#### WE LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING YOU! MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

5:00PM

7:30 AM

10:00AM

#### PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO SERVE WHENEVER POSSIBLE

CANTORS: Allan Harrigan Adult choir CCD Choir

CCD Student **LECTORS:** Ruth Smith Noreen Joseph Candace Bryan Hilda Celestine CCD student

Catherina Alexander EUCH MIN: Anne Brandt Mona Bedminster

Allison Callwood

Thank you for serving!!!



## 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, Cryil Eugene, Joe Toussaint, 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, Owen Johnrose, Sonia Herbert, Roserita Laparol, Maggie Dolphin.

#### SEAVIEW, MASSAC, LUCINDA MILLIN - NO ONE 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 Purposefulness when you ...

\*Have a clear vision of what you want to accomplish.

\*Know why you are doing it.

\*Focus on the goal.

\*Get back on purpose if you get scattered or distracted.

\*Do things one at a time and finish what you start.

\*Persevere until you get the right results.

#### **Affirmation:**

I am purposeful. I am clear about what I am doing and why. I stay focused on my goals. I know I can accomplish great things.

#### **WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS**

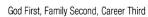
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#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God our Father, all the elements of nature obey Your commands. We praise and thank You for Your protection during the hurricane season. We ask You again to guide us through a new year free of earthquakes, floods and other natural disasters. Bless our families and bring peace to all nations. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

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

#### FUNERAL SERVICES/MASSES

Funeral Masses at Holy Family Church are held on the designated day at 10:00 a.m. If you would like a different time please contact the pastor. Tributes and solos are done before the Mass at 9:00 a.m. 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 ou 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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Candace Bryan, Kayden Merchant, Bailey Love, Clayton McCleary, Aaliyah Esprit, Nathan Bedminster, Nicholas Browne, Seon Francis, Rodrick George, Chrismite Mombia. Gerselda Anderson, Wordsworth Auguiste, Glenceworth Francis, Dannet Fahie, Mark Ochs, Claudia Winston.

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Rene & Esther Henderson - Jan. 19



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

## Holy Family Catholic Church **Welcomes You!**

2nd, Sunday in Ordinary Time - Jan. 19, 2020

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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.

# Reverend Neil Scantlebury

Associate Pastor Reverend Kerly François

In Residence Rev. John Fewel

**Deacon** Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney Rev. Mr. Evans Doway

#### **Administrative Assistant** Mrs. Allison Callwood

<u>Sacristan</u> Mr. Ryan John

Francesca Alcendor

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

# <u>Volunteers</u> Ms. Jennifer Johnson Mr. Richard Callwood, III

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#### Masses:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Creole) Every **LAST Thursday** 

at 5:00 p.m.

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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 6:00PM

#### **Readings for the Week** of January 19, 2020

Mon.: 1 Samuel 15:16 - 23; Mark 2:18 - 22

Tue.: 1 Samuel 16:1 - 13; Mark 2:23 - 28

Wed.: 1 Samuel 17:32 - 33, 37, 40 - 51;

Thur.: 1 Sam. 18:6 - 9; 19:1-7; Mark 3:7 - 12

Mark 3:1 - 6

Fri.: 1 Samuel 24:3 - 21; Mark 3:13 - 19

Sat.: Acts 22:3 - 16; Mark 16:15 - 18

#### **NEXT SUNDAY:** 3rd, Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 8:23 - 9:3

1 Corinthians 1:10 - 13, 17

Matthew 4:12 - 23

### **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

# INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY! FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:3, 5 - 6

The Lord said, "You are my servant, Israel, through whom I show my glory ... I will make you a light to the nations that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

#### SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:1 - 3

"Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus," greeted the holy people of the Corinthian church with God's grace and peace. He addressed them as "sanctified in Christ Jesus."

#### GOSPEL READING: John 1:29 - 34

John exclaimed, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." He continued, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove ... I have seen and testified that He is the Son of God."
Isaiah, Paul and John the Baptist were each called by God for a special purpose. Isaiah tells us of being called to reach out first to the exiled people of Israel and then to all nations. Paul tells the Corinthians that he was called to be an apostle. John was called to make Jesus known by baptizing with water. Now it is our turn to listen for God's call. Then we can respond, as we do in today's psalm, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):**

5:00 PM: Deceased family of the Antoine, Eustace, Titre and Toussaint family rb Mary Antoine.

#### **Sunday Masses:**

7:30 AM: Lesford, Christia and Herbert Smith (deceased) rb Alrive Smith.

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

10:00 AM: Our Lady of Perpetual Help for Emile Talbert (*deceased*) rb Lola Warrington.

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

#### **Daily Masses:**

Mon. Jan. 20, 7:00 AM: *Sts. Fabian and Sebastian*Thanksgiving to God for blessings received for Cecile Stuart and family.

Tues. Jan. 21, 7:00 AM: *St. Agnes*Gene Farro (*deceased*) rb Estelle Farro.

Wed. Jan. 22, 7:00 AM: *St. Vincent of Saragossa*For the reposed souls for all deceased Mountaineer priests.

Thurs. Jan. 23, 7:00 AM: *St. Marianne Cope*Birthday blessings for Jahmal rb Cleopha Rawlings.

Fri. Jan. 24, 7:00 AM: *St. Francis de Sales* God's deliverance for Genia Pollydore rb Ms. Pollydore.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SECOND COLLECTION**: This week's second collection goes towards the *Music Ministry*. Next week's second collection goes towards *Catholic Education*. As always we thank you for your generosity.

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for Sharon Titre Davis for God's continued guidance and protection, requested by her husband and family. 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 Jennifer Johnson in thanksgiving to God and celebration of another birthday. Thank you for beautifying our church and we pray God's continued blessings on you as you enter a new year. Once again, thank you.

**OFFICE CLOSED**: Please note that the church office will be closed ALL day on **Monday, January 20, 2020**, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Please be guided accordingly.

**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. Once again thank you.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Thank you for your generous contribution for the 2019 calendar year. Please note that we have not received our 2020 Offertory envelopes. Kindly be patient with us. They have sent us a package of generic envelopes that can be used for any collection, weekly or special, until our order is received. PLEASE WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS ON THE ENVELOPE, etc. so we can capture the information for donation recording. As soon as we receive our batch, we will put them out. The envelopes will be at the entrance of the church. Please do not waste the envelopes. If you do not need them please do not take them. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING, GOD BLESS.

**BAPTISM CLASS:** Please note that there will be NO Baptism class in January. The next Baptism class will commence on **Monday February 3, 2020,** at 7:00 p.m. in Lower Columban Hall, in Fr. Kerly's office and will continue every Monday in February. Application forms for Baptism can be collected from the church office and should be completed before the start of the program. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY 2019: All couples who were married in the Catholic Church 20 years or more, in a year ending in a "0" or a "5" (for example - 1990 = 30 years; 1995 = 25 years), will be presented with a certificate signed by the Bishop on the weekend of <u>February 8 -9, 2020</u>. Anyone married 50+ years (1970 or earlier) are also eligible regardless of the year they were married. <u>No names will be accepted after <u>Friday</u>, <u>January 24, 2020</u>. The signup sheet is at the entrance of the church.</u>

FUNERAL SERVICE/MASS: Please note that effective <u>January 1, 2020</u>, the cost for funerals will be \$300.00 for registered Holy Family members and \$500.00 for persons who are not registered members of Holy Family Church. This price raise is in keeping with the other Catholic churches in St. Thomas. Please be guided accordingly.

HOLY FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM: Forms are available at the entrance of the church. Persons who are not registered members of Holy Family church and wish to register as members of Holy Family Church, please find registration forms at the entrance of the church and return the filled our form to the church office. Thank you for your understanding.

#### **LITURGY AND WORD**

With the feast of the Baptism of the Lord we have entered into the liturgical time that we call "ordinary." On this second Sunday, the Gospel presents to us the scene of the meeting between Jesus and John the Baptist at the Jordan River. The narrator is the eye witness, John the Evangelist, who, before he was a disciple of Jesus was a disciple of the Baptist, together with his brother James, with Simon and Andrew, all are from Galilee, all are fisherman. So, John the Baptist sees Jesus, who steps forward from the crowd and, inspired from above, sees in Jesus the one sent by God. For this reason he points him out with theses words: Behold the lamb of God, he who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29).

The word that is translated with "take away" literally means "to relieve," "to take upon onself." Jesus has come into the world with a precise mission: to free it from the slavery of sin, taking humanity's faults upon himself. In what way? By loving. There is no other way to defeat evil and sin than with the love that moves one to give the gift of his life for others. In the testimony of John the Baptist, Jesus is given the traits of the Servant of the Lord, who "has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows" (Isaiah 53:4), to the point of dying on the cross. He is the true Passover lamb, who immerses himself in the river of our sin, to purify us.

The Baptist sees before him a man who gets in line with sinners to be baptized even though he does not need to. He is the man who God sent into the world as the sacrificial lamb. The word "lamb" appears several times in the New Testament and always in reference to Jesus. This image of the lamb might surprise us: an animal that is certainly not characterized by its strength and hardiness takes upon himself such an oppressive weight. The enormous mass of evil is removed and taken away by a weak and fragile creature, who is a symbol of bedience, docility and defenseless

#### 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: 410

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$4.699.00

Permanent Diaconate: \$903.60

Thank you for your contribution towards our 2019 Bishop's Appeal. We pray God's continued blessings upon you and your family. Once again, thank you for your generosity.

#### LITURGY AND WORD CONT'D

love, who goes to the point of sacrificing himself. The lamb is not an oppressor but is docile; he is not aggressive but peaceful; he does not show his claws or teeth in the face of an attack, but endures it and is submissive. And this is how Jesus is! This is how Jesus is! He is like a lamb.

What does it mean for the Church, for us, today to be disciples of Jesus the Lamb of God? It means putting innocence in the place of malice, love in the place of force, humility in the place of pride, service in the place of prestige. It is good work! We Christians must do this: put innocence in the place of malice, love in the place of force, humility in the place of pride, service in the place of prestige. Being disciples of the Lamb means that we must not live like a "city under siege," but like a city on a hill, open, welcoming, solidary. It means not having an attitude of closedness, but proposing the Gospel to everyone, testifying with our life that following Jesus makes us more free and more joyful.

