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Diocese

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Holy Family
Church

The Parable of Jesus



Parable of Lazarus and the Rich Man

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

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Sacristans

Ms. Francesca Alcendor Ms. Silia Erilis

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Mr. Julio Comperè

Office Hours:

Mon – 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, September 24

5:00 PM Special Intentions for **Serge La Place**

SUNDAY, September 25

7:30 AM † **Octavia Joseph** → Repose of Soul rb the Joseph families

10:00 AM – **Marilyn & Jean Baptiste** → Blessings received & God's continued protection

5:00 PM – **Melissa Piton** → Birthday blessings rb Her mother, Edline

-**Rodney Badeau** → Belated Birthday blessings & God's continued guidance & protection rb mother, Angele Lundy

MONDAY, September 26

7:00 AM † **Gene & Estelle Farro** → Repose of Souls rb their daughter, Patricia Farro Ptucha

TUESDAY, September 27

7:00 AM † **Wendy Holder** → Repose of Soul rb her sister, Kathleen Thompson

WEDNESDAY, September 28

7:00 AM – **Yvonne Freeman** → Belated birthday blessings rb Family

THURSDAY September 29

7:00 AM – **Oliver Williams** → Birthday blessings rb his wife, Viola Williams

FRIDAY, September 30

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

SATURDAY, October 1

5:00 PM † **Rev. Raymond Karier** → Repose of Soul rb the Children of Mary

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY:	Am 6:1a, 4-7 1 Tm 6:11-16 Lk 16:19-31
MONDAY:	Jb 1:6-22 Lk 9:46-50
TUESDAY:	Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 <i>Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest</i> Lk 9:51-56
WEDNESDAY:	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 Lk 9:57-62
THURSDAY:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 <i>Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels</i> Jn 1:47-51
FRIDAY:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 <i>Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i> Lk 10:13-16
SATURDAY:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 <i>Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i> Lk 10:17-24
NEXT SUNDAY:	Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4 <i>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 Lk 17:5-10

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: \$736.00
SECOND COLLECTION: \$193.00



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
Restoration Fund October 1-2

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 25th to October 1st for God's continued blessings, guidance, and protection for Anthony Renal requested by his mother, Marie Renal.



Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are sponsored by **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** in honor of the Annual Commitment and Commissioning Ceremony. Thank you for beautifying the church, and may God continue to bless and guide 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.

Diocesan Council for Catholic Women (DCCW): Bishop Jerome has approved the Diocesan Council for Catholic Women (DCCW) Board. President-Bernadette Patrick; Vice-President-Elizabeth John-Baptiste; Secretary—Lita Daniel; Treasurer-Maribel Okeye. Register for the 2022 International Conference in Minnesota (www.nccw.org). For further information contact Ms. Patrick at 340-774-3166 or email usviccw@gmail.com

Religious Education: Registration is now being conducted for the **2022-2023 CCD classes**. Parents and guardians are encouraged to register their child/children age seven (7) and up. **Returning students** are also expected to register.

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

Men's Meeting: The men of our church will be meeting on **Thursday, September 29th at 6:00 pm** in the Lower Columban Hall. All men are invited to attend.

Maintenance Worker: If there is someone in our parish community who can do maintenance work, please contact Father Robert. Thanks.

Monthly Liturgical Master Schedule: The Liturgical Master Schedule for **October** can be pickup in the sacristy or the rear of the church.

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.

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

FROM THE
**Pastor's
Desk**

**HOLY FAMILY
MINISTRIES & REPRESENTATIVES**

- 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
- 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: Michelle Stout
- Social & Event Planning: Angele Lundy & Myrleine Thomas
- 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.

My Dear Parishioners,
A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor. In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." The Pharisees usually taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law. Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

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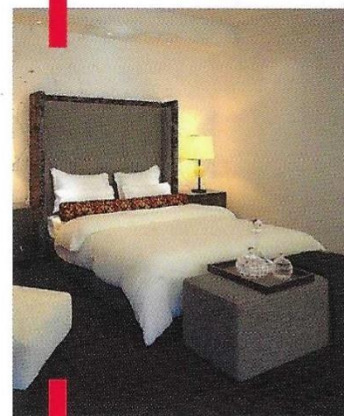
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