Let us Pray

Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness or disease, realize that they are chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. Amen.

Paul Barnett Sr., Rosemary Black, Guy-Phillipe Berlin, Donnalee Colebrooke, Sonia Darville, Janet Davis, Carol & Sylvia Edgecombe, Michael Farrington, Hartman Johnson, Edward Kerr, Ann Treco-Knowles, Patricia Knowles, Paula Lundy, Ida Major, Dellareese McPhee, Vanessa Moss, Derek & Donell Musgrove, Martha Roberts, Kyandre Sands, Jayde Smith, Mable Smith, Lucinda Symonette, Camille Turnquest, Anastina Wilson, and Jacinta White, the imprisoned, the homebound, the hospitalized and persons in the Geriatrics Hospital. (If you, or a member of your family ill, or if you know of a parishioner that is ill, please notify the parish office).

Daily Scripture Reading

Monday	*The Baptism of the Lord*
9th	*1st Reading: Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10: 34-38*
	Resp Ps: 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10
	Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17
Tuesday	*1st Reading: Hebrews 2: 5-12*
10th	*Resp Ps: 8: 2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9*
	Gospel: Mark 1:21-28
Wednesday	*1st Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18*
11th	*Resp Ps: 105: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9*
	Gospel: Mark 1:29-39
Thursday	*1st Reading: Hebrews 3:7-14*
12th	*Resp Ps: 95: 6-7c, 8-9, 10-11*
	Gospel: Mark 1: 40-45
Friday	*St. Hilary, Bishop, Doctor*
13th	*1st Reading: Hebrews 4:1-5, 11*
	Resp Ps:78: 3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8
	Gospel: Mark 2:1-12
Saturday	*1st Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16*
14th	*Resp Ps:19: 8, 9, 10, 15*
	Gospel: Mark 2: 13-17

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Romans 12:12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

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Celebrating the Eucharist missalettes are on sale at $5.00 each at the parish office.

Happy Birthday Greetings to... Aaron McPhee, Tanya Heastie, Brian Davis, Vanessa Sturrup, Evan Thompson (Today), Tarquin Kelly, Joshua Major, Insa Frith (Mon), Kaylan McCartney, Drew Wood (Tues), Valrea Sturrup, Darren Pierre, Kaelyn Demeritte, Kendra Cartwright (Wed), Darren Antonio Jr., G'Angelo Edgecombe, Phillippa Rolle, Janet Neely, Warren Brown (Thurs), Dellareese Isaacs, Steven Miller (Fri), Natika Thompson, Amay Darling, Gregory Edgecombe, Donnell Owens, (Sat).

.....and to all celebrating this week!

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~Commentators & Lectors~

The Epiphany of the Lord– 8th January, 2023

7:00 am	Verdell Ferguson	1st Reader
	Letitia Ellis	2nd Reader/Commentator
9:00 am	Chaunece Saunders	1st Reader
	Marici Thompson	2nd Reader/Commentator

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 15th January, 2023

7:00 am	Steven Miller	1st Reader
	Twana Lockhart	2nd Reader/Commentator
9:00 am	Marissa Demeritte	1st Reader/Commentator
	Mya Demeritte	2nd Reader

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Catholic Quotes...

We must pray without tiring, for the salvation of mankind does not depend on material success; nor on sciences that cloud the intellect. Neither does it depend on arms and human industries, but on Jesus alone. **-St. Frances Xavier Cabrini-**

Reflecting on the Word

Perfected Revelation

The "epiphany" of Jesus, his revelation to the world, was accompanied by the offering of three gifts, each of which symbolized a different aspect of the divine/human savior.

Frankincense is offered to Jesus, the Son of God, the eternal Word of the Father who is worshiped with the Father and the Spirit.

Gold is offered to Jesus the King of the human race, the summit of creation.

Myrrh is offered to the divine/human savior of the world who suffered and died for the salvation of all. Jesus is revealed in our own day also. He is revealed as the Word of God speaking to us in the marvelous workings of nature, in the achievements of the human spirit, and in the dialogue between Church and world. He is revealed to us as King in every victory over ignorance, alienation and powerlessness. He is revealed to us as Suffering Messiah in the heart and face of every poor person, every stranger, every wanderer living in a back alley or under a bridge, every person victimized by others. "His glory has shone among us." We have only to recognize him and to do what the magi did in his presence: "They prostrated themselves and did him homage." Jesus perfected revelation by fulfilling and manifesting himself: through his words and deeds, his signs and wonders, but especially through his death and glorious resurrection from the dead and final sending of the Spirit of truth.

Vatican II, *Constitution on Divine Revelation*, 1965: 4 Gerald Darring

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Wedding Anniversary

Wayne & Tiana Miller celebrating their 1st anniversary, today.

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"A weekend to remember...An experience you will never forget..."

The **Archdiocesan Office of Family Life** is sponsoring a **Marriage Renewal Weekend** to be held **Friday, February 10th through Sunday February 12th, 2023** at **Emmaus Centre, Fox Hill**. All married couples desiring to enhance and deepen their relationship are invited to register. **Cost $200.00 per couple**, (Meals & Accommodations included) Deadline for applications to be submitted is Friday, February 1st, 2023. Early Bird Special of $150.00 is available until January 14th, 2023. Please contact the Office of Family Life at 322-8919 or 328-4310 for more information.

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Marriage Preparation 2023

Winter classes commence on Wednesday, January 18th, 2023 ending Wednesday, March 29th, 2023. Sessions are held from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. For more information kindly contact: The Office of Family Life @ 242-322-8919 or eulie.elliott@rcadon.org.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the lord shines upon you.

Morning has come. Its gentle light spills over all. Caravans come; nations stretch to see. Hearts open up their sleepy eyes to the radiance that you have poured out on us. Help us awaken.

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

The Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners of the promise in Christ Jesus.

Old promises are made good in the newborn babe: the Christ is now within us. Our lives forever altered. Make us shining stars to lead all people to you.

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Registration for Admission to Catholic Schools

Registration for Catholic Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten children wishing to enter Catholic Schools in New Providence will be held Monday, January 9 to Friday, January 13, 2023 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Students entering Pre-Kindergarten must be 3 Years old by March 31, 2023 and students entering Kindergarten must be 4 years old by March 31st, 2023. Parents/ Guardians MUST present a copy of the birth AND baptismal certificates before receiving a registration form.

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Myrrh & Frankincense: The gifts brought by the Magi were both appropriate and expensive. The value of gold is obvious but what of the other presents? Myrrh is an aromatic substance made from the sap of Myrtle balsam trees found in India, Africa and Saudi Arabia. It is a natural antiseptic and useful as a medicine. Egyptians used myrrh for embalming mummies. It is now used for toothpaste and mouthwash. Incense is a hardened gum that also comes from trees found in the same areas. The word "Frank" comes from an old French word that means "marked." It is a stamp that the incense is "free" from contaminants or "pure". (Franking is still used for free mail rights given to members of Congress.) Incense was used primarily to cover up the smells caused by animal sacrifices. Hence it was connected with worship.

Prayer for the Week

We pray for confidence to share your Word with others and for the opportunity to proclaim it. Forgive our reluctance, our timidity. We pray for wisdom to know what should be said and the moment in which to say it. Forgive our reticence, our anxiety. We pray for knowledge of the fullness of your Grace and the willingness to live it. Forgive our ignorance, our self-reliance. Be the center of all we are The Light by which we walk. The blessing we bring to others. Through Jesus Christ alone we ask. Amen.

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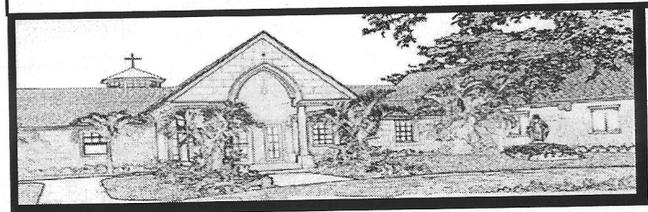

St. Anselm is a Catholic faith community centered in the Eucharist, seeking to live the love of God through worship, word and service.

"We saw his star as its rising and have come to pay him homage."

"Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun." (Baruch 5:5)

January 8th, 2023
The Epiphany of the Lord
1st Reading Isaiah 60:1-6
2nd Reading Eph. 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

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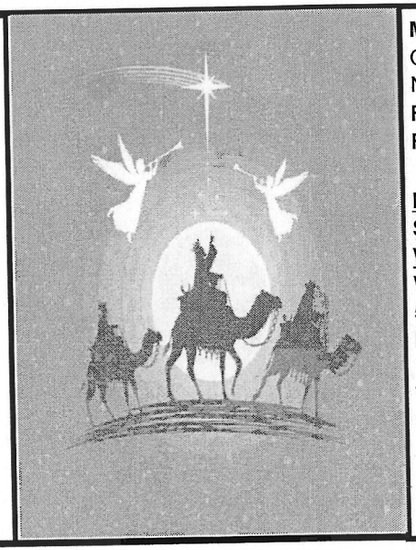
January 15th, 2023
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1st Reading: Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6
2nd Reading: 1st Cor.1:1-3
Gospel: John 1:29-34



Most Rev. Patrick C. Pinder, S.T.D., C.M.G. KC*HS, Archbishop of Nassau.
Fr. Noël Clarke, Parish Priest
Rev. Mr. Ricardo Demeritte, Deacon

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MASS SCHEDULE:
SUNDAYS: 7.00am & 9.00am
WEEKDAYS: 6.15 am
Wednesdays - Adoration at 5.30pm & Mass
HOLIDAYS: 8.00 a.m.
Bible Study Monday 6.15pm—Virtual (CONFESSIONS: SUNDAY: by appointment)

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BAPTISMS:
Call Parish Office to arrange

A WARM AND LOVING WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS !

Please come again and if you would like to become a member, our contacts are listed above.

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To our members, We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers!
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