

Saint Thomas Diocese

Holy Family Catholic Church

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Ms. Francesca Alcendor Ms. Silia Erilis Ms. Beulah Babulal Mr. Austin Walters Mr. Julio Comperè

Office Hours:

Mon – 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."

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, September 10 5:00 PM † Yvonne & Stacey Bryan → Repose of Souls rb Leon & the Bryan family			
SUNDAY, September 11			
7:30 AM \dagger Rose & Richard Cook \rightarrow Repose of Souls rb their			
granddaughter, Patricia Farro Ptucha			
10:00 AM – Marguerite René → Birthday blessings rb the René			
family			
5:00 PM – Edline Piton \rightarrow For blessings received rb Silia Erilis			
MONDAY, September 12 7:00 AM † Josefina "Fina" Donastorg → Repose of Soul			
TUESDAY, September 13 7:00 AM † Rudner & Sylvette François → Repose of Soul			

WEDNESDAY, September 14
7:00 AM - Children grandchildren of Yvonne Brutus → Guidance,
protection, & blessings

THURSDAY September 15 7:00 AM **– Gersha Eusebe** → Birthday blessings rb the Eusebe family

FRIDAY, September 16 7:00 AM **† Zephaniah Jeah Jacques** → Repose of Soul

SATURDAY, September 17 5:00 PM + Josefina "Fina" Donastorg → Repose of Soul

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

	SUNDAY:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14 1 Tm 1:12-17 Lk 15:1-32
	MONDAY:	1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Lk 7:1-10
	TUESDAY: 1 Saint John Chrysostom, Bisho and Doctor of the Church	L Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a D Lk 7:11-17
	WEDNESDAY: Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Nm 21:4b-9 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
	THURSDAY: Memorial of Our Lady of Sorr	1 Cor 15:1-11 ows Jn 19:25-27
,	FRIDAY: Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs	1 Cor 15:12-20 Lk 8:1-3
	SATURDAY:	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 Lk 8:4-15
	NEXT SUNDAY: 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13

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: <u>www.holyfamilystt.com</u>

Last Weekend's Collections FIRST COLLECTION: \$2836.00 SECOND COLLECTION: \$1,536.00



SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Restoration Fund	September 3-4
African Solidarity	September 3-4
Monthly School Support	September 10-11
Property Insurance	September 17-18
Capital Improvements	. September 24-25

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 September 11th to September 17th for God's continued blessings on our islands and on America, requested by Beverly McClendon.

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are sponsored by Kishma Francis in honor of her father, Raymond Francis, on his birthday. Thank you for beautifying the church, and may God continue to bless you.

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.

Meeting for Men: All men of our church will have a very important meeting next Thursday, September 15, at 6:00 p.m. prompt, at Lower Columban Hall. Please, let us all be present for a better planning of the activities at stake.

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.

St. Joseph Workers will be meeting in the Upper Columban Hall this **Sunday, September 11, 2022,** after the 7:30 a.m. Holy Mass. Birthday and anniversary celebrants are invited to breakfast with the group.

Necrologium: The **Funeral Mass** for the late **Zephaniah Jean Jacques** will take place on **Wednesday, September 14, 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.

The entire Holy Family Parish Community extends sincere sympathy to Noreen E. Stout on the passing of her husband, Roy H. Stout. Mr. Stout died on Saturday, August 27, 2022. His Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, September 15, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. at Hurley's Funeral Chapel. 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.

My Dear Parishioners,

Bastor's In chapter 15 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells three parables about losing, finding, and rejoicing. The outcasts of society, the taxpayers, and the sinners approach Jesus eager to hear what he has to say. In Luke's Gospel, hearing is a sign of conversion. The Pharisees and scribes, still suspicious of Jesus, complain about him associating with sinners. So he tells them these three parables. In the first story, the parable of The Lost Sheep, the shepherd leaves behind the 99 sheep to search for the lost sheep. The second story, about a poor woman who will not stop searching until she finds her lost coin, makes the same point. Finally we come to what is probably the most memorable parable in the Gospels, the story we know as The Prodigal Son. Just as in The Lost Sheep and The Lost Coin, this story is really about the seeker. The loving father is at the center of this parable. Even though his son runs off with his father's inheritance and squanders the money, the father waits for him, hoping for his return. Upon his son's return, the father, "full of

compassion," runs out to embrace and forgive him before the son can utter one word of repentance. At this point, the rejoicing begins. The parable does not end there. Rather, it makes one more point about the older son's reaction. This son who never left, just like the Pharisees and scribes who feel they are righteous, refuses to enter his father's house to join in the rejoicing. He has served his father. He has obeyed him. Perhaps it was not out of love. The father's response teaches us that God's care and compassion extend to the righteous and sinner alike. When we are lost, God doesn't wait for our return. He actively seeks us out. And when the lost are found, how could we not celebrate and rejoice?

HOLY FAMILY MINISTRIES&REPRESENTATIVES

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

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.

