

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: Antoinette Flyod Rita Brady Bermudez Dr. A. Thomas
Ruth Smith Pierre Joseph Julia Johnson

EUCH MIN: Dolores Valazquez Catherine Alexander Franklin Howe
Danna Knight Antoinette Howe



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, 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 Livepool, Rosette Harley, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Roserita Laparol.

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 Thankfulness when you ...

****Are thankful for the gifts of life.***

****Appreciate your own abilities instead of envying others.***

****See the difficulties of life as earning opportunities.***

****Enjoy your sense of wonder about the beauty in the world.***

****Are willing to receive what others want to give.***

****Count your blessings every day.***

Affirmation:

I am thankful for the many gifts within me and around me today. I appreciate my life. I look for the lessons. I expect the 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

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RELIGIOUS BIRTHDAY
Rev. Kerly Francois - Nov. 12

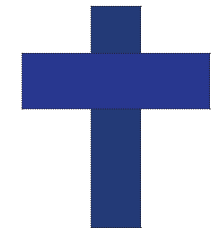


Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church
Welcomes You!

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Nov. 11, 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.

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Reverend Neil Scantlebury

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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

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 November 11, 2018

Mon.: Titus 1:1 - 9; Luke 17:1 - 6

Tue.: Titus 2:1 - 8, 11 - 14; Luke 17:7 - 10

Wed.: Titus 3:1 - 7; Luke 17:11 - 19

Thur.: Philemon 7 - 20; Luke 17:20 - 25

Fri.: 2 John 4 - 9; Luke 17:26 - 37

Sat.: 3 John 5 - 8; Luke 18:1 - 8

NEXT SUNDAY:
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daniel 12: 1 - 3
Hebrews 10:11 - 14, 18
Mark 13:24 - 32

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:10 - 16

Elijah the prophet arrived at the city gate and met a poor widow gathering sticks. He asked for water and a bite to eat. She made a little cake from her flour and gave it to him.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24 - 28

Christ, the high priest standing before God, was “offered once to take away the sins of many.” He will appear again “to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him.”

GOSPEL READING: Mark 12:38 - 44

Jesus saw a poor widow go up to put all she had into the collection box: a few cents. She put in more than all the others, for she gave from her need while they from their surplus. Each reading today tells of someone who sacrificed the very last thing they could offer. The widow who welcomes Elijah sacrifices her last grains of flour and last drops of oil to bake bread for this stranger. The widow Jesus sees outside the temple sacrifices two small coins, her whole livelihood, to the temple treasury. The author of Hebrews points out that Jesus sacrificed His very life for our sins. As we listen to scripture today, let us think about what we ourselves are willing to sacrifice.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God’s continued deliverance for Marie Renal rb Marie Renal.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings and thanksgiving to God rb Rita Brady-Bermudez.

10:00 AM: Birthday blessings for Fr. Kerly Francois rb Maureen Petersen.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Nov. 12, 7:00 AM: **St. Josaphat**
Birthday blessings for Fr. Kerly Francois.

Tues. Nov. 13, 7:00 AM: **St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**
Rose and Richard Cook (d) rb Estelle Farro.

Wed. Nov. 14, 7:00 AM: **St. Lawrence O’Toole**
God’s blessings and healing for Cleopha Rawlings rb Cleopha Rawlings.

Thurs. Nov. 15, 7:00 AM: **St. Albert the Great**
Elroy and Violet Holder (d) rb Kathleen Thompson.

Fri. Nov. 16, 7:00 AM: **St. Margaret of Scotland**
Birthday blessings for Viola John rb Paula and Bernadette.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION: This week’s second collection goes towards the **Bishop’s Appeal**. Next week’s second collection will go towards **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. As always we thank you for your generosity.

Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for **God’s continued guidance, protection and blessings for Mona Bedminster, requested by Mona Bedminster**. 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 are using online giving; may God continue to bless you richly.

OFFICE CLOSED: Please note that the Church office will be closed ALL day on **Monday, November 12, 2018**, in observance of Veterans Day. Please be guided accordingly.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Catholic Charities has the following vacancy:
An Assistant to the Executive Director.

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.

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.

CREOLE MASS: The Dominica Association of St. Thomas invites everyone to their annual Creole Mass this **Sunday, November 11, 2018**, at 12:00 noon at Holy Family Church. The regular weekend masses will remain the same. All are welcome.

BREAKFAST SALE: The Dominica Association of St. Thomas will host a breakfast sale on **Saturday, December 8, 2018**, in Holy Family parking lot, from 7:00 a.m. to 12 noon. All breakfast proceeds go toward Holy Family Church. Thank you for your usual support.

RCIA: Adults who wish to join the Catholic Church or know their faith more are encouraged to attend classes on **Wednesdays** at 7:00 p.m. in Lower Columban Hall.

MARCH FOR LIFE 2019: Bound 4 Life USVI will be traveling to Washington D.C. from **January 14, 2019 through January 21, 2019**. Most of our members range from the age of 12-23 years old. The cost for each person traveling will be approximately \$1,200.00. For more information please contact Timothy Olive at 340-998-9376 or Fr. Eduardo Ortiz-Santiago at 340-774-0885 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

LITURGY AND WORD

Elijah’s ministry is set in Israel during the Omride dynasty (9th Century B.C.), a period marked by relative peace and prosperity. Elijah is presented as the powerful champion of Yahweh against the royally-patronized worship of Baal. The stories of Elijah occur mainly during the reign of King Ahab and his son Ahaziah. They presuppose a period of violent persecution of Yahwism, especially at the hands of King Ahab’s Baalist queen, Jezebel. Elijah is the hero of Yahwism, the prophet who speaks the word of the true God, the new Moses who withstands royal oppression and keeps the faith alive. Elijah displays many of the traits characteristic of prophetic figures throughout Israel’s history. He is a miracle worker whose word of power can produce weal or woe. He confronts the king with condemnation for religious infidelity and for social injustice (1 Kgs 17:1). The position of widows and orphans without a breadwinner or male protector was precarious. Levirate marriage, i.e., with the brother of the deceased husband, is not designed primarily to relieve the widow, but to provide an heir to the name and property of the dead man. Thus a childless widow is the responsibility of the family, but a widow-mother, as the woman of Zarephath, has no such provision, save by charity. The widowed woman does as told by Elijah and miraculously her supply is never exhausted. The generosity of the woman despite her misery pays good dividends. A poor widow takes the centre stage in today’s gospel. Jesus contrasts the behavior of the widow against the behavior of the scribes. In New Testament times the scribes are not only proficient in reading and writing contracts and other administrative documents but also knowledgeable in Jewish law and so suited to take an active role in Jewish society. Since the Torah is the basic law for the Jewish people, the scribes have combined in themselves the roles of lawyer and theologian. Jesus accuses the scribes of making a display of themselves so as to attract the attention of the general public by means of their dressing in long flowing robes, and among other things they do are included devouring of widows’ houses and their money. In contrast the behavior of the widow is outstanding. She comes to the treasury and puts in two copper coins, which make a penny. A widow was a woman whose husband had died and as such she had no inheritance rights in ancient

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: **331**

Last Weekend’s collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,183.75

Youth Ministry: \$971.66

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

Israel. While a levirate marriage was possible, widows who did not opt for it as in the case of most widows, they had to rely on their children or on charity. The widows’ plight was miserable and so many OT texts presented God as the ultimate defender of the widows. The Old Testament prophets frequently criticized the exploitation of the widows, for example, see Isaiah 1:17.

Jesus criticizes the scribes for drawing attention to themselves and then for using their piety as a cloak for making a profit on vulnerable members of the society. The poor widow is praised for her generosity shown in contributing what she had to the Temple treasury. Because she contributes “out of her poverty” she is actually more generous than all the rich people who contribute large sums out of their surplus. The widow is an example of the true piety and generosity that exists among God’s people.

Dear God,
IF TODAY I LOSE MY
hope PLEASE REMIND
ME THAT YOUR PLANS
ARE BETTER THAN MY
dream.