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# Fifth SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B MARCH 17, 2024

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**SACRISTAN: Mr. Aldon Rogers** 

ASSISTANT SACRISTANS: Mrs. Patricia Browne, Ms. Claretta Randolph

MAINTENANCE: Mr. Michael Matthews



### **SACRAMENTS**

BAPTISM: 3rd Sunday of each month. Call for

appointment

**MARRIAGE:** Call four (4) months before any

arrangements are made.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Call anytime

**FUNERAL:** Tuesdays through Fridays Please call prior to final arrangements.

### MASS SCHEDULES

#### Weekend

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. Sundays: 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. CONFESSION: Saturdays: 3:30 p.m. or by Appointment

Weekday

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 12:15 p.m. Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00 a.m.

<u>HOLY HOUR</u> EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRMENT FRIDAYS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE 7:00 AM MASS



# "TOGETHER BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

# **5TH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B**

# **INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

#### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:34

God says, "I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel....I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people....I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more."

#### **SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:7-9**

When Jesus was in the flesh, he prayed constantly to God. Through his prayer and obedience, Jesus became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him.

# **GOSPEL READING:** John 12:20-23

Jesus told his followers:"Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat....And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."

When Jesus speaks about a grain of wheat, he draws from the natural world of agriculture, where germination and growth occur when seeds slip open and die. Dig up a plant such as wheat, and you will not find a seed; it is dead, but the fruit of that seed is healthy and living. Jesus uses this lesson from nature to teach his followers the meaning of his upcoming death. As we surrender the idea that we can control all aspects of our life circumstances, we experience the great freedom to live in the moment, seeking God's will in all circumstances. In this way, we learn that dying has no ultimate power over us.

# Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of March 17, 2024

<u>18-</u> Monday Lenten Wkdy Dn 13:1-9, 15-17,19-30,33-62 or 13:41c-62 Ps 23:21-6, Jn 8:1-11 <u>19 Tuesday</u> St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin

Mary 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Ps 89: 2-5, 27, 29 Rom 4:13, 16-18-21,24a or Lk: 2:41-51a

<u>20- Wednesday</u> Lenten Wkdy Dn 3:14-20,91-92,93 (Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Jn 8:31-42 <u>14- Thursday</u> Lenten Wkdy Gn 17:73-9- Ps 105:4-9 Jn 8:51-59

<u>22 Friday</u> Lenten Wkdy Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18: 2-7 23 Jn 10:31-42

**23 Saturday Lenten Wkday** Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9b-12 Jn 7:40-53

**<u>24- Sunday</u> Palm Sunday** Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:3-4, 12-15 Heb 5:79 Jn 12:20-33

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

4:00 p.m.: <u>Saturday March 16, 2024</u>

- Spl. Int. Roger St. Rose rb Elve +krisendat Bhola rb Family

7:00 a.m.: Sunday March 17, 2024

- Spl. Int. Ronnie Diggs rb Family

B'day Blessing Wayne and Sixtus Toussaint rb Family

9:30 a.m. - Spl. Msgr. Willie Dever

- B'day Blessing Rodney Harris rb Mom

- B'day Blessing Jason Édwards rb Family

- Spl. Int. Lorraine Morton rb Family

- + Leroy and Patrick John Lewis rb Family

12:15 p.m.: Tuesday March 19, 2024

- Spl. Int. Alexander St. Rose rb St. Ann's Parish Family

7:00 a.m.: Wednesday 20, 2024

- Spl. Int. Julietta Abraham

12:15 p. m.: <u>Thursday March 21, 2024</u>

- B'day Blessing Carisma Rogers rb Family Friday March 22, 2024

7:00 a.m.: Friday March 22 - B'day Allis Royer rb Family

6:00 p.m.: - Spl. Int. St. Ann's Parish

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

**St Joachim Church:** Spl. Vaval Family **St. Ann Chapel:** B'day Blessing Anissa Eversley rb

Shrine: Spl. Int. Ronnie Diggs rb Family

- Church Maintenance: Abundant blessings and thanks to our Altar Society Group "C" that cleaned and prepared the Lord's house for church services this past Saturday. Group "D" is scheduled to clean on Saturday, March 23, 2024. Please think and pray about giving just one hour each month to this ministry.
- Chrism Mass: March 26, 2024: On Holy Tuesday morning in the Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands, the bishop, joined by the priests of his diocese, gather at the Church assigned to celebrate the Chrism Mass. This Mass manifests the unity of the priests with their bishop. Here the bishop blesses three oils, the oil of catechumens, the oil of the infirm and holy chrism, which will be used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese for the year. This tradition is rooted in the early Church.
- Stations of the Cross: There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during the Lenten Season at 7:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel followed by Holy Mass at 6:00 p.m. Booklets for the stations are still available in the Bookstore.
- Bishop's Appeal: Please pray for the success of the Bishop's Appeal 2024. The Appeal aims to positively impact the Virgin Islands by supporting Catholic Education, Catholic Charities, and Catholic Evangelization. As we journey through Lent, your generosity will enhance the spiritual and corporal works of mercy in our Diocese. Kindly fill out the brochure form and include your donation in the provided envelopes, then place it in the offertory basket, or mail it. You can also scan the QR Code or visit the website for online giving.
- \*Special Thanks: We give special thanks to Aldon Rogers John Bethelmie, and Joseph Murray who gave of their time and talent to lawn mow the church premises. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!
- Funeral: St. Ann's Parish Family extends condolences to Olive Bedminister and family on the passing of her brother Julien Thomas on March 13, 2024. The funeral service of Julien Thomas is scheduled for Friday, March 22, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. at Holy Cross Church. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace!

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE 2024 — 2025

♦ Classes as follows:

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.

Classes for ALL LEVELS - 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9

PLEASE BE ON TIME AND ALSO PICK UP THE STUDENTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER CLASSES

### **CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP:**

What are the rewards of Stewardship? We seek no "rewards" for our stewardship; we do it with the joy of serving God. Stewardship is the responsibility of the Christian life, making our prayers, worship, study of scriptures, Christian action truly sincere.

Our whole life is a partnership with God. We cannot "give" anything to God, but we can fulfill our stewardship to God by using our gifts wisely and sharing with others.

Your giving is the key to the success of church plans and programs. To help us meet our obligations, please pray about **TITHING** and becoming **GOOD STEWARDS**.

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH FINANCIAL SUMMARY FEBRUARY 29, 2024

#### **INCOME**

Parish Collection \$16,220.00 Donations \$9,152.18 Second Collections \$3,646.63 TOTAL INCOME \$29,018.81

#### **EXPENSES**

Administrative (\$21,577.52)

Benefits (\$3,298.86)

Taxes (\$5,227.92)

Office Expenses (\$525.22)

Maintenance (\$2,436.78)

Insurance (\$3,310.88)

Utilities (\$3,009.78)

Broadcasting (\$250.00)

TOTAL EXPENSES (\$39,636.96)

### *INCOME-EXPENSE \$(10,618.15)*

- Youth Activities: St. Ann's Youth Prime will be sponsoring their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the grounds at St. Ann's Church. See you there.
- Life in the Spirit Seminar: On April 2,9,16, 23, 30 and May 7, 14, 2024, at Holy Cross Catholic Church, at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Susan Eversley Wells and her team will conduct a Life in the Spirit Seminar. The registration form is available in the Church office. Any questions, please contact Mrs. Wells at 340-690-9992.

# **PRAYER CORNER**

# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God, our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. We praise and thank you for Your protection during the Hurricane Season. We ask again to guide us through a new year, free of any earthquakes, floods, natural disasters and all acts of terrorism. Bless our families, bring peace to all nations, and protect us from the Coronavirus and all other sicknesses. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and Ever. Amen!

# FATIMA PRAYER

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I ask forgiveness for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee. Amen!

# FOR THE SANCTIFICATION OF PRIESTS

Divine Savior, Jesus Christ, who has entrusted the whole work of Your redemption, the welfare and salvation of the world, to priests as Your representatives, I offer You through the hands of Your most Holy Mother, Mary this present day, whole and entire, with all its prayers, works, and sacrifices, its joys and sorrows, for the sanctification of Your priests, and for all those preparing for the priesthood. Give us truly holy priests, inflamed with the fire of Your divine love, who seek nothing but Your greater glory, and the salvation of souls. And You, Mary, good Mother of priests, protect all priests from dangers to their holy vocation, and with the loving hand of a mother, lead back to the Good Shepherd, those unfortunate priests who, unfaithful to their exalted vocation, have gone astray. AMEN!

# OUR LADY OF BARRENSPOT SHRINE Located In The Sugar Mill, Erected 1808



Please feel free to visit, meditate and pray Entrance Through The Marian Hall Please pray for the members of our Parish who are sick or suffering...

Gavin A. Navarro, Maria Hall, Eugenie Samuel, Blossy Julien, Gloria Roddy, Omar Dubois, Carla D. Beharry, Kimbel President, Neil Dennie, Madonna Hall, Madonna Remy, Patrice John, Francis Charles, Eldon Serrant, Alex Albert, George John, Gloria John, Annel Sylvestre, Julius Francis, Helen Howard, Mary Bishop, Francis (Frankie) Xavier, Charles Philip, Joseph Vigier, Ferdin Tobierre, Juditha Joseph, Anisha Hendricks, Louise L. Henry, Worrell George, Polly Joseph, Mary Vincent, James Eugene, Anne Marie Eugene, Valerie Leon, Keeyan Scotland, Vel Beaubrun, Cammie R. Daniel, Agatha Joseph, Paulina Isaac, Mary N. Elliott, Princilla J. Eugene, Agatha Edwards, Alejandro Ayala, Anna Guiste, Kaishia Toussaint, Ruth Royer, Melanie Popo, Eugenia Johnson, Edita Emmanuel, Melvina Albert, Elisa Harrison, Cornelia Willie, Celine Bradshaw, Uralise Eugene, Mabel Williams, Steven C. Mayers, Judith Nelson, Barbara Cynthia Richards, Lynette Ettinoffe, Kieran St. Ange, Mercedes Samuel, Leonard Joseph, Sr., Peter Nestor, Christiana Worrell, Shana Alexis, Khadijah Lake, Joanita Phillip, Monica Lloyd, Please call the Office to add or remove names from this list.

Members of the Armed Forces Serving Our Country

Aliyah Brooks, Justin Joseph, Malachi Gaston, Meriano Jacobs, Marquis Joseph, Natasha Massicott-Alcala, Erica Toussaint, Herman Bardouille, Jr., Nicholas Philogene, Alexander Buchanan, Rashad A. Richards, Tre'Von Portor, Akeem Grenidge, Enja Gumbs, Ganesia Milligan, Marvin Del Sol, Adrian Nelson, Brianna Nelson, Shawn Pryce, Michael Matthews, Rodney A. Fabio, III, Christopher Samuel, Recgiem Serrano, Jahkeel Richardson, Valence Modeste, Dante Modeste, Dazante Morgan

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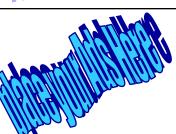


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