



**Community Cultural Development Services Division  
Emancipation & Independence Celebrations 2025**

**SCHEDULE OF PARISH ACTIVITIES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Sunday, July 27	<b>Kingston/St. Andrew</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>National Emancipation/ Independence Thanksgiving Church Service</b>	<b>Faith Cathedral Deliverance Centre, 104 Waltham Park Road, Kingston</b>
	St. Catherine	10:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Church of God of Prophecy, 41 Old Harbour Road, Spanish Town
		5:00 pm	Emancipation Lecture	Phillippo Baptist Church, Spanish Town
	Clarendon	10:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Lionel Town Open Bible Church, Lionel Town
	St. James	10:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Blessed Hope Christ Gospel Church of JA. Apostolic, Copperwood



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	Westmoreland	10:00am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Church of the Nazarene Burnt Savannah, Frome District
	Trelawny	10:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Warsop New Testament Church of God
	St. Mary	10:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Emmanuel Baptist Church, Port Maria
	St. Ann	8:30 am	Independence Church Service	Ocho Rios Methodist Church, Main Street Ocho Rios
	Portland	11:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	New Testament Assembly, Port Antonio
	St. Thomas	11:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Christ Chapel Pentecostal Church, Morant Bay
	Hanover	11:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Friendship New Testament Church of God, Friendship, Cauldwell
	St. Elizabeth	10:00 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Burnt Savannah
	Manchester	8:30 am	Independence Thanksgiving Church Service	Wesley Mandeville Methodist Church, Mandeville



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July 30 – August 8	Hanover	9:00 am – 5:00 pm daily	Emancipation/ Independence Exhibition	Hanover Parish Library, Lucea
Thursday, July 31	<b>St. Ann</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>National Emancipation Jubilee</b>	<b>Seville Heritage Park, St. Ann's Bay</b>
	St. Thomas	10:00am	Emancipation Fair	Grounds of Yallahs Baptist Church
		8:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil	Yallahs Baptist Church, Yallahs District
	St. Catherine	10:00 am	Sligoville Emanci-Fest	Sligoville Mini Stadium
		8:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil	Sligoville Stadium
	Kingston/St. Andrew	8:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil/Gospel Concert	Papine Square
	Clarendon	8:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil & Cultural Show	Donald Sangster Community Centre, Summerfield
	Westmoreland	8:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil	Norman Square, Savanna la Mar
	Trelawny	8:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil	Albert Town Square, Albert Town
	Hanover	8:30 pm	Emancipation Vigil & Gospel Showcase	Lucea Municipal Car Park
	St. James	9:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil	Sam Sharpe Square, Montego Bay



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	Portland	9:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil	Port Antonio Town Square
	St. Mary	5:00 pm	National Emancipation Jubilee	Seville Heritage Park, St. Ann
	St. Elizabeth	9:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil	All Saints Anglican Church, Newell
	Manchester	9:00 pm	Emancipation Vigil & Gospel Concert	Cecil Charlton Park, Mandeville
Friday , August 1	St. Mary	10:00 am	Emancipation Fun Day, Artisan Village & Street Dance	Colonel's Entertainment Complex, Stewart Town
	St. Catherine	10:00 am	Sligoville Emanci-Fest Celebration	Sligoville Mini Stadium
	Manchester	10:00 am	Maidstone Community Council's <b>"Fus August" Emancipation Day Festival</b>	Nazareth Primary School, Maidstone, Manchester <b>(Paid event)</b>
	St. James	6:00pm	Street Dance, Mt. Salem Division	Mt Salem Football Field
Saturday, August 2	K&SA	10:00 am	Gordon Town Pineapple Festival & Cultural Show	Gordon Town Square



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Sunday, August 3	St. James	6:00pm	MP Dr. Chang's Independence Gospel Show	Harmony Beach Park, Montego Bay
Wednesday, August 6	K&SA	6:00 am	Independence Flag Raising Ceremony	Rocky Park, Harbour View
		8:00 am	Independence Flag Raising Ceremony	Mona Community Centre
		10:00 am	Independence Flag Raising Ceremony	Gordon Town Square
	St. Catherine	9:00 am	Independence Flag Raising & Civic Ceremony	Emancipation Square, Spanish Town
		10:00 am	Independence Flag Raising & Civic Ceremony	Portmore City, Municipal
		9:00 am	Independence Celebrations	Old Harbour Square
		7:00 pm	Independence Street Gala	Rose Duncan Park, Linstead
		7:00 pm	Independence Street Gala	Munumar Square, Spanish Town
	St. Thomas	9:00 am	Independence Flag Raising & Parade of Uniform Groups	Paul Bogle Square, Morant Bay
		7:00 pm	Independence Concert & Dance	Morant Bay Square, Morant Bay
St. James	10:00 am	Independence Flag Raising, Civic & Awards Ceremony	Sam Sharpe Square, Montego Bay	



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		5:00 pm	<b>Independence Day Grand Gala Viewing and Street Concert &amp; Dance</b>	<b>Sam Sharpe Square, Montego Bay</b>
	Hanover	10:00 am	Independence Civic Ceremony	Lucea Town Square
		8:00 pm	Independence Gala & Dance	Lucea Municipal Car Park
	Westmoreland	10:00 am	Independence Civic Ceremony	Norman Square, Savanna la Mar
		8:00 pm	Independence Gala Concert	Norman Square, Savanna la Mar
	Trelawny	10:0 am	Independence Flag Raising & Civic Ceremony	Water Square, Falmouth
		8:00 pm	Independence Concert & Street Dance	Water Square, Falmouth
	Manchester	9:00 am	Independence Flag Raising Ceremony	Cecil Charlton Park, Mandeville
		3:00pm	Independence Children's Treat	Cecil Charlton Park, Mandeville
		8:00 pm	Independence Concert	Cecil Charlton Park, Mandeville
	St. Elizabeth	9:00 am	Independence Flag Raising Ceremony	Independence Park, Black River
		8:00 pm	Independence Concert	Coke Drive, Santa Cruz Town



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	St. Mary	8:00 am	Independence Day Uniform Group Parade & Civic Ceremony	Cenotaph, Claude Stuart Park, Port Maria
		1:00 pm	Independence Fun Day, Gala & Street Dance	Claude Stuart Park, Port Maria
	St. Ann	8:00 am	Independence Flag Raising Ceremony	St. Ann's Bay Baptist Church Grounds
		6:00 pm – Mid-night	Independence Day Concert & Fireworks	Ocho Rios bay, Main Street, Ocho Rios
	Portland	9:00 am	Independence Flag Raising Ceremony & Parade	Port Antonio Town Square
		8:00 pm	Independence Street Gala	Port Antonio Town Square
				Buff Bay Town Square
	11:00 am	Long Bay Gala	Long Bay Community Park	
	Clarendon	9:00 am	Independence Flag Raising Ceremony	Clarendon Municipal Corporation Parking Lot, Sevens Road, May Pen
		8:00 pm	Independence Gala & Street Dance	May Pen Square, Main Street, May Pen
		12:00 pm	Croft Hill Donkey Carnival, Concert &	San San, Croft Hill



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			Community Street Dance	
Sunday, August 17	St. Ann	4:00pm	Floral Tribute for National Hero Marcus Garvey Birthday Celebration	Grounds of the St. Ann Parish Library, St. Ann's Bay, Lawrence Park

August 1-3	Clarendon	8:00am (Each Day)	Denbigh Agricultural, Industrial & Food Show	Denbigh Showground
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Sunday, August 24, 2025	ST. ANN	7:00pm	Mini-Miss St. Ann Pageant, 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary staging: A community feeder Pageant to the Miss St. Ann Festival Queen Contest.	Ferngrove Basic School Ground, Buckfield, Ocho Rios
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