F. Spiritual Life of the Church

Cherubim members continued to participate actively in the spiritual life of our church. This included:

- Giving the homily;
- Reading some of the lessons and leading the intercessory prayers;
- Assisting in preparing the place for worship each Sunday morning;
- Assisting on the Audio Visual Team;
- Serving in the Sanctuary etc.

We thank God in Christ for all who continue to find joy as they labour in the Master's Vineyard.

G. Closing Remarks

We give praises to our Loving Lord for all our achievements, great or small, this past year. With God all things are possible. To all our church family, we say thanks for the fellowship that we shared and the loving support that we received. Blest be the ties that bind us in Christian love.

Yours in His Service,

Pamella Ballantyne
Cherubim Fellowship Group
January 2021

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST (SJE)
INNER CIRCLE FELLOWSHIP GROUP REPORT 2020

H. Background

The Inner Circle Fellowship Group is comprised of members of St. John the Evangelist who were born during the months of **May and June**. A recent assessment estimated that twenty nine (29) members and frequent church attendees would fall in this group.

I. 2020 Activities

The fellowship group was assigned the ‘Sea of Galilee’ for the ‘Rally of the Seas and Rivers of the Bible’ held on October 25, 2020. A visually stimulating and highly impactful PowerPoint presentation was delivered on the ‘Sea of Galilee’ for the Rally. A total of \$105,619.30 was amassed by the group as our contribution. A significant proportion of this was due to the efforts of our overseas members. Special gratitude is extended to all our members who contributed to the Rally.

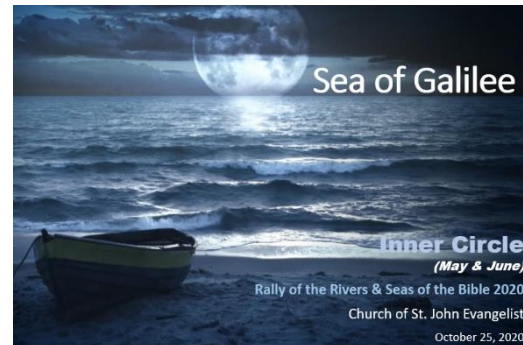


Figure 5: Inner Circle - Sea of Galilee PowerPoint

Apart from participation in the Rally, the Inner Circle Fellowship group did not pursue any other major activity during 2020.

J. Challenges

The Inner Circle continues to experience the following challenges:

- Inactivity of many members due to sickness, being elderly or other reasons
- Some members reside overseas and so limits their physical presence and efforts
- Need for increased active membership (*less than 10 active*)
- Need for new leadership given the multifaceted leadership demands of the willing few

K. Plans for 2021

Through God’s guidance and help, the group looks forward to fulfilling the following during 2021:

- Update and maintain Membership Listing
- Re-engage existing members and engage potential new members
- Host twice yearly virtual or face to face engagements/meetings
- Plan May & June Birthday celebration/s
- Pursue Member Check-Ins
- Plan an annual outing or major recreational activity

L. Closing Remarks

We thank all our members for your support throughout 2020 and look forward to your active contribution towards our efforts in 2021. Please remain safe as we make strides to re-connect, remain connected and fellowship together within the midst of the continued COVID-19 pandemic in 2021.



THE PAT GROUP-CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

A. ANNUAL REPORT 2020-THE PAT GROUP

Of the four quarterly meetings planned for the year only one was convened, due mainly to the Covid 19 Virus. This was held in November 2019. Attendance was low due to issues faced by some members. No further meeting was held for remainder of the year as by that time the virus was gaining momentum and government protocols were instituted to control spreading. The churches were given their set of rules, well known to all members as very detailed rules and regulations were advised to the entire church membership by way of the church's what Sapp group, from the People's Warden...

Group's activities under normal circumstances included visiting (by some members attached to the Outreach group) fundraising (sip at home tea party, brainchild of Sir CN Powell), contribution towards purchase of flowers for the Altar at Easter, providing small breakfast for the junior choir who practice after mass, during the months of March and April and the Mothers' Union Annual Outing which event is shared with the PAT group.

Members of the group who are also members of the Senior Choir were able to take part in services under strict supervision of the Administrators with strict observance of protocols under the guidance of the Choir Director Miss Ducasse and the Organist Miss Fisher.

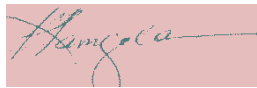
The Rally of the Rivers and Seas is a major event of the church; the groups look forward to it every year. 2020 however being the most unusual time ever witnessed in the church community caused some challenges mainly in the method of collection. The PAT group faced the challenge stoutly and as it has always done; our main source of communication was by

telephone and what Sapp which provided information as to performance and maybe challenges. There were members who visited homes to pick up rally cards to ensure every card was accounted for. Our members got accustomed to using up the drop boxes at the church and even utilized the online deposit process. The results were rewarding.

I want to congratulate the PAT team for the tremendous effort in achieving the results. You wanted a good result, you went for it and you got it.

On a personal note I take the opportunity to advise you all that I am trying to cope with some health issues, which will get in the way of giving of myself for the ensuing year. I have tendered my resignation effective immediately. Under new leadership I have the confidence that the PAT group will continue to do well. I am still a member of the group; I enjoyed being a part of the group and will, as long as it's possible.

I wish the team a great 2021



Victoria Ramgolam
Group Leader
October 31, 2020

B. VIBES FELLOWSHIP GROUP REPORT

The Vibes Fellowship Group continues to be a vibrant and united one. Although we didn't get to meet much this year because of the current pandemic, we kept in with each other by telephone calls.

Some of our members haven't been coming to Church because of their age and underlying conditions during this period. We all have been observing protocols put in place by the Government and the Ministry of Health and Wellness along with that of the Archbishop.

As a group we were able to collect over a hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars (\$135,000.00) for this year's Rally.

On behalf of the members of the group, I am wishing for you and yours, a blessed and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Your brother in Christ,
Seymour Watson

CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
DIARY OF EVENTS 2021

#	EVENT	DATE
1	FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY/BISHOP'S DAY	JANUARY 6
2	CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	JANUARY 17
3	WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY VIRTUAL BRANCH MEETING.	JANUARY 24
4	DEANERY DAY VIRTUAL MASS (PROPOSED)	FEBRUARY 14
5	ASH WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 17
6	MOTHER'S UNION JUMBLE SALE	FEBRUARY 20
7	RITE OF CONFIRMATION	FEBRUARY 21
8	LENTEN FISH & SHRIMP FEST	FEBRUARY 26
9	OUTREACH MOVIE NIGHT (ED'N FUND)	FEBRUARY 27
10	MOTHER'S UNION DIOCESAN AGM-KGN. REGION	FEBRUARY 28
11	WORLD DAY OF PRAYER	MARCH 1
12	MOTHER'S UNION MEETING	MARCH 14
13	MOTHERS UNION WALKATHON (EMANCIPATION PARK)	MARCH 20
14	MOTHERING SUNDAY	MARCH 21
15	MOTHER'S UNION-LADY DAY (PROPOSED)	MARCH 25
16	WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY DIOCESAN ANN. GEN. MEETING	MARCH 25
17	WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY ANNUAL PRAYER BREAKFAST	MARCH 27
18	PALM SUNDAY	MARCH 28
19	MOTHER'S UNION EASTER BUN SALE	APRIL
20	MAUNDY THURSDAY	APRIL 1
21	GOOD FRIDAY	APRIL 2
22	HOLY SATURDAY AND EASTER EVE	APRIL 3
23	EASTER DAY	APRIL 4
24	MOTHER'S UNION CORP. COMM/ MEETING	APRIL 11
25	WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY VIRTUAL BRANCH MEETING	APRIL 25
26	CHILD'S MONTH	MAY
27	OUTREACH HEALTH CLINIC	MAY 8
28	MOTHER'S DAY/ MOTHER'S UNION MEETING	MAY 9
29	PATRONAL FESTIVAL & PERSONAL INGIVING	MAY 9
30	HEALING CONFERENCE-DATE NOT YET FINALIZED	
31	DAY OF PENTECOST	MAY 23
32	LABOUR DAY PROJECT	MAY 24
33	TRINITY SUNDAY	MAY 30
34	MOTHER'S UNION MEETING	JUNE 13
35	FATHER'S DAY	JUNE 20
36	OUTREACH DANCETHON (ED'N FUND)	JUNE 26
37	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	JULY
38	OUTREACH HEALTH CLINIC	JULY 10

39	MOTHER'S UNION CORPORATE COMMUNION & MEETING	JULY 11
40	WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY VIRTUAL BRANCH MEETING	JULY 25
41	MOTHER'S UNION HOLIDAY OUTING	AUGUST
42	MARY SUMNER DAY (MOTHER'S UNION)	AUGUST 9
43	OUTREACH MOVIE NIGHT (ED'N FUND)	AUGUST 28
44	RALLY	SEPTEMBER 5
45	OUTREACH HEALTH CLINIC	SEPTEMBER 11
46	MOTHER'S UNION WALKATHON	SEPTEMBER 11
47	MOTHER'S UNION CORPORATE COMMUNION & MEETING	SEPTEMBER 12
48	MOTHER'S UNION KGN. REGIONAL SERVICE & MEETING	OCTOBER 3
49	MUSICAL RHAPSODY 2021	OCTOBER 3
50	MOTHER'S UNION CORPORATE COMMUNION & MEETING	OCTOBER 10
51	WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY VIRTUAL BRANCH MEETING	OCTOBER 24
52	MOTHER'S UNION MEETING	NOVEMBER 7
53	HARVEST THANKSGIVING & PERSONAL INGIVING	NOVEMBER 14
54	OUTREACH ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR	NOVEMBER 20
55	FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING	NOVEMBER 21
56	MOTHERS UNION 16 DAYS ACTIVISM	NOVEMBER 25
57	HARVEST FISH & SHRIMP FEST	NOVEMBER 26
58	ADVENT 1-MISSIONARY SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 28
59	OUTREACH & MOTHER'S UNION MASS & LUNCHEON	DECEMBER 11
60	MOTHER'S UNION CORPORATE COMMUNION & BRANCH AGM	DECEMBER 12
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