



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 & Rt. Hon. 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.*



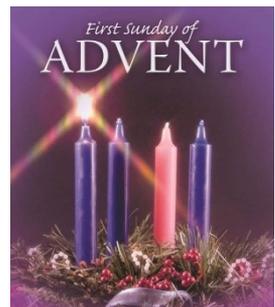
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday - 7:00 am Said Mass

Sunday - 9:30 am Sung Mass

Wednesday - 6:00 am Said Mass

Wednesday—6:30pm-Bible Study



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Commitment Sunday/Year C

Sunday, December 1, 2024

Introit**On This Day, The First Of Days****CPWI 31****Advent Wreath Ceremony****Special Booklet**

Opening Sentence

Advent

BCP 97

The Kyries

BCP 102

Collect

First Sunday of Advent

BCP 157

COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through Him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in Jeremiah 33:14-16**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God**PSALM 25:1-9****THE EPISTLE****Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

(The following chorus is sung before and after 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

JOHN 21: 25-36

Gospeller: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter 21 beginning to read at the 25th verse.

All: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

‘There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’ Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’

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.

Meditation hymn

Sermon

Fr. Scott Brennen

The Apostles Creed

BCP 106

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`

The Act of Penitence/Greeting of the Peace

BCP 123

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

Ye Servants Of The Lord

CPWI 45

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

The Advent Of Our King

CPWI 52

The Proper Preface

Advent

BCP 127

Eucharistic Prayer

Form C

BCP 137

The Lord's Prayer

BCP144

Communion Hymns **Father, Who Dost Thy Children Feed**

CPWI 587

My God, And Is Thy Table Spread

CPWI 608

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

CPWI 589

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 147

THE ANGELUS

Special Booklet

Recessional Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

CPWI 48

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

Leannza Beneby, Sabrina Bain, Alinda Bowe, Francis Bowe, Granville Brown, Barbara Chong, 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 (Cheyenne & 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, Diana Swann, Tamara Rolle.

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. AMBROSE PARISH INVITES YOU TO OUR

PATRONAL FESTIVAL

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8TH @ 3PM
EVENSONG, OUTDOOR PROCESSION, AND BENEDICTION

GUEST PREACHER
The Venerable Keith Cartwright
Archdeacon of The Turks & Caicos Islands and The Southern Bahamas and Rector of St. Angel's Parish

REV SCOTT BRENNEN
RECTOR



7am– Nicara Sands, Hazel Caroll, Monique Rolle, Suzanne Simmons.

9:30am– Sheena Styles, Melinda McKenzie, Sherry Walkine, Bradley Cooper.



7am– Bobby Adderley, Julie Harts, Anatchas Hart

9:30am–ACW participants

We are asking ALL existing and new members to please fill out a Member Data Sheet and eventually take a digital picture for our database. Please see one of our ushers.



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

Fr. Brennen intends to conduct Confirmation classes starting in January 2025. Please ask one of the ushers for an application.

ALL are welcome to attend for a refresher!

(Applications to be filled out for new candidates only).



Birthdays: **Dec. 1** –Jarah Robinson, Carolie Grant **Dec. 2**–Julian Hunter, Sheena Styles, Christopher Russell, Abigail Major, Brian Nixon Jr., Margot Munnings **Dec. 3**—Judy Woodside **Dec. 4**-Toosdai Smith **Dec.5**– Karen Butler, Agnes Saunders, Jai Munnings, Deja Burrows, Louise Marshall **Dec. 6**-Valda Hunt, Tanya Smith, D’Costa Deveaux. **Dec. 7**-Elseworth Johnson



Dec. 3-Ben & Anya Miller. **Dec. 3**-Jerry & Alkietha Colebrooke. **Dec. 4**-Kevin & Anita Kemp. **Dec. 5**— Oswald & Claudette Nixon.



The Marriage Ministry has a monthly social gathering on a Friday, with exciting topics. The next encounter is **Friday Dec. 13th at 7:30pm at Steve & Teri Bellot’s home**. All couples are invited. *Please contact Kim Rolle at 422-6035 or Steve Bellot at 357-3308 for details.*



Once again, we are launching the **Jessie Tree Christmas Gift-giving Drive** based on Jesus being from the stem of Jesse (Isaiah Chapt.11). Our **Social Outreach Ministry** kindly ask that you **take a tag from the Jesse Tree and purchase a gift** (a minimum of \$50 in value). Please return the wrapped gift with the gender & age on it, on or before Sun. Dec.22, 2024 to the office. May God continue to bless your of generosity!

Weekly Attendance (Nov. 24th & 27th)

Attendance 7am- **96** 9:30am– **82** Sunday School-(in church)
Wednesday Mass– **10** Bible Study– **6**

DAILY OFFICE READINGS

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
M P	Ps. 1, 2, 3; Isaiah 1:10-20; 1 Thes- salonians 1:1-10	Ps. 5, 6; Isaiah 1:21-31; 1 Thes- salonians 2:1-12	Ps.119:1-24; Isaiah 2:1-11; 1 Thes- salonians 2:13-20	Ps. 18:1-20; Isaiah 2:12-22; 1 Thes- salonians 3:1-13	Ps. 16, 17; Isaiah 3:8-15; 1 Thes- salonians 4:1-12	Ps. 20, 21:1-7 (8-14); Isaiah 4:2-6; 1 Thessalo- nians 4:13-18
E P	Ps. 4, 7; Amos 2:6-16; Luke 20:1-8	Ps. 10, 11 Amos 3:1-11; Luke 20:9-18	Ps. 12, 13, 14; Amos 3:12-4:5; Luke 20:19-26	Ps. 18:21-50; Amos 4:6-13; Luke 20:27-40	Ps. 22; Amos 5:1-17; Luke 20:41-21:4	Ps. 110:1-5 [6-7], 116, 117; Amos 5:18-27; Luke 21:5-19 Collect: BCP p.157

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)

Justice 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)