

Saint Thomas Diocese

Holy Family Catholic Church

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Holy Family Church



Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday......7:00 a.m. Saturday (**Vigil**).....5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m & 10:00 a.m. English 5:00 p.m. Creole/French

Devotions

Holy Hour

Wednesday following Holy Mass

Novena Holy Mass to O.L.P.H. Wednesday...... 7:00 a.m.

Novena Holy Mass to Sacred Heart First Friday.....7:00 a.m

CHURCH DIRECTORY

PASTOR

Rev. Boniface-Blanchard Twaibu

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Kerly François

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Cassius Matthurin

Parish Secretary: Ms. Carmen A. White Parish Account.: Ms. Penrose Gardiner Religious Ed. Director: Ms. M. René Music Director: Mr. Francis Callwood

Custodian: Mr. Russell Tonge

Sacristans

Ms. Francesca Alcendor Ms. Silia Erilis Ms. Beulah Babulal Ms. Viola Williams Mr. Julio Compere Mr. Austin Walters

Office Hours:

Mon through Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m

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.

Faith and Scripture

We are a Roman Catholic family united in the Grace and peace of Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, and we are a parish who believe and live the word of God as the truth that shepherds us.

Family and Service

We believe family relationship is important and vow to do all we can to champion Christian family values.

Worship and Sacrifice

We build the Kingdom of God's Love by proclaiming His Words, spreading Catholic Devotions, celebrating the Sacraments, and sharing the Eucharist; we surrender our lives to Christ as a sacrifice of praise, laying down our lives as He did.

Summary

We promise to preach what we practice and practice what we preach:

"Love God and love your neighbor as yourself."

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, November 6

5:00 PM. + Richard Callwood Jr.: Repose of soul/ The family.

SUNDAY, November 7

7:30 AM. - Francis Callwood: Birthday blessings/ His family.

10:00 AM. + Lorna Greig: Repose of soul/ Renée M. Greig & family.

5:00 PM. - For the grace of peace in Haiti.

MONDAY, November 8

7:00 AM. - . For Parishioners

TUESDAY, November 9

7:00 AM. - .For the sick and shut-ins

WEDNESDAY, November 10

7:00 AM. + Helen Joseph: Repose of soul/ The René family.

THURSDAY, November 11

7:00 AM. + All deceased members of SVDP Conference: Repose of soul/ Alma Wells.

FRIDAY, November 12

7:00 AM. - Fr. Kerly François: Birthday blessings.

SATURDAY, November 13

5:00 PM. + Gene Farro: Repose of soul/ Estelle Farro.

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY:

1Kgs 17:10-16 Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44

Wis 7:22b-8:1

MONDAY: Wis 1:1-7 Lk 17:1-6

TUESDAY: Ez 3:1-9

Dedication of the 1Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Lateran Basilica Jn 2:13-22

WEDNESDAY: Wis 6:1-11 St. Leo the Great, Pope & Lk 17:11-19

Doctor of the Church

THURSDAY:

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop Lk 17:20-25

FRIDAY: Wis 13:1-9 St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr Lk 17:26-37

SATURDAY: Wis 18:14-16

St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Lk 18:1-8

PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS

HOSPITAL:

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, Joe Toussaint, Mercedes Hodge.

Geri Care Senior Residential Home:

EBENEZER HOME: Cleota Hill.

(Please call the Church Office to add or remove names to/from this list)

MASS ATTENDANCE – October 30 & 31, 2021

Saturday 5:00pm 43/ **Sunday** 7:30am 82/ 10:00 a.m. 89/ 5:00pm 48/ Total 262

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Last Weekend's collections FIRST COLLECTION: \$2718.00 SECOND COLLECTION: \$1181.00 Online giving or donation can be made through ourwebsite at: www.holyfamilystt.com

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Restoration Fund November 06-07 Youth Ministry November 13-14 Catholic Education November 20-21 Restoration Fund November 27-28

Announcements



Seven Days Sanctuary Lamp Devotion

The Sanctuary Lamp which burns in the Sanctuary of our church, the reminder of the Lord's Presence in the Most Holy Eucharist, will burn from November 7th to November 13th for birthday blessings for Francis Callwood. Requested by his Wife.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations to our youths who received the Sacrament of Confirmation today. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit obtain you grace upon graces to remain faithful to your church and to God.

2021-2022 CCD Religious Education Program

Our Religious Education Program strives to provide a solid foundation in our faith. Students are encouraged to begin formal religion classes in the first grade of public or private non catholic schools. Children 7 years of age and younger are considered infants. Our religious education meets once a week on Saturday 9:00am. Registration for this catechetical year will close at the end of this month. Applications for both Infant Baptism and CCD programs are available at the rear of the Church or in the Church Office.

Altar Servers Albs

As we are preparing new Altar Servers for installation, we are asking parents who are keeping Altar Server's Albs to please return them in in the Sacristy or in the Church Office anytime during Office Hours. There are only two albs in the Sacristy. We thank you for your cooperation

Parish Secretary

We welcome aboard Ms. Carmen A. White as our new Parish Secretary. We thank parishioners for the patience you endured. Looking forward to reconnecting with you Monday through Friday from 9am to 3:30pm. We take this opportunity to thank Carmen for accepting this appointment. May God's spiritual blessings accompany you throughout your service in the Church office. Reminder, our gift store is open during Office Hours.

Parish Accountant

We welcome onboard Ms. Penrose as our new Church Accountant. The imperative need to improve and update our accounting system services has added a significant load of works that exceeds the available time for Mona who served in this capacity for many years as a volunteer. Taking this opportunity to thank her for her service and for facilitating a smooth transition. God bless you!

Saint Joseph Workers Monthly Meeting

Saint Joseph Workers are invited to attend their regular monthly meeting next Sunday November 14 following the 7:30am Holy Mass.

November Month of the Faithful Departed

Parishioners are urged to request Holy Mass in remembrance of or for the repose of the soul of their loved ones. Since the Eucharist is the source and the summit of the Christian life, Holy Mass possess a power that our personal prayers do not! Please call the office for mass intention reservation.

Bulletin announcements must be submitted to the Church Office by Wednesday at noon

Parish Information

Sacrament of Baptism

Fourth Sunday of each month. Please register your children at the Church Office. Present a copy of the child(ren) birth certificate(s). A minimum of 4 classes is required.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) Classes

Classes are held every Saturday during the school year and begin with attendance and instruction in the lower level of Columban Hall at 9:00 a.m.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Classes

RCIA is the journey of faith by which interested persons become members of the Roman Catholic Church. The program instructs adults to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church through Baptism and/or Confirmation and Holy Communion. To register, please call the church office at (340) 775-1650.

Sacrament of Penance

Confession is the sacrament that allows us to admit our faults and develop humility, but the most profound part is we get to experience Christ's gift of mercy.

Confession is available every day by appointment.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Please call the church office at (340) 775-1650 whenever a family member or friend is seriously ill or hospitalized.

Funerals

All funeral services begin at 10:00 a.m. No funerals are held on weekends. Arrangements must be made with the Church before funeral arrangements with the funeral home. Viewing in church is suspended until further notice! We encourage viewing at funeral home

Sacrament of Marriage

Please make arrangements with Pastor 6 months before your wedding by calling the church office.

Parish Registration

Parishioners who are 18 years and older are invited to register at the Church Office as well as become active and contributing members. We would like to maintain an up-to-date listing of all Holy Family parishioners. Registration also helps in providing quick services for the request and proof of miscellaneous church letters for individuals, Baptism, Confirmation, etc.



My Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel message for this Sunday is about giving. Christ praises the poor widow who drops only two small coins in the coffer of the temple, unlike the others who "put in their surplus money" The poor widow received the praise of Jesus because she put her last money, though she was poor. As Jesus said: "she gave all she had to live on." The message of Jesus is very clear: Every person is capable of sharing no matter how poor or needy he is.

Many people would give because they are pressured to do so. Others give because they do not want to be embarrassed. Some would give for the motives of honor and prestige. And not a few would give because they want to get something in return. True giving must be sincere. It must be coming from the heart. The real value of giving is not measured by the amount given. If this is the case, then, everybody can afford to do this, but real giving is the generous giving of oneself. That is sacrifice on the part of the giver.

Few suggestions on how to give: 1) Give without pretension or blowing your trumpet; 2) Give willingly or not begrudgingly or under compulsion, and 3) Mother Theresa's advice was to "give until it hurts."

Your Sunday offering help the parish to meet its financial obligation. How much do you put in the basket to support your church? Let us remember that we cannot deceive God! Jesus praises the widow who "gave all that she had to live on" not for the mere fact that the religious establishment was taking advantage of it. But for her sincere and total trust in God. What we give back to God says much about how much faith we have in God who is the source of all goodness. **Blessed Sunday to you!**

HOLY FAMILY MINISTRIES&REPRESENTATIVES

•Altar Servers: (TBD)
•Readers: (TBD)

• Meaders: (189)
• Holy Family Adult Choir: Francis Callwood

•EMHC:

•Children of Mary: •Charismatic Prayer Group:

•Legion of Mary:

•St. Joseph's Workers:

•Decoration & Cleaning Ministry:

•Ministry to the Sick:

•Ministry of Hospitality(Greeters/Ushers)

•Social & Event Planning

•Saint Vincent De Paul Society

Sanctuary Flower Dedication

(TBD)

Wende Rouse

Eubald Rene

Orville Rouse

Viola Williams

Orville Rouse

Alicia Douté

Alma Wells

Alma Wells

Mona Bedminster

This weekend's Sanctuary Flower is for birthday blessings for Pauline Ottley and Eugenie England.

Prayer during Hurricane Season

God our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Keep us safe from the danger of hurricanes and all the natural disasters. Let us always feel the presence of your love. May we be secure in your protection and turn our tears in to praise of your goodness. Grant this through Christ our Lord. 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.

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