

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING YOU!  
**MINISTERS' SCHEDULE**

**6:00PM                      7:30AM                      10:00AM**

<b>CANTORS:</b> Allan Harrigan	Dr. Gloria Callwood Felicinne Marcillin	Marguerite René
<b>LECTORS:</b> Chris Douté Val Douté	Bridget Toussaint Rita Bradley-Bermudez	CCD STUDENTS
<b>EUCH MIN:</b> Olga McBean	Catherina Alexander Danna Knight	Mona Bedminster

*Thank you for sewing !!!*

*Please pray for the members of our body who are sick or suffering. . .*

**HOSPITAL:** John Joseph, Rita Thompson.  
**OFF ISLAND:** Defy Francoise, Bertina Lestrade, Altagracia Padilla, Emile Joseph, Joseph Archer, Clementina Abraham, Maggie Dolphin, Bishop Thomas, John Gimenez.  
**AT HOME:** Rita Ledee, Rose Celestine, Margarita Feliciano, Martina Lewis, Olivia Gumbs, Ann Bedminster, Medina Scatliffe, Bernice Knight, Philomen Baron, Joyce McPherson, Claudy Brutus, McLean Fontain (Sparrow), Vernelle Gumbs, Evelyn Simon, Mary Lewis, Veronica Sealey, Isabel Dublin, Gerard Henry, Theresa Felix, Ruthine Johnson, Grace Thompson, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Andrea Victorine, Josephine James.

**SEAVIEW:**  
**MASSAC:** Margarita Knight.  
**LUCINDA MILLIN:**  
**EBENEZER HOME:** Cleota Hill.  
*And all the sick and suffering in our community!*



PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY for the repose of the souls of loved ones who have been called home by our Savior. *If you or your loved one is going into the hospital, please contact the office so that you/they may receive the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.*

*You are practicing Enthusiasm when you ...*

- \*Smile, laugh and enjoy what you do.*
- \*Look forward to something eagerly.*
- \*Have a positive attitude.*
- \*Do things wholeheartedly.*
- \*Look on the bright side.*
- \*Are inspired by the wonders of life.*

**Affirmation:**

*I am full of enthusiasm. I give 100% to whatever I do. I use my imagination. I am open to the wonders in store for me today.*

**WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS**

**OFFICE HOURS**

**Mondays - 10:00 AM  
to 4:00 PM**

**Tuesday - Friday  
7:30 AM - 4:00 PM**

**HOLY FAMILY FINANCE COUNCIL**

Alicia Douté	Yasmine Haynes
Jean Dragin	Anneta Heyliger
Claudia Winston	Dan Hurley
John T. Williams	Rev. Neil Scantlebury (Pastor)

**HURRICANE PRAYER**

God our Father, all the elements of nature obey Your commands. Keep us safe from the danger of hurricanes and all other natural disasters. Let us always feel the presence of Your love. May we be secure in Your protection and turn our fears into praise of Your goodness. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen!

**HURRICANE SEASON: JUNE 1 TO NOVEMBER 30:**

**O God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love you, and I ask pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love you. Amen.**

**FUNERAL MASSES**

**Funeral Masses at Holy Family Church** are held on the designated day at 9:00 a.m. If you would like a different time please contact the pastor. Tributes and solos are done before the Mass. Please keep your prelude activities to the minimum. **Funerals are NOT held on Wednesdays and on weekends (Saturdays and Sundays). Lectors of Holy Family Church will do the readings. Thank you for your cooperation.**

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH COUNCIL**

*Monthly meeting is normally held on the third Wednesday of the month.*

Eubald René (Chairman)  
Yasmine Haynes (Secretary)  
Bridget Toussaint  
Jennifer Johnson  
Christian Douté  
Mona Bedminster  
Felicia Felix  
Fr. Neil Scantlebury (Pastor)  
Fr. Kerly François (Assoc. Pastor)

**NEXT MEETING**

**Wednesday, August 17, 2017  
at 6:30 pm in Lower Columban Hall.**

**Le Bleu  
ULTRA PURE BOTTLED WATER**

Chi-Co's Distributing, Inc  
Lindberg Bay #18  
P.O Box 302250  
St. Thomas, VI 00803  
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**PARISH CELEBRATION**

**Birthdays**

*Sa'mythia Henley, Jadine Davis, Kazi Fontaine, Jahnya Donovan, Marcus Foy, Robert Leon, Diane Kuntz, Vince Bedminster, Ursula Charlery, Suzan Antwian Hopkins, Richard Anders Hughes, Jr., Samson Peltier, Viline Gabriel, Davern Casimir, Yvonne Watson, Curtis Felix, Samson Lionel.*

**Anniversaries**

*Mrs. Lola Warrington - June 19  
Mark & Rebecca Ochs - June 23  
Margaret & Hayden Francis - June 24*

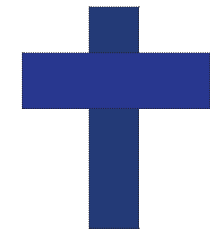


*Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!*

**Holy Family Catholic Church  
Welcomes You!**

**Body and Blood of Christ - June 18, 2017**

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

**The Church of the Holy Family exists to Nurture and advance Christ's Eucharistic Unconditional Love to all, through Love of God and neighbor.**

**Pastor**  
Reverend Neil Scantlebury

**Associate Pastor**  
Reverend Kerly François

**Interim Deacon**  
Rev. Mr. Evans Doway

**Administrative Assistant**  
Ms. Allison Charles

**Sacristan**  
Mr. Ryan John

**Musicians**  
Mr. Francis Callwood  
Mr. Verne Callwood  
Mr. Desmond Simmonds  
Mr. Ade Warrington

**Volunteers**  
Mrs. Jennifer Johnson  
Mr. Richard Callwood, III

**CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE**

(340) 774-3166

**Venerable Pierre Toussaint  
Catholic Chapel**

4B-B Estate Bovoni  
St. Thomas VI 00802

**Saturday: 4:00 p.m.  
- (Spanish)  
6:00 p.m. - (Creole)  
Thursday: 6:00 p.m.  
(Creole)**

**When you enter THE CHURCH talk to GOD;  
when you leave - talk to each other!**

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Saturday: 6:00 PM  
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 10:00 AM &  
6:00 PM Creole Mass**

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday: 6:00 PM  
Tuesday - Thursday: 7:00 AM  
Wednesday: OLPH Novena before the  
7:00 AM Mass followed by  
Adoration after the mass to 5:30 PM  
Friday: Holy Hour - 6:00 PM  
Mass at 7:00 PM  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday: 5:15 PM - 5:45 PM  
or by appointment.

**Readings for the Week  
of June 18, 2017**

Mon.: 2 Cor. 6:1 - 10; Matthew 5:38 - 42  
Tue.: 2 Cor. 8:1 - 9; Matthew 5:43 - 48  
Wed.: 2 Cor. 9:6-11; Matthew 6:1-6,16-18  
Thur.: 2 Cor. 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15  
Fri.: Deuteronomy 7:6 - 11; 1 John 4:7 - 16;  
Matthew 11:25-30  
Sat.: Isaiah 49:1 - 6; Acts 13:22 - 26;  
Luke 1:57 - 66, 80

**NEXT SUNDAY:  
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jeremiah 20:10 - 13  
Romans 5:12 - 15  
Matthew 10:26 - 33





# THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



## INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

**FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 8:2 - 3, 14b - 16a**

Moses tells the people that it was the Lord who led them in the wilderness for forty years in order to test them and know what was in their heart.

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 10:16 - 17**

While speaking about Christians associating themselves with heathen worship which cannot go along with Christian worship, Paul brings in the theme of the Eucharist. The Eucharist is a sharing in the body and blood of Christ.

**GOSPEL READING: John 6:51 - 58**

The repeated Jewish objection that Jesus cannot give them his flesh to eat is countered by restating the necessity of eating his flesh and drinking his blood as the condition for having eternal life.

God was with his people on their journey, nourishing them with manna and water. How does God respond to your needs on your journey? What is different about the food God gave the people in the desert and the food he gives us?

## MASS INTENTIONS



### Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

6:00 PM: Thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit for guidance and protection for Glennroy Warrington rb His mother Lola Warrington.

### Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Jeannette & Fitzroy Davis (d) rb The Rouse family.

10:00 AM: Birthday blessings for Veda Henry rb Veda Henry.

6:00 PM: God's continued blessings for the Haitian Community.

### Daily Masses:

Mon. June 19, 6:00 PM: **St. Romuald**  
Renée Douté (d) rb The Brown, Douté, Ferrell & Smith families.

Tues. June 20, 7:00 AM: **St. Vincent Kaun**  
Souls in purgatory.

Wed. June 21, 7:00 AM: **St. Aloysius Gonzaga**  
Editha Abraham (d) rb The Children of Mary.

Thurs. June 22, 7:00 AM: **St. Thomas More**  
Holy Family parishioners.

Fri. June 23, 7:00 PM: **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**  
Healing for Francis Callwood.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**SECOND COLLECTION:** This week's second collection goes towards **Youth Ministry**. Next week's second collection will go towards **Peter's Pence Collection**. As always we thank you for your generosity.

**ETERNAL CANDLE:** This week the Eternal Candle is burning for **God's protection and guidance for Marie Renal**. You can request Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

**CERTIFICATES:** Certificates for children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 9, 2017 and First Holy Communion on May 7, 2017, and for those baptized on May 7, 2017, can be picked up by their parents from the church office.

**FAMILIES FOR CHRIST:** Family Sunday is every first Sunday of each month starting with Families for Christ meeting at 9:15 a.m. in Lower Columban Hall followed by family mass at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome. Interested volunteers please contact Sheryl Griffith at 352-348-6979. Please be guided accordingly.

**CAHS CLASS OF 1982:** The Charlotte Amalie High School class of 1982 will be attending mass this **Sunday, June 18, 2017** at 10:00 a.m. Please welcome them.

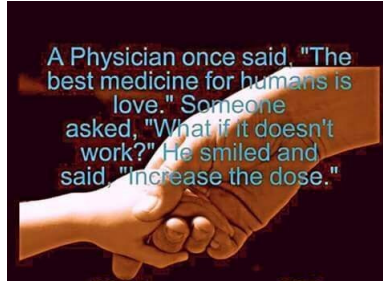
**FATHER'S DAY BUFFET LUNCHEON:** The St. Joseph Workers will be honoring three (3) fathers at their 11th Annual Father's Day Buffet Luncheon this **Sunday, June 18, 2017**, at Holy Family Columban Hall at 1:00 p.m. The honorees are **Arden Shillingford, Anthony Legrand and John Donaie**. Donation: **Adult \$45.00 and children under age 12 pay \$25.00** at the door. Please save the date.

**FOOD FOR THE POOR:** Next weekend we will collect non-perishable items for our less fortunate brothers and sisters within our community. As always, we thank you for your generosity and may God continue to bless you and your family abundantly. Once again, thank you.

**STS. PETER AND PAUL FEAST DAY:** Please join us for a Sts. Peter and Paul patronal feast day celebration at the cathedral on **Sunday, June 25, 2017**. Masses will be at 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. A reception will follow the 9:00 a.m. mass in the school courtyard.

**FATIMA CELEBRATIONS:** The Children of Mary invites everyone to a series of celebrations celebrating the hundredth year of Our Lady's appearance to the children in Fatima. The celebrations will continue on the 13th of each month until **October 13, 2017**. The next celebration is July 13. Your participation will be greatly appreciated.

**AT HOLY FAMILY:** Please check out our new website at [www.holyfamilystt.com](http://www.holyfamilystt.com) and our face book page at **Holy Familyvi**. Also, (1) **Log on to FORMED.ORG/REGISTRATION** then use the parish code **QMPGC4**. (2) **MYPARISHAPP: Access the App Store, download the MYPARISH APP, put in the name of your parish (Holy Family).**



## LITURGY AND WORD

Blessed Alexandrina Maria da Costa of Balasar, Portugal (1904-1955), at the age of 14, in order to escape an attack by three men and to safeguard her purity jumped from the window, injuring her spine irreparably. Since then she was bedridden and suffered a progressively increasing paralysis, for the rest of her 30 years of life. Yet, she did not despair, but entrusted herself to Jesus with these words: "As you are a prisoner in the tabernacle and I am a prisoner on my bed for doing Your will, so we can keep ourselves company." As a result, she began to live through ever more powerful mystical experiences, and from Friday 3 October, 1938 until 24 March, 1942, up to 182 times, she relived the sufferings of the Passion. During one of her mystical experiences Jesus told her "Keep me company in the Blessed Sacrament. I remain in the tabernacle night and day, waiting to give my love and grace to all who would visit me. But so few come. I am so abandoned, so lonely, so offended... Many...do not believe in my existence; they do not believe that I am present in the tabernacle. They curse me. Others believe, but do not love me and do not visit me; they live as if I were not there... You have chosen to love me in the tabernacles where you can contemplate me, not with the eyes of the body, but those of the soul. I am truly present there as in Heaven, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity." During the Holy Week of 1942 Jesus said to her, "You will not take food again on earth. Your food will be my Flesh; your drink will be my Divine Blood." On Good Friday 1942 she began an absolute fast which lasted for more than thirteen years until her death. The only nourishment which she received was Jesus in Holy Communion every morning. On 13 October, 1955, on the anniversary of the last apparition of the Blessed Mother at Fatima, Alexandrina was called home for her eternal reward.

For today's world it is irrational and stupid to think that bread and wine will change to become the body and blood of Jesus. It is equally irrational and stupid to think a human person can survive for thirteen years only being nourished by the Holy Communion. We live in a society that believes and relies less on God and more on human accomplishments and talents. Though today's society wants the bread multiplied by Jesus it does not want anything to do with Jesus the real bread. People desire eternal life and yet vehemently seek to come away from the cross and do not want to feed on the body and blood of Jesus. In today's gospel Jesus tells us, "I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh." Many

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Every week the report on stewardship will include our gifts of time, talent, and treasure. In gratitude to God, we give of our first fruits to help fulfill God's mission of love here on earth.

Attendance: Last Weekend: **415**

### Last Weekend's collections

**FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,184.01**

### SECOND COLLECTION:

**Catholic Relief Services: \$1,428.42**

**Our Bishop's Appeal contribution now amounts to \$25,778.00, 64% of our goal of \$40,000.00. As always we thank you for your continuous contribution towards our Bishop's Appeal. Once again, thank you.**

## LITURGY AND WORD CONT'D

were attracted to Jesus because he offered them something irresistible: the deaf heard, the dumb spoke, the lepers cleansed, the dead were raised, the hungry were fed, etc. In spite of these signs and wonders they witnessed, many stumbled and left him at his invitation to eat his body and drink his blood. Without receiving the very life of God offered in Jesus there is no life in us. Apparently though Jesus' requirement is "hard" there is no alternative available to us to possess the eternal life he offers us. Jesus offers a new relationship with God when we receive his body and blood as our true food and drink leading us to eternal life. Eternal life is to remain in Jesus and to have Jesus remain in us. The once-for-all sacrifice of Christ is the pouring out of his life for the life of the world, bringing forgiveness and a new power of life. That sacrifice also shows us the deepest reality about God—his love—and about life: all true life is sacrificial. At Eucharist we receive into ourselves, into our bodies and souls, the life-giving power of God, and precisely by eating and drinking we proclaim the Lord's once-for-all death until he comes (1 Cor 11:26). Let us pray: "Lord, you alone can satisfy the deepest longing and hunger in our hearts. May I always hunger for the imperishable bread, that I may be satisfied in you alone as the True Bread of Heaven. Nourish and strengthen me that I may serve you with great joy, generosity and zeal all the days of my life."

— **Fr Johnson Vattakkunnel, SSP**

