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 Melita Etienne

LECTORS: Helena Enrique Nehemie Linus Yvonne Freeman Ruth Smith Pierre Joseph Felicita Richards

EUCH MIN: Dolores Velazquez Felicinne Marcellin Franklin Howe Catherina Alexander Antoinette Howe



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, Crvil 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.

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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 Peacefulness when you ...

- *Created inner peace with daily reflection or prayer.
- *Use peaceful language even when you are angry.
- *Speak gently and respectfully.
- *Avoid harming anyone.

*Appreciate differences.

Affirmation:

I am peaceful. I use peaceful words and find solutions when differences arise. I find my inner peace and let it carry me gently through the day.

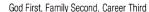
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God our Father, all the elements of nature obey Your commands. We praise and thank You for Your protection during the hurricane season. We ask You again to guide us through a new year free of earthquakes, floods and other natural disasters. Bless our 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 pelieve, 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

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8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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PARISH CELEBRATION Birthdays

Lola Warrington, Ruthine Johnson, Mona Bedminster, Eli Crawford, Kevin Hughes, Bonnie President, Britney Johnson, Richie Placid, Shanika Stout, Tara George, Carol Martin-Joyner, Dipsy Graneau, Etty Cazaubon, Charlene Vanterpool, Yolanda Pierre, Anthony Randolph, Buney Registe, Jeanette Magras, Camille Santiago, Rosemond Leatham, Anthony Estime, Davina Abraham, JoAnne Cruz, St. Hilaire Antoine, Marie Joseph.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Harold & Roma Attidore - Feb. 12 George, Jr. & Ruth Smith - Feb. 14



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

Holy Family Catholic Church Welcomes You!

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Feb. 9, 2020

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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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Masses: Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Creole)

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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 February 9, 2020

Mon.: 1 Kings 8:1 - 7, 9 - 13; Mark 6:53 - 56

Tue.: 1 Kings 8:22 - 23, 27 - 30;

Wed.: 1 Kings 10:1 - 10; Mark 7:14 - 23

Thur.: 1 Kings 11:4 -13; Mark 7:24 - 30

Fri.: 1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19;

Mark 7:31 - 37

Sat.: 1 Kings 12:26 - 32; 13:33 - 34;

Mark 8:1 - 10

Mark 7:1 - 13

NEXT SUNDAY: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 15:15 - 20 1 Corinthians 2:6 - 10

Matthew 5:17 - 37

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY! FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:7 - 10

Isaiah prophesied: Share bread with the hungry. Shelter the homeless. *Clothe the naked. Do not turn away from your own. "Then your light shall break forth like the dawn."

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1 - 5

Paul's teaching did not come from himself but from the convincing power of the Spirit. So the faith he passed on rests "not on human wisdom but on the power of God."

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:13 - 16

Jesus called His disciples the "salt of the earth" and the light of the •world." He cautioned them not to let the salt lose its flavor and not put a

cover on the light but to let it shine. "Your light must shine before others and glorify your heavenly Father."

The image of light flows through the selections from scripture today.

Isaiah tells us that our acts of charity provide light and dispel gloom. The psalmist compares a just person to a light in the darkness. Jesus tells His disciples to let their light shine for all to see. Even the Gospel acclamatical actions and the light of the result and disperse a light of the result and disperse and disp tion reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world and gives us the light of life. Listening to today's readings, let us reflect on how we can be light for others.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: Birthday blessings for Aria Rawlings rb Cleopha Rawlings.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: God's guidance and protection for the Louis family.

10:00 AM: Birthday blessings for Henkell Alexander rb The Rene family.

Birthday blessings for Mona Bedminster.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Feb. 10, 7:00 AM: St. Scholastica Birthday blessings for Cleopha Rawlings rb Cleopha Rawlings.

Tues. Feb. 11, 7:00 AM: Our Lady of Lourdes Birthday blessings and thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit for Lola Warrington rb Lola Warrington.

Wed. Feb. 12, 7:00 AM: St. Meletius Birthday blessings for Ruthine Johnson.

Thurs. Feb. 13, 7:00 AM: St. Catherine of Ricci Hermacin St. John (deceased) rb Eve Ogiste.

Fri. Feb. 14, 7:00 AM: Sts. Cyril, Methodius & Valentine God's deliverance for Genia Pollydore rb Ms. Pollydore.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for birthday blessings for Mona Bedminster. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

BAPTISM CLASS: Baptism class commenced 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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES VACANCY: Catholic Charities has the following opportunity for employment. <u>Administrative Assistant</u>: Duties include filing, handling correspondence, maintaining data using computer programs or manual systems, program reporting and other general office duties. Employment includes, paid vacation, retirement plan and health insurance. For more information please contact Catholic Charities at 340-777-8518.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY 2019: This weekend 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. Anyone married 50+ years (1970 or earlier) are also eligible regardless of the year they were married.

LOURDES IN A DAY: The Order of Malta is sponsoring their 2nd "Lourdes in a Day" on <u>Tuesday, February 11, 2020</u>, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, from 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Bevard with the anointing of the sick. There will be distribution of Holy Water from Lourdes to all, confessions and lunch.

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT: Sts. Peter & Paul School will host an international night on Saturday, February 15, 2020, at Sts. Peter & Paul School courtyard, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. 7 plates and 1 drink for \$15.00. Tickets are available from students and staff.

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 will 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 are available from students, at church offices and at the school office. Call 340-774-2199 for more information.

LENT IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK: Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, <u>February 26, 2020</u>. Now is the time to plan spiritual and corporal works of mercy for Lent. There will be two masses on <u>Ash Wednesday</u>: 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Please be guided accordingly.

LENTEN RETREAT: Holy Family CCD students will be on retreat on **Saturday**, February 29, 2020, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, St. John, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Donations accepted for breakfast, snacks, lunch and drinks. Thank you in advance for you contribution. Please save the date, and keep our CCD students in your prayers. Once again, thank you.



LITURGY AND WORD

The first reading is taken from Isaiah 58:7-10. When lowliness unites all men. then God will fill the need of the world with his glorious presence. The final age will have to come.

The second reading is from St. Paul 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. We continue this week with Paul's 1st letter to the Corinthians as he addresses divisions within the Church. As you will recall, two weeks ago we heard Paul address those who claimed to belong to Apollos, those who claimed Cephas, others who claimed Paul, and even those who followed only Christ. At that time he reminded them all that the Church is the body of Christ and as such cannot be divided. Last week he reminded us that God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning to be His followers. If anyone can boast, they can boast only in that they have been chosen by God. This week he reminds us that we are to pay attention to what is important—we are to hear the clear message of the crucified Christ and pay attention to it and not the messenger.

The Gospel is from St. Matthew 5:13-16. No less an authority than Christ himself calls his true followers the 'salt of the earth." and the "light of the world." These are titles of honor, surely, and of the greatest distinction. Christ is putting his true follower on almost a level with himself. He was the light of the world; he was the salt of the earth. He it was who gave men the knowledge of the true nature of God, as shown by the Incarnation. He it was who gave this life its flavor, who gave this life its meaning, its preservation. By his death and resurrection he took away the sting of death, and removed its eternal corruption, by the guarantee and promise of a resurrection to an eternal

This every Christian knows, and this knowledge every Christian helps to bring to those who are ignorant of it, if he lives his life daily and sincerely. The Christian, who does this, is really another Christ; he is continuing his work of salvation during his years on earth. He is the salt of the earth and the light of the world. How many of us, can truly say that these honorable titles, which Christ gives to his followers, are given to us?

In true humility, we can all say that ve are far from worthy of any such

<u>STEWARDSHIP</u> **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: 464 Last Weekend's collections FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,779.31

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LITURGY AND WORD CONT'D

honorable titles. Yet in all sincerity too, many if not the majority among us, are doing their little bit of Christ's work, in cultivating their own small corner of his vineyard. The parents, who teach the Christian way of life to their children by word, and especially by example, are spreading the Christian faith. The workmen, whether in office or factory, who show that they are Christians by their honesty. charity for their fellowmen, their respect for God, and the things of God, in their speech, are spreading their Christian faith. All those who show moderation in their personal expenditures, and donate some of their savings to help their brothers, their fellowmen who are in need, these are true disciples of Christ and are cooperating with him in bringing God's children back to their Father who is in heaven.

Unlike the salt that has lost its flavor, and the light that is kept under the bushel, the Christian who has thus behaved can change his attitude, provided he is aided by God's grace which is never refused. He can become once more what he ought to be-a life-preserver for his neighbor.

Life on earth is short. The demands of our Christian life may not always be easy, but we know that if we live up to them, we are other Christs. We are continuing his great work by our own good example to our neighbor, and we are giving glory to God, and are earning for ourselves the eternal light of heaven.

