St. Joseph's Church

43 Somerset Road – Sandys, MA 03, Bermuda (Direct Line) 441-238-1784 (Located between Arnold's Supermarket & Somerset Cricket Field) Parish Email: <u>stjosephs@northrock.bm</u> Pastor: Fr. Attilio Morelli Reconciliation: By appointment Baptisms: By Appointment – One month in advance Weddings: By Appointment –usually about a year in advance Sunday Mass: 9:00 am +Monica Green

St. Anthony's Church

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Reconciliation: Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. or by appointment Baptisms: By Appointment – One month in advance Weddings: By Appointment –A year in advance CCD: Sundays at 9:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Coordinator: Anna Daniel 441-236-2438 Email: <u>stanthonyccd@yahoo.com</u> Organist: Tony Bari: <u>tbari@northrock.bm</u> 441-236-1314

St. Vincent de Paul Rep.: Pat Rodrigues Portuguese Charismatic Group: Meets on Fridays @ 8:15pm

Masses at St. Anthony's

| Sat | Sep | 7 | 6:00 pm | + Manuel and Ana Reis & Family |
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| Sun | Sep | 8 | 11:15 am | In Thanksgiving |
| Tues | Sep | 10 | 8:00 am | |
| Wed. | Sep | 11 | 8:00 am | |
| Thu. | Sep | 12 | 8:00 am | |
| Fri. | Sep | 13 | 8:00 am | |
| | | | 7:30 pm | Portuguese Mass |
| Sat | Sep | 14 | 6:00 pm | |
| Sun | Sep | 15 | 11:15 am | |
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Prayer to St. Michael: St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Liturgical Ministries St. Anthony's

| <u>Sep 7/8</u> | 6:00 pm | 11:15 am |
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| Ministers of | D. Mendonca | J. Looby |
| Communion | M. Mendonca | L Vizien |
| Proclaimer of | P. Rodrigues | J. Stovell |
| God's Word | J. Tailford | R. Tannock |
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| <u>Sep 14/15</u> | 6:00 pm | 11:15 am |
| Ministers of | L. Rodrigues | K. White |
| Communion | P. Rodrigues | N. Russo |

Cantor Schedule

| | 6:00 pm | 11:15 |
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| Sep 7/8 | Ruth | Denis |
| Sep 14/15 | Marc | Ruth |

Hymns for Weekend Mass

This weekend Sept. 7/8

| Entrance: | Lift High the Cross – W885 | | | | | |
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| Offertory : | Eye Has Not Seen – W713 | | | | | |
| Communion: Only This I Want – CBW516 | | | | | | |
| Recessional: | I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say – W707 | | | | | |

| | Collection - (St. Anthony's) | | |
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| | Regular | Budget | |
| Aug 31/Sep 1 | \$ 1,811.00 | \$ 2,500.00 | |
| To Date | \$62,367.00 | \$ 80,000.00 | |
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Online payments can be made directly into the Bank account of St. Anthony's – Butterfield Bank - BD\$ Current A/c – 20006060061567100 and US \$ Current A/c - 20006840061567100. Please make sure to indicate what the donation is for in the memo field when making the payment i.e. Gen collection; Maintenance; Mission Sunday, etc. Multiple payments can be made for those times that you are away or on vacation. Please note, that we are charged \$ 20 for US checks drawn on a US Bank.

Collection Counters

This Weekend Sept. 8, Annette & Carole Next Weekend Sept. 15, Pat & Annette

PARISH

Pastor's Note

Dear friends,

Today the Gospel looks like a very challenging and uncomfortable word. It seems to contradict the foundation of the teaching of Christ, that is Love. However the first reading comes to our help making us understand that we are dealing here with a kind of wisdom which surpasses us. True love compels us to do and wish the real good of the person, which at times is not what a person wishes and is not what a person would like to hear, and trying to lead the person towards this good may be challenging and may even made the person being mad at us and at times even hate us. So a question arises: do I really want the good of this person, or I just want this person to like me and love me? It is the conflict between selfishness and selflessness which again may be at play in my life. True love then may look like real hatred, and for sure may put us in situation in which we need to give up the idea that people must necessarily like and love us.

I want to finish with a note on the Catechesis for Adults which is starting this week. Our church has been very strong in the religious formation of children and we have an excellent CCD program with very dedicated volunteer teachers. We wanted to fill the gap offering also a solid adult formation experience, because Christian growth and development is never a finished work. As our Bishop says we are a work in progress until we leave this world. However I do not look at things from this perspective. According to me there is something more important at stake here. If I love you, and God only knows how much I do, the greatest thing that I may wish for you is to have a meeting with Christ. This is true for those who never had one and for those who had some experience of it. I tell you there are always deeper and deeper ways in which the Lord wants to meet us, and the deeper the meeting, the more our life is affected. This is why I invite you strongly to take advantage of this occasion and I may even look pushy. I know that somebody may resent this, this Gospel explains it very well, but I will still keep wanting your good. I am sure that those who will trust and be open to this invitation, one day will be thanking me. Today we may not necessarily see how much do we need it, but eventually we will, and then we will see this as the greatest thing that may have happened in our life. This has been my experience when I went to listen. I wish you the best and I want to offer you the best!!!! Hope we will see you during the week. God bless. **Fr. Attilio**.



If you are suffering, If you are afraid, If you search for meaning

THERE IS AN ANSWER FOR YOU COME AND LISTEN

Every Tuesday and Friday @ 8 pm St. Anthony's R.C. Church Hall,

Every Monday and Thursday @7:30pm St. Joseph's R.C. Church Hall, Somerset

<u>Church Office</u> -We are very pleased to inform that the <u>Church Office</u> hours are: 10:00am to 2:00pm - <u>Monday to Friday</u>

Telephone: 238-1784 and also if needed 777-2166 or 524-1026 This is all thanks to a group of volunteers who are graciously giving of the time and we want to introduce them to the Parish. They are: Laura Mellor, Annette Boyle, Annette Barclay, Theresa Skwarek-Rozario, Raymond Tannock, Marc Morabito and Lynn Dunstan.

However more volunteers are always needed, both for the office and for CCD, to teach faith our children. We are also in need of someone with *Computer* and *Facebook skills*. If you would like more information please approach Father Attilio or Pat Rodrigues (email: prodrigu@logic.bm) for more details. Thank you.

DIOCESE

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON IN BERMUDA Most Reverend Bishop, Wiesław (Wes) Śpiewak Liturgical Activities of Bishop Wes - Please review our website: www.romancatholicbermuda.bm and click on: Bishop Wes Spiewak, CR Schedule. This will advise where and when Bishop Wes will be celebrating various liturgical events throughout the Diocese. Also visit our Facebook page

THE BISHOP'S CORNER

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

Over the past year, the persecution of Christians in North Korea has increased significantly. This is the report from dissidents who have managed to escape from this country. Professing any religion other than the cult of Supreme Leader and Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, Kim Jong Un, is treated as a political crime. It is estimated that up to 70,000 Christians of various denominations are detained in communist gulags.

Actions recently undertaken by the Korean authorities suggest that a massive hunt for Christians is underway. Raids are carried out on the homes of people suspected of being Christ's disciples. Special police forces are looking for Bibles, crosses and other signs of faith. Finding any of these items can result in death, or at best being sent to a labour camp. This is also the result when someone is caught in a private prayer.

Information has been received from Korean Christians who recently escaped from North Korea of the arrests of entire families, about people who disappear without a trace and about bribes paid of several thousand dollars for freedom to corrupt civil servants who live in poverty like most of society.

There is no accurate information, but according to cautious surveys, it is estimated that there are about 400,000 Christians in North Korea who live their faith in secret. Also in the gulags, people organize themselves in different ways to encourage each other. "It was known that Catholics pray together. At dawn, we lined up to the restrooms and prayed together in silence," says another person who managed to escape. He emphasizes that underground evangelization and catechization is being done in the gulags. "Even if one lives in such hellish places as labour camps, one can still share the Gospel," says a Korean dissident, pointing out that, paradoxically, persecution continues to strengthen the faith of many Christians.

As we continue to enjoy our freedom of religion, let us constantly remember our sisters and brothers in North Korea and other countries who suffer persecution for their belonging and witnessing to Christ.

Have a restful weekend and a blessed week! Bishop Wes



St. Joseph's Annual Church Pot-Luck Picnic

will be held **at Somerset Long Bay** from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., on Sunday, 22nd September, 2019. Please come out and enjoy the afternoon with your Parish Family.

Stella Maris' Annual Dinner BINGO!

Saturday, 21st September 2019 7:30pm - 11:00pm At MSA Auditorium, City of Hamilton

Adults - \$35.00 and Children (*12 & under*)- \$15.00 For ticket sales please contact, **Susanna Almeida** Tel: 535-3195 or Email: <u>mlandscaping@northrock.bm</u>



ANCOP International Bermuda is inviting everyone to join its 2019 5K ANCOP Walk on Sunday, September 29, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. with assembly point at Botanical Gardens in Paget. The event aims to raise funds for its shelter and child sponsorship program. Registration fee is

\$35 for adult and \$25 for students (13-18 years of age). The \$5 of the registration fee is automatically allocated to the benefit of St. Vincent de Paul Society – outreach to the poor. To register, call the following Tel nos: 703-2961; 535-8777 or send e-mail to ancopbermuda@gmail.com or register online thru www.racedayworld.com. For more information visit www.ancopbermuda.com.

BERMUDA CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP

For more information, contact the Youth Group at: (<u>catholicyouthbda@gmail.com</u>), Facebook: (BermudaCatholic YouthGroup), and Instagram (@catholicyouthbda)

<u>Caritas House of Prayer</u> - Important Notice: A very Special Meeting of the Sisters of Charity Associates will take place on Sunday, September 15th, tentatively set for 3 PM. We would like a 100% attendance. Tele: 236-5877

Lectio Divina will resume on Monday, September 9th at 7 PM in St. Theresa's Hall.

Vocations <u>www.vocationculture.ca</u>

Having a loose grasp on those people and things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled to overflowing by God. Can you let go? (Luke 14:25-33)