

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
Felicinne Marcellin

Marguerite Rene

LECTORS: Chris Dotue
Val Doute

Noreen Joseph
Rita Brady Bermudez

Yvonne Freeman
Mona Bedminster

EUCH MIN: Anne Brandt

Danna Knight
Catherina Alexander

Eubald Rene
Marylin Louis

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, 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, Josefina Donastorg.

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 Humility when you ...

**Consider the needs of others as important as your own.*

**Apologize and make amends when you hurt others.*

**Learn from your mistakes and change for the better.*

**Ask for help when you need it.*

**Are doing your best just to do it, not to impress anyone.*

**Are grateful instead of boastful.*

Affirmation:

I am humble. I do not judge others or myself. I value my ability to keep growing and learning.

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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

Joseph & Beverly St. Thomas - Jun. 30



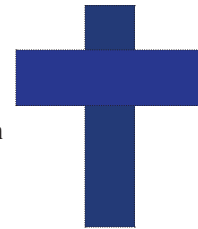
Lora, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church

Welcomes You!

13th, Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 30, 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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Reverend Neil Scantlebury

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Reverend Kerly François

Deacon

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Mr. Ade Warrington

Volunteers
Ms. Jennifer Johnson
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Masses:
Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Creole)
and
Every **LAST Thursday**
at 5:00 p.m.

**Online giving or donation
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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 June 30, 2019**

Mon.: Genesis 18:16 - 33; Matt. 8:18 - 22

Tue.: Genesis 19:15 - 29; Matt. 8:23 - 27

Wed.: Ephesians 2:19 - 22; John 20:24 - 29

Thur.: Genesis 22:1b - 19; Matt. 9:1 - 8

Fri.: Genesis 23:1 - 4, 19; 24:1 - 8, 62 - 67;
Matt. 9:9 - 13

Sat.: Genesis 27:1 - 5, 15 - 29;
Matt. 9:14 - 17

NEXT SUNDAY:
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:10 - 14c

Galatians 6:14 - 18

Luke 10:1 - 12, 17 - 20

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19 - 21

The Lord instructed Elijah to anoint Elisha as a prophet to succeed him. Elijah went to Elisha and threw his cloak over him. Receiving this sign, Elisha slaughtered his oxen for his people to eat. Then he left to follow Elijah.

SECOND READING: Galatians 5:1, 13 - 18

Paul preached the freedom of Christ to the Galatians. He encouraged them not to take on the burden of slavery a second time. "I say, then: live by the Spirit."

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 9:51 - 62

As Jesus proceeded toward Jerusalem, He encouraged passersby to break with the past and follow Him. "Go and proclaim the kingdom of God," He invited. "No one who ... looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." In today's Gospel, Jesus, knowing what was to come, "resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem." On this journey, which will stretch over many months of reading from Luke's Gospel, Jesus teaches His disciples and the crowds how God wants us to live our lives. Today we learn that discipleship demands a total commitment. Listening to today's readings, we have the opportunity to think of what we are willing to leave behind on our journey toward the kingdom of God.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: Rose and Richard Cook (*deceased*) rb Estelle Farro.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings for Alma Cills-Wells rb Allison Callwood.

10:00 AM: The children of St. Jude's Research Hospital rb Marylin Louis.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. July 1, 7:00 AM: ***Blessed Junioero Serra***
God's healing, guidance and blessings for Holy Family Church Lectors and their families.

Tues. July 2, 7:00 AM: ***St. Oliver Plunket***
God's blessings for Holy Family Church Eucharistic Ministers and their families.

Wed. July 3, 7:00 AM: ***St. Thomas - Feast***
God's blessings and guidance for Elaine and Clever Buncome.

Thurs. July 4, 7:00 AM: ***St. Elizabeth of Portugal***
Birthday blessings for Alma Cills-Wells.

Fri. July 5, 7:00 AM: ***St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria***
Gerson Eusebe (*deceased*) rb His family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

BISHOP'S APPEAL: The public phase of our Bishop's Appeal 2019 has concluded. As of June 3, 2019, the parishes have raised \$120,884 or 45% of the parish goals.

We are grateful to all those who have donated to the Bishop's Appeal. To make our goal, we still need everyone's participation. Our schools, Catholic Charities and Evangelization efforts need everyone's support! Your gift helps feed the hungry and gives safe shelter to mothers and children in desperate need. For your convenience, you can still make a pledge and pay it in installments. The Bishop's Appeal 2019 will formally end on December 31, 2019 so you have ample time to fulfill your pledge.

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 Anthony Renal***, requested by his mother. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend the altar flowers were paid for by Danna Knight, in thanksgiving and celebration of the Baptism of Asriel Knight. Thank you for beautifying our church and we pray God's continued blessings upon your family. Once again, thank you.

OFFICE CLOSED: Please note that the church office will be closed **ALL** day on ***Wednesday, July 3, 2019 and Thursday, July 4, 2019***, in observance of **VI Emancipation Day and Independence Day** respectively. Please be guided accordingly.

FATHER'S DAY LUNCHEON: The St. Joseph Workers extend sincere thanks to all who attended and participated in their just concluded annual Father's Day luncheon which was held on ***Sunday, June 16, 2019***. Because of your participation their luncheon was a success. Once again, thank you for your usual support.

THANK YOU: On behalf of Fr. Anthony Abraham (Director), Michelle Rivera-Stout (Chairperson) and The St Thomas/St John Catholic Charismatic Renewal Team we would like to say Thank you to all those who came out to our 2019 Pentecost Rally! It was indeed an awesome time being filled with the Holy Spirit as we welcomed Him to come and take control. Keep in mind the Bible verse Zechariah 4:6 "Not by might, not by power, but by my spirit says the Lord." We pray that what the Lord has started within you, He will bring it to a completion in Jesus Name. Special thanks to Fr. Neil Scantlebury, Mr. Jean Dragin, Mona Bedminister, Victor Benoit, Yvonne Freeman, Veronica Williams, Anita Williams, Vaugh Walwyn, John Venzen, Ronald Sr., Shanika and Shanique Stout, Kenai Dyer and Damian Carty for your yes in helping the rally to be a success. May God bless all of you richly.



LITURGY AND WORD

1ST READING:

CALL OF ELISHA

Elijah receives the divine command to anoint Elisha as his successor. Now, Elisha is an industrious man and Elijah meets him as he is ploughing his field. He is a man of means and has twelve yoke of oxen which indicates his affluence. The casting of the mantle on Elisha is a sign of prophetic call. When a person is called to a prophetic mission, there is always an initial reluctance which we see in the case of Moses and other prophets. Elijah also does not like the response of Elisha and he grants him permission to do what he wants, to say farewell to his parents. Elisha immediately does away with his oxen, in fact, makes a feast with them after having slaughtered all of them. Though initially Elisha hesitates, he eventually leaves everything to follow Elijah.

2ND READING:

USE FREEDOM WELL

In this passage Paul speaks of the freedom we have as Christians. Paul knows, however, that freedom can be turned into license, and so Paul clarifies the obligations of those who have been freed. The apostle goes on to describe the right and wrong uses of freedom. Freedom is abused when it becomes an excuse to indulge in sinful activities. The right use of freedom is to serve one another in love. The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

GOSPEL:

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

As Jesus begins the journey to Jerusalem, he sends messengers to a Samaritan town but they will not receive them. Seeing the rejection James and John want to destroy them. But Jesus does not agree with them. The animosity between the Jews and the Samaritans can be traced to the days of the destruction of the North by the King of Assyria in 721 B.C. He had deported the people of Samaria and brought people from Assyria and settled them there. They are despised by the orthodox Jews who consider them heretics. This hatred between the orthodox Jews and the Samaritans is shown in their refusal to welcome Jesus and his disciples who are travelling to Jerusalem. Hospitality has been sacred among the people of Israel, and to refuse it to someone is considered a grave sin. That is why John and James are so scandalized that

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: **428**

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$3,938.81

Diocesan Seminarian: \$894.79

Our Bishop's Appeal contribution for 2019 amounted to \$26,156.00, 65% 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

heaven and burn them up, as Elijah had done in the Old Testament to the soldiers sent by the King Ahaziah (2 Kgs 1:10-12). But Jesus rebukes the overzealous disciples.

The gospel of today presents three candidates to discipleship. The first wants to follow Jesus wherever he goes. But he misunderstands the degree of self-sacrifice involved for Jesus demands total commitment from those who want to be his disciples. It is only by renouncing oneself and taking up the cross can one follow Christ.

Jesus himself invites another one. But he asks from Jesus permission to go and bury his father. In all cultures, the obligation of a son with regard to his dead father or mother is sacred. Jesus is not cancelling the fourth commandment; he is only asserting the precedence of the first commandment to love God above everything.

Similarly also the third one, "Lord, let me first say farewell to those at my home." This reminds of the first reading. Elisha also has made a similar request. But then Elisha, realizing that in this way he can lose the calling to the prophetic mission, gives it up, and having killed the pair of oxen he has been ploughing with, he uses the plough for firewood and prepares a meal for those working with him and then follows Elijah in his prophetic ministry. Jesus requires from his disciples the same radical detachment and dedication.

**HAPPY
FOURTH
OF JULY**