

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	Marguerite Rene
LECTORS: Val Doute Ruth Smith	Bridget Toussaint Rita Brady Bermudez	Carmen White Felicita Richards
EUCH MIN: Candace Bryan Olga McBean	Rose, Lauren Allison & Felicinne	Eubald Rene Marylin Louis

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!

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 Service when you ...

**Want to make a difference in the world.*

**Look for opportunities to be of service to others.*

**Do thoughtful things to help your family and friends.*

**Work with enthusiasm.*

**Don't wait to be asked when something needs doing.*

**Do your part to care for the earth: recycle, reduce, re-use.*

Affirmation:

I am a person of service. I have compassion for those who need help. I do my part to make a better world.

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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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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Richard, Jr. & Gloria Callwood - Jun. 2

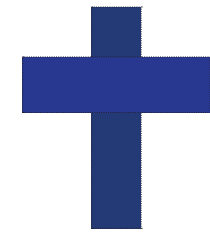


Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

**Holy Family Catholic Church
Welcomes You!**

Ascension of the Lord - June 2, 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.

Pastor
Reverend Neil Scantlebury

Associate Pastor
Reverend Kerly François

Deacon
Rev. Mr. Peter Laurencin
Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney

Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Allison Callwood

Sacristan
Mr. Ryan John

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Mr. Francis Callwood
Mr. Verne Callwood
Mr. Desmond Simmonds
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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 - 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 June 2, 2019**

Mon.: Acts 19:1 - 8; John 16:29 - 33

Tue.: Acts 20:17 - 27; John 17:1- 11a

Wed.: Acts 20:28 - 38; John 17:11b -19

Thur.: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20 - 26

Fri.: Acts 25:13b - 21; John 21:15 - 19

Sat.: Acts 28:16 - 20, 30 - 31;

John 21:20 - 25

**NEXT SUNDAY:
PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Acts 2:1 - 11

1 Corinthians 12:3b - 7, 12 - 13

John 20:19 - 23



ASCENSION OF THE LORD



INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Acts 1:1 - 11

Jesus promised they would soon be baptized with the Holy Spirit.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:17 - 23

God has put all things under Christ's feet.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 24:46 - 53

Jesus was taken up to heaven. "They did Him homage and then returned to Jerusalem."

Today's selections from scripture are bookended by two accounts of Jesus Christ's ascension to heaven. St. Luke, who wrote both accounts, emphasizes in each that Jesus left the apostles with a mission and a promise. They were to be Christ's witnesses, and they would receive power with the coming of the Holy Spirit. We received the Holy Spirit in baptism, so as we listen to these readings, let us reflect on how we are called to witness.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God's healing and blessings for Holy Family parishioners.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Theresa James (*deceased*) rb Her son, Phillip Xavier.

10:00 AM: Theresa James (*deceased*) rb Her son, Phillip Xavier.

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



Daily Masses:



Mon. June 3, 7:00 AM: **St. Charles Lwanga & Companions**
Gene Farro (*deceased*) rb Estelle Farro.

Elroy & Violet Holder (*deceased*) rb Kathleen Thompson.

Tues. June 4, 7:00 AM: **St. Francis Caracciolo**
God's blessings, guidance and protection for Henrique, Maurice and
Darryl rb their mother, Carmen White.

Wed. June 5, 7:00 AM: **St. Boniface**
God's blessings, guidance and protection for the grandchildren of
Carmen White.

Thurs. June 6, 7:00 AM: **St. Norbert**
God's continued blessings and guidance for Fr. Neil and Fr. Kerly
rb Carmen White.

Fri. June 7, 7:00 AM: **Blessed Anne Garcia**
God's blessings for the regular faithful parishioners who worship at the
7 a.m. weekday mass rb Carmen White.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



SECOND COLLECTION: This week's second collection goes towards the **Catholic Communication Campaign**. Next week's second collection will go towards the **Renovation Fund**. As always we thank you for your generosity.

Today, we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, in the United States and around the world, through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

BISHOP'S APPEAL: Thank you to all who have already contributed to the Bishop's Appeal 2019! We need more help in order to reach our goal. Please give a brochure to a friend. Our schools, Catholic Charities and evangelization efforts need everyone's support.

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! ***"Whatever 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.

BAPTISM CLASS: Baptism class will commence on **Monday June 3, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.** in Lower Columban Hall, in Fr. Kerly's office and will continue every Monday in June. 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, Deacons Peter Laurencin and Frank Kearney and Rev. Neil Scantlebury extend sincere sympathy to **Daphne Thomas** and family on the passing of her mother, **Greta Mae Stewart Callwood**, who died on **Sunday, May 19, 2019**. The funeral service for the late **Greta Mae Stewart Callwood** will take place at Holy Family Church at 10:00 a.m. on **Tuesday, June 4, 2019**. Viewing will precede the service at 9:00 a.m. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

PENTECOST RALLY: STT/STJ Catholic Charismatic Renewal Team invites everyone to come out to our 2019 Pentecost Rally **Sunday June 9, 2019**, 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 **Sunday, June 16, 2019**, at Holy Family Columban Hall, from 1:00 p.m. The honorees are: **Leroy A. Claxton, Sr., Michel Jackson, Sr., Paul Lomis, Jeamty Maurose and Oscar C. Rolle**. The guest speaker will be Mr. Allan Harrigan. 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

1ST READING & GOSPEL: JESUS RETURNS TO HEAVEN

Ascension is the movement of the eternal Son, in his assumed and glorified humanity, from earth to heaven in order to sit at the right hand of the Father. Ascension presupposes bodily resurrection, for it was in his body that Jesus went up. The Holy Spirit is sent by the Father in the name of the Lord Jesus so that he comes bearing the virtues and characteristics of Christ. As Jesus ascended into heaven, so he will return from heaven to judge the world. These ideas are well depicted in the First Reading of today. Luke is the writer of the Third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. Luke ends his Gospel with Jesus ascending to heaven on the Easter Sunday itself. "Jesus led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them, and was carried up into heaven" (Lk 24:50-11). While writing the Acts of the Apostles, Luke has come to know about a tradition according to which Jesus appears to his disciples for over a period of forty days. One of the things that he tells his apostles is to wait in Jerusalem for the gift of the Holy Spirit. This gift of the Holy Spirit comes on the feast of Pentecost, the feast that we will be celebrating next Sunday. The Holy Spirit is given to them for a mission. He will enable them to bear witness to Jesus starting from Jerusalem and extending to the whole world. The angelic messengers who have spoken to the apostles also have reiterated this fact, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven?" They are, in fact, telling them that they have a mission to accomplish. And that work has to go on until the Lord returns.

2ND READING: CHRIST IS SEATED AT GOD'S RIGHT HAND

Paul brings in another perspective to the Ascension. As Paul prays for the Ephesian Community, he intercedes that the Spirit of wisdom and revelation may be given to the Christians of Ephesus. Once they receive the Spirit they will be enlightened. As Paul continues to pray, he makes a profession of the Christian faith: God's power is shown in his raising of Jesus and having him seated at his right hand in heaven. The risen and glorified Jesus reigns over the whole universe as God has placed all things under his feet. Christ is the head of the Church, which is his body.

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: **455**

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$3,964.46

Bishop's Appeal: \$837.17

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

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

Every artist, every actor, every author, every sportsperson, every inventor wants that their talents be seen and appreciated by as many people as possible. In a globalized world this is possible. Of course, there is a monetary aspect involved. Marketable products are developed and produced with a cost and the money should be recovered as early as possible. Jesus has laid the foundation for the Kingdom of God. All that Jesus does and says is towards building of the kingdom of God. For about thirty years Jesus has relentlessly worked towards it, prepared people to continue the work, has suffered for it, and even has died for it. Raised from the dead by his Father Jesus continues to guide and direct the Christian mission on earth. The World Communications Day that the Church keeps on Ascension Sunday is a step towards this. The world's communications medium should be used for the dissemination of the message of Christ, be it through radio, television programmes, Internet, mobile phones or whatever other means that the modern world puts at the Church's disposal. It is up to each member of the Church to do his/her bit towards it. May the Risen Lord bless our efforts!

