

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: Olga Mcbean                      Pierre Joseph                      Mona Bedminster

*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, Deacon Peter Laurencin.

**AT HOME:** Rita Ledee, Rose Celestine, Martina Lewis, Olivia Gumbs, 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 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!*



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 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

P.O. Box 303477  
St. Thomas, VI 00803  
340.677.2025  
acjohnson1991@icloud.com

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

**TOYOTA**

TOYOTA OF ST. THOMAS  
Estate 10 #3 New Quarter  
Charlotte Amalie  
St. Thomas, VI 00802

Cell: (340) 514-5927  
PH: (340) 715-3132  
Fax: (340) 715-3161

**VICTOR A. BENOIT**  
Sales Associate

**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 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.**

**Le Bleu**  
ULTRA PURE BOTTLED WATER

Chi-Co's Distributing, Inc  
Lindberg Bay #18  
P.O Box 302250  
St. Thomas, VI 00803

340-776-5894 / Fax: 340-776-5854

**PARISH CELEBRATION Birthdays**

*Veronique Blaize, Daisy Joseph, Cyril Abraham, Yolanda Rivere, Joanne Grell, Julie Smith, Paul Hendrickson, Emery Emmanuel, Felicita Hodge, Cecil Battiste, Michelle Stout, Keiya George, Rousel Charelius, Carmen Laville, Sara Gennusa, Rhita Antoine, Jazmine Grell, Rozheal Gegoire, Roy Petersen, Julian Wallace, Melanie Santiago, Peter Williams, Brianna Esprit, Davidson Gue, Maya St. Luce.*

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

**Egbert & Leana Dagou - July 24**

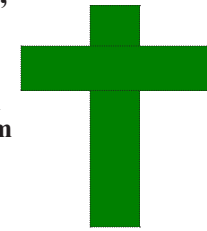


*Lord, bless our parishioners who celebrate their special day this week. Amen!*

**Holy Family Catholic Church Welcomes You!**

**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 18, 2021**

P.O. Box 502218, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands 00805  
Tel: (340) 775-1650  
Fax: (340) 775-1750  
E-mail: holyfamilyvi@msn.com  
Website: www.holyfamilystt.com  
Facebook: Holy Familyvi  
**EMERGENCY CONTACT**



**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.**

**Bishop**  
Most Reverend Jerome Feudjio

**Priest**  
Reverend Kerly François

**Visiting Deacon**  
Rev. Mr. Cassius Matthurin

**Administrative Assistant**  
Mrs. Allison Callwood

**Media Ministry**  
Francis Callwood - Advisor  
Pierre Joseph  
Jadine Davis  
Jonathan Davis  
Jeeniyah Andrew  
Shanique Stout

**Sacristans**  
Mr. Tajil Chitolie Baptiste  
Ms. Francesca Alcendor

**Musicians**  
Mr. Francis Callwood  
Mr. Verne Callwood  
Mr. Desmond Simmonds

**Volunteers**  
Ms. Jennifer Johnson  
Mr. Richard Callwood, III

**Custodian**  
Mr. Russell Tonge

**CHANCERY: BISHOP'S OFFICE**

(340) 774-3166

**Venerable Pierre Toussaint Catholic Chapel**  
4B-B Estate Bovoni  
St. Thomas VI 00802

**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 July 18, 2021**

Mon.: Exodus 14:5 - 18; Matt. 12:38 - 42  
Tue.: Exodus 14:21 - 15:1; Matt. 12:46 - 50  
Wed.:Exod. 16:1- 5, 9 - 15; Matthew 13:1 - 9  
Thur.: Song of Songs 3:1 - 4b; John 20:1 - 2,11 - 18  
Fri.: Exodus 20:1 - 17; Matthew 13:18 - 23  
Sat.: Exodus 24:3 - 8; Matthew. 13:24 - 30

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2 Kings 4:42 - 44  
Ephesians 4:1 - 6  
John 6:1 - 15

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

#### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1 - 6

The Lord was angry and promised to punish the shepherds who misled and scattered the flock. The Lord God would gather the flock and appoint new shepherds to care for it.

#### SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:13 - 18

In Christ, we are reconciled and united with each other and with God. Christ Jesus came to announce the good news. Through him we come in one Spirit to the Father.

#### GOSPEL READING: Mark 6:30 - 34

The disciples returned from work and went with Jesus to a quiet place to rest. Crowds followed. Jesus took pity on them, "for they were like sheep without a shepherd."  
In the Gospel we hear today, Jesus invites his disciples to take a break and rest a while. He invites us to do the same today. As we rest our minds and bodies, let us listen to God's word. Jeremiah tells his people that one day a king and shepherd will come to bring justice to the land. Paul writes that in Christ walls are broken down and peace established among all peoples. Jesus laments the directionless people massed on the shore. And so he began to teach. May we be eager learners.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: Ulric Charles (*deceased*) rb His family.

#### Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Leon Bryan (*deceased*) rb Joel Bryan and family.

10:00 AM: Birthday blessings for Agnes and S' Atish.

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

#### Daily Masses:

Mon. July 19, 7:00 AM: *Blessed Peter ToRot*  
Philip Marcellin (*deceased*) rb His wife, Felicinne Marcellin.

Tues. July 20, 7:00 AM: *St. Apollinaris*  
God's guidance for Bishop Jerome Feudjio.

Wed. July 21, 7:00 AM: *St. Lawrence of Brindisi*  
Veronica Milue Casimir (*deceased*).

Thurs. July 22, 7:00 AM: *St. Mary Magdalene*  
God's guidance for the priests of the diocese.

Fri. July 23, 5:00 PM: *St. Bridget of Sweden*  
Kathleen Farro (*deceased*) rb Estelle Farro.

#WASHYOURHANDS #SOCIALDISTANCING #WEARAMASK #CRUSHCOVID19

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ETERNAL CANDLE:** This week the Eternal Candle is burning *for birthday blessings for Joan Alfred, requested by Joan Alfred.* Please contact the church office to request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This week's second collection goes towards the *Music Ministry.* Next week's second collection will go towards *Catholic Education.* As always we thank you for your generosity.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** This weekend the altar flowers were paid for by *Eubald Rene* in celebration of the marriage of his daughter, Evelina Rene to Jerome Bute. Thank you for beautifying our altar and we pray God's continued blessings for a happy and long marriage. Once again, thank you.

**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.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Hands are desperately needed to assist in the cleaning of our church in preparation of our weekend masses. Please contact Viola Williams at 340-514-8093 and become an active member of the group. "*Many hands make light work.*" Thank you in advance.

**SYMPATHY:** On behalf of Holy Family parishioners and the Deacon, Rev. Kerly Francois extends sincere sympathy to Chantele Casimir and family on the passing of her mother, *Veronica Milue Casimir* who died on **Monday, June 28, 2021.** The funeral Mass for the late *Veronica Milue Casimir* will take place on **Wednesday, July 21, 2021** at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Family Church; viewing will precede the mass at 9:00 a.m. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

**BISHOP'S APPEAL:** The public phase of our Bishop's Appeal 2021 concluded on the weekend of June 27, 2021. As of **June 18, 2021,** the diocese has raised **\$101,825.00.** We did not set parish goals this year, given the financial challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic and the ability of parishioners to contribute to the Fund. Parishioners gave without the pressure to meet a set goal.

We are therefore extremely grateful to all those who have donated to the Bishop's Appeal. We will continue to process the pledged contributions with the expectation that your contributions will be fulfilled by December 31, 2021. Our schools, Catholic Charities and Evangelization efforts need everyone's support! Your gifts help feed the hungry and gives shelter to mothers and children in desperate need.

Donations may be made in the form of cash, check or credit card. Checks should be made payable to "*Diocese of St. Thomas.*" Please see the brochure for further information. Thank You!

"Whatever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters, that you do unto Me."

## 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

*"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while."*  
Mark 6:31a

This is an invitation we may need to hear far more than we realize. And it's an invitation that many find hard to accept from Jesus. But take it as a direct invitation offered to you from our Lord. Hear Him say this to you: "You, my child, please do come away by yourself to a deserted place and rest for a while."

There is something very healing and helpful that comes from silence and moments of solitude. There is something about silence and solitude that enables us to get refocused. So often in life we are overwhelmed by busyness. "Busyness" is often a way for the evil one to wear us down and get us off track. It keeps us from the gentle, clear and refreshing voice of God. So how is it that God is inviting you to come away by yourself and rest?

At the heart of this invitation is a longing in Jesus' heart that we rest from those burdens which weigh us down unnecessarily. It's true that there are many good things God calls us to do that can exhaust us. But this "holy exhaustion" is not a bad thing. In fact, being "exhausted" by the will of God actually deepens our faith and fills us with joy. And that joy lightens our burden.

The main reason for our need to "come away" and "rest" is that there are many things in life that are not part of God's will. These are burdens we impose upon ourselves unnecessarily. These burdens, more than anything else, are what we need to rest from.

Coming away, alone, with Jesus, is a way of getting refocused and clearing out the clutter of life. It's a way of escaping from our impulses and habits that draw us away from the joyful will of God. So think about this invitation. Think about it practically. Can you find at least ten minutes today to go find silence so as to rest in the arms of Jesus?

## 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: **000**  
Last Weekend's collections  
FIRST COLLECTION: **\$3,947.75**  
YOUTH MINISTRY: **\$871.00**

*Our Bishop's Appeal contribution amounted to **\$9,415.00,** 9% of the diocese's goal. As always we thank you for your continuous contribution.*

## LITURGY AND WORD CONT'D

Reflect, today, upon how ready and willing you are to accept the invitation from Jesus to come and rest with and in Him. Commit yourself to doing just that. Make the choice, today, to find time to be alone. From that time of solitude, seek the still, small and silent voice of God. Let the quiet and the peace of God's presence bring clarity and focus to your busy life.

*Lord, help me to hear You call me to a time of rest and peace. Help me to seek You and to accept Your gentle invitation. Jesus, I trust in You.*

