

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	Melita Etienne
LECTORS: Ruth Smith	Bridget Toussaint	Yvonne Freeman
EUCH MIN: Olga McBean	Lauren Thomas	Lola Warrington

Thank you for serving !!!

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

HOSPITAL: Josephine Ledee

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 Flexibility when you ...

**Learn from your mistakes.*

**Are willing to change bad habits.*

**Try imaginative new ways to do things.*

**Are open to the ideas and feelings of others.*

**Can adjust when something unexpected happens.*

**Go with the flow. Trust the unexpected.*

Affirmation:

I am flexible. I keep changing for the better. I use my creativity. I welcome surprises.

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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.**

OFFICE HOURS

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

Tuesday - Friday

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM



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PARISH CELEBRATION

Birthdays

Zane Denis, Skender Estime, Shauna Bellevue, Michaela Phelan, Carim Burton, Jahmar Quandt, Felicia Felix, Tamra George, Juanita Paul, Velma Henry, Kimberly Hunt, Jessica Jones, Julio Rhymer, Angelique Abbott, Jean Tity, Rebecca Ochs, Lydia Martin, Urelca JnBaptiste, Magdalene Dolphin, Helen Bruney, Richard Callwood, Jr.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Edmond & Jeanne Baptiste - July 8

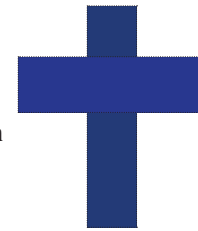


Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church
Welcomes You!

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 8, 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

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Mr. Desmond Simmonds
Mr. Ade Warrington**

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**Ms. Jennifer Johnson
Mr. Richard Callwood, III**

CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE

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Venerable Pierre Toussaint

Catholic Chapel

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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 July 8, 2018**

Mon.: Hosea 2:16, 17c-18,21-22;

Matthew 9:18 - 26

Tue.: Hosea 8:4 - 7,11 - 13; Matt. 9:32 - 38

Wed.: Hosea 10:1 - 3,7 - 8,12; Matt. 10:1 - 7

Thur.: Hosea 11:1-4,8c-9; Matthew 10:7 - 15

Fri.: Hosea 14:2 - 10; Matthew 10:16 - 23

Sat.: Isaiah 6:1 - 8; Matthew 10:24 - 33

NEXT SUNDAY:
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 7:12 - 15

Ephesians 1:3 - 14

Mark 6:7 - 13

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

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 2:2 - 5

The Spirit sent Ezekiel to Israel and empowered him to speak with authority. God told Ezekiel that, regardless of Israel’s response, they will know that a prophet was there.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 12:7 - 10

Paul confessed his weakness but also thanked God for it “for power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, Paul humbly accepted persecution for Christ’s sake.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 6:1 - 6a

Jesus went to His own part of the country and began teaching. The people were incredulous. They all knew Him as a child. He was one of them; How could He teach them? Both Jesus and Ezekiel have a tough time preaching today. Jesus was dismissed because the people could not accept that this seemingly ordinary neighbor could teach them about God. Ezekiel had to preach to a people who had rebelled against God and were “obstinate of heart.” Perhaps St. Paul’s insight is most helpful here: it is when God’s grace allows me to overcome my own weakness that Christ’s power is most truly revealed. May we have the humility to allow God’s grace to strengthen us.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God’s blessings and protection for Oner Renal rb His mother..

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings for Kimberly Hunt rb Her family.

10:00 AM: Berecia Reid (deceased) rb Lola Warrington.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. July 9, 7:00 AM: St. Augustine Zhao Rong
Birthday blessings for Urelca Jn Baptiste.

Tues. July 10, 7:00 AM: St. Veronica Giuliani
In Thanksgiving to God for continued blessings and healing
rb Jennifer Johnson.

Wed. July 11, 7:00 AM: St. Benedict
Rose & Richard Cook (d) rb Estelle Farro.

Thurs. July 12, 7:00 AM: St. John Gaulbert
Benny Hobson (d) rb The Children of Mary.

Fri. July 13, 7:00 AM: St. Henry II
Carry Abraham (d) and Hansen Abraham (d) rb Their daughter, Bezo.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION: This week’s second collection goes towards the Diocesan Seminarians. Next week’s second collection will go towards the Bishop’s Appeal. As always we thank you for your generosity.

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for God’s blessings for Anthony Renal, requested by his mother. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones’ birthdays or any special occasions.

BAPTISM CLASS: Baptism class will commence this Monday July 9, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in Lower Columban Hall, Fr. Kerly’s office, and will continue every Monday in July. Application forms for Baptism can be collected from the church office and should be completed before the start of the program. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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.

ON LINE GIVING: Keep Up with Regular Offerings by Giving Electronically We appreciate the efforts of our members to make consistent donations throughout the year— especially during popular summer travel periods. Come August we make it easy – just visit Holy Family website www.holyfamilystt.com and locate the “Donate” button, or search and download the “GivePlus Church” mobile app.

NEW ADDRESS: Bishop Elliott Thomas has recently relocated to the St. John Newman Residence in Timonium, Maryland. His new address is as follows:

Most Rev. Elliott G. Thomas, Retired
St. John Newman Residence
2300 Dulaney Valley Road
Timonium, MD 21093

NOTE: The reception of Holy Communion, in Catholic teaching, indicates an agreement of faith, on the recipient’s part, with the Catholic doctrine of Jesus’ real presence in this sacrament. Catholics observe a Eucharistic fast of one hour prior to receiving communion. Therefore, it is inappropriate to have any food, candy, gum, etc., in your mouth while in church.

Having shared in the Eucharist, you are compelled to go and work for peace and justice, thereby building God’s Kingdom now.

It doesn’t matter how many Sundays you sit in church or if you think you are saved. God sees what you do and how you treat others. That is what really matters. Amen.



LITURGY AND WORD

Ezekiel, belonging to a priestly family, grew up in Judea during the last years of Hebrew independence and was deported to Babylon along with Jehoiachin in 598 B.C., probably early in his life. He was thus a younger contemporary of the prophet Jeremiah, and of Daniel, who also as a young man, was taken to Babylon. Ezekiel was married, but on the day the final siege began, the prophet’s wife became suddenly sick and died. In this incident he became a sign to the people in not being allowed to go through the customary period of mourning, doubtlessly to emphasize to them that greater sorrow was now coming on the nation.

Ezekiel was called to be a prophet in the fifth year of his captivity. His ministry lasted for twenty-two years, i.e., from 593 to 571 B.C. On arrival in Babylon, however, the exiles seemed to have been completely free to settle and live their lives as they pleased. Many of the Jews became so well settled in their adopted land that they refused to leave it at the end of the exile, and from that time to this day the majority of the Jews have lived outside of Palestine.

Ezekiel was a powerful preacher. Possessing a deeply introspective and religious nature, he used allegory, vivid figures, and symbolic actions to clothe his message. His favourite expression to denote the divine inspiration, “the hand of the Lord was upon me” (Ezekiel 1:3), shows how strongly he felt compelled to communicate the message given to him. No doubt his message was ultimately received, for the Exile became a time of religious enlightenment. In Babylon the Jews were cured permanently of their idolatry; and Ezekiel, their major religious leader, must be given much credit for that.

In the Second Reading, Paul speaks of God’s check on him so that he would not become proud and independent of God. He was given a “thorn in the flesh” to humble him. Some hold that there are hints that it was an inflammation of the eyes. Paul generally dictated his letters,

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: 423

Last Weekend’s collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,502.22

Renovation Fund: \$1,381.61

Our Bishop’s Appeal contribution for 2018 amounted to \$29,320.00, 73% 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

but signed them with his own hand. He wrote the end of Galatians with his own hand, but apologized for the large handwriting. His affliction was apparently not only painful but disfiguring. The Galatians did not despise him for it and would have plucked out their eyes and given them to the apostle, were it possible (Gal 4:13-14).

The gospel of today records the rejection faced by Jesus in his home town. We are told that on account of people’s unbelief, Jesus could not perform any miracles in his home town. Signs in themselves will never produce faith, for faith is a personal commitment and choice. Perhaps that is why Jesus gave signs so sparingly, and only in answer to faith. He was not trying to convince the unbelieving, for that would be impossible.

YOUR POSITION IN CHURCH
IS NOT YOUR
RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.
YOU CAN HAVE
A TITLE
AND NO REAL RELATIONSHIP
WITH JESUS.