

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING YOU!
MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

5:00PM

7:30 AM

10:00AM

PLEASE BE FLEXIBLE AND VOLUNTEER TO SERVE WHENEVER POSSIBLE

CANTORS: Allan Harrigan Dr. Gloria Callwood Adult Choir

LECTORS: Antoinette Floyd Jalila Thomas Young Vincentians

EUCH MIN: Dolores Velazquez Felicinne Marcellin Michelle Stout

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, Enid Blyden, Isabel Dublin, 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, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Meraldo C. Gonzales.

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 Caring when you ...

****Show care for others, yourself and the earth.***

****Look at people and listen closely.***

****Handle things carefully.***

****Are gentle with people and things placed in your care.***

****Treat your body with respect.***

****Work with enthusiasm and excellence.***

Affirmation:

I care for others and myself. I pay loving attention. I give my best to every job.

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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

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM



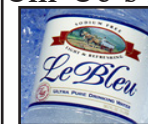
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PARISH CELEBRATION
Birthdays

Jada Plummer, Vashanti Francis, Irene Morris, Philomen Baron, Ashantay Camacho, Denzel Liberte, Akira Pickering-Haynes, Jahmarleyi Andrew, Makil Bedminster, Dale George, Akeem Liburd, Eltino Pickering, Rawlina Camacho, Mervin Clermond, Jeusu Amaro, Kathleen Dena, Anita Aubain, Jonia John-Baptiste, Donna Edney, Leondra Plummer, Jahkeem Clarke, Delanni Matthew, Robertson Moore, Tamesha Leon, Sean Williams.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

**Alvin & Olga McBean - Aug. 27
Robert & Tamesha Leon - Sept. 1**

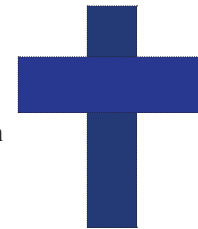


Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church
Welcomes You!

21st, Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 26, 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. Peter Laurencin

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**

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 August 26, 2018**

Mon.: 2 Thes. 1:1-5, 11-12; Matt. 23:13 - 22

Tue.: 2 Thes. 2:1-3a, 14-17; Matt.23:23 - 26

Wed.: Jeremiah 1:17 -19; Mark 6:17 - 29

Thur.: 1 Corinthians1:1 - 9; Matt. 24:42 - 51

Fri.: 1 Corinthians 1:17 - 25; Matt. 25:1 - 13

Sat.: 1 Corinthians 1:26- 1; Matt. 25:14 - 30

CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE

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**Masses:
Saturday 5:00 p.m.(Creole)
and
Every LAST Thursday
at 5:00 p.m.**

**Online giving or donation
can be made through our
website at:
www.holyfamilystt.com**

NEXT SUNDAY:
22nd, Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 4:1 - 2, 6 - 8

James 1:17 - 18, 21b - 22, 27

Mark 7:1 - 8, 14 - 15, 21 - 23

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

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1 - 2a, 15 - 17, 18b

Joshua told the Israelites they were to decide whom they would serve: the Am-
orite gods or the Lord who brought them out of Egypt. They agreed to “serve
the Lord, for He is our God.”

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:21 - 32

Paul likened the love of a husband and wife to the love Christ has for the
church. As Christ loves the church, so should husbands and wives love each
other.

GOSPEL READING: John 6:60 - 69

Jesus’ disciples were puzzled by His words. Jesus reminded them, “It is the
spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail.” Simon Peter responded,
“You have the words of eternal life.”
Both the tribes of Israel and the disciples of Jesus are put on the spot in the
readings we hear today. Both groups are asked to commit themselves to the
One in whom they believe. Will they follow the Lord or will they turn away?
In the first reading, everyone pledges to continue to serve the Lord, but in the
Gospel not all the disciples remain in the fold. What is our response today?

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God’s deliverance, guidance and protection for Marie Renal.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings for Vashanti Francis rb Her parents and grand
parents.

Birthday blessings for Irene Morris rb The Delgado family.

10:00 AM: Birthday blessings for Claudeja Brutus and Duane Motta rb
The family.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Aug. 27, 7:00 AM: St. Monica
Birthday blessings for Miranda Jones rb The Johnson family.

Tues. Aug. 28, 7:00 AM: St. Augustine, Bishop
God’s blessings for Jada George rb Cleopha Rawlings.

Wed. Aug. 29, 7:00 AM: The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Birthday blessings and God’s guidance for Renee Greig rb The Greig
family.

God’s blessings and guidance for Tyrone Hodge, Jr. rb Cleopha Rawlings.

Thurs. Aug. 30, 7:00 AM: St. Fiacre
Kathleen Farro (d) rb Estelle Farro.

Fri. Aug. 31, 7:00 AM: St. Aidan of Lindisfame
Birthday blessings for Makil Bedminster rb Mona Bedminster.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for God’s
protection, blessings and guidance for Makil Bedinster, requested by Mona
Bedminster. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones’ birthdays or
any special occasions.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Visit our website: www.holyfamilystt.com and select
support our parish. Holy Family offers a mobile version of our online giving
page to make it easy for you to give anytime from your smart phone. Thanks to all
those who have already started to use the online giving, may God richly bless you.

CASSI HILL PILGRIMAGE: Thank you to all those who participated in one
way or another in making the Cassi Hill Pilgrimage a success. May Our Lady of
Cassi Hill intercede on your behalf. Once again, thank you.

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend the Altar flowers were paid for in part by
Lorna Greig, in thanksgiving to God and in celebration of Lorna and Renee
Greig’s birthday. Thank you for beautifying our church and may God continue to
bless you as you celebrate.

FOOD FOR THE POOR: This 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.

HOLY FAMILY HEALTH MINISTRY: Health care professionals and interested
persons are encouraged to attend an organizing and planning meeting on Tuesday,
August 24, 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.

STS. PETER & PAUL SCHOOL: Sts. Peter & Paul School wishes to announce a
change of opening date for the 2018-2019 Academic Year.
School will now resume at 7:45a.m. on September 4th, 2018. The decision was
made for the safety of our students as hurricane repairs by FEMA are ongoing on
the school campus. We regret any inconvenience to parents this may cause.
Book sales have also been rescheduled. Elementary school book sales will take
place on August 30th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:p.m. and Middle and High School book
sales will occur on August 31st from 8 a.m. to 1p.m.
Once again, Sts. Peter & Paul school announces a change of opening date for the
2018-2019 Academic Year to September 4th. Thank you.

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François,
Deacon Laurencin and Rev. Neil Scantlebury extend sincere sympathy to Anita
Williams and family on the passing of her mother, Rita Williams, who died in
on Friday, August 10, 2018. The funeral mass for the late Rita Williams will
take place on Friday, September 7, 2018, at Holy Family church at 10:00 a.m.
Viewing 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 Laurencin and Rev. Neil Scantlebury extend sincere sympathy to Merle
Vanterpool and Jean Gonzales and family on the passing of their mother, Agnes
Babulal, who died in on Tuesday, August 21, 2018, in Canada. May her soul and
the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

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. Whether you spend 15 minutes or the whole day, come and sit
with Jesus.

LITURGY AND WORD

Today’s liturgy of the Word plac-
es before us an option to choose
between serving God or leaving
him. Two religious leaders, Joshua
and Jesus, put the option in front
of the people and gave them the
freedom to decide. In the case of
Joshua all the people in unison said
they would serve the Lord; and in
the case of Jesus the apostles led by
Peter said they would remain with
the Lord Jesus.

Joshua was a great leader and
champion of God’s causes. His
history is that of Israel’s occupation
of Canaan. With great energy and
power he conquered the land and
apportioned them to the tribes of
Israel. As death approached, Joshua
first summoned Israel’s leaders, urg-
ing them to be faithful to God, and
then assembled the tribal heads at
Shechem, charging them, “Choose
for yourselves this day whom you
will serve” (Josh 24:15) (First
Reading). The peoples’ response
remains an extraordinary specimen
of commitment to God, “Far be it
from us that we should forsake the
Lord, to serve other gods; for it is
the Lord our God who brought us
from the land of Egypt. Therefore
we also will serve the Lord, for he
is our God” (Josh 24:18).
Jesus explains the doctrine of the
“Bread of Life” at length but the
people start murmuring about it.
When he sees people murmuring Je-
sus refers to his glorification as the
event which will give credence to
his teaching, for when he is glori-
fied, he will give the Spirit. And it is
the Spirit that gives life. Their ma-
terialistic quest is after bread which
will not give life; Jesus’ teaching
confers the Spirit who in turn gives
life.

Those not called by his Father turn
away; but Peter confesses his faith
as the spokesperson for the disci-
ples. Judas secretly refuses faith in
Jesus, an example of the ever-pres-
ent diabolic opposition.
Towards the end of his discourse,
Jesus once more affirms that a man
cannot gain life on his own. If Jesus
is divine revelation come down
from heaven like bread to nourish
men, his purpose is to communicate

STEWARDSHIP
OF TREASURE

Every week the report on steward-
ship will include our gifts of time, tal-
ent, and treasure. In gratitude to God,
we give of our first fruits to help ful-
fill God’s mission of love here on earth.

Attendance: Last Weekend: 469

Last Weekend’s collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$3,987.19

Youth Ministry: \$967.53

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 to-
wards our Bishop’s Appeal. Once again,
thank you.

LITURGY AND WORD Cont’d

to them the principle of eternal life.
The man who accepts the words of
Jesus will receive the life-giving Spirit.
Here too Jesus’ words and the Spirit
are mentioned side by side as giving
life, and faith in Jesus is indispensable
for eternal life.
The final reaction of the disciples is
one of disbelief and rejection. The
Twelve believe, but the majority of
people do not. The contrast between
the reaction of the Twelve and of those
who turn away is vividly portrayed.
The former, with Simon Peter as their
spokesman, affirmed a deepening faith.
The people’s final reaction is rejection
of Jesus’ claims and offer. Belief in
their traditions and natural reasoning
powers constitute the obstacles to be-
lieving in Jesus. Their sustained quest
for Jesus contrasts sadly with their
being scandalized by the offer of living
bread and definitely parting company
with him, but Jesus refuses to water
down his teaching to accommodate
them. The disciples do not really un-
derstand either, but they affirm through
their spokesperson Peter that they have
no alternative to Jesus.

