

# 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 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST PENTECOST XVIII Sunday, September 22, 2024

Introit	Immortal, invisible, God only wise	Cpwi 228
Opening Sentence	General	BCP 100
The Kyries / The Glo	BCP 102	
Collects	Proper 20	BCP 178

#### **COLLECTS**

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall ensure; 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 Jeremiah 11: 18-20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, 'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!' But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

## PSALM 54

## THE EPISTLE

## Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in James 3: 13-4:3

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim CPWI 358

(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 9: 30-37

Gospeller: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark ch.9 beginning to read at the 30th verse

#### All: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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 Brennen

The Nicene' Creed Intercessions

Form B

**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 Come, all Christians be committed CPWI 513

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	Pleasant are Thy courts above	Cpwi 740
The Proper Preface	God the Father	BCP 130
Eucharistic Prayer	Form D	BCP 140
The Lord's Prayer		BCP144
Communion Hymns	And can it be	CPWI 496
-	CPWI 627	
Post-Communion Pray	BCP 148	
Recessional Hymn	Thy Hand, O Lord, has guided	CPWI 351

#### **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. May God richly bless you!

**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, 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 Turnguest (Rochelle Turnguest'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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Matthew's Parish Festival will take place TODAY at PATRONAL 3:30pm on Church & Shirley Sts. All members, especially FESTIVAL altar servers, are urged to attend.

The **Pastoral Care Health Meeting** invites you to join us PASTORAL TODAY Sunday September 22nd at 6pm via a Zoom Meeting 959-5414-1593 Passcode: 108962. The speaker MINISTRY is Dr. Christian Bonimy. Topic: Navigating Covid 19.

VESTRY MEETING

CARE

All vestry members are advised that the next Vestry Meeting will take place on Monday Sept. 30th, 2024 at the church, from 6-7:30pm. All members are urged to attend.



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.



Anniversaries of Marriage: - Sep. 25th-Liz & Carlton Russell. Sep. 27th- Monigue & Stephan Rolle



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. 22-Arreo Ferguson. Sep. 23- Jayden Walkes, Revnadia McPhee, Alivah Wilson, Sep. 24-Kimberley Cartwright, Tamarah Adderley. Sep. 25-Dawn Hermans, Keilah Wilson. Sep. 26-Hanna Astwood, Christia Goodwin-Davies, Anthony Mackey. Sep. 27-Norma Dean, A. Dominic Dean



THANKS Special thanks to Tamarah Adderley and Norma Dean who sponsored breakfast in honour of their birthdays.



**7:00am** - James Albury, Joel Cunningham & Joan Seymour. **9:30am** - Crystal Holder, Andrew Holder & Liam Haven.



**7:00am** - Joel Cunningham, Julie Harts, Vince Symonette & Rochelle Taylor.

**9:30am** - Cleo Hepburn, Alinda Bowe, Norma Dean & Ni-keva-Eve Benjamin.



## DAILY OFFICE READINGS

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
M P	Ps. 80; Esther 4:4- 17 or Judith 7:1-7, 19- 32, Acts 18:1-11	Ps. 78:1- 39; Esther 5:1-14 or Judith 8:9- 17; 9:1, 7- 10; Acts 18:12-28	Ps.119:97- 120; Esther 6:1-14 or Judith 10:1- 23 ; Acts 19:1-10	Ps. (83) or 116, 117; Esther 7:1- 10 or Judith 12:1-20; Acts 19:11- 20	Ps. 88; Esther 8:1- 8, 15-17 or Judith 13:1- 20; Acts 19:21-41	Ps. 87, 90; Hosea 1:1- 2:1; Acts 20:1-16; Luke 4:38- 44
E P	Ps. 77, (79); 2 Kings 5:1- 19; Luke (1:1-4);3:1- 14	Ps. 78:40- 72; 2 Kings 5:19-27; Luke 3:15- 22	Ps. 81, 82; 2 Kings 6::1- 23; Luke 4:1- 13	Kings 9:1-	Ps. 91, 92; 2 Kings 9:17-37; Luke 4:31- 37	Ps. 34, 150; 2 Kings 6:8- 17; Revela- tion 5:1-14 Collect: All Saints pg. 189

#### 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 (422-7142) 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)