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 Margurite Rene

LECTORS: Helena Enrique Pierre Joseph Young Vincentian

Olga McBean Lafwa Rolle Young Vincentian

EUCH MIN: Dolores Velazquez Rose Labadie Michelle Stout

Allison Callwood





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

HOSPITAL: Margarita Feliciano, Ophelia Bannis.

OFF ISLAND: 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, Eugenie England.

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, Josephine Philbert, Iona Vanterpool, Josefina Donastorg, Hiliare Alfred, Owen Johnrose.

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And all the sick and suffering in our community!

 ${\sf PLEASEREMEMBERTOPRAY}$ 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 Understanding when you ...

*Concentrate and pay close attention.

*Reflect on the meaning of things.

*See the whole picture.

*Resist distractions.

Affirmation:

I have an understanding mind. I see truth about things. I have an understanding heart. I have empathy for other

people's feelings. *Put yourself in other people's shoes.

*Forgive others and yourself when you make mistakes.

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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 lové 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 <u>ou for your cooperation</u>

OFFICE HOURS

Mondays - 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Tuesday - Friday

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Keith & Paquita Steele - Nov. 26 Conel & Lena Steel Williams - Nov. 28



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

Holy Family Catholic Church

Welcomes You!

Jesus Christ, Universal the King - Nov. 24, 2019

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Masses:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Creole) **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 6:00PM

Readings for the Week of November 24, 2019

Mon.: Daniel 1:1 - 6, 8 - 20; Luke 21:1 - 4

Tue.: Daniel 2:32 - 45; Luke 21:5 - 11

Wed.: Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Luke 21:12 - 19

Thur.: Daniel 6:12 - 28; Luke 21:20 - 28

Fri.: Daniel 7:2 - 14; Luke 21:29 - 33

Sat.: Romans 10:9 - 18; Matthew 4:18 - 22

NEXT SUNDAY: 1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1 - 5

Romans 13:11 - 14

Matthew 24:37 - 44

JESUS CHRIST THE UNIVERSAL KING

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY! FIRST READING: 2 Samuel 5:1 - 3

Because David was so loved as a leader, the elders of all the tribes anointed him king of Israel of Hebron. King David shepherded the people from then on.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:121 - 20

God's Son brought the people into the reign of forgiveness and love. He heads the body, the church, and has primacy in all things, making peace through the blood of His cross.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 23:35 - 43

The soldiers made fun of Jesus on the cross, offered Him bitter wine, told 2Him to save Himself if He was the Christ, and told Him to put an inscription over His head: "This is the King of the Jews."

How is someone recognized as a king?" David had been called by God and had led his people to victory in battle, so the elders of Israel's tribes anointed him king. St. Paul recognizes Jesus as king, for He is head of the church. In the Gospel, His fellow prisoner recognizes Jesus as innocent victim and king. As we listen to the readings today, let us consider how we recognize Jesus as our King.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: Birthday blessings for Paula Andrew rb The Wells family.

Birthday blessings Leana Dagou rb Her family.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings for Alicia Doute rb The John Family.

10:00 AM: Thanksgiving to God for blessings receive by the Louis and Maynard families.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Nov. 25, 7:00 AM: St. Catherine of Alexandria Birthday blessings for Alicia Doute rb Viola and Paula.

Tues. Nov. 26, 7:00 AM: *Blessed James Alberione* Birthday blessings for Ermine Rene Roberts and Catherine Faustin rb The Rene family.

Wed. Nov. 27, 7:00 AM: St. John Berchmans Diana Herman (deceased) rb The Children of Mary.

Thurs. Nov. 28, 9:00 AM: St. Catherine Laboure - Thanksgiving Day Birthday blessings for Renita rb Cleopha Rawlings.

Fri. Nov. 29, 7:00 AM: Blessed Francis Anthony of Lucera Fr. Jerome Moody (*deceased*) rb The Children of Mary.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Please be generous in this week's special collection, which supports the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in six people live in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for people across the country who struggle. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fun local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/ collection.

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

FOOD FOR THE POOR: This 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. Once again thank you.

CONFESSIONS: Holy Family church will have confessions on **Wednesday**. November 27, 2019, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please be guided accordingly.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS: Please note that on Thursday, November 28, 2019, mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. Please be guided accordingly.

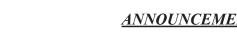
OFFICE CLOSED: Please note that the church office will be closed **ALL** day on **Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29, 2019**, in observance of Thanksgiving Day. Please be guided accordingly and happy Thanksgiving to you and your

ADVENT SEASON: The Advent Season will soon be here, Sunday, December 2019. Please note that during the Advent Season there will be NO FLOWERS in the church and **NO COMMUNION HYMN**. Please be guided accordingly. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: The church is once again kindly asking for donations for poinsettias for decoration during the Holiday Season. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: The Diocesan Youth Ministry and CCD Programs present to you, an annual Christmas gathering on Sunday December 15, 2019, at Upper Columban Hall from 3:00 p.m. The program is entitled "THE **CHRISTMAS TREE**". Donation: Adults - \$10.00 and children 12 years and over \$5.00. Tickets are available from the church office.

CASH RAFFLE: Sts. Peter & Paul School is happy to announce the start of our Annual Cash Raffle. First prize is \$10,000, second is \$2,500 and third prize is \$1,000.00. Who couldn't use a little extra cash? Raffle drawing with take place at the Annual International Night Dinner on *February 15, 2020*. Tickets are \$10 each. Anyone who purchases a FULL BOOK FOR \$100 receives 1 ticket free. Tickets available from students, at church offices and at the school office. Call 774-2199 for more information.



LITURGY AND WORD

1ST READING: DAVID IS KING

The first reading of today gives an account of the choice of David as king. It is a unanimous choice by all the tribes of Israel and David accepts to be king by making a covenant with them. Despite human weakness and failures David emerges as the model king of Israel for his obedience to God who has chosen him. He has provided the family line for Jesus the King of the Jews.

2ND READING: THE PRE-EMINENCE OF CHRIST

A key element in Colossians' presentation of Christ is a hymn that describes his role in creation and reconciliation. The hymn praises Christ as "the image of the invisible God" and "first-born", both of creation and of those who shall rise from the dead. He is, moreover, the one through whom "all things were created" in whom the whole of creation holds together, in whom "all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell," and by whom the primal unity of creation is reconstituted that in everything he might be preeminent. He is thus the "head" of the whole cosmic 'body" which the hymn identifies as the Church. The cosmic dimensions of Christ's sovereignty are clear in this hymn which declares that "all things," not only earthly but also heavenly, including all of the powers (thrones, dominions, principalities, authorities) have been created through him. This Christological hymn alludes to Wisdom motifs in the OT. In Proverbs 3:19 Wisdom is described as an agent in creation; in Proverbs 8:22-31, Wisdom. created first, is a partner in the work of God. The hymn reiterates the heart of Christian faith: that Christ's suffering and death are central to the salvation of the universe.

GOSPEL: THE KING WHO SAVES

The gospel of today revolves around the crucifixion scene of Jesus. Several events happen as Jesus is on the cross. The rulers sneer at Jesus and the soldiers mock at him. Even one wrongdoer crucified along with Jesus taunts him. But the other wrongdoer utters a confession of his own sin, and states publicly Jesus' innocence. His last-minute faith is accepted and Jesus promises him a place in Paradise with the justified. Salvation does not consist in political liberation or the perpetuation of life, but rather in the restoration of God's people through the forgiveness

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 nelp fulfill God's mission of love here on earth.

Attendance: Last Weekend: 317

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$4,841.25 **Youth Ministry:** \$1,037.00

Our Bishop's Appeal contribution for 2019 amounted to \$36,488.00, 91% 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

of sins. The irony of Luke's portrayal therefore is obvious, when Jesus is shown extending forgiveness to his executioners, even as their mocking shows them incapable of receiving it (Lk 23:24). And to the wrongdoer who responds to Jesus in faith, asking to "be remembered" in the kingdom, Jesus responds with the promise of a place with him in Paradise (Lk 23:43). Of the two wrongdoers crucified with Jesus, the plea of the second wrongdoer helps in our understanding of the kingship of Jesus. He says, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingly power." His plea would mean that Jesus is on his way to his kingdom and wants to be remembered as soon as Jesus gets there. The first wrongdoer is hostile to Jesus' kingship but the second wholeheartedly welcomes it. The wrongdoer asks to be remembered by Jesus but more is granted in terms of being with Jesus; for the response given by Jesus includes not only deliverance but intimacy. Acknowledging the disciple-like spontaneity manifested by the wrongdoer, Jesus is giving him the role of a disciple. Jesus dies on the cross as the King, but even from the cross he exercises mercy as King; he shows compassion to a wrongdoer and makes him a disciple.

