## WE LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING YOU! MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

5:00PM

7:30 AM

10:00AM

#### PLEASE BE FLEXIBLE AND VOLUNTEER TO SERVE WHENEVER POSSIBLE

Dr. Gloria Callwood Melita Etienne CANTORS: Allan Harrigan

**LECTORS:** Helena Enrique Noreen Joseph Ursula Prosper Candace Bryan Allison Callwood Mona Bedminster

EUCH MIN: Anne Brandt Danna Knight Antoinette Howe Catherina Alexander Franklin 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, Enid Blyden, Isabel Dublin, Mary Lewis, Philomen Baron, McLean Fontain (Sparrow), Josephine

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, Stani slaus Livepool, Rosette Harley, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Roserita Laparol, Cynthia Johnrose, Ruthine & Thomas Johnson, Richard Callwood, Jr,.

#### SEAVIEW:

#### 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 Consideration when you ...

\*Respect other people's needs and feelings.

\*Consider others' needs as important as your own.

\*Stop and think how your actions will affect people.

\*Put yourself in other people's shoes.

\*Give tender attention.

\*Think of little things to bring others happiness.

## **Affirmation:**

I am considerate of others. I stop and think about how my actions may affect them. I do thoughtful things for people.

## **WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS**



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## Lenten Prayer for Sundays during Lent

Heavenly Father,

As I enter another week of my Lenten journey, guide me to the path that leads to you. Fill my heart with gratitude, patience, strength and peace as I strive to become the best version of myself, honestly admitting my shortcomings and sins.

As I renew my resolve each day to become a better person, let me hear your voice in the deepest reaches of my heart. Give me rest in vou.

Help me to accept others, showing them your great love instead of casting judgment. Stay with me through the busy days this week and remind me that when I need comfort, solitude, wisdom or guidance, I can always turn to

Help me develop discipline and generosity through fasting and almsgiving, and come close to you through prayer this Lent. In your name I pray,

Amen.

## **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

Clifton Johnson, Timaeya Benjamin, Ke'Sai Tvrell, Myrtine Pochette, Anai Martin, Britan Dyer, Britany Dyer, Benjamin Dudley, Jean Vante, Anita Williams, Alison Johnson, Vernell Gumbs, Cheryl Dorsett, Brandt Bruney, Michel Antoine, Alain Wescot, Clen Philbert, Iler Philemond, Lizette Velazquez, Geogette Jules, Kathleen Thompson, Claudy Brutus, II, Keith Steele.

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Balvin & Shirlin Browne - Mar. 10 Francis & Heneritta John Baptiste - Mar. 13



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

# Holy Family Catholic Church Welcomes You!

1st Sunday of Lent - March 10, 2019

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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 - Friday: 7:00 AM

Wednesday: OLPH Novena before the

7:00 AM Mass followed by

Adoration after the mass to 5:00 p.m.

Friday: Holy Hour: 6PM - 7PM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** 

Saturday: 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM

Readings for the Week

of March 10, 2019

## **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.

## Reverend Pastor Neil Scantlebury

Associate Pastor Reverend Kerly François

Rev. Mr. Cassius Mathurin Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney

**Administrative Assistant** Mrs. Allison Callwood

> **Sacristan** Mr. Rvan John

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St. Thomas VI 00802

Saturday 5:00 p.m.(Creole)

**Every LAST Thursday** 

at 5:00 p.m.

Online giving or donation

can be made through our

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## Fourth Wednesdays - 4:00PM to 6:30PM

## CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE Mon.: Lev. 19:1-2, 11-18; Matt. 25:31 - 46

Tue.: Isaiah 55:10 - 11; Matthew 6:7 - 15

Wed.: Jonah 3:1 - 10; Luke 11:29 - 32

Thur.: Esther C:12, 14-16,23-25; Matthew 7:7 - 12

Fri.: Ezekiel 18:21 - 28; Matthew 5:20 - 26

Sat.: Deut. 26:16 - 19; Matthew 5:43 - 48

## **NEXT SUNDAY:** 2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:5 - 12, 17 - 18 Philippians 3:17 - 4:1 Luke 9:28b - 36

## **1ST SUNDAY LENT**

## INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY! FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:4 - 10

\*Moses told the story of the Israelites: The Lord God led them from bondage to freedom. This story should always be recalled before offering gifts to God. The people of God can rejoice over the many good things the Lord has given them.

## SECOND READING: Romans 10:8 - 13

God's word is on your lips and in your heart. If you proclaim with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe it in your heart, you will be saved. "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

## GOSPEL READING: Luke 4:1 - 13

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days. There He ate nothing and was tempted by the devil. Afterward, the devil left Him to await another opportunity.

On the final Sunday of Lent, Palm Sunday, we will hear Jesus, faced His own death, reaffirm His faith in God. "Your will be done," He says praying to His Father. Today, on the First Sunday of Lent, we hear Jesus rely on His Father as He battles the devil. It is Jesus' faith that allows Him to resist temptation, both now and later. In the readings, Moses expresses the faith of the people in God while St. Paul preaches that all who have faith will be saved.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## **Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):**

5:00 PM: Robert Ledee (deceased) rb The family.

#### **Sunday Masses:**

7:30 AM: Maria Nguyen (deceased) rb Her father, Binh Nguyen.

**10:00 AM**: Nathaniel Pharaoh (**deceased**) rb Victoria Fergusson.

**5:00 PM**: God's continued blessings for the Haitian community.

#### **Daily Masses:**

Mon. Mar. 11, 7:00 AM: *St. Gemma Galgani*Birthday blessing for Clifton Johnson rb His family.

Birthday blessing for Tevin Antoine rb Urelca Jn Baptiste.

Tues. Mar. 12, 7:00 AM: *Blessed Aniela Salawa* Unborn son (**d**) rb His father, Binh Nguyen.

Wed. Mar. 13, 7:00 AM**: St. Seraphina**Muriel Brady- Smith (**d**) rb Her Children.

Thurs. Mar. 14, 7:00 AM: *St. Matilda*Birthday blessing for Anaj Martin rb Urelca Jn Baptiste.

Fri. Mar. 15, 7:00 AM: *St. Zachary*Bishop Elliott Thomas (d) rb Maureen Petersen.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SECOND COLLECTION**: This week's second collection goes towards the **Black and Indian Mission**. Next week's second collection will go towards the **Bishop's Appeal**. As always we thank you for your generosity.

**BISHOP'S APPEAL:** The Annual Bishop's Appeal supports three soup kitchens within our diocese. Every day hungry men and women are fed by your charity. By your generous contributions to the Bishop's Appeal, the work continues the ministry of Jesus. We ask you to please take home the brochure and pray about what sacrificial gift you can give to this worthwhile cause.

For your convenience, you may choose to make a pledge now and spread your payments over several months. Donations may be made in the form of cash, check or credit card. Please fill out the form in the brochure and make your checks payable to "Diocese of St. Thomas." Pleases see the brochure for further information. Thank You!

"Whatsoever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters, that you do unto Me."

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for God's guidance and protection for Marie Renal, requested by Marie Renal. 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, using "**GIVE PLUS**" mobile App. Thanks to all those who are using online giving; may God continue to bless you richly.

**LENTEN MISSION**: Holy Family will host a Lenten mission from <u>Monday</u>, <u>March 11 to Wednesday</u>, <u>March 13</u>, <u>2019</u>. The mission will be preached by Fr. Blessed from 7:00 p.m. nightly. He will also preach at the weekend masses prior to the start of the mission. Please save the dates.

### **LENT**: During Lent:

- 1. Holy Hour and Stations of the Cross are on Fridays at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Those 18 to 59 years of age are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- 3. Those 14 years and older are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays in Lent
- 4. Pray for peace in the world and in our families.
- 5. Pray for God's blessings and protection against the attacks of evil spirits for our parish and our diocese.
- 6. There will be **NO** altar flowers, **NO** Gloria and **NO** Alleluia, **NO** recessional hymn.
- 7. We are encouraged to make a good Confession.
- 8. Give generously to the Bishop's Appeal.
- 9. Pray the novena of Our Lady the Undoer of Knots that Our Lady will undo the knots of Holy Family Parish, family and ourselves.
- 10. View daily "Best Lent ever" on www.dynamiccatholic.com or listen to Fr. Blessed's daily meditations on our web page: www.holyfamilystt.com

**SYMPATHY:** On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François, Deacon Frank Kearny, Deacon Cassius Mathurin and Rev. Neil Scantlebury extend sincere sympathy to Cyril Abraham and family on the passing of his mother, *Clementina Abraham*, who died on *Tuesday*, *February 19*, *2019*. The funeral mass for the late *Clementina Abraham* will take place at Holy Family Church on *Thursday*, *March 14*, *2019*, *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.

## LITURGY AND WORD

## IST READING: ISRAELITE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Israelites make their confession of faith in the context of offering the first fruits. In acknowledgement of the fact that all the products of the land come from God, and to show thankfulness for his goodness, Israelites bring as an offering a portion of the fruits that ripen first. Such an offering is made both on behalf of the nation and on behalf of the person making the offering. The worshipper places the first fruits in a basket. He then proceeds to the place prescribed by Yahweh, reporting to the officiating priest, "I declare this day to the Lord my God that I have entered the land which the Lord swore to our fathers to give us." At this point, the priest accepts the basket and places it before the altar. Then the worshipper would make the profession of faith by recalling the major events in his history. "My father was a wandering Aramaean... a land flowing with milk and honey."

## 2ND READING: CHRISTIAN CONFESSION OF FAITH

In this passage Paul affirms that all who call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. In the Old Testament those who "call upon the name of the Lord" denote sincere and pious Israelites; in the New Testament it is transferred to Christians. Paul also affirms that as far as salvation is concerned. God makes no distinction between Jews and Greeks. All have the equal opportunity to accept and live the faith. As the Israelites in the first reading make a confession of faith, a Christian too should make his confession of faith. His confession consists in professing Jesus as Lord and that God has raised him from the dead. One must utter the basic Christian confession of faith and really mean it. GOSPEL:

## EVIL VS GOOD

The devil subjects Jesus to three temptations. In the first temptation Jesus is challenged to use his power as Son in his own interest to seek food for himself apart from his

## 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: 467

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,734.80

Restoration Fund: \$1,349.50

## LITURGY AND WORD Cont'd

Father's design. Jesus rejects the chal-

lenge by quoting Deuteronomy 8:3,

"Not on bread alone is man to live." In the second temptation, Jesus is challenged to accept dominion over world-kingdoms from someone other than God. The tempter is challenging Jesus to acknowledge someone other than the Father as his Master and Lord. Jesus quotes Deuteronomy 6:13, "You shall worship the Lord your God and him only you shall serve." In the third and final temptation, Jesus is challenged again to use his power to reveal himself with dazzling effect to his contemporaries and to conform to the popular ideas of what a heaven-sent leader of the people will be like. Jesus resists the devil by quoting Deuteronomy 6:16, "You shall not put the Lord your God to the test." Jesus rejects the challenge to demand miraculous protection of himself. Implicit in his answer is the rebuke to remember that no one can demand such intervention from God merely to suit his fancy or whim. In each of the temptations the devil is vanquished by Jesus, the Son of God, by quoting Scripture. Thus, at the very outset of his ministry, Jesus is portrayed as the "more powerful one" standing guard over his Father's plan and obedient to Scripture itself. Jesus. who himself has been tempted, is qualified to offer us assistance; as a sinless person he shows that temptations do not necessarily lead to sin.

