

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: Ruth Smith Noreen Joseph Yvonne Freeman
Margarita Smith Jalila Thomas Ursula Prosper

EUCH MIN: Anne Brandt Lauren Thomas Eubald Rene
Felicinne Marcellin Marilyn 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 Detachment when you ...

****Don't get swept away by strong feelings.***

****Take time our before doing something you will regret.***

****Step back and look at your feelings.***

****Act instead of react.***

****Let go of things you cannot control.***

****Choose to do what is right.***

Affirmation:

***I am detached.
I am aware of
my feelings and
choose my actions
with detachment.
I do what is right
for me. I choose to
be my best self no
matter what hap-
pens.***

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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
Ronald & Michelle Stout - Aug. 19



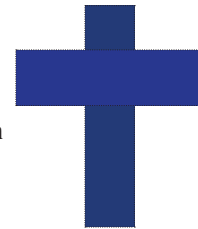
Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church

Welcomes You!

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Aug. 18, 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

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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
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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 August 18, 2019**

Mon.: Judges 2:11 - 19; Matt. 19:16 - 22

Tue.: Judges 6: 11 - 24a; Matt. 19:23 - 30

Wed.: Judges 9:6 - 15; Matt. 20:1 - 16

Thur.: Judges 11:29 - 39a; Matt. 22:1 - 14

**Fri.: Ruth 1:1, 3 - 6, 14b - 16, 22;
Matt. 22:34 - 40**

Sat.: Rev. 21:9b - 14; John 1:45 - 51

NEXT SUNDAY:
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:18 - 21
Hebrews 12:5 - 7, 11 - 13
Luke 13:22 - 30

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 38:4 - 6, 8 - 10

The princes were eager to kill Jeremiah because he constantly challenged them to follow God’s law. The king allowed them to throw Jeremiah into a cistern. A friend interceded with the king and rescued Jeremiah.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:1 - 4

Let us repent of our sin and fix our eyes on the Lord. Jesus gave us an example of endurance and courage in the midst of struggle. In that way he inspires and perfects our faith.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:49 - 53

Jesus announced to His disciples that He came to bring a hard message indeed, and some have not listened to it. That is why friends and families divide. Jeremiah spoke truth to power and was nearly killed. Jesus admits He has come to sow discord; eventually He is crucified. But there is hope! Jeremiah was lifted out of the cistern. Jesus was raised from the dead. God will not abandon us. Let the words from Hebrews give us hope in the midst of our struggles: “Jesus endured such opposition ... in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart.”

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

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

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Phillip Marcellin (deceased) rb His wife, Felicinne Marcellin.

Agnes Babulal (deceased) rb Her son Joseph and his wife Beulah.

10:00 AM: God’s guidance and protection for the Louis and Maynard families.

3:30 PM: Bishop Bevard, Priests, Deacons and the Lay faithful of the Diocese

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Aug. 19, 7:00 AM: St. John Eudes
Birthday blessings for Janna Cammie rb Urelca Jn Baptiste.

Tues. Aug. 20, 7:00 AM: St. Bernard
Kathleen Farro (deceased) rb Estelle Farro.

Wed. Aug. 21, 7:00 AM: St. Pius X
Birthday blessings for Vivian Rene rb The Rene family.

Thurs. Aug. 22, 7:00 AM: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
God’s healing for Ruthine and Thomas Johnson.

Fri. Aug. 23, 7:00 AM: St. Rose of Lima
God’s deliverance, guidance and protection for Cherykah rb Asher.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for God’s guidance and protection for Pamela Charles. 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 Glendia Caines, in thanksgiving to God and celebration of her birthday. We pray God’s continue blessings on you. Once again, thank you and God bless.

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 this 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.

FOOD FOR THE POOR: Next weekend we will collect non-perishable items for our less fortunate brothers and sisters within our community. As always, we thank you for your generosity and may God continue to bless you and your family abundantly. Once again, thank you.

ST. PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School would like to welcome back our Jaguar family for the 2019-2020 Academic Year on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 7:45 a.m.

VIRGIN ISLANDS STEWARDS OF MUSIC, ARTS & CLULTURE: The fundraising committee of Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral will be hosting a prayer breakfast/birthday celebration for Msgr. Jerome Feudjio and Fr. Neil Scantlebury, on Saturday, September 28, 2019, at Victor’s Hideout from 8:30 a.m. Tickets will be available at the cost of \$40.00. Checks and money orders should be made payable to VISMAC.

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: JEREMIAH FACES DEATH
Jeremiah’s call to be a prophet comes at a most unhappy time in the Israelite history. He receives his prophetic call in 626 BC during the reign of Josiah when he is merely 14 years old. The event described in today’s reading takes place during the reign of Zedekiah, the last king of Judah. The Babylonian siege against Jerusalem is in progress. As the siege wears on, Jeremiah is cast into a slimy cistern, where he would have died had not Ebed-Melech, a courtier of the king, rescued him. Zedekiah himself loses the battle against the Babylonians and is taken captive there and has a miserable death. Jeremiah survives but is later taken to Egypt where he dies.

2ND READING: THE PERFECT FOUNDATION OF FAITH
Continuing on the theme of faith, the author calls Jesus as the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. This title recalls the close link between Christian endurance and faith. As Christians we must persevere in our faith amidst tribulations and persecutions. The connection expressed here between Jesus and faith is open to various interpretations. It is preferable to understand that, by his glorifying passion, Jesus establishes the foundation that allows believers to have access to “full assurance of faith” (Heb 10:22). From then on Jesus himself is that perfect foundation.

GOSPEL: DISCIPLESHIP INVOLVES SUFFERING
The gospel of today places before us some sayings of Jesus which are strong prophetic warnings. Two important words in these sayings are fire and baptism. Jesus has come to cast fire on earth and has a baptism to be baptized with. Fire is among the necessities of life. If used well it can give warmth and comfort. If used for wrong purposes, it can be dangerous, for example, in a war everything can be destroyed by fire. It can also be used as an instrument of torture. Fire is also a symbol of God’s presence. God has appeared to Moses in the burning bush (Exod 3:2). In this passage of the Gospel “fire” refers to the judgement of God, because as Jesus continues to speak to the crowd he speaks of division and discord in families. After speaking about the “fire” Jesus speaks about peace and division. The effect of his mission, Jesus declares, is not the sort of peace by which domestic tranquillity is undisturbed. Indeed, the precise point of the prophetic mission is to challenge the people. Here the prophecy of Simeon finds

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: 254
Last Weekend’s collections
FIRST COLLECTION: \$4,132.00
Bishop’s Appeal: \$814.01

Our Bishop’s Appeal contribution for 2019 amounted to \$32,040.00, 80% 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

its fulfilment: “This child is set for the fall and rising of many in Israel” (Lk 2:34). Jesus divides households and creates a division in the people. The division is created by the diverse decisions made in response to Jesus and his message about the kingdom of God. In the context of the Jerusalem travel narrative, the fire and the baptism that have not yet been kindled or completed must relate closely to the rejection and the death that await Jesus in Jerusalem. Note that Jesus does not speak of the baptism of others but of a baptism that he himself must undergo. Baptism seems here to be a symbol of death. “Baptize” probably retains its original sense of dip, immerse, or plunge, and this is a life-threatening immersion in water or fire. Jesus has come during the era of Augustan peace, as a sign of peace among human beings; he has not come as the fiery reformer that John once has expected. Yet his ministry is now described by him as a source of discord among the very people he has come to serve and save. Jesus has, indeed, come to bring peace. Yet the immediate reality is division. In 19:42 Jesus will mourn because the peace intended for Jerusalem is being rejected by it. Similarly, the peace that Jesus’ messengers bring to homes (10:5-6) is being replaced with division in families, because of the conflict that Jesus’ mission produces. For Jesus to say, “I have come to bring division” is very disturbing. It implies, at least, that family conflict is now an inevitable consequence of Jesus’ mission.

HE PAID YOUR DEBT

