

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 Marguerite Rene

LECTORS: Yasmine Haynes Noreen Joseph Dr. A. Thomas

EUCH MIN: Dolores Velazquez Felicinne Marcellin Yvonne Freeman

***Thank you for serving !!!***

***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 Assertiveness when you ...***

***\*Share your own ideas and feelings.***

***\*Tactfully tell others what you really think.***

***\*Don't allow others to lead you into trouble.***

***\*Avoid being aggressive or passive.***

***\*Ask for what you want and need.***

***\*Expect respect at all times.***

**Affirmation:**

***I am assertive. I freely express my own ideas. I think for myself and do what I feel is right. I am my own leader.***

**WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS**

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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**



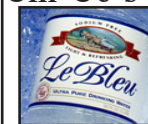
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**PARISH CELEBRATION**

**Birthdays**

***K'antae Correa, Loudencia Legrand, Jerome Vanterpool, Delvin Hodge, Denise Thomas, Elric Vanterpool, Joan Alfred, Joseph Commadore, Dave Anderson, Jr., Esenja Joseph, Serica Alfred, Rairez Henry, Malik St. Rose, Deland Isidore, Marahgaye Eugene, Kerna Cordener, Gregory Scarbriel, Ethelworld Ross.***

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

***Connal & Sonia Alfred - July 30  
St. Hilaire & Mary Antoine - July 31***



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

***Holy Family Catholic Church***

***Welcomes You!***

**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 29, 2018**

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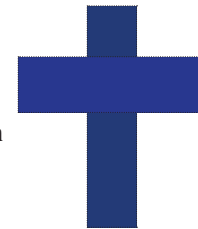
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**MISSION STATEMENT**

**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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**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 29, 2018**

**Mon.: Jer. 13:1 - 11; Matthew 13:31 - 35**

**Tue.: Jer. 14:17 - 22; Matthew 13:36 - 43**

**Wed.: Jer. 15:10, 16-21; Matthew 13:44 - 46**

**Thur.: Jeremiah 18:1 - 6; Matthew 13:47 - 53**

**Fri.: Jeremiah 26:1 - 9; Matthew 13:54 - 58**

**Sat.: Jer. 26:11 - 16, 24; Matthew 14:1 - 12**

**NEXT SUNDAY:  
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Exodus 16:2 - 4, 12 - 15**

**Ephesians 4:17, 20 - 24**

**John 6:24 - 35**

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



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4:42 - 44

Elisha was brought twenty barley loaves, which he set before a crowd of one hundred. All ate, and there was plenty of food left over.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:1 - 6

Paul called the Ephesians to a life of humility, patience and gentleness. He said, "Preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit."

GOSPEL READING: John 6:1 - 15

Many people pressed around Jesus. Seeing they were hungry, He took bread and fish, blessed them, and gave them out. When all had eaten, the fragments filled twelve baskets. From now until the end of August, the Gospel will be a selection from a single chapter of John - the chapter in which Jesus reveals Himself as the Bread of Life, the one whose Body and Blood can bring eternal life. This chapter begins with Jesus feeding thousands by multiplying the loaves and fish, but we begin today with Elisha, a "man of God," who feeds a hundred people with twenty small loaves. Listening to the readings today, note all the acts of generosity.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God's guidance and protection for Felix Renal rb His mother.

Birthday blessings for Victoria Jn Charles rb Veronica Etienne.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: God's guidance and protection for Marie Renal.

10:00 AM: God's guidance and protection for Agnes Louis, Satish Louis, the Louis and Maynard families.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. July 30, 7:00 AM: St. Peter Chrysologus  
Birthday blessings for Joseph Commodore rb His family.

Tues. July 31, 7:00 AM: St. Ignatius of Loyola  
Kathleen Farro (d) rb Estelle Farro.

Wed. Aug. 1, 7:00 AM: St. Alphonsus Liguori  
Birthday blessings for Sherica Alfred rb Her grandma.

Thurs. Aug. 2, 7:00 AM: St. Pleter Julian Eymard  
Rose & Richard Cook (d) rb Estelle Farro.

Fri. Aug. 3, 7:00 AM: St. Philip Benizi  
In Thanksgiving to God for favors and blessings received rb Rose Labadie.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION: This week's second collection goes towards Catholic Education. Next week's second collection will go towards the Renovation Fund. As always we thank you for your generosity.

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

ON LINE GIVING: Easy, Secure Giving

Would you find it helpful to have your offerings automated? Come August Holy Family Church makes donating seamless by allowing gifts to be made electronically from your bank account, debit or credit card. Please consider setting up a recurring gift by visiting www.holyfamilystt.com or by downloading the "GivePlus Church" mobile app. Thank you!

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François, Deacon Mathurin and Rev. Neil Scantlebury extend sincere sympathy to Stacey Bryan and family on the passing of her grandmother, Ann Josephine Ledee, who died on Saturday, July 21, 2018. The funeral mass for the late Ann Josephine Ledee will take place on Thursday August 2, 2018, at Holy Family Church at 10:00 a.m. Viewing and tributes will precede the mass at 9:00 a.m. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François, Deacon Mathurin and Rev. Neil Scantlebury extend sincere sympathy to Joseph Talbert and family on the passing of his father-in-law, Joseph Medard, who died on Sunday, July 22, 2018. The funeral mass for the late Joseph Medard will take place on Friday August 10, 2018, at Holy Family Church at 11:00 a.m. Viewing and tributes will precede the mass at 10:00 a.m. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen. Reception will follow the burial at Upper Columban Hall.

BREAKFAST SALE: The Dominica Association of St. Thomas will host a breakfast sale on Saturday, August 18, 2018, in Holy Family parking lot, from 7:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Thank you for your support.

CASSI HILL PILGRIMAGE: The 71st Annual Pilgrimage to Cassi Hill will be celebrated on Sunday, August 19, 2018. We will gather at Four Winds Plaza from 2:00 p.m. The procession begins at 2:30 p.m. to Our Lady of Cassi Hill Shrine. We will end with a closing mass at Holy Family Church at 3:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served in the classroom after the mass. All are invited.

STS. PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL: We are currently seeking teachers for science middle/high school, physical education teacher all levels, and history teacher middle/high school. Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is ongoing; please call 340-774-2199 to schedule testing.

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.

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.

LITURGY AND WORD

Chapter six of John's Gospel begins with the account of the multiplication of bread. The multiplication of the loaves and fish is narrated in all four Gospels in substantially the same form with only minor variants of place and circumstances. Luke and John have only one multiplication narrative; Matthew and Mark have two. In John there is no teaching before the multiplication of the loaves. Jesus is seated on a mountain waiting for the people and brings up the question of providing food for them himself. Only John mentions a young boy with barley loaves. The story of the multiplication has several themes:

a) The Eucharist: The Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. Our attention is drawn, not to the urgent need for food, but to the imminence of an occasion in the Jewish year when the food had a specific religious significance. The food Jesus is about to provide must not be understood merely as a means of satisfying hunger.

John's choice of the verb eucharisteo, from which we derive Eucharist means thanks-giving.

b) Gather the fragments: Why is this so important? On the face of it, it is the feeding that matters, not what is left over. The "twelve baskets full" surplus is symbolic either for the twelve apostles who are doing the serving or for the twelve tribes of Israel, who will never be in want. The desire of the crowd to make Jesus king shows that they have connected this sign with the promised messianic banquet and concludes that Jesus must be the expected Messiah or prophet, but Jesus is not easily taken in by their enthusiasm which stops short of true faith in him. At that time the Jewish religion encouraged people to pin their hopes on a figure who "was to come," even though it allowed a wide variety of opinions on what kind of figure this would be. Speculation ranged from a warrior king to a divinely empowered being who would usher in a new age. One expectation was a prophet like Moses. Moses had miraculously fed the people with manna, and here

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: 450

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$6,139.14

Bishop's Appeal: \$841.78

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

was Jesus doing something similar. It was not difficult for the crowd to guess that Jesus was indeed the prophet. But this kind of religious excitement could easily spill over to something more political and dangerous. There were several self-styled 'prophets' in this period who promised to show an authoritative 'sign' and then to lead the Jewish people against their Roman conquerors. So Jesus withdraws from the place. It is likely that the crowd's main purpose is to secure through Jesus a constant supply of free food, rather than any careful summing up of his Messianic potential.

If we could spread love as quickly as we spread hate and negativity, what an amazing world we would live in.

