### **Prayerful Sympathy**

Prayerful sympathy to Tyrone and Sharon Miller and family on the death of Sharon's mother Dorothy Sands who died on Thursday, May 8th and was buried from Evangelistic Center yesterday. May her soul rest in peace.

### In Memory

Flowers on the altar today are from Mrs. Maxine Ritchie & family in memory of Mr. Vernon Ritchie's 4th death anniversary. May his soul continue to rest in peace.

#### More upcoming events around the Archdiocese

The next Marriage Preparation is scheduled to start on Wednesday, September 3rd, 2025. A small donation of \$150 per couple is required which includes text books Venue: Emmaus Centre, Fox Hill Time: 7:00pm –9:00pm.

Applications are available via the Archdiocesan website (http://archdioceseofnassau.org/familylife) or the parish office.

The Office of Family Life offers to adult males who abuse their partners a weekly therapeutic session which is conducted by professional therapists. Client are impowered with life-changing skills that will help them to live a more productive and violence-free life. For more details, please contact the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life at 322-3919 or 322-4533.

#### Pilgrim of Hope Walk, Push and Run

This event is sponsored by the office of Family Life scheduled for Saturday, June 28th, 2025 at 6.00am Registration is FREE!! Chicken Souse and Johnny Cake will be on sale at \$5.00. For more information, please contact the Office of Family Life at 322-8919/322-4533 or the Parish Office 324-1325/364-5548

The Office of Family Life will host its' annual **Retired** & Elderly Fun Day on Friday, July 4th, 2025. The bus will leave Holy Family and St. Joseph Parish and travel to St. Paul's Church, Lyford Cay. Please be at the departure point by 8.30am. The bus will return to the pick up points at 4.00pm. Fee: \$25 per person. Interested persons can contact the Parish Office. Or representatives: Rosalie Strachan or Hilda Tucker.

## Prayer for the Week

Father, as I navigate through this week, grant me peace of mind and restful moments amidst the busyness. In times of stress or anxiety, remind me to cast my cares upon You, for You care deeply about my wellbeing. Help me to balance work and rest, ensuring that I am nourished both physically and spiritually. At the end of each day, let me look back with gratitude for Your presence and guidance. May I rest in the assurance of Your unfailing love and the hope of a new day in Your grace. 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.

# "Whoever loves me will keep my word."

"Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia." (Isaiah 48:20)

#### 25th May 2025 6th Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29 Resp Ps: 67: 2-3, 5, 6 and 8 2nd Reading: Revelation 21: 10-14, 22-23 Gospel: John 14: 23-29

#### 1st June 2025

#### The Ascencion of the Lord

1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11 Resp Ps: 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9 2nd Reading Ephesians 1:17-23 or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Gospel: John 24:46-53



#### 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
followed by Mass
HOLIDAYS: 8.00 a.m.
Bible Study Monday 6.15pm
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.

Leonard Bain, Shimonte Bain, Guy-Philip Bain, Paul Barnett Sr., Angnist Burrows, Donnalee Colebrooke, Carol & Sylvia Edgecombe, Michael Farrington, Krystal Ferguson, Brian Fernander, Larry Higgs, Patricia Higgs, Monique Johnson, Creola Kelly, Daphne Kerr, Ancilla Knowles, Annette Knowles, George Knowles, Patricia Knowles, Terrance Knowles, Ida Major, Dellareese McPhee, Supt. Buchanan Moncur, Christina Moss, Drucilla Moss, Saintalus Paul, Tanya Pinder-Carey, Agatha Pratt, Martha Roberts, Jayde Smith, Juanita Symonette, Jacinta White, Nancy Wilmott, Anastina Wilson, and Monique Young, the imprisoned, the homebound, the hospitalized and persons in the Geriatrics Hospital. (If you or a member of your family is ill, kindly contact the Parish Office.)

## Daily Readings

26 May 2025 – Monday St. Phillip Neri, Priest 1st Reading: Phil. 4:4-9 or Acts 16:11-15 Resp Ps:34 or Ps.:149:16-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9 Gospel: John 17:2-26 or John 15:26—16:4a

27 May 2025 – Tuesday St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop 1st Reading: Acts 16:22-34 Resp Ps: 138:1-2ab, 2de-3, 7c-8 Gospel: John 16:5-11

28 May 2025 – Wednesday 1st Reading: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 Resp Ps: 148:1-2, 11-12, 13,14 Gospel: John 16:12-15

> 29 May 2025 – Thursday St. Paul VI, Pope 1st Reading: Acts 18:1-8 Resp Ps: 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Gospel: John 16:16-20

30 May 2025 – Friday 1st Reading: Acts 18:9-18 Resp Ps:47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Gospel: John 16:20-23

31 May 2025 – Saturday
The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
1st Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a or
Romans 12:9-16
Resp Ps: Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

Happy Birthday Greetings to... Dylan Demeritte, Anthony Woodside (Mon), Wendell Demeritte (Tues), Wendy Bain (Wed), Hector Smith, Ashleigh Heastie (Thurs), Montgomery Braidweitz Balah Farakin Kaidan Tadan Sinang

Smith, Ashleigh Heastie (Thurs), Montgomery Braithwaite, Ralph Forskin, Kaitlyn Taylor, Simone Thompson (Fri), Elton Gibson, Edwin White, Anastina Wilson, Bella-Rose Forbes (Sat), and to all celebrating this week!

#### 6th Sunday of Easter - 25th May

7am 1st Reader – Vann Gaitor 2nd Reader/Commentator - Phillandra Bain-Wood 9am 1st Reader - Chreise Ferguson-Toote

2nd Reader/Commentator– Julie Bingham

#### The Ascencion of the Lord - 1st June

7am 1st Reader– Bursel Woods 2nd Reader/Commentator - Tanya Heastie 9am 1st Reader - Mary Musqrove

2nd Reader/Commentator - Kevin Fernander

## Catholic Archdiocese Annual Appeal

The CAAA ends on August 31st. Pledges can be made at the Parish Office, the Chancery Office or via online transfer. Kindly see representatives: Rosemary Burton, Sharon Noville, Christine Greene, Fr. Clarke or Deacon Demeritte to make a pledge. Remember, no pledge is too small to make. Thank You to persons who already made their pledges.

#### May Procession

A May Procession will be held this afternoon at 6.00pm at St. Thomas More Church, Madeira Street. It is the combined effort of the Knights of Columbus and the Legion of Mary. All are invited to attend.

## Reflecting on the Word A Better World

No celebration of Easter would be complete without a reference to the peace brought to us by the Paschal mystery. Today's liturgy provides us with that reference: 'Peace' is my farewell to you, my peace is my gift to you. Peace is what Jesus gave us in his redemptive acts of dying and rising. The early Christian communities experienced dissension and controversy. The reading from Acts documents the manner in which the leaders of the church resolved those conflicts and brought peace to the Church. There is a lesson for us in the elements of their peaceful settlement: the exercise of responsible leadership, respect for all the members of the community, and the decision "not to lay on you any burden beyond that which is strictly necessary." "O God, let all the nations praise you!" for you have rescued them from death and offered them the gift of peace through your resurrection. The perfect world, we Christians believe, is beyond the horizon, in an endless eternity where God will be all in all. But a better world is here for human hands and hearts and minds to make. For the community of faith the risen Christ is the beginning and end of all things. For all things were created through him and all things will return to the Father through him. It is our belief in the risen Christ which sustains us in confronting the awesome challenge of the nuclear arms race.

~U.S. Bishops, <u>The Challenge of Peace</u>, 1983: 337-39. ~ Gerald Darring ~

Happy Wedding Anniversary

John & Janet Davis celebrating their 44th on Friday, May 30 David & Christina Munnings celebrating their 44th on Friday, May 30th

## CCD News

Please continue to pray for our Confirmation II Candidates: Nina Albury, Joshua Brown, Sha'Ron Davis, Jaelyn-Paige Richardson, Kieon Thompson and Tristan Tucker who will be confirmed at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral on Sunday, June 8th, the Feast of Pentecost, at 5.00pm. All are invited to come out and support them.

Also, continue to pray for our First Communion Candidates: Claire Burrows, K'mya Burrows, Jazmin Demeritte, Shanija Rahming, Davyn Fernander, London Forbes, C'Nijh Maycock, Tanaj Rodgers, Payton Roxbury, Troy-Ann Saunders, Journee Williams, Jaelle Williams, Malakye Morris, Trinity Knowles and Nylah Tonay who will receive the Sacrament on Sunday, June 22, the Feast of Corpus Christia.

#### **Upcoming Events here and around the Archdiocese**:

Thursday, June 5th—Practice for Confirmation candidates and their Sponsors 6.30pm at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral Sunday, June 8th—Sacrament of Confirmation 5pm at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral—Candidates and sponsors should arrive by 4.30pm

Neophyte Mass—Date and Time to be announced Venue: Old Cathedral

Sunday, June 22nd—Corpus Christi—The Sacrament of First Communion here and Evening Prayer for First Communicants
5pm at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

Saturday,28th June The St. Vincent de Paul Society will hold a Souse Out, from 8am to 12pm. Donations are welcome.

Tickets will soon be available for purchase.

Come One...Come All!! The Youth and Young Adult Ministry is proud to announce the Archdiocese Inter-Parish Trivia Competition!! Ages 12-17 are invited to participate in this fun filled competition Date: Saturday, October 11, 2025 Venue: Holy Family Parish Hall Time: 1:00pm to 4:00pm!! Please come out and support your Parish Team!! Contact Mrs. Julie Bingham for more details. Let the games begin!!