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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. Robert Kenfack Ngnintedem

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Kerly François

Deacon

Admin. Assistant: Ms. Carmen A. White

Parish Account.: Ms. Penrose Gardiner

Religious Ed. Director: Ms. M. René

Music Director: Mr. Francis Callwood

Sacristans

Ms. Francesca Alcendor Ms. Silia Erilis

Ms. Beulah Babulal Mr. Austin Walters

Mr. Julio Comperè

Office Hours:

Monday – Friday: 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, August 20

5:00 PM – **Samuel & Pauline Ottley** → Belated wedding anniversary, God’s continued blessing on them

SUNDAY, August 21

7:30 AM – **Children of Nazarine Blaize** → God’s blessings and protection

10:00 AM – **Louis family** → Blessings received

5:00 PM † **Josefina “Fina” Donastorg** → Repose of Soul

MONDAY, August 22

7:00 AM † **Josefina “Fina” Donastorg** → Repose of Soul

TUESDAY, August 23

7:00 AM † **Richard and Rose Cook** → Repose of Souls rb their granddaughter, Patricia Farro Ptucha

WEDNESDAY, August 24

7:00 AM † **Susan Speights** → Repose of Soul rb the Rouse family

THURSDAY, August 25

7:00 AM † **Josefina “Fina” Donastorg** → Repose of Soul

FRIDAY, August 26

7:00 AM – **Lizette Anthoine** → Birthday blessings rb her mother

SATURDAY, August 27

5:00 PM – **Miranda Jones** → Birthday blessings rb the Johnson family

– **Irene Morris** → In thanksgiving for another birthday with God’s continued blessings

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY: Is 66:18-21
Heb 12:5-7, 11-13
Lk 13:22-30

MONDAY: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12
Memorial of The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mt 23:13-22

TUESDAY: 2 Thes 2:1-3A, 14-17
Mt 23:23-26

WEDNESDAY: Rv 21:9b-14
Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle Jn 1:45-51

THURSDAY: 1 Cor 1:1-9
Mt 24:42-51

FRIDAY: 1 Cor 1:17-25
Mt 25:1-13

SATURDAY: 1 Cor 1:26-31
Saint Monica Mt 25:14-30

NEXT SUNDAY: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a
Lk 14:1, 7-14

PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS

HOSPITAL: Josephine James

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, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Olivia Gumbs, Vernelle Gumbs, Vanessa Harrigan, Gerard Henry, Mercedes Hodge, Pauline Jolly, John George, Cynthia Johnrose, Owen Johnrose, Bernice Knight, Deacon Peter Laurencin, Rita Ledee, Veronica Sealey, Evelyn Simon, Keith Steele, Paquita Steele, Kathleen Thompson, Mildred Turbe, Iona Vanterpool, Andrea Victorine, Lola Warrington.

EBENEZER HOME: Cleota Hill.

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

Last Weekend’s Collections
FIRST COLLECTION: \$2,668.00
SECOND COLLECTION: \$772.00



SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Restoration Fund August 6-7
Bishop’s Appeal August 13-14
Property Insurance August 20-21
Capital Improvements August 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 August 21st to August 27th in loving memory of Rita Williams, requested by Beverly McClendon.



Altar Flowers: Parishioners are encouraged to assist in beautifying the church by sponsoring flowers for any special event that you or a family member may be celebrating. Please contact the office of your intent.

Cassi Hill Pilgrimage: On behalf of Frs. Robert and Kerly, we express our sincere thanks to all who participated or contributed to the 75th anniversary of the Cassi Hill Pilgrimage. May God bless you abundantly.

There will be an Evaluation meeting of the Cassi Hill Pilgrimage with the Planning Committee on **Tuesday, August 23, 2022** at 6:00 p.m. in Lower Columban Hall.

Back-to-School Giveaway: The St. Vincent de Paul Society will hold a Back-to-School Giveaway on **Sunday, August 21, 2022**, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass outside the church entrance. The child must be accompanied by a parent or guardian; NO adult will receive a bag for a child that is not present. Thank you for your cooperation. This event is being sponsored by Stout Reliable Transport for our CCD Students and Parish Children.

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

Religious Education: Registration is now open for CCD classes. Parents and guardians are encouraged to register their child/children; specifically, children entering the 7th grade should register now for pre-Confirmation class.

Necrologium: The funeral service for **Antoine Daniel** will take place on **Monday, August 22, 2022** at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Family Church. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

On behalf of Holy Family parishioners, the Deacon, and Priests, we extend sincere sympathy to the friends and family of **Zephaniah Jean Jacques**, former Sacristan, on his passing. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

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)'s 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**

My Dear Parishioners,

Today's Gospel reading is the third of three parables in chapter 13 that deal with the theme of the unexpected reversals brought by the Kingdom of God. As this parable opens, Luke reminds us that Jesus is making his way to Jerusalem. He is teaching as he goes. The question about will only a few be saved uses typical Christian language about salvation but also expresses the Jewish concern about whether everyone who calls himself a Jew is actually faithful to the covenant. This was a concern of the Pharisees. Jesus answers that they must strive in the time remaining to enter through the narrow door because many will be trying to get in but won't be strong enough. He then moves to a parable about another door. Once all those entering the master's house are in and he locks the door, there will be no way for others to get in. Those left outside may knock, but the master will say he doesn't know them. People from the north, south, east, and west will take our place inside. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets will take our place in the Kingdom of God. Those who do not make it through the narrow door will be cast out to where there is wailing and grinding of teeth. The image of the door is replaced in the final verses of the parable with the image of the heavenly banquet. The answer to the question if only a few will be saved is no. In the end, many will be saved, but many who thought they would be saved will not be saved. The parable is a prophetic warning to repentance in order to enter the kingdom.

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

Prayer During Hurricane Season:
(To be said after Dismissal)

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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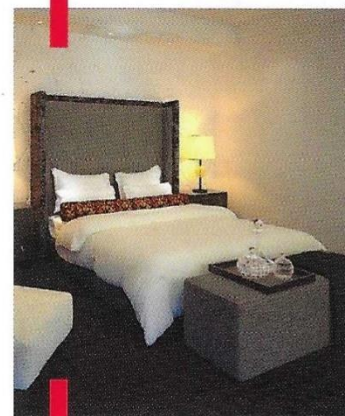
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