<u>Marriage Renewal Retreat</u> 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.

The Catholic Board of Education invites applicants for the position of Principal in a New Providence Primary School. Applicants must be a Bahamian citizen or permanent resident as well as a practicing Roman Catholic. Interested persons are invited to contact the Catholic Education Centre for further details.

The Archdiocesan Youth & Young Adult Office presents:

A Fundraiser Event (Adult only) - **Sip 'N' Paint** Saturday, February 24, 2024—7:30pm – 10:00pm Holy Family Parish - Tickets \$45.00 ea.

To purchase tickets, contact The Youth Office at 322-8919 or 422-5690.

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.

Prayer for the Week

"Dear Lord, as we begin this new week, we ask for your guidance and wisdom.

Please direct our steps and illuminate our path. Grant us discernment in every decision we make. Help us to align our will with yours and to walk in your ways. In all things, may your wisdom guide us.

Amen."

Mark (Chapters 1-3)

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prepare the way John the Baptist immediately

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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.

"Everyone is looking for you!"

"O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God." (Psalm 95 [94]:6-7)

February 4th 2024 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7 2nd Reading:1 Cor.9:16-19, 22-23

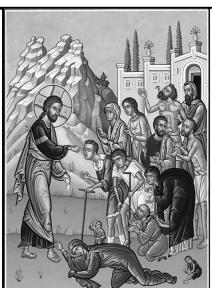
Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

February 11th , 2024

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading Lev 13:1-2, 44-46 2nd Reading 1 Cor. 10:31-11:1

Gospel Mark 1:40-45



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 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.

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, Jaquline da Costa, Sonia Darville, Carol & Sylvia Edgecombe, 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 is ill, or if you know of a parishioner that is ill, please notify the parish office).

Daily Scripture Reading

5th February 2024 - Monday

St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr 1st Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 or 1 Kings 8: 1-7, 9-13 Resp Ps: 31 or Ps. 132: 6-7, 8-10 Gospel: Luke 9:23-26 or Mark 6: 53-56

6th February 2024 - Tuesday

St. Paul Miki, & Companions, Martyrs 1st Reading: Galatians 2:19-20 or 1 Kings 8: 22-23, 27-30 Resp Ps: 126 or Ps. 84: 3, 4, 5 & 10, 11 Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20 or Mark 7: 1-13

7th February 2024 -Wednesday

1st Reading: 1 Kings 10: 1-10 Resp Ps: 37: 5-6, 30-31, 39-40 Gospel: Mark 7: 14-23

8th February 2024 -Thursday

Sts. Jerome Emiliani & Josephine Bakhita 1st Reading: 1 Kings 11: 4-13 Resp Ps: 106: 3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 Gospel: Mark 7: 24-30

9th February 2024 - Friday

1st Reading: 1 Kings 11: 29-32; 12: 19 Resp Ps: 81: 10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 Gospel: Mark 7: 31-37

10th February 2024 - Saturday

St. Scholastica, Virgin

1st Reading: Song of Songs 8:6-7

or 1 Kings 12: 26-32; 13: 33-34

Resp Ps: 148 or Ps. 106: 6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22

Gospel: Luke 10:38–42 or Mark 8: 1-10

Happy Birthday Greetings:

(Today) Khe'anna McCartney, Antoinette Nouguez, Matthew Rahming; (Mon) Alexander Middleton, Tristan Tucker; (Wed) Pedro Demeritte, Raymond Johnson, Jacklyn Sealey; (Thurs) Valecia Demeritte, Infinity Hamilton, James King, Reuben Knowles, Barbara Marshall, Lothario Rose, Shiloh Flowers; (Fri) Vincente (Ron) Demeritte, Delvin Cooper; (Sat) David Barnett, Renando Fawkes, Lulamae Greaves, Jude Smith and to all celebrating this week!

Happy Anniversary

Cale & Keturah Demeritte celebrating their 7th today.

David & Doris Wood celebrating their 49th on Thursday February 8th.

Frederick & Dominique White celebrating their 27th on Thursday February 8th.

~Commentators & Lectors~

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time —4th February, 2024

7 a.m. Vann Gaitor 1st Reader/Commentator Cabrielle Pintard-Newry 2nd Reader

9 a.m. Tanya Heastie 1st Reader/ Commentator Jean Gomez 2nd Reader

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 11th February 2024

7 a.m. Barbara Turnquest 1st Reader 2nd Reader/Commentator

9 a.m. Kevin Fernander

Sayon Rolle

1st Reader/Commentator
2nd Reader

Reflecting on the Word Healing Love

On the one hand, there are suffering human beings like Job, slaves longing for the shade. On the other hand, there is God who cares about us, who heals the brokenhearted and sustains the lowly. Jesus comes into this world of suffering as God the healer: those whom he cured were many. The community of the followers of Jesus has a calling to bring healing to this world full of suffering. They are to go about it by means of service: just as Simon's mother-in-law did, they are to use their healing from Jesus as an opening to serve others. They are to be like Paul, making themselves all things to all people, the slaves of all. The Catholic Church challenges us to hunger and thirst for what is right so that, like God, we might fill the hungry with good things. Especially through his life-style and through his actions, Jesus revealed that love is present in the world in which we live—an effective love, a love that addresses itself to man and embraces everything that makes up his humanity. This love makes itself particularly noticed in contact with suffering, injustice and poverty—in contact with the whole historical "human condition," which in various ways manifests man's limitations and frailty, both physical and moral.

~Pope John Paul II, <u>Dives in Misericordia</u>,1980: 3. Gerald Darring.~

Prayerful Sympathies

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathies to Ingrid Strachan & Beatrice Collie and family on the death of their daughter and granddaughter, Whitney Cox, who died on Monday 29th January. May she rest in peace. Funeral services will be announced at a later date.

Special Dates to Remember

<u>Ash Wednesday</u> - Wednesday, 14th February - Mass at 6:15am and 7:00pm in the Main Church

Stations of the Cross - Friday 16th February at 7:00pm (none on 23rd due to Mission)

RCIA Rite of Sending - (1st Sunday of Lent) February 18th

RCIA Rite of Election - Sunday, February 18th, at 5:00pm St. Francis Xavier

Cathedral