Around the Parish

The Fundraising Committee is seeking new members to come and be apart of this vibrant group. Meetings are held on Wednesday's at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Come and share your ideas and offer suggestions on ways we can continue to keep St. Anselm's the Number One Cathedral in the East. See you there! Coming soon.... Fish Fry Fridays!!!!!!!

Things we can do during Lent

It's a time to work on discipline. The 40 days of Lent are also a good, set time to work on personal discipline in general. Instead of giving something up, it can be doing something positive. "I'm going to exercise more. I'm going to pray more. I'm going to be nicer to my family, friends and coworkers."

It's about dying to yourself. The more serious side of Lenten discipline is that it's about more than self-control – it's about finding aspects of yourself that are less than Christ-like and letting them die. The suffering and death of Christ are foremost on our minds during Lent, and we join in these mysteries by suffering, dying with Christ and being resurrected in a purified form.

Don't do too much. It's tempting to make Lent some ambitious period of personal reinvention, but it's best to keep it simple and focused. There's a reason the Church works on these mysteries year after year. We spend our entire lives growing closer to God. Don't try to cram it all in one Lent. That's a recipe for failure.

Prayer for the Week

My Father in Heaven, the Great Almighty, yours is the kingdom and the power and glory. You are enough for me. I hand over my prayers and my needs to you, O Lord, for you are enough. You are great and powerful and can do all things, so I will have faith and trust in your way and your timing. For it's not my will, but yours, O Lord, and always to your glory. Hear my prayers, O Lord, and help me to trust in your answers to your glory, in your time, and in your way. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

ASH WEDNESDAY

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FAST PROMISE PALMS **FEBRUARY 18TH, 2024** CHALLENGES 1ST SUNDAY IN LENT BEGINNING 1st Reading: Genesis 9: 8-15 ASHES OBLIGATION 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3: 18-22 HOLYDAY Gospel: Mark 1: 12-15 FAITHFUL PRAYER BAPTISM

FEBRUARY 25TH, 2024 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

1st Reading: Genesis 22: 1-2, 9a,10-13, 15-18

2nd Reading: Romans 8: 31b-

Gospel: Mark 9: 2-10



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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.

"Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him."

"When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days." (CF. Psalm 91/90]:15-16)

> 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: 7.00 a.m. & 9.00 a.m. WEEKDAYS: 6.15 a.m.

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, Bernadette Rolle-Major, 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

19 February 2024 - Monday

1st Reading: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 11-18 Resp Ps: 19: 8, 9, 10, 15 Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

20 February 2024 - Tuesday

1st Reading: Isaiah 55: 10-11 Resp Ps: 34: 4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 Gospel: Matthew 6: 7-15

21 February 2024 - Wednesday

St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

1st Reading: Jonah 3: 1-10 Resp Ps: 51: 3-4, 12-13, 18-19 Gospel: Luke 11: 29-32

22 February 2024 - Thursday

Chair of St. Peter, Apostle 1st Reading: First Peter 5: 1-4 Resp Ps: 23: 1-3a, 4, 5, 6 Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-19

23 February 2024 - Friday

St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr 1st Reading: Ezekiel 18: 21-28 Resp Ps: 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Gospel: Matthew 5: 20-26

24 February 2024 - Saturday

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 16-19 Resp Ps: 119: 1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Gospel: Matthew 5: 43-48 Happy Birthday Greetings to: Ericka Demeritte (Mon); Wendisha Miller, Tunde Chino Jr Davis (Tues); Stephanie Burrows, Bryant Collie, Sonia Lunn (Wed); Darren Antonio Sr, Bernadette Rolle-Major, Danielle Williams (Thurs); Shakera Nesbitt-Sands, Jernesko Moss, Byron Demeritte (Fri); Julien MacArthur, Effie Owens (Sat); and to all celebrating this week!

~Commentators & Lectors~

1st Sunday of Lent —18th February, 2024

7 a.m. Arthur Seymour 1st Reader Letitia Ellis 2nd Reader/Commentator

9 a.m. The Youth

2nd Sunday of Lent — 25th February, 2024

7 a.m. Twana Lockhart 1st Reader

Marcia Gibson 2nd Reader/Commentator

9 a.m. Mechelle Martinborough 1st Reader

Derry Ferguson 2nd Reader/Commentator

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 -

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

Prayerful Sympathy

The Parish community extends prayerful sympathy to Terez Curry and family on the death of her brother, Arlington Johnson, who died on Wednesday, 14th February. Funeral service to be announced at a later date.

May his soul rest in Peace.

Reflecting on the Word Victory

The story of Noah is the story of a society gone wrong. The flood was a collective event, a response to the collective evil of the time. Collective also was the covenant made by God with the survivors of the flood, and collective was the redemption by Christ, a just man for the sake of the unjust. The challenge to reform our lives and change our lives expresses a call to change ourselves individually and to change ourselves as a society. The good news spoken of in the Gospel is the announcement of the kingdom, a world where God rules. Jesus's victory over Satan represents a victory over the powers of evil, those forces that cause us to sin. The evil we struggle against in Lent is personal as well as social. Profound and rapid changes make it particularly urgent that no one, ignoring the trend of events or drugged by laziness, content himself with a merely individualistic morality. It grows increasingly true that the obligations of justice and love are fulfilled only if each person, contributing to the common good, according to his own abilities and the needs of others, also promotes and assists the public and private institutions dedicated to bettering the conditions of human life.

<u>Vatican II, Constitution on the Church in the Modern World,</u> 1965:30 ~ Gerald Darring.

Special Dates to Remember/Events

- RCIA Rite of Election Today at 5:00pm St . Francis Xavier Cathedral
- Archdiocesan City Wide Mission beginning tomorrow the 19th until Friday the 23rd,
 7:00pm nightly at Loyola Hall. The bus leaves the parish grounds at 6.15pm.
- Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent, at 7pm.
- **FISH FRY Fridays** by the Fundraising committee every Friday after Stations of the Cross.

Please mark your calendar for the following upcoming **Archdiocesan Youth Event**: SEARCH Re-Birth XIV Friday - Sunday, Mar. 1-3, at St. Augustine's Monastery (Open to 16 – 19 year olds) Begins: 6:30pm Ends: 4:00pm (Online application deadline Wed. Feb. 28) Registration link:

https://form.jotform.com/rcayouthoffice/search2024-teen-retreat

The Catholic Board of Education invites applications for the following positions:

- 1) Facilities Manager
- 2) Receptionist
- 3) Janitor/Handyman

For further information please contact the Catholic Education Centre. Resumes should be submitted to **cboe@cec.edu.bs.** (No hardcopy applications will be accepted.)