

Marriage Renewal Retreat
A Weekend to Remember ...An experience you'll never forget...

The Archdiocesan Office of Family Life is sponsoring a Marriage Renewal Weekend to be held Friday, February 9 through Sunday, February 11, 2024 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 and Accommodations included) Deadline for applications to be submitted is Friday, February 1, 2024. Early Bird Special of \$150.00 is available until January 14, 2024. Please contact the Office of Family Life at 322-8919 or 328-4310/2 for more information. *****

NEW DATE FOR KNIGHTS ESSAY LUNCHEON
Please be advised that due to the overwhelming submission of essays from our schools, we had to extend our event day for the judges to complete the task of reviewing and grading all of the essays. The new luncheon date will be on Sunday, February 11, 2024. We truly apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.
Edwin B Thompson Jr.

**Archdiocese Of Nassau
Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry
Get On The Bus**
Please mark your calendar for the following upcoming Archdiocesan Youth Event:
Get on the Bus Friday, January 26th
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral
7:30pm – 10:00pm
Please contact your Parish Office or Parish Youth Ministry/CCD Team for further information and/or waiver forms.

Prayer for the Week
Lord, you are all-knowing and full of wisdom. Your plan is masterful. Help me as your disciple to follow you in every thought, word, and deed. Give me a heart of obedience and trust that I would not get wrapped up in my doubt or what I think is the right choice. Help me to recognize that your good and perfect will does not always look the way I think it should, but that doesn't make it any less good or any less perfect. I desire to be your disciple and follow you all the days of my life. Please give me the strength to do that. Amen.

John 13:35

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patient	obey	new	Jesus
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another	pure	heart	love

ST. ANSELM'S PARISH

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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.

“Behold the Lamb of God.”

“All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, Shall sing to your name, O Lost High!” ~(Cf. s. 66(65):4)~

January 14th, 2024
2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time
1st Reading 1 Samuel 3:36-10,19
2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 6;13c-15a, 17-20
Gospel: John 1:35-42

January 21st, 2024
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1st Reading Jonah 3:1-5, 10
2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Gospel Mark 1:14-20



"...he looked at Jesus as he walked, and said. "Behold, the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this and they followed Jesus."

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

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

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!

## 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, Jaqueline da Costa, Sonia Darville, Carol & Sylvia Edgcombe, Michael Farrington, Patricia Higgs, Hartman Johnson, Monique Johnson, Daphne Kerr, Edward Kerr, Patricia Knowles, Ida Major, Dellareese McPhee, Drucilla Moss, Agatha Pratt, Martha Roberts, Kyandre Sands, Jayde Smith, Mable Smith, Lucinda Symonette, 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

15 January 2024 - Monday

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 15: 16-23

Resp Ps: 50: 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23

Gospel: Mark 2: 18-22

16 January 2024 - Tuesday

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1-13

Resp Ps: 89: 20, 21-22, 27-28

Gospel: Mark 2: 23-28

17 January 2024 - Wednesday

St. Anthony, Abbot

1st Reading: Ephesians 6: 10-13, 18 or 1 Samuel

17: 32-33, 37, 40-51

Resp Ps: 16 or Ps.:144: 16, 2, 9-10

Gospel: Matthew 19: 16-26 or Mark 3: 1-6

18 January 2024 - Thursday

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 18: 6-9; 19: 1-7

Resp Ps: 56: 2-3, 9-10a, 10b-12-13

Gospel: Mark 3: 7-12

19 January 2024 - Friday

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 24: 3-21

Resp Ps: 57: 2, 3-4, 6 and 11

Gospel: Mark 3: 13-19

20 January 2024 - Saturday

St. Fabian, Pope & St. Sebastian, Martyr

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 1: 1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27

Resp Ps: 80: 2-3, 5-7

Gospel: Mark 3: 20-21

### **Happy Birthday Greetings to: Amay Darling, Felipe**

**Major, Donnell Owens, (Today) Acheabea Dyer, Creola Kelly, (Mon) Jeffrey Deal, Arnold Ferguson, Edmund Laing, Dylan Higgs Bain (Tue) Shimar Bain (Wed) Benita Rahming (Thurs) Phoenicia Smith, Xavier Thompson, Michaela Thompson, Jazmyn Demeritte (Fri) Rebecca Bingham, Tre & Tremelody Brooks, Albert Cartwright, Alexander Ferguson, David Munnings, Maxine Ritchie, Larry Wilmott (Sat). and to all celebrating this week!**

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### ~Commentators&Lectors~

#### 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time —14th January, 2024

|     |                   |                        |
|-----|-------------------|------------------------|
| 7am | Verdell Ferguson  | 1st Reader             |
|     | Lananita Edgcombe | 2nd Reader/Commentator |
| 9am | Mary Musgrove     | 1st Reader             |
|     | Julie Bingham     | 2nd Reader/Commentator |

#### 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time —21st January, 2024

|     |                 |                        |
|-----|-----------------|------------------------|
| 7am | Kenra Knowles   | 1st Reader             |
|     | Alexia Edgcombe | 2nd Reader/Commentator |
| 9am | CCD             | 1st Reader             |
|     | CCD             | 2nd Reader/Commentator |

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### Funeral Services for

Mrs. Paulamae Lundy will be held here on Saturday 20th January, at 1:00pm. May her soul Rest in Peace.

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### Youth Group

SA Youth Group meetings for 2024 resumes on Friday 19th January from 7pm to 8:30pm in the parish hall, and every other Friday thereafter. Ages 11 to 17 years are welcome.

## Reflecting on the Word

### Perfected Revelation

The prayers indicate that peace is a focus of today's liturgy. The opening prayers ask that God "show us the way to peace in the world" and that God's truth "reflect peace to those who believe in your love." The prayer after communion asks that the Lord "make us one in peace and love."

The First Reading is about the call of Samuel. The key moment is when Samuel learns to open himself up to God's message: "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."

The Gospel is about another call, the call of the apostles. Jesus challenges the two disciples with the question: "What are you looking for?"

What are we looking for in our world today? Are we looking for peace? If we are looking for peace, are we listening to what the Lord is telling us about the Spirit of peace dwelling within us?

Perhaps a radical change must take place within us in order for there to be peace. The changing of Simon's name could be symbolic of the challenge to change that is issued by Jesus when he calls us to follow him.

Let the Christian who listens to the word of the living God, uniting work with prayer, know the place that his work has not only in earthly progress but also in the development of the kingdom of God, to which we are all called through the power of the Holy Spirit and through the word of the Gospel.

**Pope John Paul II, Laborem Exercens, 1981: 27. ~Derald Darring~**

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#### THE FIRST READING ~1 Samuel 3:36-10, 19

*The Lord called Samuel again.*

*The Lord called Samuel. And he thought the voice was Eli's. It was the Lord. When you call us out of sleep, or pandemic, or in the midst of our turmoil, let us know you well and help us to reply, "Here I am, Lord!"*

#### THE SECOND READING ~1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

*Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you?*

*Christ was not leaving us; he made a home within our hearts. O Holy Spirit, thank you. Please allow us to see the light that you shine upon us in others. ~Anne Osdieck~*

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### Catholic Education Centre

Registration is open for entry into all **primary Catholic schools**. Students entering Pre-Kindergarten should be three years old by March 31st, 2024 and students entering Kindergarten should be four years old by March 31st, 2024. Please contact the school offices for further information.

The Entrance Examination for students wishing to enter Grade Seven at **St. Augustine's College** for September, 2024 will be given on Friday, January 26, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The deadline for registration is on Monday, January 22, 2024. The registration fee is \$40.00. Eligible students may register at their Catholic Primary Schools or at [www.saintaugustinescollege.com/admissions/admissions-process](http://www.saintaugustinescollege.com/admissions/admissions-process) and also the Administration Office on campus. ONLY students in Grade Six will be allowed to sit the Entrance Exam.