

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: Candace Bryan Nehemie Leneus Young Vincentians

Thank you for sewing !!!



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

HOSPITAL: No one.

OFF ISLAND: Bertina Lestrade, Enid Blyden, Isabel Dublin, Mary Lewis, Philomen Baron, Thomas Johnson, Cyril Eugene, Joe Toussaint, Eugenie 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, Iona Vanterpool, Josefina Donastorg, Owen Johnrose, Sonia Herbert, Maggie Dolphin, Ophelia Bannis, Lola Warrington, Kathleen Thompson, John George, Roserita Laparol, Irene Morris, Mercedes Hodge.

Geri Care Senior Residential Home: - No one.

EBENEZER HOME: Cleota Hill.
And all the sick and suffering in our community!



Please call the office to add or remove names from this list. Thank you.

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 Justice when you ...

- *Treat everyone fairly.
- *Think for yourself and refuse to prejudge.
- *Avoid gossip and backbiting.
- *Own your mistakes and fix them.
- *Protect people's rights, including your own.
- *Solve problems so everyone wins.

Affirmation:

I act with justice. I stand up for the rights of others and myself. I have no need to pretend or defend. I choose to make amends.

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 FOR THE DIOCESE OF ST. THOMAS

Heavenly Father,
We give You praise for Your divine guidance. Turn to us, we pray, in our time of need. Look graciously on Your Church in the Virgin Islands. We are grateful to You for Your goodness to us since the creation of our Diocese. Over the years, You shepherded us through dedicated Pastors.

They help us grow in unity. They strengthened our spiritual life through the Gospel and Eucharist. Now, more than ever, we come to You in praise and thanksgiving as we pray for vocations and seek leaders inspired by You.

As we thank You for blessing us with priests, we look ahead and pray that You turn Your ear to us during this time of expectations. Among our many and various needs, we pray that You grant us a bishop that will continue to shepherd us in ways pleasing to Your designs. We long for a bishop that will love Your people and continue to minister to all the souls entrusted to his care.

Dear Lord, we pray that You watch over our priests, religious and the laity. Unite and inspire them to work together in order to advance the work of evangelization in our territory.

We join our voices with the psalmist and say: **"Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord."** (Ps. 118:26). Yes Lord, may Your blessings dwell upon Your choice and empower him for his new mission.

May Your will be done, Father, in the Virgin Islands and let all Your people praise Your holy name, now and forever. Amen.

Mary, Queen of the Apostles ... Pray for us. Our Lady of Cassi Hill ... Pray for us All the Saints of God ... Pray for us

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PARISH CELEBRATION

Birthdays

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

*Jose & Dolores Velazquez - Jan. 26
Errol & Patricia Grell - Jan. 28*

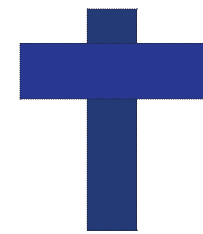


Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church Welcomes You!

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Jan. 24, 2021

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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.

Administrator
Reverend Msgr. Jerome Feudjio

Associate Pastor
Reverend Kerly François

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Rev. Mr. Michael Jackson
Rev. Mr. Frank Kearney

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

Tuesday - Thursday: 7:00 AM
Wednesday: OLPH Novena before the 7:00 AM Mass, followed by Adoration after the mass for one hour.
Friday: Mass 5:00 PM
Holy Hour - 6PM - 7PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM

Readings for the Week of January 24, 2021

Mon.: Acts 22:3 - 16; Mark 16:15 - 18
Tue.: 2 Tim.1:1 - 8; Mark 3:31 - 35
Wed.: Hebrews 10:11 - 18; Mark 4:1 - 20
Thur.: Hebrews 10:19 - 25; Mark 4:21 - 25
Fri.: Hebrews 10:32 - 39; Mark 4:26 - 34
Sat.: Hebrews 11:1 - 2, 8 - 19; Mark 4:35 - 41

NEXT SUNDAY:
4th Sunday in Ordinary time

Deuteronomy 18:15 - 20
1 Corinthians 7:32 - 35
Mark 1:21 - 28

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: *Jonah 3:1 - 5, 10*

Jonah told the Ninevites that God would destroy Nineveh because of their wickedness. They repented. God relented and did not destroy their city.

SECOND READING: *1 Corinthians 7:29 - 31*

Paul warned the Corinthians of the shortness of time because the world is passing away. They should, therefore, conduct themselves accordingly.

GOSPEL READING: *Mark 1:14 - 20*

Jesus appeared in Galilee preaching the good news and instructing the people: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

Jonah delivers a warning to Nineveh that their city will be destroyed in forty days. After only one day, they people listened and repented. In the Gospel, Jesus comes to Galilee with a call to repent and believe. Building a team committed to his mission, he invites four fishermen to follow him. Immediately they leave their work and families to do so. In between, we hear Paul, whose life was changed on the road to Damascus, calling the Corinthians to conversion. Let these readings inspire us to listen and respond.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: God's guidance and protection for Felix Renal rb Marie Renal.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: God's guidance and protection for the Eusebe and Casimir families rb Maynor Eusebe.

10:00 AM: Birthday blessings for Jean Baptiste, Diana, Bonnie, Turner and M'Quay. rb Their family.

5:00 PM: Birthday blessings for Pierre Joseph and Angele Lundy rb Their families.

Daily Masses:

Tues. Jan. 26, 7:00 AM: *Sts. Timothy and Titus*
God's deliverance, healing and protection for Francesca Alcendor.
rb Francesca Alcendor.

Wed. Jan. 27, 7:00 AM: *St. Angela Merici*
God's continued healing and blessings for Suzanne Adrien.

Thurs. Jan. 28, 7:00 AM: *St. Thomas Aquinas*
Richard and Rose Cook (*deceased*) rb Estelle Farro.

Fri. Jan. 29, 5:00 PM: *St. Genevieve*
God's continued guidance and protection for Ryan John.

#WASHYOURHANDS #SOCIALDISTANCING #WEARAMASK #CRUSHCOVID19

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning *for healing and deliverance for Francesca Alcendor and her children, requested by Francesca Alcendor.* You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

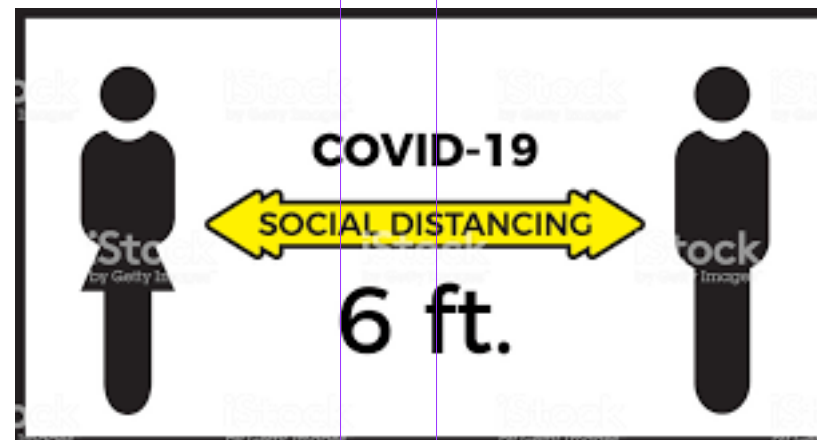
THANKSGIVING/FAREWELL MASSES: Bishop-elect Scantlebury wishes to express sincere thanks to all who came out to celebrate with him at his thanksgiving/farewell mass, and to all those who called, prayed, texted, gave gifts or wished him congratulations. May God reward you abundantly. Once again, thank you.

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OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Thank you for your generous contribution for the 2020 calendar year. Please pick up your Offertory envelopes for 2021 at the entrance of the church. **If you do not have an envelope, PLEASE register at the church office in order to obtain your box. PLEASE DO NOT TAKE UP ENVELOPES THAT ARE ALREADY ASSIGNED TO SOMEONE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING. GOD BLESS.**

FOOD FOR THE POOR: This 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.

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, Rev. Kerly François and the Deacons, Rev. Msgr. Jerome Feudjio extends sincere sympathy to Josephina Donastorg and family on the passing of her brother, **Miguel Aponte**, who died on **Wednesday, January 13, 2021**. The funeral arrangements are pending. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands is committed to protecting children from all harm. If you have knowledge of any member of the clergy or other church worker who may have abused a minor, please contact the diocesan child protection coordinator, **Callista Julien** at 340-772-4214.

LITURGY AND WORD

Meditation: What is the Gospel of God which Jesus came to preach? The word "gospel" literally means "good news." When a king had good news to deliver to his subjects he sent messengers or heralds throughout the land to make a public announcement - such as the birth of a newborn king or the victory over an invading army or occupied force. God sent his prophets to announce the coming of God's anointed King and Messiah. After Jesus was baptized in the River Jordan and anointed by the Spirit he begins his ministry of preaching the Gospel - the good news that the kingdom of God was now at hand for all who were ready to receive it.

God rules over all
What is the kingdom of God? The word "kingdom" means something more than a territory or an area of land. It literally means "sovereignty" or "reign" and the power to "rule" and exercise authority. The prophets announced that God would establish a kingdom not just for one nation or people but for the whole world. The Scriptures tell us that God's throne is in heaven and his rule is over all (Psalm 103:19). His kingdom is bigger and more powerful than anything we can imagine because it is universal and everlasting (Daniel 4:3). His kingdom is full of glory, power, and splendor (Psalm 145:11-13).

In the Book of Daniel we are told that this kingdom is given to the Son of Man (Daniel 7:14, 18, 22, 27). The Son of Man is a Messianic title for God's anointed King. The New Testament word for "Messiah" is "Christ" which literally means the "Anointed One" or the "Anointed King." God sent us his Son not to establish an earthly kingdom but to bring us into his heavenly kingdom - a kingdom ruled by truth, justice, peace, and holiness. The kingdom of God is the central theme of Jesus' mission. It's the core of his gospel message.

As soon as John the Baptist had finished his testimony, Jesus began his in Galilee, his home district. John's enemies had sought to silence him, but the gospel cannot be silenced. Jesus proclaimed that the time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God is at hand. Jesus takes up John's message of repentance and calls disciples to believe in the gospel - the good news he has come to deliver. What is the good news which Jesus delivers? It is the good news of peace (restoration of relationship with God - Ephesians 6:15), of hope (the hope of heaven and everlasting life - Colossians 1:23), of truth (God's word is true and reliable - Colossians 1:5), of promise (he rewards those who seek him - Ephesians 3:6), of immortality (God gives everlasting life - 2 Timothy 1:10), and the good news of salvation (liberty from sin and freedom to live as sons and daughters of God - Ephesians 1:13).

Two conditions for the kingdom - repent and believe
How do we enter the kingdom of God? In announcing the good news, Jesus gave two explicit things each of us must do in order to receive the kingdom of God: repent and believe. When we submit to Christ's rule in our lives and believe the gospel message the Lord Jesus gives us the grace and power to live a new way of life as citizens of his kingdom. He gives us grace to renounce the kingdom of darkness ruled by sin and Satan, the father of lies (John 8:44) and the ruler of this present world (John 12:31). That is why repentance is the first step.

Repentance means to change - to change my way of thinking, my attitude, disposition, and life choices so that Christ can be the Lord and Master of my heart rather than sin, selfishness, and greed. If we are only sorry for the consequences of our sins, we will very likely keep repeating the sin that is mastering us. True repentance requires a contrite heart (Psalm

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: **265**

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$3,506.00

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

51:17) and sorrow for sin and a firm resolution to avoid it in the future. The Lord Jesus gives us grace to see sin for what it really is - a rejection of his love and wisdom for our lives and a refusal to do what is good and in accord with his will. His grace brings pardon and help for turning away from everything that would keep us from his love and truth.

To believe is to take Jesus at his word and to recognize that God loved us so much that he sent his only begotten Son to free us from bondage to sin and harmful desires. God made the supreme sacrifice of his Son on the cross to bring us back to a relationship of peace and friendship with himself. He is our Father and he wants us to live as his sons and daughters. God loved us first and he invites us in love to surrender our lives to him. Do you believe that the gospel - the good news of Jesus - has power to free you from bondage to sin and fear?

Like fishermen - we are called to gather in people for the kingdom of Christ
When Jesus preached the gospel message he called others to follow as his disciples and he gave them a mission - "to catch people for the kingdom of God." What kind of disciples did he choose? Smelly fishermen! In the choice of the first apostles we see a characteristic feature of Jesus' work: he chose very ordinary people. They were non-professionals, had no wealth or position. They were chosen from the common people who did ordinary things, had no special education, and no social advantages. Jesus wanted ordinary people who could take an assignment and do it extraordinarily well. He chose these individuals, not for what they were, but for what they would be capable of becoming under his direction and power.

When the Lord calls us to serve, we must not think we have nothing to offer. The Lord takes what ordinary people, like us, can offer and uses it for greatness in his kingdom. Do you believe that God wants to work in and through you for his glory?

Jesus speaks the same message to us today: we will "catch people" for the kingdom of God if we allow the light of Jesus Christ to shine through us. God wants others to see the light of Christ in us in the way we live, speak, and witness the joy of the gospel. Paul the Apostles says, But thanks be to God, who in Christ Jesus always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing (2 Corinthians 2:15). Do you witness to those around you the joy of the Gospel and do you pray for your neighbors, co-workers, and relatives that they may come to know the Lord Jesus Christ and grow in the knowledge of his love?