

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 Marguerite Rene

LECTORS: Val Doute Rita Brady Bermudez Dr. A. Thomas
Chris Doute Pierre Joseph Yvonne Freeman

EUCH MIN: Olga McBean Felicinne Marcillin Michelle Stout
Anne Brandt Lauren Thomas

Thank you for sewing !!!

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).

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, Cynthia Johnrose, Ruthine & Thomas Johnson, Richard Callwood, Jr., Josephine Philbert.

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 Trustworthiness when you ...

**Think before you make a promise to be sure you can do it.*

**Take responsibility for remembering your commitments.*

**Keep your promises even when they become hard to do.*

**Abide by the rules even when no one is watching.*

**Let nothing stop you from keeping your word.*

**Do your best and finish what you start.*

Affirmation:

I am trustworthy. I keep my word. I am worthy of the trust others place in me.

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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 you.

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 you.

Help me develop discipline and generosity through fasting and almsgiving, and come closed 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

Ryan John, Nisha Bellot, Melissa Baron, Renaldo Stout, Shalom Donadelle, Jothannath Davis, Lynae Roberts, Fanel By, Ce'Ara Donald, Aileen Phelan, Simone Wheatley, Rosemithe Turenne, Ronald Mark, Jada Smith, Lucius Dorceley, Deborah Blyden, Juan Cruz, Marguerite Casey, Elizabeth Maynes.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

*Newman & Naomi Francis - Apr. 15
Philipson & Micarla Matthew - Apr. 19
Leon & Marguerite Casey - Apr. 19*



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

Holy Family Catholic Church

Welcomes You!

PALM SUNDAY - April 14, 2019

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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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Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney

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Mr. Ryan John

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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 - 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

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

**Readings for the Week
of April 14, 2019**

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:
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Mon.: Isaiah 42:1 - 7; John 12:1 - 11

Tue.: Isaiah 49:1 - 6; John 13:21 - 33, 36-38

Wed.: Isaiah 50:4 - 9a; Matthew 26:14 - 25

Thur.: Ex. 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor. 11:23 - 26;
John 13:1 - 15

Fri.: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Heb. 4:14-16; 5:7-9
John 18:1 - 19:42

Sat.: Gen. 1:1-2:2; Rom. 6:3 - 11;
Luke 24:1 - 12

NEXT SUNDAY:
EASTER SUNDAY

Acts 10:34a, 37 - 43

Colossians 3:1 - 4

John 20:1 - 9

PALM SUNDAY

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4 - 7

The servant of the Lord God was rebuffed but did not turn back.

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:6 - 11

Christ was in the form of God but did not consider equality with God a thing to be grasped at.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 22:14 - 23:56

“Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom,” said one of the criminals. Jesus replied, “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Listening today to Luke’s account of the Passion, we hear of the supreme confidence Jesus had in His Father and His Father’s will. Isaiah also exudes confidence in the face of abuse, holding his head high as he places his trust in the Lord God. St. Paul testifies that by humbling himself and submitting to His Father’s will, Jesus was glorified by God the Father. May we also know that confidence in God’s will as we listen to God’s word.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: Lucia Ramos (deceased) rb Olga McBean.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings for Ryan John rb His family.

10:00 AM: Bernard Norman & Marcus Pharaoh (deceased) rb Victoria Ferguson.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Apr. 15, 7:00 AM: **Blessed Anna Schaffer**
Birthday blessings for Ryan John and Odente Ronnis
rb Paula and Bernadette.

Tues. Apr. 16, 7:00 AM: **St. Benedict Joseph Labre**
Gene Farro (deceased) rb Estelle Farro.

Wed. Apr. 17, 7:00 AM: **St. Stephen Harding**
God’s grace and blessings for Olga McBean.

Thurs. Apr. 18, 7:00 PM: **HOLY THURSDAY**
Monica Maxwell (deceased) rb Her family.

Fri. Apr. 19, 3:00 PM: **GOOD FRIDAY - SERVICE**
NOT A MASS



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

BISHOP’S APPEAL: Please pray for the success of the Bishop’s Appeal 2019. The Appeal wants to make a difference in the Virgin Islands through Catholic education, Catholic Charities and Catholic evangelization. Please give a generous gift so that we can continue to improve on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy in our diocese.

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.” Please 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.

BAPTISM CLASS: Baptism class commenced on **Monday April 8, 2019**, at 7:00 p.m. in Lower Columban Hall, in Fr. Kerly’s office and will continue every Monday in April. 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.

CHRISM MASS: Please be informed that this year, the Chrism Mass will take place on **Tuesday, April 16, 2018**, at 12:00 noon at Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral. All are invited to attend if you can. Please pray for our bishop and priests of the diocese.

OFFICE CLOSED: Please note that the church office will be closed on **Holy Thursday, April 18, 2019, at 12 noon and ALL day on Good Friday, April 19, 2019 and Easter Monday, April 22, 2019**, respectively. Please be guided accordingly.

TRIDUUM SCHEDULE: HOLY THURSDAY: 7:00 p.m. Mass; GOOD FRIDAY: 2:00 p.m. Station of the Cross; 3:00 p.m. Service; HOLY SATURDAY: 7:00 p.m. Mass; EASTER SUNDAY: 5:30 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.m. and Creole mass at 5:00 p.m. Please be guided accordingly.

ADORATION: On Holy Thursday, there will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 7:00 p.m. mass until midnight. We are encouraged to spend some time with Jesus. **“Couldn’t you watch with me even one hour?” Matthew 26:40.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the Cross will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the church on **Good Friday** followed by the service at 3:00 p.m. **Please remember to fast and abstain on Good Friday.**

EASTER EGG HUNT: St. Vincent de Paul Society is sponsoring the usual Easter egg hunt on **Easter Sunday** after the 10:00 a.m. mass; however, they are kindly asking parishioners to kindly assist them in getting gifts for the children. Any help will be greatly appreciated. You may drop off the gifts at the church office during this coming week. Thank you and God bless you always.

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly Francois, Deacon Frank Kearney, Deacon Cassius Mathurin and Rev. Neil Scantlebury extend sincere sympathy to Marie Joseph and family on the passing of her son, **Spencer Alexander**, who died on **March 26, 2019**, in Arizona. The funeral mass for the late **Spencer Alexander** will take place at Holy Family Church on **Friday, April 12**, at 10:00 a.m. Viewing will precede the service from 9:00 a.m. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

LITURGY AND WORD

Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem and the events that take place on Holy Thursday and Good Friday are recalled on Palm Sunday. The Holy Week begins with the Palm Sunday and it is fitting that we become aware of the events that have taken place and how Jesus has borne them. In the Passion Narrative composed by Luke Jesus emerges as a compassionate and caring spiritual leader.

To arrest Jesus at night, the authorities would have to know where Jesus could be found. Their help came from a secure source: one of his own apostles would do the betrayal. He would come and kiss him. There is chaos all around him, Judas advancing to kiss him and one of the disciples of Jesus cutting off the right ear of the high priest’s slave. To Judas Jesus simply asks, “Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?” As per the slave of the high priest, Jesus heals the man. Jesus continues to be what he is from the beginning: a bringer of healing. He also exposes the hypocrisy of the Jewish leadership. They have come to arrest him at night. He asks, “you have come out as for a bandit, why, you could have come and taken me during the day. Why do you need such weapons and the cover of the night? ‘But this is your hour, and the power of darkness is over you,’” he tells them.

In the trial before the Jewish court, Jesus challenges them boldly. Their only question is if he were the Messiah. Jesus challenges them and says, “From now the Son of man shall be seated at the right hand of God.” Jesus is aware that the Jewish trial is a deception. Therefore, he refuses to answer them but makes clear to them where and what his actual status is. In the trial before Pilate, the governor repeatedly tells the Jewish people that Jesus is innocent. Pilate is not much convinced of the Jewish accusations that he perverts the Jewish nation or that he forbids them from paying taxes to Caesar. When Pilate hears that Jesus is from Galilee Pilate grabs the opportunity to send him to Herod. Herod also finds no

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: **423**

Last Weekend’s collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,505.24

Flowers: \$1,091.00

LITURGY AND WORD Cont’d

wrong-doing in Jesus. Both Pilate and Herod are astonishingly reluctant to pronounce Jesus guilty.

When they felt that their plot is weakening, they start demanding with loud cries and shout that Jesus be crucified. At this juncture, Pilate releases Barabbas, the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder; but Jesus he delivered up to their will.

As Jesus stays on the cross he does an astonishing act of kindness to one of the wrongdoers crucified along with him. The unrepentant wrongdoer rails at Jesus and says, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us.” But the other rebukes his companion and prays to Jesus to be saved. He gets an assurance from Jesus about his salvation which he has never hoped for. He gets a place in paradise with Jesus.

Good people are everywhere. Joseph of Arimathea goes out of his way to get permission from Pilate to take down the body of Jesus and give it a decent burial. He remains as a faithful disciple of Jesus and will be remembered forever.

