

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 Melita Etienne

LECTORS: Ruth Smith Antoinette Floyd
Bridget Toussaint Allison Callwood
Felicitia Richards Ursula Prosper

EUCH MIN: Candace Bryan Catherina Alexander Lola Warrington
Felicinne Marcellin

Thank you for serving !!!

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

HOSPITAL: Cynthia Johnrose.

OFF ISLAND: Defy Francoise, Bertina Lestrade, Altagracia Padilla, Emile Joseph, Joseph Archer, Clementina Abraham, Bishop Thomas, Enid Blyden, Isabel Dublin, Mary Lewis, Philomen Baron, McLean Fontain (Sparrow), Thomas & Ruthine Johnson.

AT HOME: Rita Ledee, Rose Celestine, Margarita Feliciano, Martina Lewis, Olivia Gumbs, Ann Bedminster, Medina Scatliffe, Bernice Knight, Claudy Brutus, Vernelle Gumbs, Evelyn Simon, Veronica Sealey, Gerard Henry, Grace Thompson, Andrea Victorine, Josephine James, Stanislaus Liverpool, Rosette Harley, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Rosita Laparole.

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 Reliability when you ...

**Make promises you can keep.*

**Really care about doing what you promise.*

**Return things you borrow.*

**Plan ahead.*

**Do your best and finish on time.*

**Find another way if obstacles occur.*

Affirmation:

I am reliable. I keep my promises. Others can depend on me. Nothing can stop me from giving my best.

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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

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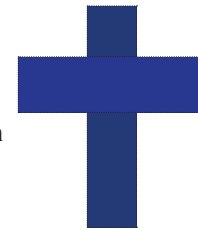


Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church
Welcomes You!

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Oct. 14, 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

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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 October 14, 2018**

**Mon.: Galatians 4:22- 24, 26-27, 31-5:1;
Luke 11:29 - 32**

Tue.: Galatians 5:1 - 6; Luke 11:37 - 41

Wed.: Galatians 5:18 - 25; Luke 11:42 - 46

Thur.: 2 Timothy 4:10 - 17b; Luke 10:1 - 9

Fri.: Ephesians 1:11 - 14; Luke 12:1 - 7

Sat.: Ephesians 1:15 - 23; Luke 12:8 - 12

NEXT SUNDAY:
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 53:10 - 11

Hebrews 4:14 - 16

Mark 10:35 - 45

CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE

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

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can be made through our
website at:**
www.holyfamilystt.com

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

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Wisdom 7:7 - 11

“I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. I preferred her ... and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her.”

SECOND READING: Hebrews 4:12 - 13

The word of God is “sharper than any two-edged sword,” discerning “reflections and thoughts of the heart.”

GOSPEL READING: Mark 10:17 - 30

Jesus told a young man, “Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and ... follow me.”
Solomon makes a wise decision in today’s first reading, choosing wisdom over power or riches. He realizes that those things are temporary, whereas wisdom is lasting. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches the rich man the same lesson, noting the incompatibility of wealth and the kingdom of God. This is our challenge today. How are our temporary possessions obstacles to our mission and ultimate goal? Can the “two-edged sword” that the writer of Hebrews invokes separate what lasts from what doesn’t?

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God’s guidance and protection for Anthony Renal rb Marie Renal.
Birthday blessings for Rita Brady Bermudez rb Rita Brady Bermudez.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings for Tamra Thomas rb Her family.
Birthday blessings, guidance & protection for Ade Warrington rb His grandma

10:00 AM: God’s guidance and protection for Felix Renal rb His mother.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Oct. 15, 7:00 AM: *St. Teresa of Jesus*
Angela Jean Jacques (d) rb The Children of Mary.

Tues. Oct. 16, 7:00 AM: *Sts. Hedwig & Margaret Mary Alacoque*
Rose & Richard Cook (d) rb Estelle Farro.

Wed. Oct. 17, 7:00 AM: *St. Ignatius of Antioch*
Christalia Wellington (d) rb The Children of Mary.

Thurs. Oct. 18, 7:00 AM: *St. Luke, Evangelist*
Karlene J. Brooks (d) rb Dr. Gloria Callwood.

Fri. Oct. 19, 7:00 AM: *Sts. Jude de Brebeug & Isaac Jogues*
Leal Stridiron (d) rb The Stridiron & Johnson families.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

ONLINE GIVING: Visit our website: www.holyfamilystt.com and select *online giving*. 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.

BAPTISM CLASS: Baptism class commenced on *Monday October 8, 2018*, at 7:00 p.m. in Lower Columban Hall, and will continue every Monday in October. 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.

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François, Deacon Laurencin and Rev. Neil Scantlebury extend sincere sympathy to *Clayton Francis* and family on the passing of his father, *Anthony J. Francis* who died on *Saturday, October 6, 2018*. The funeral mass for the late *Anthony J. Francis* will take place on *Friday, October 19, 2018*, at Holy Family Church, at 10:30 a.m. Viewing will precede the mass at 11:30 a.m. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Parish Council members are kindly asked to note that the next meeting is set for *Thursday October 25, 2018*, at 6:30 p.m. Please be guided accordingly.

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.

CONCERT: The Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral will host a concert on *Sunday, October 28, 2018* at 5:00 p.m., to salute a native son, Dr. Alfred O. Heath, for over 57 years of outstanding and charitable works to the Virgin Islands Community. Tickets at \$30.00 and are available by calling 340-514-0327.

REVIVAL SERVICES: The Methodist Church of the St. Thomas/St. John Circuit will be hosting its annual revival services from *Monday, October 15, 2018 to Friday, October 19, 2018*, at Christchurch Methodist Church - (Market Square) starting at 6:30 p.m. nightly. The theme is “Reclaim, Strengthen, Expand”. The guest speaker is Rev. Adolf Davis of St. Vincent.

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

Natural and historical processes are governed by his wisdom. God makes a clear distinction between good and evil. Goodness is rewarded while evil is punished. God’s wisdom is inscrutable: God in his grace must reveal it if human beings are to grasp it at all (Job 28:28). Even wisdom derived from natural abilities or distilled from experience is a gracious gift; because God’s creative activity makes such wisdom possible. Wisdom Literature in the OT consists of Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, Wisdom of Solomon, and Sirach. Wisdom is bound up with doing the will of the Lord (Deut 4:6), and to forsake his Word is to forfeit one’s wisdom (Jer 8:8-9). Paul calls Jesus “the wisdom of God” (1 Cor 1:24, 30) and says that in him all the measures of wisdom are hidden (Col 2:3). James’ letter is wisdom literature at its best. According to James true wisdom from God is “pure” of all selfish ambition, and thus “sincere” and “undivided” without duplicity and wavering. Its content is characterized by “meekness,” a goodness capable of enduring tribulation without anger. This must include a capability and willingness to accept criticism. Wisdom makes one to open oneself to reason and is gentle and peaceable. Whoever lives this wisdom from above will create peace, being filled with this new life from God, particularly with mercy (Jas 3:17). In the first Reading of today, the author says that he would prefer wisdom to sceptres and thrones. The author considers wisdom as more precious than gold and silver both of which are costly and desirable. The young man in today’s gospel is caught up between his love for God and love for material possessions. He comes running to Jesus as a sincere seeker and his purpose in meeting Jesus is noble for he wants to get his advice regarding eternal life.

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: **456**
Last Weekend’s collections
FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,735.90
Renovation Fund: \$1,279.24

Our Bishop’s Appeal contribution for 2018 amounted to \$36,260.00, 91% 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 man has a humble disposition for his kneeling before Jesus manifests this. As the man addresses him as “good master,” Jesus is quick to correct a flaw in the man’s thinking for a man of Jewish faith he should have known that God alone is Good. It was common knowledge among the Israelites that it was not proper to call any person “good” except God. Jesus leads the man to the commandments. The commandments quoted have all to do with one’s relationship with one’s neighbour thereby indicating that trespassing the rights of fellow human beings has serious repercussions with regard to eternal life. There is no reason to doubt the man’s sincerity when he says, “Teacher, I have observed all these from my youth.” Jesus then offers a solution to the man’s problem which is to detach himself from his possessions. This he said with affection. At Jesus’ words the man becomes resentfully depressed and goes away grief-stricken. It is paradoxical that the only individual in the Gospel whom Jesus is said to love ends up rejecting his call.

