

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING YOU!
MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

5:00PM 7:30 AM 10:00AM

PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO SERVE WHENEVER POSSIBLE

CANTORS: Allan Harrigan	Dr. Gloria Callwood Felicinne Marcellin	Marguerite Rene
LECTORS: Helena Enrique Olga McBean	Jalila Thomas Lafwa Rolle	Felicita Richards Ursula Prosper
EUCH MIN: Dolores Velazquez	Bridget Toussaint Rose Labadie	Mona Bedminster

Thank you for sewing !!!

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

HOSPITAL:
OFF ISLAND: Defy Francoise, Bertina Lestrade, Altagracia Padilla, Emile Joseph, Joseph Archer, Clementina Abraham, Bishop Thomas, Isabel Dublin, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Mary Lewis.

AT HOME: Rita Ledee, Rose Celestine, Margarita Feliciano, Martina Lewis, Olivia Gumbs, Ann Bedminster, Medina Scatliffe, Bernice Knight, Philomen Baron, Claudy Brutus, McLean Fontain (Sparrow), Vernelle Gumbs, Evelyn Simon, Veronica Sealey, Gerard Henry, Ruthine Johnson, Grace Thompson, Andrea Victorine, Josephine James, Stanislaus Livepool, Rosette Harley.

SEAVIEW:
MASSAC:
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

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

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Weekend Home Care Worker

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Duties: Light housekeeping, meal preparation and
elder care assistance
Salary negotiable. Please call: 340-643-0810 for details!

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.**

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PARISH CELEBRATION Birthdays

Chirlen Plaisimond, Chirlande Plaisimond, Raphael Camacho, Sa'mythia Henley, Jadine Davis, Kazi Fontaine, Jahnya Donovan, Marcus Foy, Allen Pacquette, Robert Leon, Ursula Charlery, Suzan Hopkins, Richard Hughes, Jr., Shana Greaux, Samson Peltier, Viline Gabriel, Fitzgerald Grell, Davern Casimir, Yvonne Watson, Curtis Felix, Octavia Castor, Bernice Foy, Samson Lionel.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
*Gerard & Veda Henry - June 21
Mark & Rebecca Ochs - June 23*



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

Holy Family Catholic Church Welcomes You!

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 17, 2018

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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

Deacon
Rev. Mr. Cassius Mathurin

Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Allison Callwood

Sacristan
Mr. Ryan John

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

Volunteers
Ms. Jennifer Johnson
Mr. Richard Callwood, III

CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE

(340) 774-3166

Venerable Pierre Toussaint

Catholic Chapel

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St. Thomas VI 00802

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 PM
**Sunday: 7:30 AM; 10:00 AM &
5:00 PM Creole Mass**

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 7:00 AM
Tuesday - Thursday: 7:00 AM
**Wednesday: OLPH Novena before the
7:00 AM Mass followed by
Adoration after the mass to 5:00 p.m.**
Friday: Mass at 7:00 AM
Holy Hour: 6PM - 7PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:15 PM to 3:45 PM

**Readings for the Week
of June 17, 2018**

Mon.: 1 Kings 21:1 - 16; Matthew 5:38 - 42
Tue.: 1 Kings 21:17 - 29; Matthew 5:43 - 48
Wed.: 2 Kings 2:1,6 - 14; Matt. 6:1 - 6, 16-18
Thur.: Sirach 48: 1 - 14; Matthew 6:7 - 15
Fri.: 2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Matt. 6:19- 23
Sat.: 2 Chro. 24:17 - 25; Matthew 6:24 - 34

**NEXT SUNDAY:
Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

Isaiah 49:1 - 6
Acts 13:22 - 26
Luke 1:57 - 66, 80

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

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 17:22 - 24

The Lord will raise Israel like a tree on a high mountain. It shall put forth branches, bear fruit and become a majestic cedar.”

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:6 - 10

Even though we are in the flesh, our intent is to please the Lord. For when our earthly walk of faith is done, everything shall be revealed before Christ.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 4:26 - 34

The reign of God is like a mustard seed. It is the smallest of all seeds, yet it grows into the biggest shrub if all. By means of parables Jesus taught the people.

As we approach the first day of summer, we hear readings today that are set in nature. Ezekiel has a vision of God cutting a tender shoot from the top of a cedar and planting it on a lofty mountain where it grows into a majestic tree. Mark relates two of Jesus’ parables involving sowing seeds, one being the tiny mustard seed, which grows into a shady, hearty plant. As we listen to today’s readings, may the Lord’s word take root in us.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God’s continued blessings for Altigracia Padilla rb Jean Dragin.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Eugene Farro (deceased) rb Estelle Farro.

Erroll Grell, Jr. (deceased) rb Patsy Grell.

10:00 AM: In Thanksgiving to God for His continued blessings
rb Eubald Rene and family.

5:00 PM: God’s healing, deliverance and blessings for the Haitian community.

Daily Masses:

Mon. June 18, 7:00 AM: **St. Gregory Barbarigo**
Thanksgiving to God for His continued blessings and favors received
rb Eubald Rene and family.

Tues. June 19, 7:00 AM: **St. Romuald Abbot**
Renee Doute (d) rb The Doute family.

Wed. June 20, 7:00 AM: **Blessed Michelina of Pesaro**
Bob and Myra Feucht (d) rb Mary and Ashley.

Thurs. June 21, 7:00 AM: **St. Aloysius Gonzaga**
Birthday blessings for Patrick Stuart rb Melanie Alexander.

Fri. June 22, 7:00 AM: **St. John Fisher & St. Thomas More**
Ermine Abraham (d) rb Eve Ogiste.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Next Week, we will take the Peter’s Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for **deceased Curtis Abraham and Bryon Thomas, requested by Eve Ogiste**. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones’ birthdays or any special occasions.

HOLY FAMILY HEALTH MINISTRY: Health care professionals and interested persons are encouraged to attend an organizing and planning meeting on **Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.** in Lower Columban Hall for the purpose of reactivating the Health Ministry. Questions can be directed to Candace Bryan at (340) 228-1912.

SUMMER BREAKFAST SALE: The St. Joseph reunion committee of St. Thomas, will be having their summer breakfast sale next **Saturday, June 23, 2018**, in Holy Family parking lot, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. All proceeds to benefit the St. Joseph Primary School in Dominica. Thank you for your usual support. Tickets are available from members.

BREAKFAST SALE: The Dominica Association of St. Thomas will host a breakfast sale on **Saturday, June 30, 2018**, in Holy Family parking lot, from 7:00 a.m. to 12noon. Thank you for your support.

ADORATION: Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament continues every **Wednesday**, after the 7:00 a.m. mass to conclude at 5:00 p.m., and every **Friday** from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Jesus is available for you to spend time with Him.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Catholic Charities has the following vacancies:
FULL-TIME FINANCIAL OFFICER - General accounting duties to include preparation of monthly and quarterly federal and local grant reports and budgets, yearly agency budgets and financial statements.

CASE MANAGER – General case management duties include the managing of cases by assessing needs; developing service plans and providing referrals to mainstream services.

CLERICAL ASSISTANT (2) –Duties include filing, handling correspondence, maintaining data using computer or manual systems, and other general office duties.

SECURITY OFFICER–General duties include, but are not limited to, ensuring the security of Bethlehem House Shelter, receiving and recording of in kind donations, conflict resolution and ensuring the safety of all residents while on duty.

Interested persons may submit their application to ccusvi@outlook.com or **Call 340-777-8518** for further information. Applications may also be dropped off at the office on #42 Kronprindsens Gade, St.Thomas.

LITURGY AND WORD

The Gospel of today presents before us two parables dealing with the kingdom of God: a) the parable of the seed growing secretly, and b) the parable of the mustard seed. These parables deal with two different aspects of the kingdom: the former deals with the mysterious nature of the kingdom and the latter deals with the humble beginning of the kingdom and its extraordinary growth.

Concerning the parable of the seed growing secretly, we notice several points. The man sows the seed and without his further participation the seed sprouts and grows. After telling us that the farmer has sown the seed, the parable dissociates the farmer from any involvement with the seed’s germination and growth. The parable goes on to describe that the farmer passes his time, day after day, as he goes about his normal activities. The farmer is completely unaware of how the seed grows. Only when the plant has grown and produced grain the farmer becomes active again: he puts in the sickle and harvests the crop.

How does this parable illustrate Jesus’ concern about the kingdom? Two features stand out in the story which are related to the seed—the growth of the seed and the harvest. First, the seed grows by itself without any visible or external forces. Applied to the kingdom, the kingdom grows and matures of its own accord without any enhancements from visible, external forces. In this regard, the disciples should not become impatient or discouraged. They cannot control the manifestation of the kingdom nor force it. They are expected only to proclaim and to trust that the kingdom will be manifested at the proper time. The kingdom is present, though vulnerable and hidden, but has a power of its own. Its unfolding will be slow but it is definitely growing, as the seed once sown into the ground will produce the fruit. We can apply it also to the Church which has an irresistible growth in the world.

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: **438**

Last Weekend’s collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,493.69

Catholic Relief Services: \$1,519.90

Our Bishop’s Appeal contribution for 2018 amounted to \$23,409.00, 59% 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

The second parable brings out another dimension of the kingdom. The mustard seed was considered to be the smallest seed at the time of Jesus. The example of the mustard seed seems to be a surprising composition for the kingdom of God. But Jesus always goes against the popular choices. The mustard seed is small, but the fully grown plant becomes a mighty shrub. The kingdom of God is a spiritual reality. It rules people’s heart. It is up to each one of us to make the kingdom present. When we live by the gospel and ready to make sacrifices to actualize the teaching of Jesus, we make the kingdom present.

