

# St. Ambrose Anglican Church



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# **Mission Statement**

The Parish of St. Ambrose exists to be servants of God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to build up the community of faith so that all may become whole persons in Christ.

# Diocesan Theme 2024 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Genesis 1:1,31 - In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...

God saw all that had been made and it was very good

# Archbishop of The Province of The West Indies

The Most Reverend Dr. Howard K.A. Gregory, B.A., S.T.M., S.T.D., D.D.

## Diocesan Bishop

The Right Reverend Laish Z. Boyd, B.A., D.D.

## **Assistant Bishops**

The Most Reverend Drexel W. Gomez, B.A., D.D., C.M.G.
The Right Reverend Gilbert A. Thompson, C.M.G., S.Th., M.A., J.P

## West Central Archdeaconry

The Venerable Dwight H.L. Rolle, B.A., Š.T.M., J.P.



# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday - 7:00 am Said Mass Sunday - 9:30 am Sung Mass Wednesday - 6:30 am Said Mass



# THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Sunday, January 21st, 2024 - Year B Liturgical Colour - Green Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the House of God.

Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service,
let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

Introit	Earth Has Many A Noble City	CPWI 99
OPENING SENTENCE	EPIPHANY	Bcp 98
COLLECT FOR PURITY		Вср 101
THE KYRIES/GLORIA		Вср 102
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE I	EPIPHANY	Bcp 161

#### Diocesan Theme Collect 2024

Almighty and generous God, You are the Creator and Giver of all that is good. We thank You and praise You for the beauty of the earth, for our work, our families, our loved ones and all of the gifts which we have been given. By Your grace may we show gratitude by sharing what we have received, always mindful that in serving others we are serving You. Guided by that same grace help us to be good stewards, who care for Your earth, and who work to preserve it for future generations. We remain grateful for Your constant love, for the gift of Your Son Jesus Christ, and the presence of Your Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

**Reader:** A Reading from the Word of God written in Jonah, chapter 3 verses 1 to 5 and verse 10.

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Reader: The Word of the Lord All: Thanks Be To God

#### PSALM 62:6-14

(The Psalm is read responsively or sung by the choir and congregation)

#### **NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

**Reader:** A Reading from the Word of God written in First Corinthians, chapter 7 verses 29 to 31.

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Reader: The Word of the Lord All: Thanks Be To God

(The congregation stands for the singing of the Gradual Hymn)

### **Gradual Hymn**

# **Take Up Thy Cross**

**CPWI 509** 

(The following chorus is sung before the Gospel)

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart
Oh, let the ancient words impart.
Ancient words ever true changing me, and changing you.
We have come with open hearts, Oh let the ancient words impart.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

# MARK 1:14-20

(471 C)

(All Stand)

Gospeller: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

All: Glory to Christ our Saviour

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Gospeller: The Gospel Of Christ All: Praise to Christ our Lord

(The following chorus is sung after the Gospel)

Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope In this world, where e'er we roam, Ancient words will guide us home. Ancient words ever true, changing me, and changing you. We have come with open hearts, Oh let the ancient words impart.

(intercessions will conclude with the parish prayer)

#### PARISH PRAYER

O God, who has brought us into the fellowship of your dear Son, lead us all in St. Ambrose ever closer day by day to You and to one another, that we may become of one heart and mind in love toward You; and grant that our common life and work in sacrificial service may help to extend Your kingdom here where we are and in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

THE ACT OF PENITENCE/THE PEACE

BCP 123-125

Hymn for the Peace

(please be seated)

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BIRTHDAY PRAYER:** O Lord, watch over those persons who are celebrating birth-days or anniversaries. Bless and guide them wherever they may be; strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when they are discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace of God which passes all understanding abide with them on the anniversary of their birth and marriages, and all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## THE PREPARATION

# We prepare ourselves for the Feast

(congregation may remain seated for the singing of the Offertory Hymn, and stand during the last verse)

Offertory Dear Lord And Father CPWI 499

The following is sung during the Presentation of the Offerings

All things are Yours, no gifts have we; Lord of all gifts to offer Thee. And then with grateful hearts today, Your own before Your feet we lay. Amen.

Censing Hymn O Jesus, I Have Promised CPWI 672

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT

(The highest reverence is due - No Talking - No Movement)

THE SURSUM CORDA		Bcp 126
THE PROPER PREFACE	EPIPHANY	BCP 127
THE GREAT CONSECRATORY PRAYER	FORM E	Bcp 142
THE ACCLAMATION		
THE LORD'S PRAYER		BCP 144
THE BREAKING OF BREAD		Bcp 145
THE AGNUS DEI		Bcp 147

#### THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

(please remain reverent as you move to receive communion)

#### We Share In His Feast

Communion	My God, And Is Thy Table	CPWI 608
	Rock of Ages	Cpwi 474
	I Have Decided To Follow Je	esus
POST-COMMUNION PRAY	'ER	Bcp 147
THE BLESSING AND DISA	1ISSAL	Bcp 149
Recessional Hymn	And Can It Be	Cpwi 496

turning back.

2 The cross before me, the world behind me: the cross before me. the world behind me: the cross before me. the world behind me: no turning back. no turning back.

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have 3 Tho' none go with me, still I will foldecided to follow Jesus; I have decid- low; tho' none go with me, still I will ed to follow Jesus; no turning back, no follow; tho' none go with me, still I will follow; no turning back, no turning back.

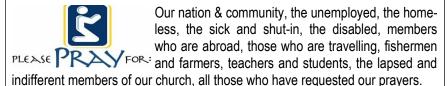
> 4 Will you decide now to follow Jesus, will you decide now to follow Jesus, will you decide now to follow Jesus, no turning back, no turning back.



Welcome to all worshipping with us. "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it."

**VISITORS**, we welcome you to our Church and greet you in the name and love of our mighty Saviour, Jesus Christ. We are delighted that you have come to share with us in this worship experience. If you do not have a Church home, we welcome you to come and be a part of our worshipping community.

**MEMBERS**, if you were away, it is good to have you back home and we give thanks to God for your safe return.



MEMBERS: Sabrina Bain, Alinda Bowe, Granville Brown, Barbara Chong, Jocelyn Munroe, Beverly Wallace-Whitfield

RELATIVES & FRIENDS: Rowena Albury (Mother of James Albury), Willimena Allen (Aunt of Kenva Mullings), Ken Bethel, Peter Bowe, LaShay Brown (Daughter of Lenora Brown), Marvin Cooper (Brother of Bradley Cooper), Natalia Cowderoy (Daughter of Natalie Duncombe), Clara Cox (Mother of Robert Cox), Jeffery Cox (Cousin of Sherry Walkine), Walter Ferguson (Brother of Ophelia Cooper), Theron Hepburn (Brother-in-law of Carol Roach), Samuel Hunter (Father of Kenva Roxbury, Samantha Hunter, Shantia Goodwin-Davies), Bernadette Ingraham (Sister of Bridgette Ingraham), Sandra Kemp, Alexander Knowles, Vanria Lightbourne (Sister of Cheyvonne & Cheryl Bethel), Logan McCaulsky, Benjamin Miller (Husband of Anya Miller), Oswald (Sr.) & Betty Nixon (Parents of Brian Nixon), Sylvia Pinder, Innis Robinson, Archdeacon Dwight Rolle, Steven & Helen Rolle, Ollie Sands (Sister of Cleo Hepburn), Canon Peter Scott, Maryann Sokal, Livingston Stuart (Step-father of Ann Major), Mazel Turnquest (Mother of Rochelle Turnquest), Almond Weech (Brother of Kenva Mullings).

**RECOVERING MEMBERS:** Cheryl Bethel, Shanae Forbes, Suzette Hanna, Crystal Holder, Delores Johnson, Garnell Johnson, Isabella Jones, Joan Neymour, Frankie Smith

**RECOVERING FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Louise Blyden (Veta Brown's sister), Lorelda Burrows, Coralee Butler, Andree Campbell (Daughter of Canon Sebastian Campbell), Gloria Goodridge, Cora Johnson, Errol Johnson, Errol Rolle, Ismae Smith, Aaron Spencer

**SHUT-INS:** Leaenza Beneby, Maeroni Black, Francine Val Bowe, Hazel Hunt, Petrona Major (Mother of Katherine Cartwright), Aura Maycock, Florence Pratt

**Condolences:** As a parish family, we offer prayers and condolences to family and friends on the late Pauline Bastian. Her funeral service will be held at St. Matthew on January 27th at 11:00am. Condolences are also extended to Valentino Hepburn on the death of his aunt Fimmie Belle.

**St. Ambrose ACW/ACM Anniversary Service**: Sunday February 4th, at 3pm.

**St. Ambrose Church Website:** For information, weekly bulletins, service live streams, and news, log on to <a href="http://stambrosebahamas.com">http://stambrosebahamas.com</a>

**The Usher Ministry** is inviting persons to join. A special appeal is being made to those who attend the 7:00am service.

Small Vases: An appeal is being made for small vases, in good condition.

**Tithing Envelopes for 2024** are available for collection. If you don't have envelopes and wish to have a set, you can inform the office or the treasurer.

**Nomination of Vestry** members are being received. Before nominating an individual, first ensure that he/she is willing to be nominated. The nomination form must be signed by a nominator and a seconder, and then submitted. To qualify as an elector, a member of the Church must be a communicant who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years and contributed financially to the church via the envelope system for the year ending 31st December preceding the annual meeting (*regulation 36*).

**Vestry Meeting:** Wednesday January 31st at 6:30 p.m.

**AGM:** The Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday February 11th, following the morning service. There will be one service on that day at 8:00am.



Tithes & Offerings or financial contributions can be sent to St. Ambrose Anglican Church, Royal Bank of Canada JFK, Account 1002534, Transit Number: 05165

Birthday Greetings: Jan 23 - Liam Burrows, Sasha Hall-Guerrier, Miguel Sturrup, Stacia Williamson; Jan 24 - Terri Bellot, Briell Cooper, Gale Sheryl-Forbes; Jan 25 - Donnalee Evans; Jan 26 - Destiny Butler, H. McArthur Fernander





Today

**7:00a.m.** - Frances Dean, Cheyvonne Bethel

**S** 9:30a.m. - Lisa Butler, Cozetta Johnson



**7:00a.m.** Nicarra Sands, Hazel Carroll, Monique Rolle, Suzanne Simmons

**9:30a.m.** Kenva Mullings, Jacintha Wallace, Schneika Campbell, Rebby Storr

ATTENDANCE FOR JANUARY 14TH

**7:00am -** 56 **9:30am** - 60

Sunday School - 21 Wed - 2



**Crisis Centre:** 328-0922; 322-4999 (565-9633 free family island text line) **SCAN (Suspected Child Abuse & Neglect):** 604-9039 to 42; 376-3538.

Child Abuse HOTLINE: 322-2763/422-2763 Youth Help Hotline: 359-3150/1; 359-3142/5

	DAILY READINGS									
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat				
M P	Ps. 41, 52 Genesis 14: (1-7), 8-24 Hebrews 8:1-13	Ps. 45 Genesis 15: 1-11, 17-21 Hebrews 9:1-14	Ps. 119:49- 72 Genesis 16:1-14 Hebrews 9:15-28	Ps. 19 Isaiah 45:18 -25 Philippians 3:4b-11 Conversion of St. Paul	Ps. 40, 54 Genesis 17:15-27 Hebrews 10:11-25 Sts Timothy & Titus	Ps. 55 Genesis 18:1-16 Hebrews 10:26-39 St. John Chrysostom				
E P	Ps. 44 Isaiah 48:1- 11 John 4:43- 54		Ps. 49, (53) Isaiah 49:1- 12 John 5:19-29	Ps. 119:89- 112 Ecclesiasti- cus 39:1-10 Acts 9:1-22	Ps. 51 Isaiah 50:1- 11 John 6:1-15	Ps. 138,139: 1-7 (18-23) Isaiah 51:1- 8 John 6:16- 27				

## **PARISH VESTRY**



Fr. Lynden Douglas - Rector

Dr. Ricardo Crawford - **Priest's Warden (327-2678)**Mrs. Cleo Hepburn - **People's Warden (361-3989)** 

Ms. Pamela Miller - Elected 2022-2024 Interim Treasurer (357-5738)

Mrs. Leja Burrows - Asst. Secretary/Sunday School Supt. (676-2341)

Miss Anatchas Hart - A.C.W. President

Mr. Ethan W. Adderley - A.C.M. President (808-5750)

Mr. Brian Nixon - Audio Visual Chairperson (341-6040)

Mrs. Terri Bellot - Legal Advisor (361-7589)

Ms. Diane Stewart - Music Ministry (327-7559)

Mrs. Norma Dean - Pastoral Care & Counselling (364-8635)

Ms. Frances Dean - Social Outreach (327-4031)

Mrs. Gale Sheryl Forbes - Ushers Ministry (455-0120)

Ms. Alinda Bowe - **Elected 2022-2024 (341-0781)** 

Mr. Reno Major - Elected 2022-2024 (376-6211)

Dr. Julian Stewart - **Elected 2022-2024 (432-9080)**Mr. James Albury - **Elected 2023-2025 (424-9042)** 

Miss Tanisha Brathwaite - Elected 2023-2025 (426-0457)

Mr. Joel Cunningham - Elected 2023-2025 (421-2589)

Mr. Philip Styles - Elected 2023-2025 (362-1378)

Mr. John Michael Clarke - Appointed (601-5777)