

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 CCD STUDENTS
LECTORS: Ruth Smith Hilda Celestine CCD STUDENTS



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, Cyril Eugene, Eugenie England, Helen Bruney, Maggie Dolphin, 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, Ophelia Banis, 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!



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 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

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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PRAYER FOR EASTER

Lord Jesus, you have risen to new life! Give me new eyes with which to recognize Your presence in the world around me. Sharpen my vision so that I can see beyond the ordinary events of each day and into the extraordinary reality of Your grace. Brighten my view of the world with renewed hope in the coming of Your Kingdom. Soften my gaze so that I can view others with the kind of tenderness and compassion You showed to so many. May each day of this Easter season provide glimpses of Your glory. In Your name I pray. Amen.

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 SERVICES/MASSES

Funeral Masses at Holy Family Church are held on the designated day at 10:00 a.m. If you would like a different time please contact the pastor. Tributes and solos are done before the Service at 9:00 a.m. Please keep your prelude activities to the minimum. **Funerals are NOT held on weekends (Saturdays and Sundays). Lectors of Holy Family Church will do the readings. Thank you for your cooperation.**

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PARISH CELEBRATION

Birthdays

Ann Theophille, Jonathan Davis, Zita Alexander, Denise Hodge, Lucius Dorceley, Jada Smith, Ronald Mark, Dian Charles, Onique Winston, Claude Phillistin, Crystal Thompson, Renaldo Stout, Shamene Johnson, Demare Encarnacion, Anisa Otto, Nicholas Jn Charles, Jada Rhym-er, Sean Bryan, Ce'Ara Donald, Lynae Roberts, Jaydnee George.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

*Phillipson & Micarla Matthew - Apr. 19
Leon & Marguerite Casey - Apr. 19
Fenrick & Lydia Rivere - Apr. 23*

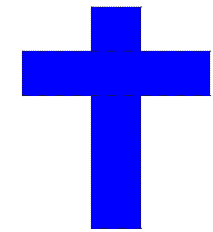


Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!

Holy Family Catholic Church
Welcomes You!

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER - April 18, 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
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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 - 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 18, 2021

Mon.: Acts 6:8 - 15; John 6:22 - 29
Tue.: Acts 7:51 - 8:1a; John 6:30 - 35
Wed.: Acts 8:1b - 8; John 6:35 - 40
Thur.: Acts 8:26 - 40; John 6:44 - 51
Fri.: Acts 9:1 - 20; John 6:52 - 59
Sat.: Acts 9:31 - 42; John 6:60 - 69

NEXT SUNDAY:
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 4:8 - 12
1 John 3:1 - 2
John 10:11 - 18



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Acts 3:13 - 15

Peter said to the people, "The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead." God brought to fulfillment what the prophets announced long ago: that the messiah would suffer.

SECOND READING: 1 John 2:1 - 5a

John told believers that Christ Jesus is a just intercessor who offers sacrifice for the sin of the whole world and that a person cannot know Jesus without keeping His commands.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 24:35 - 48

The risen Christ appeared to the disciples and said, "Peace be with you." The Lord ate cooked fish in their presence and discussed the law, prophets and psalms with them, opening their minds to understand the Scriptures.

Our readings today take us back in time to the days that followed Jesus' resurrection. Peter preached in the temple, promising forgiveness for those who repent and convert. John wrote to the early Christian community, promising the love of God to those who keep the commandments. Before all this, Jesus appeared to His disciples, assuring them of His bodily presence and charging them to testify in His name to the whole world. Let us listen, knowing we are called to do the same.

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):



5:00 PM: Birthday blessings for Vera Brady rb The Johnson family.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Birthday blessings for Matthew Placid rb Matthew Placid.

10:00 AM: Ruthina Lander (*deceased*) rb The Rene family.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Apr. 19, 7:00 AM:
God's deliverance and healing for Holy Family parishioners.

Tues. Apr. 20, 7:00 AM: *St. Agnes of Montepulciano*
God's guidance and protection for the children and grandchildren of Francesca Alcendor rb Francesca Alcendor.

Wed. Apr. 21, 7:00 AM: *St. Anselm*
God's blessings and guidance for Bishop Jerome Feudjio.

Thurs. Apr. 22, 7:00 AM: *Blessed Lidwina*
Claudette Alfred (*deceased*) rb St. Joseph Workers.

Fri. Apr. 23, 5:00 PM: *St. Adalbert*
Kathleen Farro (*deceased*) rb Estelle Farro.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning *for birthday blessings for Ann Luke*. 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 *Catholic Home Mission*. As always we thank you for your generosity.

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, over 40% of diocese in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

BISHOP'S APPEAL: Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal 2021 supports the soup kitchens that are part of the Catholic Charities program. Last year 162,321 meals and hundreds of nights of shelter for the homeless were provided to the poor through your generosity.

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, its how much LOVE we put into giving."
Mother St. Theresa of Calcutta

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.

WEEKDAY MASS CHANGE: Please be informed that the **Monday morning masses have reconvened at 7:00 a.m. and Fridays masses has return to 5:00 p.m.** followed with adoration at 6:00 p.m. Please be guided accordingly.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Are you unemployed or just looking for a change in your career and are desirous of working in a most exciting and fulfilling atmosphere? Catholic Charities of the Virgin Islands seeks to employ an Administrative Assistant with some accounting experience. We offer: retirement plan, health insurance, paid vacations. Call 340-777-8518 for further information or email ccusvi@outlook.com

ALLELUIA!

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

This was the final appearance to the disciples as recorded in Luke's Gospel. In this appearance, Jesus showed the Apostles His hands and His feet, explained to them that He had to suffer, die and rise, as was foretold by the prophets. He exhorted them to be "witnesses of these things," He explained that very soon the Holy Spirit would come from the Father, and then walked with them to Bethany where He ascended to Heaven. These, the final earthly words of Jesus, set forth the mission of these Apostles as well as the mission of all of us.

"You are witnesses of these things," Jesus said. What things? The Apostles were to be witnesses to the Paschal Mystery: Jesus' suffering, death and Resurrection. The proclamation of these truths are the central mission of Jesus' Apostles and all of us.

How often do you think about the Paschal Mystery? Perhaps you have heard those words but do not fully understand what they are. What is the "Paschal Mystery?" The Paschal Mystery was what Jesus told the Apostles to be witnesses to. They were to be witnesses to others that Jesus came from the Father, suffered death for our sins, rose from the dead to conquer sin and then ascended into Heaven to invite us to follow. This is the most central message of our faith.

Sometimes our Christian faith can be treated more like a book of "do good lessons" than as the saving truths of our redemption. Though it's essential to understand the moral laws and the call to charitable works, we must always remember that the heart of the Gospel is about salvation. It's about Jesus dying for our sins and rising victorious so that we can enter the glories of Heaven. We do not enter Heaven simply because we are good people; rather, we are able to enter Heaven only because of the saving act of the Paschal Mystery. And though this saving act calls us to a life of charitable service to others, that charitable work is more of an effect of salvation than it is the central purpose of our faith.

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: **270**
Last Weekend's collections
FIRST COLLECTION: **\$3,623.00**
BISHOP'S APPEAL: **\$572.00**

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

The Gospel passage of today also says that Jesus "opened their minds to understand the Scriptures." Therefore, if we, like the Apostles, are to understand the Gospel and the central purpose of Jesus' life and our own lives, then we must allow Him to open our minds also. We must allow Jesus to reveal to us the Paschal Mystery, because it is not something we can comprehend or figure out on our own.

Reflect, today, upon how clearly you understand the purpose of the life of Christ. Do you understand the mysteries of His human life, suffering, death and Resurrection? Do you understand how these truths of our faith must change you at your very core? And do you understand your duty to be a witness to these mysteries of faith to others? Sit with these questions and allow them to sink in deeply so that you may join the Apostles in both the gift of redemption and the call to evangelize the world.

My saving Lord, Your life, death and Resurrection is the greatest gift ever given. Through this Paschal Mystery, we are set free from sin and become children of Your Father in Heaven. Open my mind to more fully understand this great gift and give me the grace I need to become Your witness to the world in need. Jesus, I trust in You.