St James News: Thought for the day – Wednesday 12th August

Faith - Revd John Ohen

Permit me coming back to talk about Faith. What we are experiencing now can appear to be a very trying time for our faith now with Covid -19 and all the terrible things going on in our world today.

Faith is especially important to us Christians. Then one can ask the question how strong is your faith?

Faith, as in the father of faith, Abraham, Or the faith of Mary as the mother of Faith, when Mary said yes to God. Faith of Peter in walking on water until he started to sink and doubt, Peter called out for help, and he received help from our Lord. In this our troubled times, it is important for us to hang on to our faith as long as we can.

Through the witness of Mary we are also reminded that today is an opportunity for us to renew our own hope in the promise that on the last day our soul, which separated from us on death, will be reunited with our resurrected body and will rise to life everlasting, body and soul join together as one. This is an exciting truth which should spur us on in our day to day living.

1. Cor.15: 42 - 44 reminds us that - "What is sown is perishable, and what is raised is imperishable - It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown in physical body, and it is raised in spiritual body".

So, sisters and brothers be strong in your faith for the devil is roaring like a lion seeking for whom to devour. Resist him be strong in faith. 1 Peter 5. 8, 9.