## 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:** Margarita Smith Agnes Nicholas CCD Student Ruth Smith Rita Brady Bermudez CCD Student

EUCH MIN: Olga McBean Lauren, Felicinne, Mona Bedminster

> Dolores Velazquez Catherina & Rose

> > Thank you for serving!!!



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

HOSPITAL: Margarita Feliciano.

OFF ISLAND: Bertina Lestrade, Emile Joseph, Enid Blyden, Isabel Dublin, Mary Lewis, Philomen Baron, Ruthine & Thomas, Johnson, Cryil Eugene, Joe Toussaint, Eugenie England, Helen

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, Ophelia Bannis.

### 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 Integrity when you ...

\*Think about what virtues matter to you.

\*Stand up for what you believe in.

\*Do the right thing, even when it is hard.

\*Willingly clean up your mistakes.

\*Think for yourself and avoid temptation.

## Affirmation:

I have integrity. I stand up for what is right. I mean what I say and say what I mean.

## **WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS**

## **OFFICE HOURS**

**Mondays - 10:00 AM** to 4:00 PM

**Tuesday - Friday** 

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM



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## PRAYER TO MARY DURING THE **CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC**

O Mary, you shine continuously along our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the Cross were near to the pain of Jesus. keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us, He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and took up our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross to the joy of the Resurrec tion. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas - we who are put to the test - and deliver us from every danger, O Glorious and blessed Virgin. By Pope Francis

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## **PARISH CELEBRATION Birthdays**

Ann Theophille, Cameron Daley, Jaydnee George, Lynae Roberts, Sean Bryan, Jada Rhymer, Nicholas Jn Charles, Anisa Otto, Dmare Encarnacion, Nijah Ludat, Renaldo Stout, Crystal Thompson, Cornelia Adams, Claude Philistin, Onique Winston, Dian Charles, Ronald Mark, Denise Hodge, Zita Alexander, Bridget Hodge.

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Newman & Naomi Francis - Apr. 15 Leon & Marguerite Casey - Apr. 19 Phillipson & Micarla Matthew - Apr. 19 Fenrick & Lydia Riviere - Apr. 23



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

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

**DIVINE MERCY, SUNDAY - April 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 Pastor Neil Scantlebury

Associate Pastor Reverend Kerly François

In Residence Rev. John Fewel

<u>Deacon</u> Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney Rev. Mr. Evans Doway

Administrative Assistant Mrs. Allison Callwood

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

Francesca Alcendor

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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 April 19, 2020

Mon.: Acts 4:23 - 31; John 3:1 - 8

Tue.: Acts 4:32 - 37; John 3:7b - 15

Wed.: Acts 5:17 - 26; John 3:16 - 21

Thur.: Acts 5:27 - 33; John 3:31 - 36

Fri.: Acts 5:34 - 42; John 6:1 - 15

Sat.: 1 Peter 5:5b - 14; Mark 16:15 - 20

## **NEXT SUNDAY:** 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 2:14, 22 - 23

1 Peter 1:17 - 21

Luke 24:13 - 35



## **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

## FIRST READING: Acts 2:42 - 47

Early Christians adhered to apostolic teaching, centering their lives on prayer, the breaking of the bread, the common life, and charity.

## SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3 - 9

Through God's great mercy, Christians have new life in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The goal of faith is salvation.

### GOSPEL READING: John 20:19 - 31

Through locked doors the risen Lord came, stood before the disciples, and said, "Peace be with you". Thomas was not present at first; when he saw Jesus, he could not believe. Jesus conquered His doubt.

A week out from Easter Sunday we have the opportunity to listen to three responses to the Resurrection event. In acts we hear of the communal practices of the early church. Peter praises God for the "living hope" Jesus brought to all who believe. John tells the well-known story of Thomas, who needed to see the resurrected Jesus before he would believe, and Jesus' subsequent blessing of those who believe without seeing. Let us listen and believe.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

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





#### **Sunday Masses:**

7:30 AM: Birthday blessins and God's grace for Ann Luke rb Ann Luke.

10:00 AM: Birthday blessings for Gilda Rene Davis rb The Rene family.

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

### **Daily Masses:**



Mon. April 20, 7:00 AM: *St. Agnes of Montepulciano* Ruthina Lander (*deceased*) rb The Rene family.

Tues. April 21, 7:00 AM: *St. Anselm*Annie Luke (*deceased*) rb Her twin sister, Ann Luke.

Wed. April 22, 7:00 AM**: Blessed Lidwina**Gene Farro (**deceased**) rb Estelle Farro.

Thurs. April 23, 7:00 AM: *St. Adalbert*Claudette Alfred (*deceased*) rb St. Joseph Workers.

Fri. April 24, 7:00 AM: *St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen*Birthday blessings for Matthew Placid rb His family.

BE SAFE! WEAR A MASK! WASH YOUR HANDS!

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS



Alleluja

**SECOND COLLECTION**: This week's second collection goes towards the **Bishop's Appeal**. Next week's second collection goes towards **Catholic Home Missisons**. As always we thank you for your generosity.

Next week, we will take up the Cahtolic Home Missions Appeal. Today, over 40% of disoceses in the United States are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

**BISHOP'S APPEAL:** Please pray for the success of the Bishop's Appeal 2020. The Appeal wants to make a difference in the Virgin Islands through Catholic education, Catholic Charities and Catholic evangelization. Please give a generous gift so that we can continue to improve on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy in our diocese.

For your convenience, you may choose to make a pledge now and spread your payments over several months. Donations may be made in the form of cash, check or credit card. Please fill out the form in the brochure and make your checks payable to "Diocese of St. Thomas." Please see the brochure for further information. Thank You!

"It's not how much we give, but how much LOVE we put into giving." – Mother Theresa

**TELEVISED MASS:** Sunday mass is streamed on Cathedralvi.com and televised on Sunday at 10 a.m. from the Cathedral. Also every weekday morning at 7:00 a.m. mass is televised and streamed from the Cathedral.

**ETERNAL CANDLE:** This week the Eternal Candle is burning *for God's* **protection for Evelina Rene, requested by family.** You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

**SYMPATHY:** On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François and the Deacons, Rev. Neil Scantlebury extends sincere sympathy to Suzanne Adrien and family on the passing of her son, *Mikey Adrien*, who died on <u>Sunday, March 29</u>, <u>2020</u>. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

**SYMPATHY:** On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François and the Deacons, Rev. Neil Scantlebury extends sincere sympathy to Marah McCleary-Eugene and family on the passing of her mother, **Panson Freeman** who died on **Sunday, April 5, 2020**. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

**SYMPATHY:** On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François and the Deacons, Rev. Neil Scantlebury extends sincere sympathy Viola Smith and family on the passing of her aunt, *Altagracia Padilla*, who died on <u>Tuesday, April 7.</u> <u>2020</u>. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



## **LITURGY AND WORD**

On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of nan or of angel, will be able to fathom t throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy. (Diary of Divine Mercy

This message, spoken by Jesus to Saint Faustina in 1931, has now come true. What was spoken in the solitude of a cloistered convent in Płock Poland, now is celebrated by the Universal Church throughout the whole world!

Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska of the Blessed Sacrament was known to very few people during her lifetime. But through her, God has spoken the message of His abundant mercy to the entire Church and world. What is this message? Though its content is endless and unfathomable, here are five key ways that Jesus desires this new devotion to be lived:

The first way is through meditation on the sacred image of The Divine Mercy. Saint Faustina was asked by Jesus to have an image of His merciful love painted for all to see. It's an image of Jesus with two rays shining forth from His Heart. The first ray is blue, indicating the font of Mercy coming forth through Baptism; and the second ray is red, indicating the font of Mercy poured forth through the Blood of the Holy Eucharist.

The second way is through the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus told Saint Faustina that He desired an annual solemn Feast of Mercy. This Solemnity of Divine Mercy was established as a universal celebration on the Eighth day of the Octave of Easter. On that day the floodgates of Mercy are opened and many souls are made holy.

The third way is through the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. The chaplet is a treasured gift. It's a gift that we should seek to pray each and every day.

### 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: 000

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$0,000.00

Bishop's Appeal: \$000.00

Thank you for your contribution towards our 2020 Bishop's Appeal. We pray God's continued blessings upon you and your family. Once again, thank you.

## LITURGY AND WORD CONT'D

The fourth way is by honoring the hour of Jesus' death every day. "It was at 3 o'clock that Jesus took His last breath and died upon the Cross. It was Friday. For this reason, Friday should always be seen as a special day to honor His Passion and ultimate Sacrifice. But since it took place at 3 o'clock, it is also important to honor that hour each and every day. This is the ideal time to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. If the Chaplet is not possible, it's at least important to pause and give thanks to our Lord every day at that time.

The fifth way is through the Apostolic Movement of The Divine Mercy. This movement is a call from our Lord to actively engage in the work of spreading His Divine Mercy. This is done by spreading the message and by living Mercy toward others.

On this, the Eighth Day of the Octave of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, ponder the above desires of the heart of Jesus. Do you believe that the message of Divine Mercy is meant not only for you but also for the whole world? Do you seek to understand and incorporate this message and devotion into your life? Do you seek to become an instrument of mercy to others? Become a disciple of The Divine Mercy and seek to spread this Mercy in the ways given to you by God.

My merciful Lord, I trust in You and in Your abundant Mercy! Help me, this day, to deepen my devotion to Your merciful heart and to open my soul to the treasures that pour forth from this font of Heavenly riches. May I trust You, Love You and become an instrument of You and Your mercy to the whole world. Jesus, I trust in You!