

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 Bridget Toussaint Carmen White
 Ruth Smith Rita Brady-Bermudez Felicita Richards
EUCH MIN: Candace Bryan Rose, Lauren Franklin Howe
 Olga McBean Allison & Felicine Antoinette Howe

Thank you for sewing !!!

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, 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 Love when you ...

- *Treat others as you want them to treat you.*
- *Say kind words and loving things.*
- *Share your things and yourself.*
- *Love people just as they are.*
- *Take good care of the things you love.*
- *Do what you love and love what you do.*

Affirmation:

I am a loving person. I show my love with thoughtful acts, kind words and affection. I treat others the way I want to be treated.

WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS



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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:

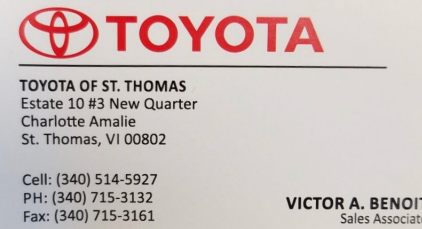
O God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love you, and I ask pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love you. Amen.

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

Abigail Tity, Keeto Joseph, Christine Birmingham, Jn Kervin Bellevue, Wendell Benjamin, Leondra Plummer, Rick Romero-Seas, Richy Bellevue, Jahkeem Clarke, Delanni Matthew, Amber Richards, Robertson Moore, Kevin George, Tamesha Leon, Debroah Bruney, Tausha Thomas-David, Ian Forde, Stephan Searphin, Nathaly Alcendor, William Esprit, Sean Williams, Suzette Smith, Adriana Casimir, Shelton Pacquette, Adrian Francis, Naomi Francis, Doreen Fedee, Gloria Rhuland.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Robert & Tamesha Leon - Sept. 1



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

Holy Family Catholic Church Welcomes You!

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sept. 1, 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

Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Allison Callwood

Sacristan
Mr. Ryan John

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

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Mr. Richard Callwood, III

CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE

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Venerable Pierre Toussaint Catholic Chapel

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St. Thomas VI 00802

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 September 1, 2019

Mon.: 1 Thes.:4:13 - 18; Luke 4:16 - 30
Tue.: 1 Thes. 5:1 - 6, 9 - 11; Luke 4:31- 37
Wed.: Colossians 1:1 - 8; Luke 4:38 - 44
Thur.: Colossians 1:9-14; Luke 5:1 - 11
Fri.: Colossians 1:15 - 20; Luke 5:33 - 39
Sat.: Colossians 1:21 - 23; Luke 6:1 - 5

NEXT SUNDAY: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9:13 - 18b
Philemon 9 - 10, 12 - 17
Luke 14:25 - 33

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Sirach 3:17 - 18, 20, 28 - 29

Conduct your affairs more humbly, the greater you are, and God will favor you. A wise person always takes joy in listening to others.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18 - 19, 22 - 24a

Our God draws near to our mountain and city. The judge of all comes close into our assembly. Jesus our mediator reaches to touch us and invites us to touch Him. We join the festal gathering of our living God.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 14:1, 7 - 14

The exalted shall be humbled and the humble exalted. When you have a dinner, invite poor people or persons with disabilities. Have a reception for persons who cannot repay you, "For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." True humility requires that we acknowledge our weaknesses, our imperfections, our humanness. We are not more important than our neighbor. Sirach offers this as a lesson to guide the listener. Jesus tries to teach this to the Pharisees in the Gospel we hear today. Humility begets generosity, as it recognizes the value in our neighbor, especially those who are put down. True generosity is shown when giving to those who cannot repay.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God's deliverance and guidance for Makil Bedminster rb His mother.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Elena John-Baptiste (d), Eustace Smith (d), Omunce and Agatha Gabriel (d) Jason Smith (d) giving thanks to St. Jude.

10:00 AM: Gene Farro (deceased) rb Estelle Farro.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Sept. 2, 7:00 AM: **Blessed John Dulau**
Myrna Scantlebury (deceased) rb Her children.

Tues. Sept. 3, 7:00 AM: **St. Gregory the Great**
Birthday blessings for Helena Francois rb Her family.

Wed. Sept. 4, 7:00 AM: **St. Rose of Viterbo**
Giving thanks to St. Jude for friendship of Msgr. Jerome and James Smith.

Thurs. Sept. 5, 7:00 AM: **St. Teresa of Calcutta**
Iver Vessup (deceased) rb The Children of Mary.

Fri. Sept. 6, 7:00 AM: **Blessed Bertrand of Garrigues**
Birthday blessing for Josiah Rene rb His mother.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for **God's continued blessings, guidance and protection for Juliette Commodore**. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

OFFICE CLOSED: Please note that the church office will be closed on **Monday, September 2, 2019**, in observance of Labor Day. Please be guided accordingly.

THANK YOU: Rev. Neil Scantlebury wishes to express sincere thanks to the parishioners who assisted in cleaning the church and classroom after the passing of Hurricane Dorian. May God in His goodness bless you and your family abundantly. Amen.

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.

MEMORIAL MASS: There will be a memorial mass for the late Fr. Tom Rainforth on **Saturday, September 7, 2019**, at 9:00 a.m. at Holy Family church. All are welcome.

DEACONS' MEETING: God may be calling you to be a deacon. There will be a "come and see" meeting for men on **Tuesday, September 10, 2019**, at 7:00 p.m. in Lower Columban hall.

KNOW YOUR FAITH/RCIA: There will be a meeting on **Wednesday, September 11, 2019**, in Lower Columban Hall at 7:00 p.m.

BREAKFAST SALE: The Dominica Association of St. Thomas will host a breakfast sale on **Saturday, September 21, 2019**, in Holy Family parking lot, from 7:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Thank you for your usual support.

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 VISMALC.



LITURGY AND WORD

1ST READING:

HUMILITY VS INTELLECTUAL PRIDE

In this reading the author writes about humility and warns against intellectual pride. A humble person will be loved by others and by God. The warnings against intellectual pride are often read against the background of the author's own conflict with Hellenistic philosophy and culture around 200 BC. But they apply to people of any age and are presented here as general statements. Those who neglect God's laws in order to meddle in things beyond them go astray; they thus display a "hard heart" that ends in destruction.

2ND READING:

MOUNT SINAI VS MOUNT SION

The author makes a contrast between the Mount Sinai and Mount Sion. The Israelites who leave Egypt approach God on Mount Sinai to hear the terms of his covenant and discover what it means to serve him as a holy nation (Exod 19:5-6). The author highlights the physical terrors that are part of that event. So awesome has been this encounter with God that even Moses the mediator has trembled with fear. But Mount Sion can be understood as the ultimate goal of God's people when they leave Egypt. Men and women of faith in OT times have looked forward to this city but those who have come to God through Jesus Christ are now part of that heavenly scene. This is a vivid way of saying that we have secured the promised eternal inheritance through faith in Jesus and his work.

GOSPEL:

THE HUMBLE WILL BE EXALTED

In these sayings, Jesus offers indirect counsel to his disciples about the modes of conduct towards other human beings. He does this by commenting, first of all, on the manoeuvring of his fellow guests, which he has observed, as they seek out for themselves the best places. He castigates them for seeking out positions of prestige. Obviously, there are places of honour at a banquet. He lets it be known that real honour will come not from one's self-seeking choices, but from what is bestowed on one by another. Honour before one's peers comes not from what one does on one's own behalf, but depends on the estimate others have on one. Jesus' point is expressed at the end of verse 10, "Then you will enjoy honour before all who are at table with you. For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." It is God who will humble the one who exalts himself and exalt the one who humbles himself. Hence the attitude of Christian disciples should be humility, not status-seeking.

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: **332**

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: **\$4,010.50**

Catholic Education: **\$904.00**

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

In the second saying Jesus moves from self-seeking ambition to selfish recompense and tries to counteract this as well. He counsels this time, not his fellow guests, but his host. He suggests that the kind of people one should invite to dinners is not one's friends, brothers, relatives, or rich neighbours. But, the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. Four affluent types of human beings, able to recompense, are contrasted with four unfortunate types, unable to do so. Real love never reckons with recompense; and because this is so, generosity will find its reward at the resurrection. The reciprocity expected must give way to a return in another, unexpected form – a return, not from the unfortunates who have not the wherewithal to reciprocate the host's kindness and graciousness, but from God himself. The host who invites such unfortunates will find himself among the "upright" at the resurrection. The sayings of the Lucan Jesus in vv 12-14 fit into the general Lucan theme of the use of material things.

Dear God,

For whoever is reading this, I ask that You would bless them today. Fill their heart with peace and joy. Please give them wisdom, guidance, and protection.

Amen