



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.

The Senior Bishop of The Province of The West Indies/Bishop of Belize

The Rt. Rev. Philip Wright, B.A. (Hons.), M.A., OBE

The Diocesan Bishop

The Rt. Rev. & Rt. Hon. Laish Boyd, B.A., D.D.

Assistant Bishops

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

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

West Central Bahamas Archdeacon

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

Monday - 6:00pm Confirmation Class

Wednesday - 6:00am Said Mass

Wednesday - 6:30 pm Bible Study



Diocesan 2025 Theme: "Family Matters" (Joshua 24:15)

The Fifth Sunday After The Epiphany

February 9th, 2025

Introit

Bright The Vision That Delighted

CPWI 208

Opening Sentence

BCP 98

The Kyries

BCP 102

Collect

5th Sunday After the Epiphany

BCP 161

Set us free, O God, you govern all things in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ Our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

2025 DIOCESAN COLLECT (Prayed by ALL)

Father in Heaven, whose blessed Son was born into an earthly family: Bless, we pray, the families of our church and our communities that Your love may rest upon us, and Your presence may be felt in every home. Teach us to love our families as you love us; Help us to bear one another's burdens with patience and understanding; and bind us together with cords that can not be broken; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

PSALM 138

THE EPISTLE

Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in 1st Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I pro-

claimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

CPWI 536

(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

LUKE 5: 1-11

Gospeller: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter 5, beginning to read at the 1st verse.

All: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they

began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything 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.**

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 104

Intercessions

Form C

BCP 108

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/Greeting of the Peace

BCP 123/124

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

A Wonderful Saviour

P&W 92

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

Songs Of Thankfulness And Praise

CPWI 104

The Proper Preface

BCP 127

Eucharistic Prayer

Form C

BCP 137

The Lord's Prayer

BCP144

Communion Hymns

And Now, O Father

CPWI 571

Lord Speak To Me

CPWI 528

Thou didst Leave Thy Throne

CPWI 507

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 148

Recessional Hymn

Sing The Wondrous Love of Jesus

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 & THOSE RECOVERING

Leannza Beneby, Sabrina Bain, Alinda Bowe, Francis Bowe, Granville Brown, Barbara Chong, Jocelyn Munroe, Florence Pratt, Philippa Robinson, Vernal Sands, Dr. Julian Stewart, Phillip Styles, Alinda Bowe, Nikeva-Eve Benjamin, Leslie Forbes, Trevor Adderley, Alma Albury, Carol Roach, Lisa Butler.

SERMON NOTES:

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Groundbreaking of St. Ambrose Community Center on Feb. 2nd, 2025 at 3pm. Our Rector, Fr. Scott Brennen, wishes to thank ALL persons who participated in making the ceremony a sweeping success. It was a momentous occasion and the start of wonderful experiences for our 25th year of existence. *To God Be All Praise and Glory!*

Tithe & Offerings or Financial Donations can be sent to St. Ambrose Anglican Church, Royal Bank of Canada JFK, Account 1002534, Transit Number: 05165. *For your Building PLEDGE re: Parish Community Center, please send TO FCIB Branch # 09706 A/C # 21044633



Confirmation classes begin TOMORROW Monday February 10, 2025 from 6pm-7:30pm. Make-up Classes may also be on Saturdays from 10am-11:30am but a schedule will be given at the beginning. Classes are expected to run for approx. 3 months. **ALL are welcome to attend for a refresher. The official texts are the NRSV Bible; Instruction For Anglicans by Bishop Thompson; and other written materials.**

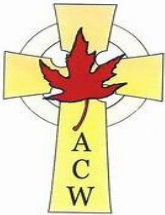
(Applications to be filled out for new candidates only).



Our A.G.M. will take place on Sunday February 23rd 2025 after the 8am Said Mass (only one Mass on this day). ALL heads of parochial organizations must submit a written, digitized report and it must be sent to the church's email no later than Friday February 14th 2025. See p. 8 of bulletin for Vestry vacancies. *Please see ushers for Nomination Sheet.*



The annual **Pauline Bastian Lenten Tea** will take place on **Sunday March 23rd 2025 at 2:30pm—in the Emerald Ballroom at St. John’s College**. Theme is “Vogue”. For further details, please contact co-chairs *Suzette Simmons and Kenva Mullings*.



After elections, the 2025 ACW Board members are: **President**-Melinda McKenzie; **Vice-President**-Rochelle Turnquest; **Secretary**-Althea Adderley; **Assistant Secretary**-Julie Harts; **Treasurer**-Hazel Carroll; **Assistant Treasurer**-Alma Albury. *Congrats to all faithful and dedicated women who are good role models to all, especially women and girls!*



February: 12th Verdalia Cash; **13th** Andrea Moxey, Tia Ferguson; **14th** Benjamin Clarke, Anthony Beneby; **15th** Rebecca Moxey, Tyler Adderley, Samuel Hanna;



February 9th-Zydon & Nikera-Eve Benjamin; **11th**-Roger & Gwen Ritchie; **12th**-Julian & Phillipa Robinson; **13th**-Neil & Scheneika Campbell



7am-Alma Albury, Phillipa, Melonie Badmus, Nathalie Nairn—**9:30am**-Cleo Hepburn, Alinda Bowe, Norma Dean, Nickeva-Eve Benjamin



7am-Nicarra Sands, Hazel Carroll, Alecia Williams
9:30am-To Be Selected

Weekly Attendance (Feb. 2nd 2025)

Attendance: 8am — **105** 3pm — **114**
Wednesday Mass— **8** Bible Study—**11**

DAILY OFFICE READINGS

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
M	Ps 80; Isaiah 58:1-12	Ps. 78:1-39; Isaiah 59:1-15a;	Ps. 119:97-120; Isaiah 59:15b-21;	Ps. [83] or 146, 147; Isaiah 60:1-17;	Ps. 88; Isaiah 61:1-9;	Ps. 107:33-43; 108:1-6 [7-13]; Isaiah 66:1-6;
P	Galatians 6:11-18	2 Timothy 1:1-14	2 Timothy 1:15-2:13	2 Timothy 2:14-26	2 Timothy 3:1-17	1 Timothy 6:6-21
E	Ps. 77, [79]; Genesis 25:19-34	Ps. 78:40-72; Genesis 30	Ps. 81, 82; Genesis 27:1-29;	Ps. 85, 86; Genesis 27:30-45;	Ps. 91, 92; Genesis 27:46-28:4;	Ps. 33; Genesis 35:1-20;
P	Mark 9:30-41	Mark 9:42-50	Mark 10:1-16	Mark 10:17-31	Mark 10:32-45 Sts. Cyril, Methodius & Valentine	Mark 12:35-44. Fr. Thomas Bray

PARISH VESTRY

- Fr. Scott Brennen - **Rector** (801-4037)
- 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)
- Mrs. Melinda McKenzie - **A.C.W. President** (544-2558)
- 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)