TEMA/TÍTULO: James Solomon Russell para LFF

PROPONENTE: Diocese of Southern Virginia

PÁGINA CyC:

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Se resuelve, con la aprobación de la Cámara de _____ que la 76ª Convención General instruya a la Comisión Permanente de Liturgia y Música que emprenda la revisión de Fiestas y Ayunos Menores (LFF) incluyendo al Venerable Archidiácono James Solomon Russell, el 28 de marzo, la fecha al final de su vida terrestre; y asimismo

Se resuelve, que se consideren los siguientes propios para ese onomástico:

Traditional Collect

Almighty God, in thy wisdom thou gavest to thy servant James Solomon Russell the courage to establish a college in which the lives of many are enriched and the truth of thy word is heard: Help us, we pray, to know and trust the power of thy love and follow faithfully where thou dost lead; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who livest and reignest with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemporary Collect

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Propios:

Primera lección: 1 Reyes 5:1-12
Salmos 127
Evangelio: Juan 14:8-14

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EXPLANATION:
James Solomon Russell was born into slavery on December 20, 1857 near Palmer Springs and the Roanoke River in Virginia. He became known as the father of St. Paul's College, Lawrenceville, VA (one of the three historically Black Episcopal Colleges), was

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the founder of numerous congregations, a missionary, writer, and unique figure in the Virginia Episcopal Church. He was the first student of the Bishop Payne Divinity School located at St. Stephen's, Petersburg, Virginia. For 52 years of ordained ministry in the Diocese of Southern Virginia, he worked tirelessly to encourage black candidates to enter Holy Orders so that they could care for the growing numbers of black Episcopalians. In 1893, Russell was named the first Archdeacon for Colored Work. Southern Virginia had the largest population of black Episcopalians in the United States thanks in large measure to the evangelistic efforts of The Rev. James S. Russell. In 1900 there were 30 Black Congregations. In 1927, Dr. Russell was the first African American elected Bishop in the Episcopal Church; however, he declined election as Suffragan Bishop of Colored Work in both the Dioceses of Arkansas and North Carolina, and was glad that his action helped defeat the idea of subordinate racial bishops. Dr. Russell was the first African American to be elected a member of a Department of the National Council of the Episcopal Church. Near the end of his life, Virginia Seminary, which he was not allowed to attend in his early years, conferred an honorary degree on him. His ministry continued until his death on March 28, 1935. James Solomon Russell's devotion to Christ's ministry, in times and circumstances far from ideal, was an inspiration to the thousands of lives he touched.

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