



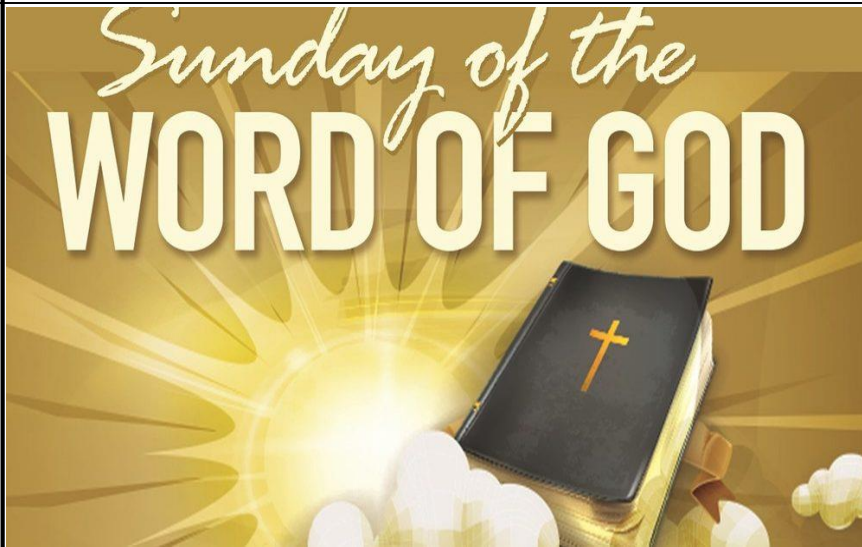
Saint Thomas  
Diocese

# Holy Family Catholic Church

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Holy Family  
Church



## Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday.....7:00 a.m.  
Saturday (**Vigil**).....6:00 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

**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:

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.”

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JANUARY 22, 2023**

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### MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY, January 21**

6:00 PM † **Josefina Donastorg** → Repose of Soul

**SUNDAY, January 22**

7:30 AM – **Pierre Fils Joseph** → Birthday blessings rb his mother, Silia Erilis

10:00 AM – **Gersha Eusebe & Ka'Mory Williams** → God's guidance & protection rb the Eusebe family

5:00 PM – **Anjelle Lundy & Chrismith Moneia** → Birthday blessings rb Silia Erilis

– **Richard Badeau & Jaaziah Dimanche** → Birthday blessings rb Anjelle Lundy

**MONDAY, January 23**

7:00 AM – **Ricky & Monica Maxwell** → Repose of Souls rb the Browne & Maxwell families

**TUESDAY, January 24**

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

**WEDNESDAY, January 25**

7:00 AM – **Ethan Roberts** → Birthday blessings rb Grandma & family

**THURSDAY, January 26**

7:00 AM – **Balvin Browne** → Repose of Soul rb the Browne & Maxwell families

**FRIDAY, January 27**

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

**SATURDAY, January 28**

6:00 PM – **Anthony Viale** → Birthday blessings rb the Giffit, Martin, & Browne families

### SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

**SUNDAY:**

Is 8:23—9:3

1 Cor 1:10-13, 17

Mt 4:12-23

**MONDAY:**

Heb 9:15, 24-28

*Day of Prayer for the Legal*

Mk 3:22-30

*Protection of Unborn Children*

**TUESDAY:**

Heb 10:1-10

*Saint Francis de Sales,*

Mk 3:31-35

*Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**WEDNESDAY:**

Acts 22:3-16

*Feast of the Conversion*

Mk 16:15-18

*of Saint Paul, Apostle*

**THURSDAY:**

2 Tm 1:1-8

*Saints Timothy and Titus, bishops*

Mk 4:21-25

**FRIDAY:**

Heb 10:32-39

Mk 4:26-34

**SATURDAY:**

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

*Saint Thomas Aquinas,*

Mk 4:35-41

*Priest and Doctor of the Church*

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

1 Cor 1:26-31

Mt 5:1-12a

### 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:** Rose Celestine, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, John George, Rolland George, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Olivia Gumbs, Vernelle Gumbs, Gerard Henry, Mercedes Hodge, Josephine James, Cynthia Johnrose, Owen Johnrose, Pauline Jolly, Bernice Knight, Rita Ledee, Veronica Sealey, Evelyn Simon, Keith Steele, Paquita Steele, Kathleen Thompson, Mildred Turbe, Iona Vanterpool,

**EBENEZER HOME:** Cleota Hill.

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

**Church Attendance:** 329 persons attended Holy Mass last weekend.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

Last Weekend's Collections

CHILDREN'S OFFERING: \$24.00

OFFERING: \$5,571.00

SECOND COLLECTION: \$1,678.00

Online giving can be made through our website at: [www.holyfamilyst.com](http://www.holyfamilyst.com)

Thank you for your generosity!



### SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Restoration Fund ..... Dec. 31 – Jan. 1

Monthly School Support ..... January 7-8

Property Insurance ..... January 14-15

Capital Improvements ..... January 21-22

Restoration Fund ..... January 28-29

# 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 21<sup>st</sup> to January 27<sup>th</sup>** for God's continued blessings for **Holy Family Parishioners** throughout 2023, requested by Beverly McClendon.



**Altar Flowers:** Today's Altar flowers are sponsored by **Austin Walters**, in thanksgiving to God. Thank you for beautifying the church and may God continue to bless you.

**Offertory Envelopes:** Parishioners are asked to pick up your assigned Offertory Envelopes if you have not already done so. Those parishioners without envelopes can contact the church office. Envelopes will be removed from the church after January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Special Collection (Security):** A special collection will be taken up for fencing the property **this weekend** at all Masses. Thereafter, it will be taken up monthly on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday**. Thank you for your generosity in helping to secure the property.

**Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamp:** There are available dates for Mass Intentions and the Sanctuary Lamp. Parishioners are encouraged to schedule a Mass or the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a deceased loved one or in recognition of a special event. Please contact the church office to schedule your intention(s). Stipends:

- Mass Intention: \$10.00
- Sanctuary Lamp: \$25.00
- Devotional Candle: \$5.00

**Necrologium:** Holy Family Parish Community extends sincere sympathy to **Shirlin Browne and family** on the passing of her husband, **Balvin Browne**, who died on December 25, 2022 at the age of 76 in Ocala, Florida. His funeral service will take place on **Wednesday January 25, 2023** at Faith Christian Fellowship Church in Hidden Valley. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Holy Family Parish Community extends sincere sympathy to **Leona Marks and family** on the passing of their sister, **Delores Battiste Coleman**, who died on Thursday, January 12, 2023 at the age of 79 in Maryland. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

**Church announcements must be submitted to the Church Office via email by Tuesday.**

# 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**

**My Dear Parishioners,**

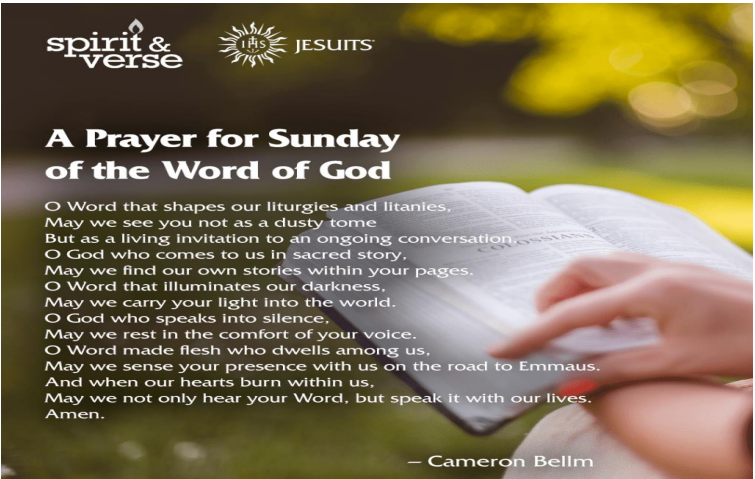
Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (called the Synoptic Gospels), Jesus' public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.


The first part of today's Gospel places Jesus' ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus.

Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.



**spirit & verse**  **JESUITS**

**A Prayer for Sunday of the Word of God**

O Word that shapes our liturgies and litanies,  
 May we see you not as a dusty tome  
 But as a living invitation to an ongoing conversation,  
 O God who comes to us in sacred story,  
 May we find our own stories within your pages.  
 O Word that illuminates our darkness,  
 May we carry your light into the world.  
 O God who speaks into silence,  
 May we rest in the comfort of your voice.  
 O Word made flesh who dwells among us,  
 May we sense your presence with us on the road to Emmaus.  
 And when our hearts burn within us,  
 May we not only hear your Word, but speak it with our lives.  
 Amen.

— Cameron Bellm

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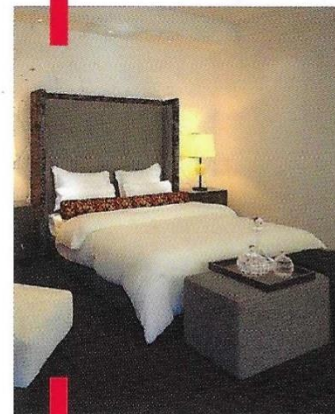
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