

Daily Readings

25 December 2025 – Thursday
The Nativity of the Lord Solemnity – Dawn
 1st Reading: *Isaiah 62: 11-12*
 Resp Ps: *97: 1, 6, 11-12*
 2nd Reading: *Titus 3: 4-7*
Gospel: *Luke 2: 15-20*

25 December 2025 – Thursday
The Nativity of the Lord Solemnity – Day
 1st Reading: *Isaiah 52: 7-10*
 Resp Ps: *98: 1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6*
 2nd Reading: *Hebrews 1: 1-6*
Gospel: *John 1: 1-18*

26 December 2025 – Friday
St. Stephen, The First Martyr
 1st Reading: *Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59*
 Resp Ps: *31: 3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17*
Gospel: *Matthew 10: 17-22*

27 December 2025 – Saturday
St. John, Apostle & Evangelist
 1st Reading: *1 John 1: 1-4*
 Resp Ps: *97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12*
Gospel: *John 20: 1a and 2-8*

Registration for admission to Catholic Schools

Registration for CATHOLIC PRE-KINDERGARTEN and KINDERGARTEN children wishing to enter Catholic schools in New Providence will be held from MONDAY, JANUARY 5th to FRIDAY, JANUARY 16th, 2016 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Students entering PRE-KINDERGARTEN MUST BE 3 YEARS OLD BY MARCH 31, 2026 and students entering KINDERGARTEN MUST BE 4 YEARS OLD by MARCH 31, 2026. Parents/Guardians MUST present a copy of the birth AND baptismal certificates before receiving a registration form. Thank you for your cooperation.

St Anselm's Gift Day 2025!

Gift Day 2025 is extended until December 31st, Envelopes are available at the Parish Office or at the back of the Church. We Thank you to all who have contributed so far. All funds will go towards the future projects of the Church.

Liturgical Schedule 2025

December 24th (Wednesday) **Christmas Eve** - 9:30pm
 December 25th Mass at 9am. (Thursday)
 December 26th - **Boxing Day** Mass at 8am. (Friday)
 December 28th - **Feast of the Holy Family** 7am & 9am.
 December 31st - **New Year's Eve** - Holy Hour 10pm, Mass at 11pm **Mary Mother of God.** (Wednesday)
 January 1st (**New Year's Day**) 8am (Thursday)

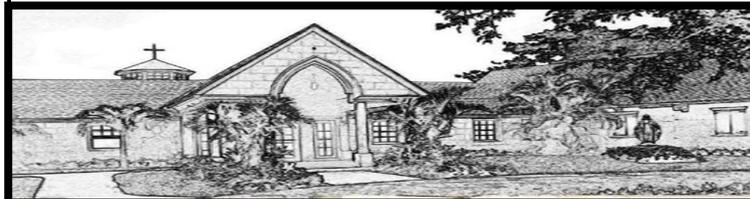
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St. Anselm is a Catholic faith community centered in the Eucharist, seeking to live the love of God through worship, word and service.

“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son and they shall name him Emmanuel.”

“Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Savior.” (Isaiah 45:8)

December 21st, 2025
Fourth Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: *Isaiah 7:10-14*
 Resp Ps: *24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6*
 2nd Reading: *Romans 1:1-7*

Gospel: *Matthew 1:18-24*

December 28th 2025
The Holy Family of Jesus,

Mary & Joseph
 1st Reading: *Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14*
 Resp Ps: *128: 1-2, 4-5*
 2nd Reading: *Colossians 3:12-21*

Gospel: *Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23*



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.

Darren Antonio Sr., Stafford Armbrister, Leonard Bain, Shimonte Bain, Guy-Philip Bain, Paul Barnett Sr., Angnist Burrows, Uthan Cornish, Laurie Curtis, Carol & Sylvia Edgecombe, Michael Farrington, Arnold Ferguson, Clarence Ferguson, Brian Fernander, Salvacion Foody, Patricia Higgs, Monique Johnson, Creola Kelly, Daphne Kerr, Annette Knowles, Patricia Knowles, Terrance Knowles, Ida Major, Dellareese McPhee, Supt. Buchanan Moncur, Christina Moss, Drucilla Moss, Saintalus Paul, Tanya Pinder-Carey, Agatha Pratt, Valgo Shannon, Jayde Smith, Juanita Symonette, Jacinta White, Nancy Wilmott, Anastina Wilson, 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

22 December 2025 – Monday

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 1: 24-28

Resp Ps: 1 Samuel 2: 1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd

Gospel: Luke 1: 46-56

23 December 2025 – Tuesday

St. John of Kanty, Priest

1st Reading: Malachi 3: 1-4, 23-24

Resp Ps: 25: 4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14

Gospel: Luke 1: 57-66

24 December 2025 – Wednesday

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Resp Ps: 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29

Gospel: Luke 1: 67-79

25 December 2025 – Thursday

The Nativity of the Lord Solemnity – Vigil

1st Reading: Isaiah 62: 1-5

Resp Ps: 89: 4-5, 16-17, 27, 29

2nd Reading: Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25

Gospel: Matthew 1: 1-25

25 December 2025 – Thursday

The Nativity of the Lord Solemnity – Midnight

1st Reading: Isaiah 9: 1-6

Resp Ps: 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13

2nd Reading: Titus 2: 11-14

Gospel: Luke 2: 1-14

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LECTORS/COMMENTATORS

4th Sunday of Advent - 21st December 2025

7am

1st Reader– Chante Beneby

2nd Reader/Commentator –Letitia Ellis

9am

1st Reader– YOUTH

2nd Reader/Commentator– YOUTH

Christmas Eve 24th December 9:30pm

1st Reader– Michael Missick

2nd Reader/Commentator – Bryant Collie

Christmas Day 25th December 9am

1st Reader - Zion Knowles

2nd Reader/Commentator - Derry Ferguson

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph December 28th

7am

Commentator - Gabrielle Pintard-Newry

1st Reader - Matthew Pintard-Newry

2nd Reader - Eugene Torchon-Newry

9am

Commentator - Deline Gittens

1st Reader - Nathan Gittens

2nd Reader - Dr. Lester Gittens

New Year's Eve 31st December

11:00pm

1st Reader - Jean Gomez

2nd Reader/Commentator - Kevin Fernander

January 1st, 2026 Holiday Mass @ 8am

Parish Office Hours

Closes at 1pm on Christmas Eve

Reopens on Monday 29th

Closes at 1pm New Year's Eve

Reopens on January 5th, 2026.

God With Us

Sunday's liturgy is about God with us, Emmanuel. We have arrived at the moment of the celebration of God's presence within the human family. The Emmanuel of Advent-Christmas, the God who is with us, witnesses our social life from within the community, so that God is not far away but is actually among us as we become part of each others lives (and sometimes step on them), as we work together (and sometimes against each other), as we try to support each other (and yet abandon millions of people to the miseries of destitution). There is no childish game of hide and seek with this God, who is present to witness our good deeds and our misdeeds. "Let the Lord enter (Ps 24:7c)." We rejoice at the prospect of having God among us, and yet we should also reflect on the awesome responsibility of living in the presence of God. "We who have been called to belong to Jesus Christ" (Rom 1:6) should imitate Mary, who, when faced with the reality of Emmanuel, "placed her life at the service of God's plan" (Catholic Exchange). Seeking after the glory of Christ, the Church becomes more like her exalted model, and continually progresses in faith, hope, and charity, searching out and doing the will of God in all things. Hence the Church in her apostolic work also rightly looks to her who brought forth Christ, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin, so that through the Church Christ may be born and grow in the hearts of the faithful also.

Vatican II, Constitution on the Church, 1964:65 Gerald Darring.

Happy Birthday to: Travis Edwards, Teisha Miller (**Today**) Frances Armbrister, Clothilda Lewis, Nicole Tucker, Carol Morley Diego Gonsalves (**Mon**) Samiah Ferguson (**Tues**) Illinois Cash (**Wed**) Jabari Wilmott (**Thurs**) Janae White, Alexter Frazier, Alexander Mackey (**Fri**) Michael Smith, Heather McQueen, Tahanna Davis, Marc Major, Marguette Lowe, Shantel Cleare (**Sat**). **and All celebrating this week.**

Happy Wedding Anniversary to: Joseph & Stayci Anthony celebrating their 18th **today**, Eldridge & Insa Frith celebrating their 41st **on Monday 22nd**, Anthony & Ambrosine Ingraham celebrating their 37th **on Wed 24th**, Dwight & Jacinta Higgs celebrating their 38th **on Friday 26th**, Donald & Antoinette Nouguez celebrating their 14th **on Friday 26th** and Andretti & Jaquel Demeritte celebrating their 11th **on Sat 27th. Congratulations!!!**

We pray for our Candidates: Duval Davis, Logan Forbes, Giovanni Knowles, and **Catechumens:** Vanria Gibson, Amy Godet and Paige Souffrant, as they continue their journey to Full Communion in the Church.

The Youth and Young Adult Ministry is proud to announce the return of the Archdiocese Inter-Parish Trivia Competition. The Youth Office will be facilitating a workshop for all adults 21+ who are interested in being a Judge or Timekeeper for the event, which will be held on Saturday 21st February, 2026 at Holy Family Parish Hall. The Judges workshop will be held at Sacred Heart Parish Hall on Saturday 17th January 2026 from 10am to 12pm. Kindly contact the Youth Office if you are interested.

The Parish Community and the Wilmott Family extend heartfelt congratulations to Erin Wilmott on passing the Bahamas Bar Exams last week. Proud of you!