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

5:00PM

7:30 AM

10:00AM

#### PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO SERVE WHENEVER POSSIBLE

CANTORS: Allan Harrigan Dr. Gloria Callwood Melita Etienne

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EUCH MIN: Olga McBean Catherina 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, Enid Blyden, Isabel Dublin, Mary Lewis, Philomen Baron, McLean Fontain (Sparrow), Ruthine & Thomas, Johnson, Maggie Dolphin.

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, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Roserita Laparol, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Cynthia Johnrose, Richard Callwood, Jr., Josephine Philbert, Alicia George, Iona Vanterpool.

#### **SEAVIEW:** MASSAC:

LUCINDA MILLIN:

EBENEZER HOME: Cleota Hill.

And all the sick and suffering in our community!



**Affirmation:** 

I am confident. I

and give my best.

I enjoy trying new

things. I welcome

new possibilities.

appreciate my gifts

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 Confidence when you ...

\*Know you are worthwhile and feel sure of yourself.

\*Don't let fear, doubt or worry stop you.

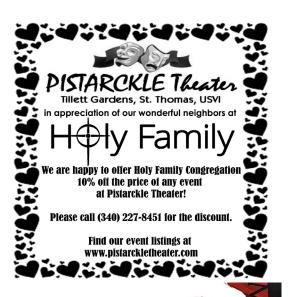
\*Discover your talents and try new things.

\*Learn from your mistakes.

\*Think positively.

\*Trust that all things work together for good.

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#### PRAYER FOR EASTER

Lord Jesus. vou have risen to new life! Give me new eves with which to recognize Your presence in the world around me. Sharpen my vision so that I can see beyond the ordinary events of each day and into the extraordinary reality of Your grace. Brighten my view of the world with renewed hope in the coming of Your Kingdom. Soften my gaze so that I can view others with the kind of tenderness and compassion You showed to so many. May each day of this Easter season próvide glimpses of Your glory. Ir Your name I pray. Amen.

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**

Jayden Chesterfield, Daniella Gradiste, Abigail Bruney, V'Kesha Adams, Abedale Samuel, Leeal Turnbull, Desiree Wilkes, Damian Norris, Kemon Henry, Richard Callwood, III, Wellington Eusebe, Derrick Fontaine, Cornel Williams, Mary Francis, Eubald Rene, Kenneth Thomas, Agnes Canning, Olga McBean, Alvin McBean.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** Dwight & Foirdaliza Bruney - May 12



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

# Holy Family Catholic Church Welcomes You!

4th, Sunday of Easter - May 12, 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.

### Reverend Neil Scantlebury

Associate Pastor Reverend Kerly François

<u>Deacon</u> Rev. Mr. Peter Laurencin Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney

**Administrative Assistant** Mrs. Allison Callwood

<u>Sacristan</u> Mr. Ryan John

### **Musicians**

Mr. Francis Callwood Mr. Verne Callwood Mr. Desmond Simmonds Mr. Ade Warrington

<u>Volunteers</u> Ms. Jennifer Johnson Mr. Richard Callwood, III

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Masses: Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Creole)

Every **LAST Thursday** at 5:00 p.m.

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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 PM 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 May 12, 2019

Mon.: Acts 11:1 - 18; John 10:1 - 10

Tue.: Acts 1:15 - 17, 20 - 26; John 15:9 - 17

Wed.: Acts 12:24b - 13:5a; John 12:44 - 50

Thur.: Acts 13:13 - 25; John 13:16 - 20

Fri.: Acts 13:26 - 33; John 14:1 - 6

Sat.: Acts 13:44 - 52; John 14:7 - 14

#### **NEXT SUNDAY:** 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21 - 27 Revelation 21:1 - 5a

John 13:31 - 33a, 34 - 35



#### 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

#### FIRST READING: Acts 13:14, 43 - 52

Paul and Barnabas traveled to Antioch where they entered the synagogue to eteach. Some Jews became their followers while others expelled them from the etown. "So they shook dust from their feet" and went on to Iconium.

#### SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9, 14b - 17

•The author of Revelation had a vision of a large crowd of people from every enation and race, dressed in white robes and holding palm branches, standing before the Lamb.

#### GOSPEL READING: John 10:27 - 30

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life ... No one can take them out of my hand. My Father ... is greater than all ... The Father and I are one."

\*The mission of the early church comes to a pivotal juncture today: Paul and Barnabas begin to preach to the Gentiles. If they are to "be instrument(s) of salvation to the ends of the earth," they must reach out beyond the synagogues. After all, the Good Shepherd, as Jesus is portrayed in today's Gospel, gathers all to Himself. Indeed, all of us "are His people, the sheep of His flock."

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):** 

5:00 PM: Birthday blessings for Agnes Canning rb Her family.

#### **Sunday Masses:**

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

10:00 AM: God's continue blessings and protection for the Maynard and Louis families.

5:00 PM: God's healing and deliverance for the Haitian community.



#### **Daily Masses:**



Mon. May 13, 7:00 AM: *Our Lady of Fatima*Unborn son (**deceased**) rb His father Binh Nguyen.

Tues. May 14, 7:00 AM: *St. Matthias, Apostle - Feast*Birthday blessings for Agnes Canning rb Her family.

Wed. May 15, 7:00 AM: *St. Isidore the Farmer*Birthday blessings for Eubald Rene rb His family.

Thurs. May 16, 7:00 AM: *St. Felix of Cantalice*Kathleen Farro (**deceased**) rb Estelle Farro.

Fri. May 17, 7:00 AM: *St. Paschal Baylon*Deacon Keith and Myrna Scantlebury (**deceased**).

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



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

**BISHOP'S APPEAL:** We are reminded of our call to be "good stewards" of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy and give an acceptable portion of our TIME, TALENT and TREASURE for the Kingdom of God. The Bishop's Appeal 2019 is a practical opportunity for you to practice your Catholic faith by serving Christ and His poor and needy brothers and sisters, Bethlehem Houses, soup kitchens and evangelization efforts.

For your convenience, you may choose to make a pledge now and spread your donation over several months. Donations may be made in the form of cash, check or credit card. Checks should be made 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 deliverance**, **guidance and protection for Marie Renal**. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

**BREAKFAST SALE**: The Dominica Association of St. Thomas will host a breakfast sale on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 18, 2019</u>, in Holy Family parking lot, from 7:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Thank you for your usual support.

FIRST COMMUNION: The sacrament of First Holy Communion will be on <u>Sunday, May 19, 2019</u>, during the 10:00 a.m. mass. Rehearsals for children to be baptized and received First Holy Communion will be on <u>Thursday, May 16, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.</u> in the church. All parents are asked to be in attendance with the children. God parents of those to be baptized should also be present and on time. Thank you for your assistance. Please be guided accordingly.

**PENTECOST RALLY:** STT/STJ Catholic Charismatic Renewal Team invites everyone to come out to our 2019 Pentecost Rally <u>Sunday June 9, 2019</u>, at the Franklin Powell Park, St. John. We will have a procession from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church to the park at 3:30pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Fr Robert Kenfack Ngnintedem of St Peter and Paul Cathedral and we will have a testimony by Mr. Val Cuffy of Dominica. Our Theme is "Welcome Holy Spirit" with the bible verse **Zechariah 4:6** "Not By Might, Not By Power But By My Spirit says the Lord." Please save the date.

STS. PETER & PAUL SCHOOL GRADUATION: All past graduates of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic School are invited to the 12th Grade Graduation Ceremony. The Ceremony will be held at Holy Family Columban Hall, on Thursday, June 13, 2019, at 6 pm. An urgent request is being made to support the school and its graduates. Prior graduating classes celebrating anniversaries are kindly requested to make a presentation/contribution to the school and/or the 2019 graduates at the Graduation Ceremony. For further information, please contact Mrs. Maria Daniel @ 340-642-8188 or by text message. Thank you.

FATHER'S DAY LUNCHEON: The St. Joseph Workers will host their annual Father's Day luncheon on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>June 16</u>, <u>2019</u>, at Holy Family Columban Hall, from 1:00 p.m. The honorees are; <u>Leroy A. Claxton</u>, <u>Sr., Michel Jackson</u>, <u>Sr., Paul Lomis</u>, <u>Jeamty Maurose and Oscar C. Rolle</u>. Donation: \$45.00 for adults and \$25.00 at the door for children 12 years and under. Thank you for your usual support.

#### **LITURGY AND WORD**

#### IST READING: THE FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY

Beginning from chapter 13, Paul occupies the centre stage of the Acts of the Apostles. Paul's base is Antioch of Syria which has emerged as a second centre of Christianity after Jerusalem. With the arrival of Paul in Antioch (previously Paul was in his native place Tarsus from where Barnabas brought him to Antioch) the community felt confident to send out missionaries, and assisted by the Holy Spirit they entrusted the mission to Paul and Barnabas. Their journey takes them to the Antioch of Pisidia where there is a synagogue. Paul makes a speech there and as a result many Jews and Gentiles accept Paul's message. Troubles start when they meet again on the following Sabbath. At the sight of the large gathering, the Jews become envious and attack Paul. Rather than trying to appease them, Paul solemnly declares his turning to the Gentiles. Gentiles become happy because they also become sharers in God's salvation. There is persecution and the apostles leave the place.

#### 2ND READING: THE SALVATION OF THE RIGHTEOUS

St John describes the salvation of the righteous in a very dramatic manner. Their number is innumerable and they come from all nations. The great tribulation of which the author speaks is the crisis of the end-time which involves persecution for the faithful. The robes the redeemed wear symbolize the inner or spiritual state of the person. The transformation of a person from soiled (sinful) to clean (holy) is closely related to the death of Jesus understood as a sacrifice. The fundamental allusion here seems to be repentance, conversion and baptism taken together as a transformation of the person. The reference to tribulation implies that perseverance in that process of transformation is also crucial for those who would share in the victory of God and the amb. The final verses express the

#### 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: <u>362</u> *Last Weekend's collections* 

FIRST COLLECTION: \$4,850.83 Catholic Home Mission: \$838.00

Our Bishop's Appeal contribution for 2019 amounted to \$22,603.00, 57% 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

meaning of salvation.

#### GOSPEL: THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The image of the sheep who hear the voice of the Good Shepherd and follow him so that he might give them eternal life make up the major descriptions of the authentic believer. A believer who hears Jesus has eternal life and who follows him is never lost. A person who believes in Jesus cannot be snatched away from him. It is because the life the believer receives from attachment to Jesus is a gift from the Father. No power is greater than God, and thus the believer's union with God is also assured. God the Father is greater than all other powers. As Israel celebrates God's presence at the feast of the Dedication, Jesus tells "the Jews" that there is another way God is present to them. They can be sure they are in the Father's hand if they believe in Jesus. Jesus insists that faith in his word ties the believer not only to him but also to God, the Father of Jesus. There is no longer need to look at the Temple of Jerusalem to know of God's presence. Jesus, who stands before them points to himself and claims that he is the visible presence of God among them.



Happy Mother's Day!