

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 Noreen Joseph Suzanne Adrien



Thank you for serving !!!



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

HOSPITAL: Christine Pharoah.

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 Love when you ...

**Treat others as you want them to treat you.*

**Say kind words and loving things.*

**Share your things and yourself.*

**Love people just as they are.*

**Take good care of the things you love.*

**Do what you love and love what you do.*

Affirmation:

I am a loving person. I show my love with thoughtful acts, kind words and affection. I treat others the way I want to be treated.

WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS

OFFICE HOURS

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

Wednesdays & Fridays

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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VICTOR A. BENOIT
Sales Associate

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

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 1st - November 30th

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.

Covid-19 Prayer

With a sad heart but with a strong faith in the Heavenly Father, today I kneel down in prayer, asking for a full recovery of those with Covid-19 and Lord I'm asking You to continue to protect & cover those who have not yet suffered the infection. Give more strength to all the frontliners who are exhausted but are not giving up.

**In Jesus mighty name....
Amen!**

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PARISH CELEBRATION

Birthdays

Philomen Baron, Jonia John-Baptiste, Augustus Baron, Kathleen Dena, Jesus Amaro, Eltino Pickering, Rawlina Camacho, Dale George, Akira Pickering-Haynes, Ashantay Camacho, Doreen Fedee, Naomi Francis, Adrian Francis, Shelton Pacquette, Sean Williams, Nathaly Alcendor, Stephan Seraphin, Tausha Thomas-David, Robertson Moore, Amber Richards, Delanni Matthew, Jah-keem Clarke, Rick Romero-Seas, Leon-dra Plummer, Wendell Benjamin, Keeto Joseph, Abigail Tity.



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

**Holy Family Catholic Church
Welcomes You!**

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 29, 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.

Pastor
Reverend **Boniface Twaibu**

Associate Pastor
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

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**Venerable Pierre Toussaint
Catholic Chapel**
4B-B Estate Bovoni

**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 August 29, 2021**

Mon.: 1 Thes. 4:13 - 18; Luke 4:16 - 30
Tue.: 1 Thes. 5:1 - 6, 9 - 11; Luke 4:31 - 37
Wed.: Colossians 1:1 - 8; Luke 4:38 - 44
Thur.: Colossians 1:9 - 14; Luke 5:1 - 11
Fri.: Colossians 1:15 - 20; Luke 5:33 - 39
Sat.: Colossians 1:21 - 23; Luke 6:1 - 5

**NEXT SUNDAY:
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 35:4 - 7a

James 2:1 - 5

Mark 7:31 - 37

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY!

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 4:1 - 2, 6 - 8

Moses urged the Israelites to be faithful to the commands of the Lord. They were not to change them in any way but to follow them wisely.

SECOND READING: James 1:17 - 18, 21b - 22, 27

In order for God's word to take root, believers must do more than merely listen to it. They must act upon it.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 7:1 - 8, 14 - 15, 21 - 23

Jesus said that nothing coming from outside can make a person impure. Rather, it is the evil coming from within that constitutes impurity. Do we take God's word to heart and act upon it? Moses - about to reveal the commandments - calls on the people to observe God's word carefully and faithfully. In his letter, James asks us to welcome God's word and put it into action. In the Gospel, Jesus warns the scribes and Pharisees that they confuse human tradition with God's commands. Listening to God's word, let us consider how it guides our actions.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Mass (Sunday Observance):

5:00 PM: Diana Herman (*deceased*) rb The Children of Mary.

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM: Rudy Blanchard (*deceased*) rb the Children of Mary.

10:00 AM: Richard and Rose Cook (*deceased*) rb Estelle Farro.

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

Daily Masses:

Mon. Aug. 30, 7:00 AM: **St. Fiacre**

God's healing for Ophelia Bannis under St. Raphael's guidance
rb Ophelia Bannis.

Tues. Aug. 31, 7:00 AM: **St. Aidan of Lindisfarne**



Wed. Sept. 1, 7:00 AM: **St. Giles**

Dawn Sweeney (*deceased*) rb The Children of Mary.

Thurs. Sept. 2, 7:00 AM: **St. Blessed John DuLau & the Martyrs**

Renee Doute (*deceased*) rb Her mother, Alicia Doute & family.

Fri. Sept. 3, 5:00 PM: **St. Gregory the Great**

#WASHYOURHANDS #SOCIALDISTANCING #WEAR A MASK #CRUSHCOVID19

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ETERNAL CANDLE: This week the Eternal Candle is burning for God's continued blessings for Lucy JnBaptiste and family, requested by Beverly McClendon. Please contact the church office to request the Eternal Candle for your loved ones' birthdays or any special occasions.

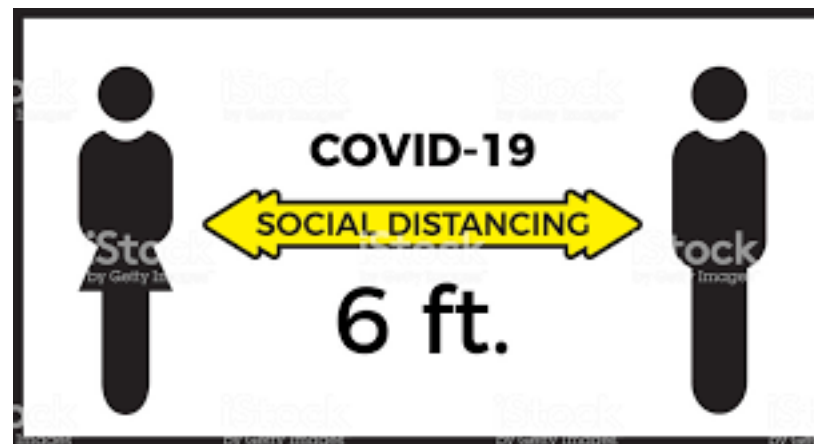
SECOND COLLECTION: This week's second collection goes towards the Music Ministry. Next week's second collection will go towards the Renovation Fund. As always we thank you for your generosity.

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, the deacon, and priests we extend sincere sympathy to Marie Joseph and family on the passing of her brother, William Thomas, who died on **Wednesday, August 18, 2021**. The funeral service of the late William Thomas will take place on **Friday, September 3, 2021** at Holy Family Church, at 10:00 a.m. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

SYMPATHY: On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, the deacon, and priests we extend sincere sympathy to Alicia Doute and family on the passing of her aunt, Constance Connie Graham, who died on **Monday, August 16, 2021**. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Due to COVID and the Department of Health guidelines, attendance at the funeral service is limited to immediate family members only. This service will be live streamed. Please be guided accordingly.

COVID- DELTA PROTOCOL: Following the recent press release of the Governor of the US Virgin Islands concerning houses of worship Covid-19 protocols, please take note of the recommendations that all protocols on restrictions must be observed, to ensure that sanitization, face covering, monitoring of body temperature and social distancing are strictly implemented in all the facilities and all the churches of the diocese.



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

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." Mark 7:14-15

Jesus speaks this passage after calling the Pharisees "hypocrites." He rebukes them for being obsessively concerned about the externals and failing to be attentive to the internals. Jesus makes it clear that evil comes from within and that the heart should be our true concern.

The thing that sparked Jesus' strong rebuke of the Pharisees was the fact that they criticized the disciples for not washing their hands and, thus, they ate their meal with "unclean hands." What's sad is that the Pharisees seem to make a huge deal about this fact. What this reveals is that the Pharisees seemed to think that holiness is something that you obtain by scrupulous external observance of the laws and customs of the times. But they failed to see the importance of what was within.

St. Teresa of Ávila has a couple of beautiful quotes that speak of the importance of that which is within. "Within you dwells your God. Enter within, look at Him, talk to Him, listen to Him and stay with Him in your heart." And, "Indeed, we have heaven within ourselves for the Lord of Heaven is there."

Jesus also points out the types of evil that come from within. "From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile" Mark 7:21-23.

So what's in your heart? When you spend time alone and quietly look at your life, what do you see? What is it that makes up your interior life?

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: **192**
Last Weekend's collections
FIRST COLLECTION: **\$3,095.75**
Catholic Education: **\$531.00**

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 that which is within. Know that any sin in your heart must be acknowledged, confessed and purged. Only when that is done can you meet God who dwells within. Only then can you allow God to transform your exterior from His presence in your soul.

Lord, please do come into my heart. Set my heart on fire with love for You. Purge my heart of all sin and allow Your divine presence to shine forth for all to see. Jesus, I trust in You.

