

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:** Ruth Smith                      Pierre Joseph                      Young Vincentian  
Olga McBean                      Lafwa Rolle                      Young Vincentian

**EUCH MIN:**                      **SOCIAL DISTANCING**

*Thank you for serving !!!*

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

**HOSPITAL:**

**OFF ISLAND:** Bertina Lestrade, Emile Joseph, Enid Blyden, Isabel Dublin, Mary Lewis, Philomen Baron, Claudy Brutus, Ruthine & Thomas Johnson, Cryil Eugene, Joe Toussaint, Eugenie England, Helen Bruney, Edmond Baptiste.

**AT HOME:** Rita Ledee, Rose Celestine, Martina Lewis, Olivia Gumbs, Ann Bedminster, Bernice Knight, 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, Lola Warrington.

**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 Humility when you ...*

*\*Consider the needs of others as important as your own.*

*\*Apologize and make amends when you hurt others.*

*\*Learn from your mistakes and change for the better.*

*\*Ask for help when you need it.*

*\*Are doing your best just to do it, not to impress anyone.*

*\*Are grateful instead of boastful.*

**Affirmation:**

*I am creative. I have special gifts and use discipline to develop them. I am open to inspiration. I am happy to be myself.*

**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**

**PARISH CELEBRATION**  
**Birthdays**

*Mikah Williams, Marylin Louis, Gregory Auguiste, Jr., Kyle Hodge, Celina Rodney, Dawens Dorcelly, Ajayi Pickering-Haynes, Gilbert Isidore, Brand Smith, Narsha Alcendor, Arlene Charlen Lawrence, Gilda Douglas, Jacques Rogers, Angelique Abbott, Jones St. Lewis Cropper, Jr., Chrisnel Vanel, Reinna Garcia, Steven LeBlanc, Adjonai Camacho, Garnett Johnson.*

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

*Michael & Renesha Hawley - June 29  
Joseph & Beverly St. Thomas - June 30*

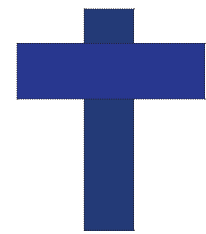


*Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!*

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

**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 28, 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.**

**Pastor**

Reverend Neil Scantlebury

**Associate Pastor**

Reverend Kerly François

**Deacons**

Rev. Mr. Cassius Matthurin  
Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney

**Administrative Assistant**

Mrs. Allison Callwood

**Sacristans**

Mr. Ryan John  
Ms. Francesca Alcendor

**Musicians**

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

**Volunteers**

Ms. Jennifer Johnson  
Mr. Richard Callwood, III

**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 June 28, 2020**

Mon.: 2 Kings 17:5 - 8, 13 - 15a, 18;  
Matthew 7:1 - 5

Tue.: 2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36;  
Matthew 7:6, 12 - 14

Wed.: Isaiah 49:1 - 6; Acts 13:22 - 26;  
Luke 1:57 - 66, 80

Thur.: 2 Kings 24:8 - 17; Matthew 7:21 - 29

Fri.: 2 Kings 25:1 - 12; Matthew 8:1 - 4

Sat.: Lam. 2:2, 10 - 14, 18 - 19; Matt. 8:5 - 17

**NEXT SUNDAY:**  
**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Zechariah 9:9 - 10**  
**Romans 8:9, 11 - 13**  
**Matthew 11:25 - 30**

**CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE**

(340) 774-3166

**Venerable Pierre Toussaint**  
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**Masses:**  
**Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Creole)**  
**and**  
**Every LAST Thursday**  
**at 5:00 p.m.**

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can be made through our  
website at:**  
**www.holyfamilystt.com**



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!  
FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4:8 - 11, 14 - 16a

A woman of influence provided a room for Elisha. In gratitude, he promised the woman, who had no child, that within a year she would bear a baby boy.

SECOND READING: Romans 6:3 - 4, 8 - 11

As Jesus conquered sin through death and resurrection, so His faithful have died to sin and come alive in God through baptism.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 10:37 - 42

Jesus told His apostles that people who seek only themselves come to ruin. Those who deny themselves for His sake discover themselves. Those who welcome prophets receive great rewards; those who welcome holy persons welcome the Lord. Much is demanded of a disciple, but great are the rewards. Elisha's benefactors furnish a room for the itinerant prophet, and he goes on to make them an extraordinary promise. St. Paul tells the Romans that those baptized in Christ are baptized into His death, but will also live with Him in eternal life. Jesus tells His apostles that each must take up his cross, but they will be rewarded with everlasting life in the kingdom. Are we willing to be disciples as well?

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: James Gifft, Sr. and Lelas Gifft (d) rb The Gifft family.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: God's continued blessings for Judge Allan John Baptiste rb His family.

10:00 AM: Birthday blessings for Marylin Louis and God's continued guidance and protection for the Louis and Maynard families.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. June 29, 7:00 AM: Sts. Peter & Paul  
John Charles (deceased) rb St. Joseph Workers.

Tues. June 30, 7:00 AM: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church  
God's continued blessings and guidance for Fr. Neil Scantlebury rb the 7:00 a.m. week day parishioners.

Wed. July 1, 7:00 AM: St. Junipero Sena  
Deacon Leonard Monsanto (deceased) rb The Children of Mary.

Thurs. July 2, 7:00 AM: St. Oliver Plunket  
God's help and protection for Meredith Johnson and family rb Meredith Johnson.

Fri. July 3, 7:00 AM: St. Thomas  
Gregor Glance (deceased) rb The Rene family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for God's continued healing for Ruthine Johnson. 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 Olga McBean and Viola John in thanksgiving to God for the many years Fr. Neil served the people here at Holy Family Church. Thank you Fr. Neil for being a dutiful pastor. May God continue to bless you. Once again, thank you.

THANK YOU: Fr. Neil thanks all those who gave him gifts, offered prayers for him, called, texted and emailed him on his transfer. May God bless you. He still can be reached at 340-513-8262.

ADORATION: There is adoration on Fridays, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please be guided accordingly.

OFFICE CLOSED: Please note that the church office will be closed ALL day on Friday, July 3, 2020 and Saturday, July 4, 2020, in observance of VI Emancipation Day and Independence Day respectively. Please be guided

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Please be informed that the Sacrament of First Communion will be on Sunday, August 2, 2020 and Sunday, September 13, 2020 for the Sacrament of Confirmation. In the meantime, put your trust in the Lord and step out in faith to take your children to Mass and continue your instructions at home. Thank you and God bless!



LITURGY AND WORD

Meditation: Who or what takes first place in your life - in your daily thoughts, cares, and concerns? God has put us first in his thought, care, and concern for our well-being and future. God loved us first and our love for him is a response to his exceeding kindness and mercy towards us. Even while we were hopelessly adrift through our own sinful pride, rebellion and unbelief, he choose to give us his own beloved Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who laid down his life for our sake - to set us free from slavery to sin, Satan, and death.

Proof of God's unfailing love for us There is no greater proof of God's love for us than the free-will offering of his Son who shed his blood for us on the cross. His death broke the curse of guilt and condemnation, and won for us pardon and adoption as beloved sons and daughters of God our Father. Through the victory of his cross and resurrection, the Lord Jesus offers us abundant new life through the gift and power of the Holy Spirit who lives within us.

The love of God comes first The Holy Spirit reveals to us the love of the eternal Father and the eternal Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who come to make their home with us and to unite us in a bond of peace and friendship. That is why the Lord Jesus commanded his disciples to give him their undivided loyalty and love above all else. We owe him a debt of gratitude for what he has done for us. The Lord Jesus gives us the assurance and promise that he will raise up our mortal bodies to be like his so that we may fully share in his resurrection for all eternity.

God has no equal - that is why we owe the eternal Father, Son, and Holy Spirit our undivided loyalty, trust, and obedience. Jesus challenges his disciples to examine who they love first and foremost. A true disciple loves God above all else and is willing to forsake all for the Lord Jesus who calls us to follow him. Jesus insists that his disciples give him the loyalty which is due to God, a loyalty which is higher than spouse or kin. It is possible that family and friends can become our enemies, if the thought of them keeps us from doing what we know God wants us to do.

God's compelling love knows no rival The love of God compels us to choose who or what will be first in our lives. To place any relationship or anything else above God is a form of idolatry. We can allow many different things to take control of our lives and possess us - such as greed and lust for power, possessions, and wealth. But only God's love can set us free to love as he loves - with mercy, kindness, goodness, patience, perseverance, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). The first and great commandment is to love the Lord our God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength (Matthew 22:37). If we pursue the love of God and put his kingdom first in our lives, then he will

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: 210

Last Weekend's collections  
FIRST COLLECTION: \$3,409.00

Thank you for your weekly contribution. We pray God's continued blessings upon you and your family. Once again, thank you for your generosity.

LITURGY AND WORD CONT'D

give us everything we need to sustain us now and in the future as well. Who is the Lord and Master of your life?

True love overflows in kindness and mercy towards others True love for God compels us to express charity (merciful deeds of kindness and goodness) towards our neighbors who are also loved by God because he created each of them in his image and likeness. Mother Theresa of Calcutta once told a marvelous story about a destitute family who had nothing to eat for days. When news of their impoverished condition came to the Missionary Sisters of Charity, Mother Theresa personally went to their home and brought them some food supplies. The mother of the family immediately divided the food in half and carried it off. When she returned, Mother Theresa asked her, "Where did you go?" She gave the simple answer, "To my neighbors, they are hungry also!" Mother Theresa said, "I was not surprised that she gave - poor people are really very generous. I was surprised that she knew they were hungry. As a rule, when we are suffering, we are so focused on ourselves, we have no time for others." Jesus declared that any kindness shown and any help given to the people of Christ will not lose its reward (Matthew 10:42). Jesus never refused to give to anyone in need who asked for his help. As his disciples we are called to be kind and generous as he is. Jesus sets before us the one goal in life that is worth any sacrifice and that goal is union with God - uniting our heart, mind, and will with his heart and will for our lives. The reward of a life given over to God and obeying his voice is God himself - the source of true peace and joy that lasts forever. Does the love of Jesus Christ compel you to put God first in all you do (2 Corinthians 5:14)?

"Lord, no eye has seen, no ear has heard, no heart has conceived the things you have prepared for those who love you. Set us ablaze with the fire of the Holy Spirit, that we may love you in and above all things and so receive the rewards you have promised us through Christ our Lord."