

Saint Thomas

Diocese

Holy Family Catholic Church

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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

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 Sacred Heart First Friday...... 7:00 a.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."

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 22, 2022

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MASS INTENTIONS	SCRIPTURE READINGS	
SATURDAY, May 21	OF THE WEEK	
5:00 PM. - Chenniah Browne → Birthday blessings, God's guidance		
and protection rb her family	SUNDAY:	A ata 15:1 2 22 20
	SUNDAT	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
SUNDAY, May 22		Rev 21:10-14, 22-23
7:30 AM - Zyia Toussaint → Birthday blessings rb Toussaint family		Jn 14:23-29
10:00 AM -Carmen A. White → In thanksgiving for another		
birthday with God's continued love and blessings	MONDAY:	Acts 16:11-15
5:00 PM - Continued blessings for the Haitian Community		Jn 15:26—16:4a
		JII 13.20 10.14
MONDAY, May 23		A =t= 10.22.24
7:00 AM ⁺ Clementine Emay Noel → Repose of Soul rb Rose and	TUESDAY:	Acts 16:22-34
Franklin		Jn 16:5-11
TUESDAY, May 24		
7:00AM - Hamilton Joseph → Birthday blessings rb his daughter,	WEDNESDAY:	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1
Alana		Jn 16:12-15
WEDNESDAY, May 25		
7:00 AM - Francis Callwood → God's continued blessings and	THURSDAY:	Acts 18:1-8
guidance rb his wife		Jn 16:16-20
THURSDAY, May 26	Saint Philip Neri, Priest	JII 10:10-20
7:00 AM - God's continued blessings and protection for the people		
of Ukraine	FRIDAY:	Acts 18:9-18
FRIDAY, May 27		Jn 16:20-23
7:00 AM - 7am Weekday Early Risers with God's blessings.		
<i>, ,</i>	SATURDAY:	Acts 18:23-28
SATURDAY, May 28		Jn 16:23b-28
5:00 PM - Cicely Frett \rightarrow Birthday blessings, God's guidance and		511 10.250 20
protection rb her entire family		

PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS

HOSPITAL:

OFF ISLAND: Philomen Baron, Enid Blyden, Helen Bruney, Maggie Dolphin, Eugenie England, Cyril Eugene, Bertina Lestrade, Mary Lewis.

AT HOME: Ophelia Bannis, Rose Celestine, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Josefina Donastorg, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Olivia Gumbs, Vernelle Gumbs, Gerard Henry, Sonia Herbert, Mercedes Hodge, Josephine James, Pauline Jolly, John George, Cynthia Johnrose, Owen Johnrose, Bernice Knight, Deacon Peter Laurencin, Rita Ledee, Irene Morris, Veronica Sealey, Evelyn Simon, Keith Steele, Paquita Steele, Grace Thompson, Kathleen Thompson, Joe Toussaint, Iona Vanterpool, Andrea Victorine, Lola Warrington.

EBENEZER HOME: Cleota Hill.

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



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 May 22nd to May 28th for Carmen A. White for God's continued blessings, guidance and protection throughout the year.

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are sponsored by Olga McBean in thanksgiving for her birthday. Thank you for beautifying the church and may God continue to bless you richly. Bishop's Appeal 2022: We are reminded of our call to be "good stewards" of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy and give an acceptable portion of our TIME, TALENT and TREASURE for the Kingdom of God. The Bishop's Appeal 2022 is a practical opportunity for you to practice your Catholic faith by serving Christ and His poor and needy brothers and sisters, Bethlehem Houses, Soup Kitchens and Evangelization Efforts.

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. **Checks should be made payable to "Diocese of St. Thomas."** Please see the brochure for further information. Thank you!

St. Vincent De Paul Society: The next general meeting will be held next Saturday, May 28, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. in Lower Columban Hall.

USVI Council of Catholic Women: The USVI Council of Catholic Women invites all women to the 2nd phase in the implementation of the Council in the Diocese of St. Thomas. Come and participate in the formulation of our Bylaws as guided by our Washington Province Director. The USVI Council falls under the Province of Washington and is affiliated with both the National Council of Women and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The St. Thomas/St. John meeting is from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Columban Hall at Holy Family Church on June 4, 2022. Please contact the Chancery Office at 340-774-3166 or email: <u>usviccw@gmail.com</u> for further information.

Devotional Candles: The candles have been ordered and we are awaiting their arrival. Because of the COVID pandemic, shipping companies are experiencing long delays shipping to the territories. We ask for your patience and understanding.

Non-Perishable Food Items: Non-perishable food items will be collected this weekend at each Holy Mass following the church announcements. Proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities of our Diocese. We thank you for your generosity.

Office Closure: The church office will be closed on Monday, May 30, 2022 in recognition of Memorial Day. Please be guided accordingly.

Bulletin Ads: Holy Family Church is soliciting advertisements for the bulletin. ADs will be for a minimum of one (1) year. Church Ministries, personal/private businesses and organizations are invited and encouraged to place their AD in the bulletin. Please call the office at 340-775-1650 for more details.

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.

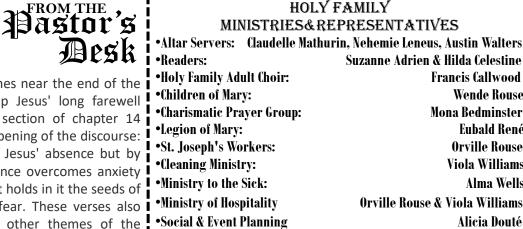
Parish Registration

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.

My Dear Parishioners,

Today's portion of John's Gospel comes near the end of the first of four chapters that make up Jesus' long farewell discourse at the Last Supper. This section of chapter 14 actually sums up the themes of the opening of the discourse: the Christian's life is not shaped by Jesus' absence but by God's abiding presence; God's presence overcomes anxiety about God's absence; and the present holds in it the seeds of a fresh future shaped by love, not fear. These verses also contain a glimpse of some of the other themes of the farewell discourse: Jesus' relationship with the Father and the disciples' relationship to Jesus connect the disciples to the Father as well. Jesus promises to send an Advocate or intercessor who will remind the disciples of everything that Jesus taught them and bring them peace. Jesus is preparing his disciples in advance for his absence so that they will continue to believe in him and not feel all alone after his return to the Father. After the initial excitement of his Easter appearances, Jesus will remain with his followers in a very different way throughout the centuries. As our celebration of the Easter season is coming to an end, the liturgy reminds us that Jesus remains with us through the Holy Spirit, who teaches us everything we need to know, reminds us of all that Jesus taught, and brings us peace.

HOLY FAMILY MINISTRIES&REPRESENTATIVES



Decoration Ministry

Francis Callwood Wende Rouse **Mona Bedminster Eubald René Orville Rouse** Viola Williams **Alma Wells Orville Rouse & Viola Williams** Alicia Douté •Saint Vincent De Paul Society Michelle Stout **Angele Lundy & Myrleine Thomas**

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel: (To be said after Dismissal)

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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