

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	Adult Choir
LECTORS:	Helena Enrique Margarita Smith	Noreen Joseph	Ursula Prosper Mona Bedminster
EUCH MIN:	Anne Brandt	Lauren, Allison, Bridget & Felicinne	Michelle Stout Marylin Louis

Thank you for serving !!!

Please pray for the members of our body who are sick or suffering. . .

HOSPITAL: Margarita Feliciano.

OFF ISLAND: Defy Francoise, Bertina Lestrade, Altagracia Padilla, Emile Joseph, Enid Blyden, Isabel Dublin, Mary Lewis, Philomen Baron, Ruthine & Thomas, Johnson, Maggie Dolphin, Cryil Eugene, Joe Toussaint, Roserita Laparol.

AT HOME: Rita Ledee, Rose Celestine, 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, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Cynthia Johnrose, Richard Callwood, Jr., Josephine Philbert, Alicia George, Iona Vanterpool, Josefina Donastorg, Hiliare Alfred.

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 Modesty when you ...

****Are comfortable being who you are.***

****Respect yourself.***

****Do not permit anyone to abuse your body.***

****Set boundaries about your right to privacy.***

****Accept praise with humility and gratitude.***

****Share your victories without boasting.***

Affirmation:

I am modest. I have no need to brag. I dress in a way that shows respect for myself and other. I protect myself from disrespectful attention.

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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

*Yveline Antoine, Jevon Vanterpool,
Mellissa Christmas, Danna Knight, Nahomine Dor, Kelly Webbe, Fitzory Esprit,
Herve Joseph, Johnny Cornelius, James Bressenddorff, Maslin James,
Malcom Martin, Simone Canton,
Harrison Isidore, Emilio Pouchette,
Audrey Callwood.*

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

*Arden & Andrea Shillinford - Aug. 5
Delvin & Stephanie Hodge - Aug. 7
Harry & Yvonne Freeman - Aug. 7
Joseph & Claudia Samuel - Aug. 9*



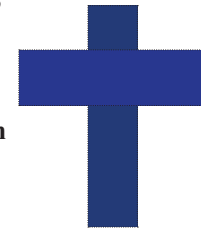
Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church

Welcomes You!

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Aug. 4, 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

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Deacon
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Mrs. Allison Callwood

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Mr. Ryan John

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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 August 4, 2019**

Mon.: Num. 11:4b - 15; Matt.14:13 - 21

Tue.: Dan. 7:9 - 10, 13 - 14; 2 Pet.1:16 - 19;
Luke 9:28b - 36

Wed.: Num 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35;
Matt. 15:21 - 28

Thur.: Num. 20: 1 - 13; Matt. 16:13 - 23

Fri.: Deut. 4:32 - 40; Matt. 16:24 - 28

Sat.: 2 Cor. 9:6 - 10; John 12:24 - 26

NEXT SUNDAY:
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 18:6 - 9

Hebrews 11:1 - 2, 8 - 19

Luke 12:32 - 48

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21 - 23

“All things are vanity!” Some people have labored skillfully a whole lifetime, but the fruits of their labor go to others who did nothing. What good comes from hard work? Everything is vanity.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1 - 5, 9 - 11

Since you now belong to Christ, set your heart on things above rather than on things of earth. For in Christ there is not Greek or Jew, slave or free person. “Christ is all and in all.”

GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:13 - 21

Jesus told a parable about the rich man who stored up all his wealth in order to eat, drink and be merry. God told him, “You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you.” In this way Jesus encouraged people to grow rich, not for themselves, but in God’s sight.

Today’s reading from Ecclesiastes and today’s Gospel from Luke each feature a wealthy and successful individual. The rich man in Jesus’ parable thinks he is all set for life, but he is about to get a most unpleasant surprise. At least the character in the first reading realizes he can’t take it with him, but this doesn’t leave him any happier. St. Paul’s words of advice to the Colossians point to an alternative: “Seek what is above.” As we listen to the readings today, let us think of how we should do this.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: Lolo Angelina Iwundi (deceased) rb Her daughter, Tina Lapenna.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings and God’s continued healing for Doreen Charles rb Her family.

10:00 AM: Arthur Rene (deceased) rb The Rene family.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Aug. 5, 7:00 AM: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major God’s healing for Ruthine Johnson rb Felicinne Marcellin.

Tues. Aug. 6, 7:00 AM: The Transfiguration of the Lord Spencer Alexander (deceased) rb His mother, Marie Joseph.

Wed. Aug. 7, 7:00 AM: Sts. Sixtus II & Cajetan Anniversary blessings for Yvonne and Harry Freeman.

Thurs. Aug. 8, 7:00 AM: St. Dominic God’s deliverance, guidance and protection for Asher.

Fri. Aug. 9, 7:00 AM: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Gene Farro (deceased) rb Estelle Farro.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for God’s guidance and protection for Mona Bedminster. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones’ birthdays or any special occasions.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Please note that there will be two masses on Thursday, August 15, 2019, in celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 7:00 a.m and 7:00 p.m. Please be guided accordingly.

CASSI HILL PILGRIMAGE: The Holy Family Parish invites the community to participate in the celebration of its 72nd Annual Pilgrimage of Our Lady of Cassi Hill. The annual pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, August 18, 2019. The assembly for the procession will begin at 2:00 p.m. from the FOUR WINDS PLAZA to Holy Family Church. The entire community is invited to participate as we celebrate our 72nd Anniversary. We look forward to seeing you there.

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners and Rev. Neil Scantlebury, Rev. Kerly François extends sincere sympathy to Milue Casimir and family on the passing of her father, Macfield John, who died on Monday, July 22, 2019. The funeral service for the late Macfield John, will take place in Dominica on Saturday, August 10, 2019. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Grand Ball Room (Upper Level) - FEES

Private/Public organizations sponsoring fund-raising activities. - \$1,200.00
Catholic Parish/ School/Organizations sponsoring a fund-raising activities - \$700.00
Birthday Parties - \$700.00 Funeral Reception - \$500.00 (discount does not apply here)
Conferences / Graduation - \$800.00 Conference without admission fee - \$700.00
- Special Parties - \$1,500.00

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Holy Family Church parish organizations sponsoring fund raising activities are exempted from paying a fee but must donate 30% of the net proceed and submit a financial report of said activity.

\$200.00 – payable on signing of Contract which goes towards the total payment for the function.

ALL FEE BALANCES ARE TO BE PAID NO LATER THAN TWO (2) WEEKS PRIOR TO THE EVENT (NO EXCEPTIONS)

Should cancellation be necessary, a full refund of the deposit will be issued if cancellation occurs more than 30 days in advance of the event date. Should cancellation occur less than 30 days prior to the event, the deposit becomes non-refundable.

LITURGY AND WORD

1ST READING:

APART FROM GOD LIFE IS MEANGINGLESS

The overall theme of today’s liturgy of the Word is that without God all human actions turn to futility. The passage from the book of Ecclesiastes supports this view. It is true that the Book of Qoheleth presents a pessimistic view of life apart from God. Note the following instance that the author produces. What a man produces through years of hard work cannot all be enjoyed by him. It is also true that human life is full of pain and suffering and our minds are not always at peace. But a God-fearing person can find meaning in all these. Towards the end of his book, the author also reaches this conclusion for he reminds us of a future time when God will bring all things to judgement. Qoheleth urges us to fear God and obey him. Only when God is taken into account and His will observed does life impart purpose and satisfaction.

2ND READING:

PUT ON THE NEW NATURE

In this passage Paul urges us to set our goals on things above and opines that by the merit of our baptismal death we are dwelling in the heavenly realm in union with Christ. Paul then gives a list of vices which we must get away with. The vices mentioned are immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, etc. Paul reminds us that these vices will bring on us God’s anger.

GOSPEL:

RICH FOOL

The words spoken by Jesus in response to the request of the man make clear that he has not come to settle such legal questions as are otherwise submitted to religious teachers of the time. He rejects the role of judge or arbiter in family disputes about inheritance. He has identified his own family with those who listen to the word of God and act on it; he will not get involved in the material disputes of another. He is rather disturbed to hear that two brothers dispute over such material possessions (land, money, goods). Jesus warns against every kind of greed. He refuses to identify authentic Christian existence with the possession of material wealth, even inherited – especially when abundant. It is much more important to be than to have. The message of the parable is simple. The amassing of a super-abundance of material possessions for the sake of la dolce vita (the good life) becomes

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: 369

Last Weekend’s collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$4,040.25

Catholic Education: \$1,061.88

Our Bishop’s Appeal contribution for 2019 amounted to \$27,256.00, 68% 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

the height of folly in the light of the responsibility of life itself and the assessment of it which will take place once it is over. So death of an individual person is an issue here. The point of this story is brought home in the realization that the rich man is on the point of achieving an ambition in this present life, without ever reflecting on what will be the aftermath of that ambition, either in his own existence or for the stores so amassed. A human being shall one day answer for the conduct of life beyond all the foresight exerted to enhance one’s physical well-being with abundance. In the story the “rich man” is a farmer; but he stands for human beings seduced by every form of greed, whether peasant or statesman, craftsman or lawyer, nurse or doctor, secretary or professor. All can become fools in God’s sight. Ps 14:1, “The fool says in his heart, ‘There is no God.’ ” The fool’s godlessness manifests itself in his lust for more, whereas the fear of the Lord which is the beginning of wisdom never crosses his mind. The goal of life is not the piling up of treasure for oneself. It is about becoming rich before God. The reason why it is hard for the rich to get through the eye of the needle (18:25) is not because of amassing in itself, but because of the iniquitous seduction that invariably comes with it, distracting that person from consideration of what life is all about.

