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Diocese

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Holy Family
Church



Sunday of the Word of God

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

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Sacristans

Ms. Francesca Alcendor Ms. Silia Erilis

Ms. Beulah Babulal 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, January 22

5:00 PM. + Theresa Duval: Repose of soul.

SUNDAY, January 23

7:30 AM. - Ethan Robert: Birthday blessings/ His grandmother.

10:00 AM. - All the active members of SVDP Conference: God's blessings/ Alma Wells.

- Claudia Winston: Birthday blessings/ The family.

5:00 PM. + Ceva Erilist & Srederick Crepin: Repose of souls.

MONDAY, January 24

7:00 AM. - Rose Labodie: Thanksgiving, blessings & protection.

TUESDAY, January 25

7:00 AM. + Joseph Alphonso Simmonds: Repose of soul/ His son, Vince Simmonds.

WEDNESDAY, January 26

7:00 AM. - Glenroy Warrington: To the Lady of Perpetual Help/ His mother, Lola Warrington.

THURSDAY, January 27

7:00 AM. + Gene & Estelle Farro: Repose of Soul/Patricia Farro Ptucha.

FRIDAY, January 29

7:00 AM. - Vonetta Winston: Blessings and healing/ Claudia Winston & family.

SATURDAY, January 29

5:00 PM. + Kathleen Farro: Repose of soul/ Patricia Farro Ptucha

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

1 Cor 12:12-30

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

MONDAY: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10

Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Mk 3:22-30

TUESDAY: Acts 22:3-16

Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

Mk 16:15-18

WEDNESDAY: 2 Tm 1:1-8

Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Mk 4:1-20

THURSDAY: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29

Mk 4:21-25

FRIDAY: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Mk 4:26-34

SATURDAY: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17

Mk 4:35-41

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.

AT HOME: Deacon Peter Laurencin, Rita Ledee, Rose Celestine, 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, 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 – January 8 & 9, 2022

Saturday 5:00pm 37/ **Sunday** 7:30am 83/ 10:00am 100/
5:00pm 50/ **Total** 270

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Last Weekend's collections

FIRST COLLECTION: \$3324.00

SECOND COLLECTION: \$1403.00

Online giving or donation can
be made through our website
at: www.holyfamilyst.com

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Envelope system January 01
Restoration & Diaconate January 02
Monthly School Support ... January 08-09
Property Insurance January 15-16
Capital Improvements January 22-23

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 January 23rd to 29th for God's guidance and protection for Godfrey Renal, requested by Marie Renal.



Liturgical Master Schedule for February

Leaders of liturgical ministries: Sacristans; Lectors, Cantors, Media, Ushers and Altar Servers to submit their respective schedule to the church office via email before Friday January 28. We thank you for your cooperation.

New Year's Resolution

Did you consider your involvement in the parish life as part of New Year's resolution? Our parish is recruiting new members for the following ministries: Ministry of Cleaning, Ministry of Hospitality, Money Counters, CCD Teachers, Song Leaders, Health Ministry, and Permanent Diaconate. God is calling you to do something in your parish in addition to attending Holy Mass. Please call the church office for your enrolment.

CCD Program

CCD classes initially scheduled to resume last Saturday is postponed until further notice. We noticed a decline on CCD students Mass attendance during Christmas break. Please note, Mass attendance is mandatory for CCD students even during break time. The primary aim of this requirement is to instill in our kids the first of the five precepts of the Church: namely "to attend Mass on Sunday and the feasts of Obligation."

Special Bishop's Appeal

Help save our schools! Your gift no matter how small can go a long way in enabling our children to continue to have access to Catholic Education in the Virgin Islands. We ask you to please take a brochure and prayerfully determine what sacrificial gift you can give to this worthwhile cause. Donations may be made in the form of cash, check, credit card or online giving. Kindly fill out the form in the brochure and make your check payable to Diocese of St. Thomas. Thank you for your support.

Trip to Saint Croix

Fr. Boniface will travel to Saint Croix this Thursday to celebrate the funeral Holy Mass for Ms. Theresa Duval.

Rear Table Cloth

Our heartfelt gratitude goes to Ms. Vanessa Harrigan for the donation of 2 rear table clothes. May God reward your generosity and thoughtfulness.

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 now available. However, 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.

FROM THE Pastor's Desk

HOLY FAMILY MINISTRIES & REPRESENTATIVES

- Altar Servers: Claudelle Mathurin, Nehemie Leneus, Austin Walters
- Readers: Susanne Adrien & Hilda Celestine
- Holy Family Adult Choir: Francis Callwood
Wende Rouse
- Children of Mary: Mona Bedminster
Eubald René
- Charismatic Prayer Group: Orville Rouse
- Legion of Mary: Viola Williams
- St. Joseph's Workers: Alma Wells
- Cleaning Ministry: Orville Rouse & Viola Williams
- Ministry to the Sick: Alicia Douté
- Ministry of Hospitality: Orville Rouse & Viola Williams
- Social & Event Planning: Alma Wells
- Saint Vincent De Paul Society: Angele Lundy & Myrleine Thomas
- Decoration Ministry: Angele Lundy & Myrleine Thomas

Sanctuary Flowers Dedication

This weekend's Altar Flowers is for Birthday blessings for Claudia Winston

USCCB: Covid 19: Prayer of Solidarity

For all who have contracted coronavirus, we pray for care and healing.
 For those who are particularly vulnerable, we pray for safety and protection.
 For all who experience fear or anxiety, we pray for peace of mind and spirit.
 For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety, we pray for policies that recognize their plight.
 For those who do not have adequate health insurance, we pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.
 For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration status, we pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.
 For our brothers and sisters around the world, we pray for shared solidarity.
 For public officials and decision makers, we pray for wisdom and guidance.
 Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.
 Grant peace. Grant comfort. Grant healing. Be with us, Lord. Amen.

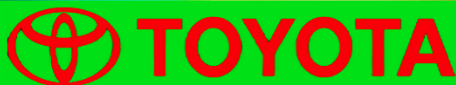
My Dear Parishioners,

Today, we begin reading from the Gospel written by Saint Luke, the companion of Saint Paul. Luke is the only Gospel that begins with a prologue. He writes to Theophilus. Theophilus may have been a recent convert or a benefactor of the author. Theophilus means lover of God or the beloved of God and actually, it means each one of us.

From the Prologue today we move directly to the event of the return of Jesus to Nazareth after his successful Galilean ministry. Luke very deliberately has Jesus start his work here. His public life will be a single, direct journey from Nazareth to Jerusalem. Jesus is called upon to read the lesson and he chooses the text from Prophet Isaiah, about the restoration of Zion. After reading the text Jesus simply declares that the passage is fulfilled in their hearing. People must have been really shocked and amazed when Jesus announced: "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

This is so fitting as we celebrate Sunday of the Word of God during which 23 members of our parish will renew their commitment as lector in our parish. On this Sunday of the Word, let us listen to Jesus, the Incarnation of the Word of God. So dear brothers and sisters, let us not ignore God's word. It is a love letter, written to us by the One who knows us best. Let us give it a worthy place in our homes. Let us set the Gospel in a place where we can remember to open it daily, perhaps at the beginning and at the end of the day, so that amid all those words that ring in our ears, there may also be a few verses of the word of God that can touch our hearts. To be able to do this, let us ask the Lord for the strength to turn off the television and open the Bible, to turn off our cell phone and open the Gospel. Blessed Sunday to you all!

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