

# St. Ambrose Anglican Church



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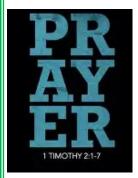
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# **West Central Bahamas Archdeacon**

The Venerable Dwight H. L. Rolle, B.A., S.T.M., J.P.

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



# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday - 7:00 am Said Mass Sunday - 9:30 am Sung Mass Wednesday - 6:00 am Said Mass



THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 21st, 2025
Proper 20/ Year C/Track 1

Introit	Dear Lord and Father of Mankind	CPWI 499
Opening Sentence	General	Bcp 100
The Kyries / The Glo	Bcp 102	
Collects	Proper 20	R∩p 178

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 endure; 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 cannot be broken; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (Jer. 8:18-9:1)

Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in Jeremiah, chapter 8, verse18, continuing to chapter 9, verse 1.

<sup>18</sup>My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. <sup>19</sup>Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") <sup>20</sup>"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." <sup>21</sup>For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. <sup>22</sup>Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? <sup>1</sup> O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Reader: The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

#### **PSALM 79:1-9**

BCP 572

Please pause for 2 seconds at the asterisk (\*)

# THE EPISTLE (1 Timothy 2:1-7)

Reader: A Reading from the Word of God written in 1st Timothy, chapter 2, verses 1 to 7.

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanks-givings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is

right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. <sup>7</sup>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 Master Speak, Thy Servant Heareth

**CPWI 530** 

(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

**LUKE 16:1-13** 

Gospeller: A continuation of the Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to St. Luke, chapter 16, beginning at the very 1st verse.

### All: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. 2So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' 3Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' 5So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 6He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." 7Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' 8And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. 9And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. 10"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? <sup>13</sup>No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot

serve God and wealth."

Gospeller: This is 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 O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee CPWI 536

THE SERMON		Fr. Scott Brennen
THE NICENE CREED		Bcp 104
Intercessions (Form B)		Bcp 107
Act of Penitence /Greeting of the Peace		Bcp 123
Peace Hymn	There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit	CPWI 296
	ANNOUNCEMENTS	
	(Bulletin Pages 5-7)	

Offertory Hymn Take My Life And Let It Be **CPWI 539** 

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 Church Of God A Kingdom Is	Cpwi 347
The Sursum Corda .		Вср 126
The Proper Preface	Of God The Holy Spirit	<b>BCP 131</b>
Eucharistic Prayer	Form Ć	Bcp 137
The Lord's Prayer		Вср144
<b>Communion Hymns</b>	Break Thou The Bread	<b>CPWI 393</b>
	My God, And Is Thy Table	<b>CPWI 608</b>
	Trust And Obey	P&W 81
	P&W 228	
Post-Communion Pra	BCP 148	
Recessional Hymn	Give Me Oil In My Lamp	<b>CPWI 546</b>
-	SERMON NOTES	

# **NOTICES/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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. **MEMBERS**, if you were away, or have returned after an absence, it is good to have you back home.

#### The Sick & Those Recovering

Leannza Beneby, Alinda Bowe, Francise Seymour-Bowe, Gina Ross, Granville Brown, Nathalya Corduroy, Barbara Chong, Jocelyn Munroe, Florence Pratt, Philippa Robinson, Vernal Sands, Alice Hunter, Dr. Julian Stewart, Leslie Forbes, Hyacinth Curtis, Naomi Williams, Archbishop Gomez, Cheryl Bowe-Moss, Elva Miller (mother of Lariese Francis), Agnes Saunders, Beauregard Kelly, Joi Butler.

# CALENDAR OF CHURCH EVENTS (SEPT.-DEC. 2025):

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<u>Time</u>
Pastoral Care	Weekly Health Check-Ins	Sun. Sept. 21st & 28th	7am & 9:30am
Pastoral Care	Yard Sale	POSTPONED!	7am-12noon
A.C.W.	Family Fun & Bingo	Fri. Sept. 26th 2025	6:30pm-8:30pm
Singing Choir	Senior's Extravaganza	Sun. Oct. 26th 2025	3pm-4:30pm
Social Outreach	Souse-Out	Sat. Nov. 1st 2025	8am-12noon
Usher Board	Anniversary Evensong	Sun. Nov. 23rd	3pm-5pm
Pastoral Care	Pirate Ship Boat Cruise	Fri. Dec. 5th	6:30pm-9:30pm
Church-wide	Patronal Festival	Sun. Dec. 7th 2025	3pm-7pm

# **Eucharistic Readings For Next Sunday (Pent. XVI Sept. 28th, 2025)**

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Ps. 91:1-6, 14-16 I Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31



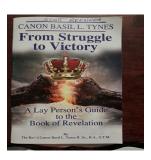
Anyone interested in joining St Ambrose' Audio Visual Ministry, please contact **Brian Nixon** at 341-6040 or <a href="mailto:stambrosebah242@gmail.com">stambrosebah242@gmail.com</a>. Broadcasting our 7am & 9:30am Masses is critical in spreading The Gospel of Christ worldwide.



Please note that the annual Diocesan Alpheus "Hawk" Finlayson Track & Field Classic will take place on Saturday Oct. 4th, 2025 at Thomas A. Robinson Stadium. The church's Event Organizer & Athlete Recruitment Officer is Ms. Deja Burrows. Please contact her at 429-1592 for further details.



Please be advised that **Fr. Brennen will be on a 2-week vacation, Oct. 4th-18th, 2025**. For pastoral matters, please contact Archdeacon Palacious and for administrative matters, please contact The Priest's & People's Wardens.



Please note that our weekly Bible Study resumes THIS Wednesday, Sept. 24th, 2025 at 6:30pm. We will be studying The Book of Revelation with exegetical reference to Canon Basil Tynes' book "From Struggle To Victory: A Lay Person's Guide to the Book of Revelation." Please come and enjoy biblical study and delightful and thought provoking conversations.

If you know of anyone experiencing Family Violence, please share the following info. : <u>Emergency Phone Numbers In The Bahamas</u>

**Police**: 302-8387; 302-8452 **Crisis Centre**: 328-0922; 322-4999 (565-9633 free family island text-line). **SCAN** (Suspected Child Abuse & Neglect): 604-9039 to 42, 376-3538. **Child Abuse HOTLINE**: 322-2763/422-2763. **Youth** 

Help Hotline: New Providence - 322-2763; 422-2763.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!! September 21st**-Charles Curry, Jr.; **22nd**-Jayden Walkes, Jalen Albury; **24th**-Kimberley Cartwright, Tamarah Adderley; **25th**–Dawn Hermans, Keishla Wilson, Kyle Seyfert; **26th** - Hanna Astwood, Anthony Mackey; **27th** - Norma Dean.

**HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!!! September 27th** –Stephen & Monique Rolle.









**7:00am** - Tammy Smith, Adrianne Duvalier, Julie Harts.

9:30am - Jennifer Pratt, Richard Pratt.



**7:00am** - Nicarra Sands, Hazel Carroll, Monique Rolle, Suzanne Simmons.

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

# WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE (Sept 14th & 17th)

Sun. 7am – 82 & Sun. 9:30am - 59 & Sun. Sch.-26 Wed. 6:00am—11

	DAILY OFFICE READINGS							
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat		
M P	Ps. 80; 2 Kings 5:1- 19; 1 Corin- thians 4:8- 21	Ps. 78:1- 39; 2 Kings 5: 20-27; 1 Corinthians 5:1-8	Ps.119:97- 120; 2 Kings 6-23; 1 Co- rinthians 5:9- 6:8	Ps. [83] or 116, 117; 2 Kings 9:1- 16; 1 Corin- thians 6:12- 20	Ps. 88; 2 Kings 9:17- 37; 1 Corin- thians 7:1-9	Ps. 75, 76; 2 Kings 2:1- 18; 1 Corin- thians 4:1-7		
E P	Ps. 77, [79]; Esther 4:4- 17 or Judith 7:1-7, 19- 32; Matthew 5:21-26	Ps. 78:40- 72; Esther 5:1-14 or Judith 8:9- 17; 9:1, 7- 10; Matt.	Ps. 81, 82; Esther 6:1- 14 or Judith 10:1-23; Matthew 5:38-48	Ps. 85, 86; Esther 7:1- 10 or Judith 12:1-20; Matthew 6:1 -6, 16-18	Ps. 91, 92; Esther 8:1- 8, 15-17; Matthew 6:7 -15	Ps. 87, 90; 2 Kings 11:1- 20a; 1 Co- rinthians 7:10-24, Col. pg. 178		

#### PARISH VESTRY

Fr. Scott Brennen - Rector (801-4037)

Mrs. Claudette Nixon - Priest's Warden (422-2743)

Mr. Joel Cunningham - **People's Warden 2025-2027** (421-2589)

Ms. Tanisha Brathwaite - Elected 2025-2027 (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)

Sgt. Melinda McKenzie - A.C.W. President (544-2558)

Mr. Ethan W. Adderley - A.C.M. President (808-5750)

Chief Supt. 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 (424-0887)

Ms. Frances Dean - Social Outreach (327-4031)

Mrs. Gale Sheryl Forbes - Ushers (455-0120)

Ms. Deja Burrows - CYM President (429-1592)

Mr. Reno Major - Elected 2024-2026 (376-6211)

Mr. Humphrey Simmons - Elected 2024-2026 (357-8360)

Mr. James Albury - Elected 2025-2027 (424-9042)

Mr. Cadrington Coleby - Elected 2025-2027 (424-0550)

Mr. Philip Styles - Elected 2025-2027 (376-2919)

Mr. John Michael Clarke - Appointed 2025-2026 (601-5777)

Mrs. Cozetta Johnson - **Appointed 2025-2026** (427-5437)



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