

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	Noreen Joseph Hilda Celestine	Myrna Van Beverhoudt Mona Bedminster

EUCH MIN:            **SOCIAL DISTANCING**

*Thank you for sewing !!!*





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

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

**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, Vivian C.

**Geri Care Senior Residential Home** - Austin "Babe" Monsanto  
**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 Moderation when you ...*

- \*Get enough of what you need, no more, no less.
- \*Use self-discipline to stop yourself from over doing things.
- \*Take charge of your health.
- \*Balance work and play in your life.
- \*Know your own limits and set boundaries for yourself.
- \*Are content with enough.

**Affirmation:**

***I am moderate. I am thankful and content to get what I need. I use my time and energy wisely. My life is balanced.***

**WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS**



**OFFICE HOURS**

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

**Tuesday - Friday**

**8:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Alma's**  
SECRETARIAL SERVICE

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*If you don't have a secretary, but need one. If you have a secretary, but need extra help.*

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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.**

**PARISH CELEBRATION Birthdays**

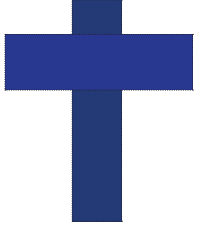

*Daisy Joseph, Yolanda Rivere, Joanne Grell, Julie Smith, Paul Henderickson, Emery Emmanuel, Felicita Hodge, Cecil Battiste, Michele Stout, Kelya George, Jazmine Grell, Rozheal Ge-goire, Roy Petersen, Julian Wallace, Peter Williams, Brianna Esprit, Shanique Stout, Davidson Gue, Maya St. Luce.*

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

*Deacon Cassius & Janice Matthurin - July 22  
Egbert & Leana Dagou - July 24  
Desmond & Marie Esprit - July 25*

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

**Holy Family Catholic Church**  
Welcomes You!

**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 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.**

<b><u>Administrator</u></b> Reverend Msgr. Jerome Feudjio	<b><u>WEEKEND MASSES</u></b> Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday: 7:30 AM; 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM Creole Mass
<b><u>Associate Pastor</u></b> Reverend Kerly François	<b><u>WEEKDAY MASSES</u></b> 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
<b><u>Deacons</u></b> Rev. Mr. Cassius Matthurin Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney	<b><u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u></b> Saturday: 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM Fourth Wednesdays - 4:00PM to 6:00PM
<b><u>Administrative Assistant</u></b> Mrs. Allison Callwood	<b>Readings for the Week of July 19, 2020</b>
<b><u>Sacristans</u></b> Mr. Ryan John Ms. Francesca Alcendor	Mon.: Micah 6:1 - 4, 6 - 8; Matt. 12:38 - 42
<b><u>Musicians</u></b> Mr. Francis Callwood Mr. Verne Callwood Mr. Desmond Simmonds	Tue.: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Matt. 12:46 - 50
<b><u>Volunteers</u></b> Ms. Jennifer Johnson Mr. Richard Callwood, III	Wed.: Songs 3:1 - 4b; John 20:1 - 2, 11 - 18
<b><u>CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE</u></b> (340) 774-3166	Thur.: Jer.2:1-3, 7-8, 12 - 13; Matt. 13:10 - 17
<b>Venerable Pierre Toussaint Catholic Chapel</b> 4B-B Estate Bovoni St. Thomas VI 00802	Fri.: Jeremiah 3:14 - 17; Matthew 13:18 - 23
<b>Masses:</b> Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Creole) and Every <u>LAST Thursday</u> at 5:00 p.m.	Sat.: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28
<b>Online giving or donation can be made through our website at:</b> <a href="http://www.holyfamilystt.com">www.holyfamilystt.com</a>	<b><u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u></b> <b>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 1 Kings 3:5, 7 - 12 Romans 8:28 - 30 Matthew 13:44 - 52



## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

**FIRST READING: Wisdom 12:13, 16 - 19**

Though powerful, the Lord judges with mercy and governs with care. God teaches people kindness, hope and repentance.

**SECOND READING: Romans 8:26 - 27**

Paul reminded the Romans that the Spirit helps God's people in their weakness and intercedes for them.

**GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:24 - 43**

Jesus told the crowd the parable of the wheat and the weeds, the parable of the mustard seed, and the parable of the yeast. Through parables, he encouraged his disciples, assuring them that God's saints would shine like the sun in the heavenly reign.

God's lenience and mercy are extolled throughout today's scriptures. Wisdom teaches us that God's mercy gives us all "good ground for hope." The Holy Spirit helps us in our human imperfection, St. Paul explains. Jesus' parables illustrate that with God's patience we can rise and shine like the sun, even as part of a field of weeds or as seemingly insignificant as a tiny mustard seed. Reassured, we sing together, "Lord, you are good and forgiving."

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

**5:00 PM:** God's blessings and continued healing for Austin "Babe" Monsanto rb The Giffit and Johnson families.

#### Sunday Masses:

**7:30 AM:** Birthday blessings for Junior Rubben rb Urleca Jn Baptiste.

**10:00 AM:** God's continued protection, healing and deliverance for Francesca Alcendor.

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

#### Daily Masses:

Mon. July 20, 7:00 AM: **St. Apollinaris**  
Clifford John (*deceased*) rb His family.

Tues. July 21, 7:00 AM: **St. Lawrence of Brindist**  
God's continued healing and blessings for Ruthine Johnson.

Wed. July 22, 7:00 AM: **St. Mary Magdalene**  
Dawn Sweeney (*deceased*) rb The Children of Mary.

Thurs. July 23, 7:00 AM: **St. Bridget**  
Gene Farro (*deceased*) rb Estelle Farro.

Fri. July 24, 7:00 AM: **St. Sharbel Makhlu**  
God's protection, healing and guidance for the children and grand children of Francesca Alcendor.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ETERNAL CANDLE:** This week the Eternal Candle is burning *for God's guidance and protection for Benoit and Shaquewell Fregiste, requested by Josephine Merrifield.* You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

**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, and may God continue to bless you and your family abundantly.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** On **Tuesday, July 28, 2020**, there will be a meeting with the First Communion students along with their parents or guardians at 5:30 p.m., to prepare for the reception of First Communion. On **Friday July 31, 2020**, parents are encouraged to bring their children to the Holy Hour Adoration from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Confessions for the children will be on **Saturday, August 1, 2020**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. followed with final rehearsal after confessions.

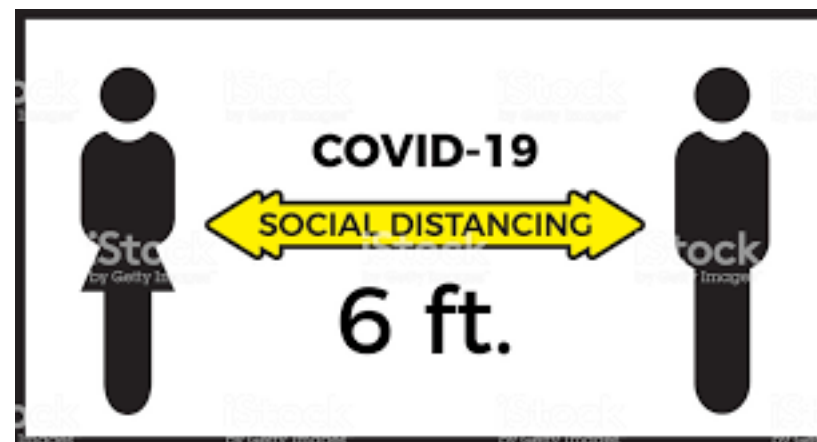
On **Sunday, August 2, 2020**, First Communion at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All children and guardians should be in Church by 9:30 a.m. Thank you for your cooperation. **PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR MASKS AT ALL TIMES AND SOCIAL DISTANCING IS STILL IN EFFECT.**

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

**CASSI HILL:** In lieu of our annual Cassi Hill procession and in observance of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on **Sunday, August 16, 2020**, a devotion will take place after the 7:30 a.m. mass. Please be guided accordingly. Our Lady of Cassi Hill, pray for us.

**CONFIRMATION:** Please be informed that the Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on **Sunday, September 13, 2020**. 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!

**2020-2021 SCHOOL REGISTRATION:** Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School is Accepting Student Registration for the 2020-2021 Academic Year. Please call 340-774-2199 to schedule testing or for additional information, space is limited.



### LITURGY AND WORD

**Meditation:** What can malicious weed-sowing tell us about the kingdom of God (Matthew 13:25)? The image Jesus uses in this parable is a common everyday example of planting, harvesting, and sorting the good fruit from the bad. Weeds can spoil and even kill a good harvest if they are not separated and destroyed at the proper time. Uprooting them too early, though, can destroy the good plants in the process.

#### Letting God's word take deep root in the heart

Just as nature teaches us patience, so God's patience also teaches us to guard the seed of his word which he has planted in our hearts and to beware of the destructive force of sin and evil that can destroy it. God's word brings life, but Satan seeks to destroy the good seed which has been planted in the hearts of those who have heard God's word. God's judgment is not hasty, but it does come. And in the end, God will reward each according to what they have sown and reaped in this life. In that day God will separate the evil from the good. Do you allow God's word to take deep root in your heart?

#### Growth and transformation from within

What can mustard seeds and leaven teach us about the kingdom of God? The tiny mustard seed literally grew to be a tree which attracted numerous birds because they loved the little black mustard seed it produced. God's kingdom works in a similar fashion. It starts from the smallest beginnings in the hearts of men and women who are receptive to God's word. And it works unseen and causes a transformation from within.

#### The Holy Spirit transforms us

Leaven is another powerful agent of change. A lump of dough left to itself remains just what it is, a lump of dough. But when the leaven is added to it a transformation takes place which produces rich and wholesome bread when heated - the staple of life for humans. The kingdom of God produces a transformation in those

### 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: **168**

#### Last Weekend's collections

**FIRST COLLECTION: \$3,193.43**

*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

who receive the new life which Jesus Christ offers. When we yield to Jesus Christ, our lives are transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit who dwells in us. Paul the Apostle says, "we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us" (2 Corinthians 4:7). Do you believe in the transforming power of the Holy Spirit?

Good and evil are sown in our hearts like tiny seeds which germinate, and in due time yield a harvest of good or bad fruit. Charles Read said: "Sow an act and you reap a habit. Sow a habit and you reap a character. Sow a character and you reap a destiny." In the day of judgment each will reap what he or she has sown in this life. Those who sow good will shine in the kingdom of their Father. They will radiate with the beauty, joy, and fullness of God's love. Do you allow the love of Christ to rule in your heart and in your actions?

*"Lord Jesus, let your word take root in my heart and may your all-consuming love transform my life that I may sow what is good, worthy, and pleasing to you."*

Keep Calm  
my Friends  
and Have  
a Blessed  
SUNDAY