



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.

Archbishop of The Province of The West Indies

The Most Rev'd Howard Gregory, *B.A., S.T.M., S.T.D., D.D.*

Diocesan Bishop

The Rt. Rev'd Laish Boyd, *B.A., D.D.*

Assistant Bishops

The Most Rev'd Drexel W. Gomez, *B.A., D.D., C.M.G.*

The Rt. Rev'd Gilbert A. Thompson, *C.M.G., S.Th., M.A., J.P.*

West Central Archdeaconry

The Venerable Dwight H. L. Rolle, *B.A., S.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 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PENTECOST XV

Sunday, September 01st, 2024

Introit	Take my life and let it be	CPWI 539
Opening Sentence	General	BCP 100
The Kyries / The Gloria		BCP 102
Collects	Proper 17	BCP 177

COLLECTS

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9

Moses said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

PSALM 15

THE EPISTLE

Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in James 1: 17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness.

Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

Have thine own way

CPWI 521

(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 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Gospeller: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark ch.7 beginning to read at the 1st verse

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and

understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

All: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

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.**

Sermon

Fr. Scott Brennan

Apostles' Creed

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BCP 106

Intercessions

Form B

BCP 107

Parish Prayer. 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`

Greeting of the Peace

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthday Prayer: O Lord, watch over those persons who are celebrating birthdays 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 surpasses 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.**

Offertory Hymn

Give me oil in my lamp

CPWI 546

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	Thy way, not mine, O Lord	CPWI 480
The Proper Preface	God the Father	BCP 130
Eucharistic Prayer	Form E	BCP 137
The Lord's Prayer		BCP144
Communion Hymns	We come as guests invited	CPWI 625
	Author of Life Divine	CPWI 596
Post-Communion Prayer		BCP 148
Recessional Hymn	My Jesus , I love thee	CPWI 531

NOTICES

VISITORS, we are delighted that you have come to share with us in this worship experience. Your presence both enriches us and this time of celebration together.

MEMBERS, if you were away, or have returned after an absence, it is good to have you back home, and we give thanks to God for your presence.



Our nation & community, the unemployed, the homeless, the sick and shut-in, the disabled, members who are abroad, those who are travelling, fishermen, farmers, teachers, students, pilots, legal and medical professionals, law-enforcement officers, the lapsed and indifferent members of our church, and all who have requested our prayers.

THE SICK

Sabrina Bain, Alinda Bowe, Francis Bowe, Granville Brown, Barbara Chong, Aura Maycock, Rebecca Moxey, Jocelyn Munroe, Florence Pratt, Gina Ross, Vernal Sands, Dr. Julian Stewart., Phillip Styles.

Relatives & Friends: Rowena Albury (James Albury's mother), Almond Weech & Willimena Allen (Kenva Mullings' brother & aunt), Layla Bain (Melinda McKenzie's niece); Ken Bethel, Peter Bowe, LaShay Brown (Lenora Brown's daughter), Fr. Ranfurly Brown, Marvin Cooper (Bradley Cooper's brother), Natalia Cowderoy (Natalie Duncombe's daughter), Clara Cox (Robert Cox's mother), Trevor Sands & Jeffery Cox (Sherry Walkine's son & cousin), Patrick Ferguson (Patrice Murell's father), Walter Ferguson (Ophelia Cooper's brother), Brenda Heastie, Samuel Hunter (Father of Kenva Roxbury, Samantha Hunter, Shantia Goodwin-Davies), Branae Kelly, Sandra Kemp, Alexander Knowles, Vanria Lightbourne (Cheyvonne & Cheryl Bethel's sister), Petrona Major (Katherine Cartwright's mother), Logan McCaulsky, Benjamin Miller (Anya Miller's husband), Oswald (Sr.) & Betty Nixon (Brian Nixon's parents), Sylvia

Pinder, Roger Ritchie (Gwen Ritchie's husband), Innis Robinson, Steven & Helen Rolle, Zyhaire Rolle (Alma Albury's nephew), Ollie Sands (Cleo Hepburn's sister), Maryann Sokal, Livingston Stuart (Ann Major's step-father), Mazel Turnquest (Rochelle Turnquest's mother).

Recovering Members: Cheryl Bethel, Tanisha Brathwaite, Shanae Forbes, Hazel Hunt, Alice Hunter, Delores Johnson, Garnell Johnson, Isabella Jones, Joan Neymour, Frankie Smith, Beverly Wallace-Whitfield.

Recovering Friends & Relatives: Louise Blyden (Veta Brown's sister), Lorelda Burrows, Coralee Butler, Andree Campbell (Canon Campbell's daughter), Theron Hepburn (Carol Roach's brother-in-law), Cora Johnson, Errol Johnson, Archdeacon Dwight Rolle, Errol Rolle, Canon Peter Scott, Ismae Smith, Aaron Spencer.

As a parish family, we extend **Prayers and Condolences** to those who have buried loved ones recently.

The **Pastoral Care and Counselling Ministry** invites you to join us on Sunday September 08th at 6pm via a Zoom Meeting
10 959 5414 1593
Passcode: 108962



Fr. Richard A. Wood conveys thanks to all for the support, encouragement, and gestures of kindness expressed during his time here at St. Ambrose.



Let us also pray for our New Rector, **Fr. Scott Brennen** and his family.



Altar Flowers are often given as memorials, in thanksgiving or in celebration of special events, such as, anniversaries or birthdays. We welcome donations for flowers at all times when our lectionary permits them on the altar.



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



Birthdays: Sep. 01.— .Brunoe Miller, **Sep. 03**– Ife Clarke, William Jordan Styles, **Sep. 04**– Charles Greenslade, William Styles Sr., **Sep. 05**– Lincoln Mullings, Antoinette Beneby, **Sep. 06**– Locksley Brown Sr., Shantel , Bacchus Rolle



Anniversaries of Marriage: Sept. 06– Davawn / Tanielle Turner



7:00am - Nicara Sands, Davine Rolle, Sarah Robinson
9:30am - Carol Roach, Elizabeth Curtis-Hall



7:00am - Joel Cunningham, Elsworth Johnson, Julie Harts, Vincent Symonette.
9:30am - Keva Mullings, Jacintha Wallace, Shneika Campbell, Roby Stor.

BACK TO SCHOOL OUTREACH

We are asking for donations of:

- Exercise Books
- Folder paper
- Paper folders
- Binders
- Pens
- Pencils
- Erasers
- Sharpeners
- Pencil cases
- School bags
- Lunch bags

Or Monetary donations to purchaser gift vouchers

Contact the Church Office to donate
 (242) 698-9942

(Items will be distributed during December Outreach)

Please visit **St. Ambrose Church website**, for information, weekly bulletins, service live streams, and news, log on to: <http://stambrosebahamas.com>
St. Ambrose Media email: stambrose41@hotmail.com

Weekly Attendance

7:00am - 64 9:30am— 51 Sunday School—Closed
 Midweek Mass - 18 Bible Study—Closed

DAILY OFFICE READINGS

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
M	Ps. 25; Job 12:1-6, 13-	Ps. 26, 28; Job 12:1;	Ps. 38; Job 12:1; 14:1-	Ps. 37:1-18; Job 16:16-	Ps. 31; Job 19:1-7, 14-	Ps. 30, 32; Job 22:1-4,
P	25; Acts 11:19-30	13:3-17, 21 -27; Acts 12:1-17	22; Acts 12:18-25	22; 17:1, 13- 16; Acts 13:1-12	27; Acts 13:13-25	21-23:7; Acts 13:26- 43
E	Ps. 9, 15; 2 Chronicles 6:32-7:7;	Ps. 36, 39; 1 Kings 8:65-9:9;	Ps. 119:25- 48; 1 Kings 9:24-10:13;	Ps. 37:19- 42; 1 Kings 11:1-13;	Ps. 35; 1 Kings 11:26 -43; John 9:18-41	Ps. 42, 43; 1 Kings 12:1- 20; John 10:1-18;
P	John 8:21- 32	John 8:33- 47	John 8:47-59	John 9:1-17		Collect: Proper 18 pg. 178

PARISH VESTRY



Fr. Scott Brennen - **Rector**

Dr. Ricardo Crawford - **Priest's Warden** (327-2678)

Mrs. Cleo Hepburn - **People's Warden 2023-2025 / Asst. Secretary** (361-3989)

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

Ms. Pamela Miller - **Elected 2024-2026 (Treasurer)** (357-5738)

Mr. Robert Cox - **Elected 2024-2026 (Assistant Treasurer)** (424-3155)

Mrs. Leja Burrows - **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** (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** (455-0120)

Mr. Reno Major - **Elected 2024-2026** (376-6211)

Mr. Humphrey Simmons - **Elected 2024-2026** (357-8360)

Mr. James Albury - **Elected 2023-2025** (424-9042)

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

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

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