## **Around the Parish**

Fish Fry Fridays, every Friday after Stations of the Cross in the Parish Hall.

Lenten Sacrifice: Good Friday 29th March, 2024.

**Tickets:** \$15.00

Menu: Snapper with peas and grits or peas and

rice, cole slaw & beets.

# **Catholic Archdiocesan Annual Appeal**

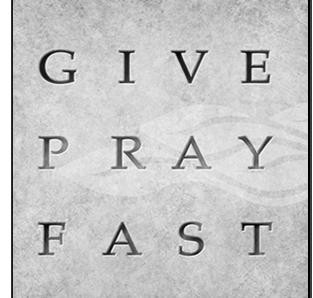
The Annual Appeal has begun. No amount is too big or too small. Contributions can be made at the Parish Office, via Bank Transfers or at the Chancery Office.

### KOINONIA BI-ANNUAL RETREAT

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The KOINONIA Retreat weekend will be held at Emmaus Center, beginning on Friday 19th April, 2024 at 7.00 p.m. and ending on Sunday 21st April, 2024 at 8.00 p.m. DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED APPLICATION & FEE OF \$70.00, IS FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2024

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### **Prayer for the Week**

Dear God, Thank you for your amazing power and work in our lives, thank you for your goodness and for your blessings over us. Thank you for your great love and care. Thank you for your sacrifice so that we might have freedom and life. Forgive us for when we don't thank you enough, for who you are, for all that you do, for all that you've given. Help us to set our eyes and our hearts on you afresh. Renew our spirits, fill us with your peace and joy. We love you and we need you, this day and every day. We give you praise and thanks, for You alone are worthy! In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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# 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.

"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

"Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast." (Cf. Isaiah 66:10-11)

# March 10th, 2024

4th Sunday in Lent – 2nd Scrutiny
1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7,10-13a
2nd Reading: Ephesians 5: 8-14
Gospel: John: 9: 1-41

# March 17th 2024

5th Sunday in Lent- 3rd Scrutiny
1st Reading Ezekiel 37:12-14
2nd Reading Romans 8:8-11
Gospel Matthew John 11:1-45



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

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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.

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# **Daily Scripture Reading**

11 March 2024 - Monday 1st Reading: Isaiah 65: 17-21 Resp Ps: 30: 2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b Gospel: John 4: 43-54

12 March 2024 - Tuesday 1st Reading: Ezekiel 47: 1-9, 12 Resp Ps: 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Gospel: John 5: 1-16

13 March 2024 - Wednesday 1st Reading: Isaiah 49: 8-15 Resp Ps: 145: 8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 Gospel: John 5: 17-30

14 March 2024 - Thursday 1st Reading: Exodus 32: 7-14 Resp Ps:106: 19-20, 21-22, 23 Gospel: John 5: 31-47

15 March 2024 - Friday 1st Reading: Wisdom 2: 1a,12-22 Resp Ps: 34: 17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 Gospel: John 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30

16 March 2024 - Saturday 1st Reading: Jeremiah 11: 18-20 Resp Ps: 2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 Gospel: John 7: 40-53

Please continue to pray for our Confirmation One candidates who will be on retreat next week.

Happy Birthday Greetings to: Chayse Bethel, Wayde White (Today) Miguel Smith, Claudine White (Mon) Frederick Flowers, Rosalie Strachan (Tues) Blaire Toote, (Wed) Arondale Kelly, Kevin Fernander, Fiona Rolle (Thurs) Stephen Mackey, Wilfred Davis, Vernon Davis Jr., Dellarease McPhee (Fri). and to all celebrating this week!

### ~Commentators & Lectors~

### 4th Sunday of Lent — 10th March, 2024, 2nd Scrutiny

7 a.m. Nathan Gittens 1st Reader
Deline Gittens 2nd Reader/Commentator/
Narrator

Bursel Wood - Man

9 a.m. Chaunece Saunders 1st Reader

Kevin Fernander 2nd Reader/Commentator/

Narrator

Kavon Rolle - Man

### 5th Sunday of Lent — 17th March, 2024, 3rd Scrutiny

7 a.m. Bryant Collie 1st Reader/Commentator/ Narrator

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Gabrielle Pintard-Newry 2nd Reader/Speaker

**9 a.m.** Anthony Butler 1st Reader/Commentator/

Narrator

Mary Musgrove 2nd Reader/Speaker

**Lenten Midday Scripture Talks**—with Fr. Eugene Hensell O.S.B., will be held March 18-22, 2024 at Sacred Heart Parish beginning at 12:10 p.m. daily.

The Chrism Mass: will be held on Wednesday 20th March, at 7pm, at the Cathedral.

# Reflecting on the Word Looking Into The Heart

The prophet Samuel comes to Bethlehem to choose a new king from the family of Jesse. He rejects Jesse's oldest son because "Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." With this single statement, the Word of God unmasks much of the world's blindness. We look at poor people and see nothing other than rundown houses and littered streets. We look at the homeless and see nothing other than dirty faces and ragged clothes. We look at people who are different from us and we see nothing other than the color of their skin or the way they manipulate their bodily limbs. In today's <u>Gospel</u>, Jesus, the light of the world, takes away the man's blindness. This wonderful story challenges us to "live as children of light." Our Lenten prayer and sacrifice should serve to take away our blindness so that we can look into the hearts of others and love them as brothers and sisters. It "should turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, death to eternal life." It should enable us to say with the blind man: "I can see and I believe in God." God's word proclaims the oneness of the human family—from the first words of Genesis, to the 'Come, Lord Jesus' of the Book of Revelation. God's word in Genesis announces that all men and women are created in God's image; not just some races and racial types, but all bear the imprint of the Creator and are enlivened by the breath of his one Spirit.

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# Lenten & Easter Services Schedule

- Stations of the Cross Fridays at 7.00pm in the main church
- Reconciliation/Penance Service: Tuesday, 12th March, 2024 7:00 p.m.
- Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord: Sunday, 24th March 8:30 a.m. (ONE MASS)
- Holy Thursday Washing of the Feet: Thursday, 28th March 7:30 p.m.
- Good Friday: Friday, 29th March, 9:00am & 1:00 p.m.
- Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer 30th March 8:30 a.m.
- Easter Vigil: Saturday, 30th March 9:00 p.m.
- Easter Mass: Sunday, 31st March 9:00 a.m. (ONE MASS)
- Easter Monday Holiday: April 1st Mass at 8:00 a.m.
- 4th Sunday of Easter 21st April Patronal Feast of St. Anselm 8:30 a.m. (ONE MASS)

## Retired & Elderly Lenten Reflection Day

The Lenten Reflection for the retired and elderly will be held at Emmaus Center, on Friday, 15th March from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Donation \$20.00 per person. For more details interested persons can contact John or Hilda Tucker, or Rosalie Strachan.

**RCIA** - We continue to pray for our Elect, Joy Douglas and Auri Johnson-Whitfield, and Candidate Crystal Mackey, as they journey towards full communion in the Church.

## **Happy Wedding Anniversary**

Dedrie & Bursel Woods celebrating their 52<sup>nd</sup> on Monday the 11th Brice & Alicia-Marie Thompson celebrating their 4<sup>th</sup> on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Congratulations!