



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

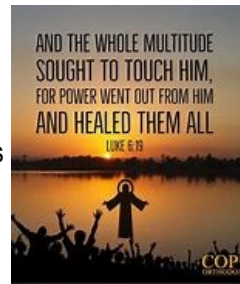
Sunday - 7:00 am Said Mass

Sunday - 9:30 am Sung Mass

Monday - 6:30pm Confirmation Class

Wednesday - 6:00am Said Mass

Wednesday - 6:30 pm Bible Study



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

The Sixth Sunday After The Epiphany

February 16th, 2025

Introit **When We Walk With The Lord (Trust & Obey)**

Opening Sentence BCP 98

The Kyries BCP 102

Collect **6th Sunday After the Epiphany** **BCP 161**

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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 Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

PSALM 1

THE EPISTLE

Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in 1st Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then

Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

How Sweet The Name of Jesus Sounds

CPWI 253

(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 6: 17-26

Gospeller: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter 6, beginning to read at the 17th verse.

All: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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 F

BCP 115

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

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

All Things Bright And Beautiful

CPWI 641

The Proper Preface

BCP 127

Eucharistic Prayer

Form B

BCP 135

The Lord's Prayer

BCP144

Communion Hymns

Break Thou The Bread of Life

CPWI 393

I Need Thee Every Hour

CPWI 552

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

CPWI 602

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 148

Recessional Hymn

Lord, You Give The Great Commission

CPWI 332

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Our A.G.M. will take place NEXT Sunday February 23rd 2025 after the 8am Said Mass (only one Mass on this day). Written, digitized reports from heads of parochial organizations have been submitted and hard copies will be available at the AGM. Nominations for Vestry vacancies are open and will close on Thursday Feb. 20th 2025. Please see ushers for Nomination Sheets. Elections are held at the AGM. ***This is also St. Ambrose T-Shirt Day/ Youth Sunday so please wear your BLUE T-shirts!**

Tithes & 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 begun last week Monday and will continue on Mondays from 6:30pm-8:00pm. Make-up Classes may also be on Saturdays from 10am-11:30am, if needed. Classes are expected to run until May 17th 2025 with a final exam on May 19th 2025. **ALL are welcome to attend for a refresher.** **The official texts are the NRSV Bible; Instruction For Anglicans Manual (\$20); BCP the CPWI Hymnal and other written materials.**



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. The Theme is "Vogue". For further details, please contact co-chairs Suzanne Simmons and Kenva Mullings.

ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN NEWS

- **Mon. Feb. 24th, 2025-A.C.W. General Meeting** at 6pm in the Sunday School Room.
- **Sunday Mar. 2nd, 2025-ACW Anniversary & Installation of President & Executive Members** at the 9:30am Sung Mass.

THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF THE BAHAMAS & THE TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS

LENTEN MISSION 2025



THEME *Family Matters* **JOSHUA 24:15**
 "AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD."

Night 1 *Night 2* *Night 3*



The Road
MARIE ROACH
MISSIONER



The Road
KIRKLAND RUSSELL JR.
MISSIONER



The Road
DEANGELO BOWE
MISSIONER

DATES & LOCATIONS

MARCH 5TH-7TH GRAND BAHAMA

MARCH 9TH-11TH NEW PROVIDENCE

MARCH 16TH-18TH PROVIDENCIALES

MARCH 17TH - 19TH GRAND TURK

MARCH 18TH SOUTH CAICOS



February: 16th Dorothy Seymour; **17th** Pattie Gaitor, Christopher Wallace; **18th** Ralaina Crawford, Trestorm "Tre" Adderley, Darius Johnson, Alphonso Beneby Jr.; **19th** Veronica Marshall, Rochelle Turnquest; **20th-** Icelar Hepburn, Brione Nixon; **21st-** David Burrows Jr.



February 17th- Kendall & Shundra Meadows; **20th-** Antoine & Nicole Knowles



7am- Joel Cunningham, Julie Harts, Vincent Symonette, Rochelle Taylor
9:30am- Kenva Mullings, Jacintha Wallace, Schenika Campbell, Rebby Storr



7am- Audra Gardiner, Cheyenne Bethel, Renee Burrows
9:30am- Andrew Holder, Crystal Holder, Toosdai Smith

Weekly Attendance (Feb. 9th & 12th 2025)

Attendance: 8am — 79 9:30am — 54 (Sunday School-29)
 Wednesday Mass— 8 Bible Study— 12

DAILY OFFICE READINGS

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
M P	Ps 89:1-18; Isaiah 63:1-6 1 Timothy 1:1-17	Ps. 97, 99 (100); Isaiah 63:7-14; 1 Timothy 1:18-2:8	Ps. 101, 109:1-4 (5-19) 20-30; Isaiah 63:15-64:9; 1 Timothy 31:1-16	Ps. 105:1-22; Isaiah 65:1-12; 1 Timothy 4:1-6	Ps. 102; Isaiah 65:17-25; 1 Timothy 5:17-22 (23-25)	Ps. 107:33-43, 108:1-6 (7-13); Isaiah 66:1-6; 1 Timothy 6:6-21
E P	Ps. 89:19-52; Genesis 30:1-24 Mark 11:1-11	Ps. 94, (95); Genesis 31:1-24; Mark 11:12-26	Ps. 119:121-144; Genesis 31:25-50; Mark 11:27-12:12	Ps. 105:23-45; Genesis 32:3-21; Mark 12:13-27	Ps. 107:1-32; Genesis 32:22-33:17; Mark 12:28-34	Ps. 33; Genesis 35:1-20; Mark 12:35-44. Collect: Epiphany 7

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)