



# St. Ambrose Anglican Church



Gladstone & Carmichael Roads

**Rector:** Fr. Scott Brennen, Bsc., B.A., MBA, J.P.

P.O. Box CR-55282, Nassau, N.P., Bahamas

**Office:** (242) 698-9942 **Rector:** 801-4037

**Email:** [stambrose@bahamasanglican.org](mailto:stambrose@bahamasanglican.org)

**Web site:** <https://stambrosebahamas.com>

## 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



**HARVEST THANKSGIVING**

**Sunday, November 17, 2024**

**Introit****Come, Ye Thankful People, Come****CPWI 708**

Opening Sentence

Harvest Festival

BCP 99

The Kyries / The Gloria

BCP 102

Collect

Harvest Festival

BCP 191

**COLLECT**

O God, you have made us co-creators of our destiny; we give thanks for productivity and for advances in many fields: in agriculture, in industry and commerce, and in science and technology. Keep us ever mindful of your power and your love, the origin of all that is, the source of strength and wisdom, harmony and wealth. All things come from you, O God. We give you of your own, with praise and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON****Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in Joel 2:21-27**

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God****PSALM 126****THE EPISTLE****Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in 1 Timothy 2:1-7**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is

one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Hymn**

**Now Thank We All Our God**

**CPWI 372**

*(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**

**MATTHEW 6: 25-33**

**Gospeller: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew chapter 6 beginning to read at the 25th verse.**

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

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

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

**Anthem**

**St Ambrose Choir**

The Nicene' Creed

BCP 104

Intercessions

Form D

BCP 111

**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

**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**

**For The Beauty Of The Earth**

**CPWI 711**

*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**

**All Things Bright And Beautiful**

**CPWI 641**

The Proper Preface

Harvest Festival

BCP 129

Eucharistic Prayer

Form C

BCP 137

The Lord's Prayer

BCP144

**Communion Hymns**

**Alleluia, Sing To Jesus!**

**CPWI 569**

**I Hunger And I Thirst**

**CPWI 598**

**We Come As Guests Invited**

**CPWI 625**

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 148

**Recessional Hymn**

**Praise, O Praise, My God and King**

**CPWI 717**

## 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 (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, Diana Swann.

**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



A special thank you to all persons who decorated the church and provided items for this Harvest Thanksgiving celebration. May God continue to bless your spirit of generosity and love! These wonderful proceeds will be used for our social outreach ministry.



**Heartfelt sympathies to: Mr. Robert Cox**, and his family, on the passing of his brother **Lavern Garnet Cox**. May he rest peacefully in the arms of Jesus; and **Terisita Ward** and her family, on the passing of her father, **Capt. Emmitt Munroe**.

May God welcome them home.



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.



Our annual **Patronal Festival of St. Ambrose will take place on Sunday December 8th 2024 at 3pm** with Evensong, Outdoor Procession & Benediction, followed by table fellowship. **All are invited!**



**7am**– Alma Albury, Phillipa Robinson, Melonie Badmus, Nathalie Nairn.

**9:30am**– Cleo Hepburn, Alinda Bowe, Norma Dean, Nikeva-Eve Benjamin.



**7am**– Hazel Carroll, Nicara Sands, Rochelle Taylor  
**9:30am**– Antionette Turnquest, Nicolas Turnquest, Raquel Wilson.



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



Birthdays: **Nov. 17** –K Merceir Bannister, Wayde Turnquest **Nov. 18**–Trevor Sands, O'Brien Daniels, Kai Wells **Nov.19**—Edricca Knowles, Travis Burrows **Nov. 21** –Granville Brown **Nov. 22**– Lynette Rolle, Giovanni Dean, Patrice Fisher **Nov. 23**-Tanisha Brathwaite, Ra-



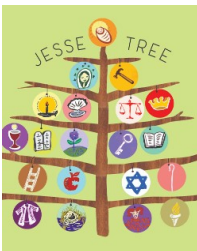
**Nov. 20**-Richard & Jennifer Pratt. **Nov. 23**-Philip & Sheena Styles.



**Nov. 20**-Richard & Jennifer Pratt. **Nov. 23**-Philip & Sheena Styles.

**ANY TO BE CONFIRMED?**

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).



Once again, we are launching the **Jesse 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 spirit of generosity.

**Weekly Attendance (Nov. 10rd & 13th)**

Attendance 7am- 76 9:30am– 71 Sunday School-26  
Wednesday Mass Bible Study



## DAILY OFFICE READINGS

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>M P</b>	Ps. 89:1-18; Habakkuk 2:1-4, 9-20; James 2:14- 26	Ps. 97, 99, [100]; Hab- akkuk 3:1- 10 (11-15), 16-18; James 3:1- 12	Ps.101, 109:1-4 (5- 19), 20-30; Malachi 1:1, 6-14; James 3:13-4:12	Ps. 105:1- 22; Malachi 2:1-16 James 4:13- 5:6	Ps. 102; Malachi 3:1 -12; James 5:7-12	Ps. 107:33 -43, 108:1- 6 (7-13); Malachi 3:16-4:6; James 5:13-20
	<b>E P</b>	Ps. 89:19- 52; 1 Mac- cabees 3:1- 24; Luke 16:19-31	Ps. 119:121 -144; 1 Maccabees 3:42-60; Luke 17:11- 19	Ps. 119:121- 144; 1 Mac- cabees 3:42- 60; Luke 17:11-19	Ps. 105:23- 45; 1 Mac- cabees 4:1- 25; Luke 17:20-37	Ps. 1-7:1- 32; 1 Mac- cabees 4:36-59; Luke 18:1-8

## 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)