



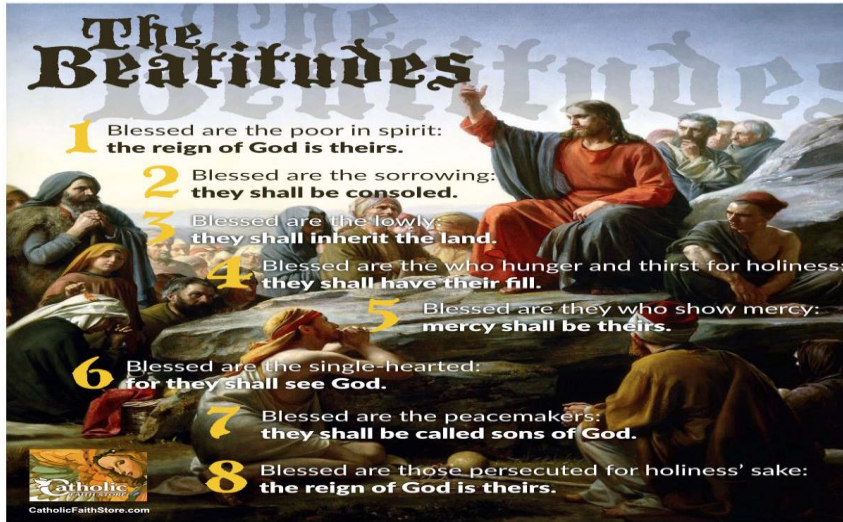
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Holy Family Church



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

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Office Hours:

Mon – Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 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."

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, January 28

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

SUNDAY, January 29

7:30 AM – **Diana, Turner, Bonnie, Jean Baptiste, & McQuay** → Birthday blessings

10:00 AM † **Elma Agnes Casimir** → Repose of Soul rb the Casimir & Eusebe families

5:00 PM – **Marie Romene** → Birthday blessings rb Marie

MONDAY, January 30

7:00 AM – **Darryl Potter** → In thanksgiving on his birthday rb his mother, Carmen

TUESDAY, January 31

7:00 AM – **Anthony Renal** → Guidance & protection rb his mother, Marie Renal

WEDNESDAY, February 1

7:00 AM – **Bridget Toussaint** → Birthday blessings rb her family

THURSDAY, February 2

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

FRIDAY, February 3

7:00 AM – **Felix Renal** → God's blessings & protection rb his mother, Marie Renal

SATURDAY, February 4

6:00 PM – **Joshua Lubin** → Birthday blessings rb the family

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY:	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 5:1-12a
MONDAY:	Heb 11:32-40 Mk 5:1-20
TUESDAY:	Heb 12:1-4 <i>Saint John Bosco, Priest</i> Mk 5:21-43
WEDNESDAY:	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15 Mk 6:1-6
THURSDAY:	Mal 3:1-4 <i>Feast of the Presentation of the Lord</i> Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40
FRIDAY:	Heb 13:1-8 Mk 6:14-29
SATURDAY:	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21 Mk 6:30-34
NEXT SUNDAY:	Is 58:7-10 <i>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 1 Cor 2:1-5 Mt 5:13-16

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: 334 persons attended Holy Mass last weekend.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Last Weekend's Collections

CHILDREN'S OFFERING: \$132.00

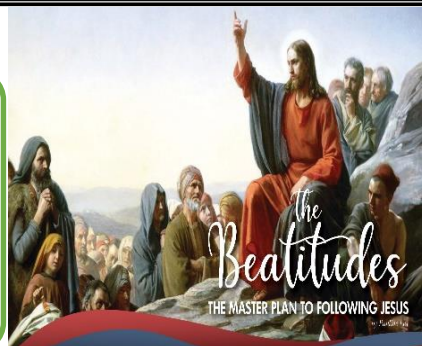
OFFERING: \$4,345.75

SECOND COLLECTION: \$1,543.00

SECURITY/FENCE: \$13,528.76

Online giving can be made through our website at: www.holyfamilystt.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
Black & Indian Mission	February 4-5

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 28th to February 3rd** for healing, protection, and God's continued blessings for **Omer Renal**, requested by his mother, Marie Renal.



Altar Flowers: Today's Altar flowers are sponsored by **Patricia Murrell-Joseph**, for birthday blessings. 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 31st.

Prepare for Lent: Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023**. Now is the time to plan spiritual and corporal works of mercy for Lent. There will be two masses on Ash Wednesday: **7:00 A.M.** and **7:00 P.M.** Please be guided accordingly.

Monthly Liturgical Master Schedule: The Liturgical Master Schedule for **February** can be picked up in the sacristy or the rear of the church.

New Columban Hall Rental Fees:

- Deposit: \$500.00
- Events with Admission Fee: \$1,500.00
- Special Events: \$1,650.00
- Funeral Reception: \$1,000.00
- All Other Events: \$1,000.00
- **Registered active parishioner discount: 15%**

Palms for Ash Wednesday: Parishioners are asked to please bring their dry palms for Ash Wednesday to the sacristy by **Sunday, February 19, 2023**.

Necrologium: Holy Family Parish Community extends sincere sympathy to **Cletus Williams and family** on the passing of his father, **Michael Williams**, who died on January 21, 2023, at the age of 72. His funeral service will take place on **Friday, February 10, 2023** at Holy Family Church at 10:00 A.M. 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. Her funeral service will take place on **Friday, February 17, 2023** at Holy Family Church at 10:00 A.M. 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**

They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God.

We quickly note in this reading that the people whom Jesus calls “” and “happy” are not people we think of as blessed or happy . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. This Gospel is one of reversals. Jesus’ blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness.

“Blessed” is sometimes translated as *happy, fortunate, or favored*. In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favor is upon those who are poor, those who mourn, those who are persecuted. This news might have been welcome—and surprising—to the crowds who heard Jesus that day.

The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God.

By referring to the good things that the faithful will experience, Matthew reminds us that those who act in the manner described in the Beatitudes will find their reward with God.

blessed

My Dear Parishioners,
First Reading – [Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13](#): “They shall do no wrong and speak no lies; nor shall there be found in their mouths a deceitful tongue; they shall pasture and couch their flocks with none to disturb them.”!

Second Reading – [1 Corinthians 1:26-31](#): “Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong, and God chose the lowly and despised of the world, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who are something, so that no human being might boast before God.”

Gospel – [Matthew 5:1-12A](#): “Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.”

Today’s reading is the beginning of Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount, which is found in Matthew’s Gospel. The form of the Beatitudes found here is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, in the psalms, and in wisdom literature, for example.

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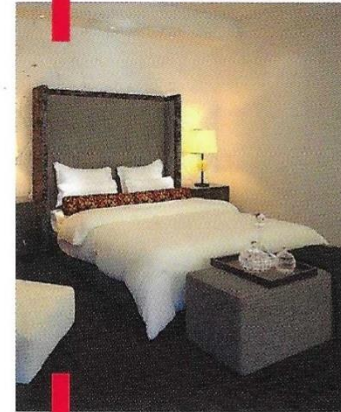
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