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: Candace Bryan Lafwa Rolle Suzanne Adrien



Thank you for serving !!!



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, Cyril Eugene, Eugenie England, Helen Bruney, 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, Joe Toussaint.

Geri Care Senior Residential Home: - No one.

EBENEZER HOME: Cleota Hill.

And all the sick and suffering in our community!



Affirmation:

I am trustworthy.

I keep my word. I

am worthy of the

trust others place

in me.

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 Trustworthiness when you ...

- *Think before you make a promise to be sure you can do it.
- *Take responsibility for remembering your commitments.
- *Keep your promises even when they become hard to do.
- *Abide by the rules even when no one is watching.
- *Let nothing stop you from keeping your word.
- *Do your best and finish what you start.

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Most merciful Jesus.

I turn to You in my need. You are worthy of my complete trust. You are faithful in all things. When my life is filled with confusion, give me clarity and faith. When I am tempted to despair, fill my soul with hope.

Prayer for Trust in The Divine Mercy of God

Most merciful Jesus,

I trust You in all things. I trust in Your perfect plan for my life. I trust You when I cannot comprehend Your divine will. I trust You when all feels lost. Jesus, I trust You more than I trust myself.

Most merciful Jesus,

You are all-knowing. Nothing is beyond Your sight. You are all-loving. Nothing in my life is beyond Your concern. You are all-powerful. Nothing is beyond Your

Most merciful Jesus,

I trust in You. I trust in You. I trust in You.

May I trust You always and in all things May I daily surrender to Your Divine mercy.

Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of

Pray for us as we turn to you in our need.

AMEN.

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Joseph & Juliette Commodore - Apr. 12 Newman & Naomi Francis - Apr. 15



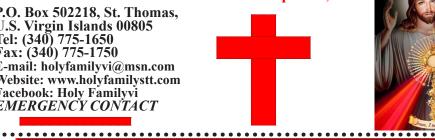
Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - April 11, 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.

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Masses:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Creole) **Every LAST Thursday** at 5:00 p.m.

Online giving or donation can b 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 - 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 April 11, 2021

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.: Acts 6:1 - 7; John 6:16 - 21

NEXT SUNDAY: 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 3:13 - 15, 17 - 19

1 John 2:1 - 5a

Luke 24:35 - 48



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!
FIRST READING: Acts 4:32 - 35

The community of believers shared "one heart and mind." No one claimed ownership over anything, everything was held in common, no-body went needy among them, and all "bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus."

SECOND READING: 1 John 5:1 - 6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God. "The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth."

GOSPEL READING: John 20:19 - 31

"Jesus appeared to the disciples and said, "Peace be with you" and breathed the Holy Spirit on them. Thomas doubted and then believed saying, "My Lord and my God!"

Today's Gospel features the story of "doubting Thomas," the apostle who refused to believe in the risen Christ until he saw Him with his own eyes. But let us not overlook Jesus giving the Holy Spirit to the apostles, telling them "whose sins you forgive are forgiven them." May we be a forgiving people, calling upon the Holy Spirit, whom we received in baptism, to extend that divine mercy to all in need of forgiveness, to all of us.



<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u> <u>Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):</u>



5:00 PM: Birthday blessings for Dalton Frett rb His family.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Deacon Roy Bruney (deceased) rb St. Joseph Workers.

10:00 AM: Eugene Farro (deceased) rb Estelle Farro.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Apr. 12, 7:00 AM: *St. Joseph Moscati* God's healing and deliverance for Holy Family parishioners.

Tues. Apr. 13, 7:00 AM: *St. Martin 1*God's continued healing, deliverance and protection for Francesca Alcendor rb Francesca Alcendor.

Wed. Apr. 14, 7:00 AM**: Blessed James Duckett**God's blessings and protection for Vivian Ovesen rb
St. Joseph Workers.

Thurs. Apr. 15, 7:00 AM: *Blessed Anna Schaffer*Berecia Reid (*deceased*) rb St. Joseph Workers.

Fri. Apr. 16, 5:00 PM: *St. Benedict Joseph Labre*Birthday blessings for Ryan John rb Paula and Bernadette.

Birthday blessings for Odente Rommis rb Auntie Paula.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for God's continued blessings, guidance and protection for Francis and Allison Callwood. You can request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

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

BISHOP'S APPEAL: Your donation to the Bishop's Appeal 2021 helps to support our mission in evangelization. Your contribution helps us to nourish and spread our faith through the Catholic Islander which is a focus of unity for all the Catholics on our four islands. It also helps to support Catholic media, the formation of our seminarian and the development of our diocesan youth ministries.

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*." Pleases see the brochure for further information. Thank You!

"It's not how much we give, it's how much LOVE we put into giving." Mother St. Theresa of Calcutta.

WEEKDAY MASS CHANGE: Please be informed that the **Monday morning** masses have reconvened at 7:00 a.m. and Fridays masses will return to 5:00 p.m. Please be guided accordingly.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: This <u>Sunday, April 11, 2021</u>, the Divine Mercy celebration will take place at 3:00 p.m. at Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral. The service will include confessions and the reciting of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and benediction. You are kindly invited to join us in this celebration.

LOURDES IN A DAY: The Order of Malta is inviting the parish sick to the 3rd annual "Lourdes in a Day" event on <u>Tuesday, April 13, 2021</u>, at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Holy Mass will be celebrated by Father Ortiz-Santiago. There will be Holy Water from Lourdes to all, confessions and lunch.

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LITURGY AND WORD

It was Jesus Himself, through the mediation of this humble and holy religious sister, Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska of the Blessed Sacrament, Who instituted the Feast of Mercy that we celebrate today. In addition to the above quote from her Diary of Divine Mercy, Jesus spoke on numerous other occasions about His desire that this feast be instituted as a universal Feast of Mercy to be celebrated throughout the world on the eighth day of Easter every year.

From the time of her death in 1938, the private revelations from Jesus to Sister Faustina began to be read and shared. At first, the Feast of Mercy was celebrated by only a few who knew of these messages. As these private revelations began to circulate further, there were some within the Church who questioned their authenticity. Thus, on March 6, 1959, the writings of Sister Faustina were put on the "forbidden" list by the Holy Office, Rome. However, in 1965, with the permission of the same Holy Office, the Archbishop of Kraków, Poland, Archbishop Karol Wojtyła, began an informative process in which new light was shed upon Sister Faustina and her writings. This process concluded on April 15, 1978, with the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Rome, issuing a new decree permitting the us today. spread of Sister Faustina's writings and the new devotion to The Divine Mercy. Then, by the providence of God, just six months later, the Archbishop of Kraków, Karol Wojtyła, was elected pope, taking the name Pope John Paul II. A little over two decades later, on April 30, 2000, Sister Faustina was canonized a saint in a ceremony presided over by Pope John Paul II. During her canonization, the Holy Father also instituted the Feast of Mercy for the universal Church to be celebrated on the eighth day of the Octave of Easter every year.

The providence of God is truly amazing. God started with this humble cloistered nun. He allowed His private revelations to be scrutinized by the Church and ultimately hand picked one of the greatest popes our Church has ever known to introduce these private revelations to the world. It's amazing to ponder the process by which these revelations went from the silent cloister of Sister Faustina to the universal Church. One thing this process truly tells us is that God must deeply desire that we immerse ourselves in the messages of Divine Mercy given through Saint Faustina. It was by God's providence that these messages slowly moved from the

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: 490
Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$5,937.44 BISHOP'S APPEAL: \$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

silence of the cloister in Kraków, Poland, to the universal Church beginning in the year 2000. Though it may be tempting to think that these messages are old and outdated, we should realize that God knew how long it would take for them to become instituted as a universal feast for all. Therefore, though these messages were first revealed before 1938, it was God's plan that they would especially be needed and read starting in the year 2000 and beyond. The message of Divine Mercy is especially for us today.

Reflect, today, upon this beautiful providence of God in bringing forth His message of mercy. Allow His providential methodology to not only inspire you but also to greatly encourage you to immerse yourself in the messages given to us from Jesus through Saint Faustina. Try to commit yourself to reading these messages so that, through them, God's providence will be able to come to fruition.

Most merciful God, You are The Divine Mercy, You are Mercy Itself. Help me to continually ponder this glorious gift of Your Mercy in my life. May the inspired writings of Saint Faustina especially be a gift to me so that their messages will bring forth Your mercy more fully in my life. Jesus, I trust in You.

