



**Saint Thomas
Diocese**

Holy Family Catholic Church

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**Holy Family
Church**



Mass Schedule

Monday and Friday.....6:00 p.m.
Tuesday – Thursday.....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

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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. – 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."

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, June 3

6:00 PM – **Omar Renal** → God's continued healing & blessings rb Marie Renal, his mother

SUNDAY, June 4

7:30 AM – **Felicinne Marcellin** → Birthday blessings rb her family
 – **Joan Pascal** → Birthday blessings rb Felicinne Marcellin
 10:00 AM – **Clever Juni Buncome** → Birthday blessings rb the René family
 5:00 PM – **Pierre Fils Joseph & Docile Joseph** → In thanksgiving to God rb Silia Erilis

MONDAY, June 5

6:00 PM – **Maxine Carpenter** → For healing rb Mrs. Crawford

TUESDAY, June 6

7:00 AM – **Dante Pascal** → For deliverance

WEDNESDAY, June 7

7:00 AM – **Carlos Hendrickson** → God's blessings rb Aunt Viola

THURSDAY, June 8

7:00 AM † **Holy Souls in Purgatory** rb Serge LaPlace

FRIDAY, June 9

6:00 PM † **Holy Souls in Purgatory** rb Marcial LaPlace

SATURDAY, June 10

6:00 PM – **Kasidy Joseph & family** → God's help, guidance & protection rb Alleyne Thomas

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY:

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9
 2 Cor 13:11-13
 Jn 3:16-18

MONDAY:

Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8
 Mk 12:1-12

TUESDAY:

Tb 2:9-14
 Mk 12:13-17

WEDNESDAY:

Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a
 Mk 12:18-27

THURSDAY:

Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a
 Mk 12:28-34

FRIDAY:

Tb 11:5-17
 Mk 12:35-37

SATURDAY:

Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20
 Mk 12:38-44

NEXT SUNDAY:

Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a
 1 Cor 10:16-17
 Jn 6:51-58

PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS

OFF ISLAND: Helen Bruney, Eugenie England, Olivia Gumbs, Mary Lewis, Veronica Sealey, Joseph Toussaint

AT HOME: Carol Baron, Philomen Baron, James Bellot, Rose Celestine, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Maggie Dolphin, John George, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Vernelle Gumbs, Gerard Henry, Mercedes Hodge, Cynthia Johnrose, Owen Johnrose, Pauline Jolly, Bernice Knight, Rita Ledee, Cleopha Rawlings, Evelyn Simon, Keith Steele, Paquita Steele, Kathleen Thompson, Iona Vanterpool, Maitland (Grace) Wattlely.

EBENEZER HOME: Cleota Hill.

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

Church Attendance: 418 persons attended Holy Mass last weekend.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Last Weekend's Collections

OFFERING: \$3,944.25

SECOND COLLECTION: \$1,255.00

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SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

Restoration Fund June 3-4
 Bishop's Appeal June 10-11
 Property Insurance June 17-18
 Father's Day June 17-18
 Security Fence June 17-18
 Diocesan Seminarians June 24-25
 Capital Improvements June 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 **June 3rd to June 9th** for birthday blessings for **Felicinne Marcellin**, requested by her family.

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.

The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women in the Virgin Islands will host their first convention, "**An Afternoon with the Bishop and the Board**" this **Sunday, June 4, 2023** at the Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral from **3:00 PM to 5:00 PM**. All women and women's organizations are invited to attend.

Extraordinary Pastoral Council: An emergency meeting has been called for the Pastoral Council. Ministry leaders are also expected to be in attendance along with two (2) members. The meeting will be held on **Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 6:00 PM** in the Lower Columban Hall.

Prayer Meeting: Our Lady of Mount Carmel on St. John is inviting everyone to the Prayer Meeting on **Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 7:00 PM**. The guest speaker will be Fr. Prince, from the Cathedral. The topic is "**The Spiritual Doctor's Prescription for Your Good Health.**" Come and bring a friend.

250th Jubilee Committee: The next 250th Jubilee Anniversary event will be a Diocesan Family Picnic on **Monday, June 19th, 12:00 to 4:00 PM** at Magens Bay, shed #4. Come enjoy an afternoon of fun and getting to know our Diocesan family. A variety of multicultural food and fun activities are planned. Everyone is invited to attend!

Necrologium: The funeral service for **Marie Aubin** will take place on **Tuesday, June 6, 2023** at Holy Family Church at 10:00 AM. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

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 fears 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.

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 the 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

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next, however, are designated as solemnities—special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our faith. Today on Trinity Sunday we celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity, one God in three persons.

Today's Gospel is from the beginning of John's Gospel. The passage we read follows Jesus' conversation with a Pharisee, Nicodemus, about what it means to be born of both water and the spirit. Nicodemus approaches Jesus at night and acknowledges Jesus as a teacher from God. Jesus tells him that only those who are born from above will see the Kingdom of God. Nicodemus misunderstands and questions how a person can be born more than once. Jesus tells Nicodemus that no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. Jesus is essentially explaining Baptism, which we celebrate as a sacrament today. Yet Nicodemus, we are told, still does not understand what Jesus is saying. Jesus continues by testifying to the need to be born from above so that one might have eternal life.

After the dialogue with Nicodemus, the author of the Gospel offers his own explanation of Jesus' words. This is what we read in today's Gospel, John 3:16-18.

In the context of today's focus on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, the reading calls our attention to the action of God, who reveals himself in three persons: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God the Father, out of love for the world, sent his Son into the world in order to save it. Through the death and resurrection of the Son, we have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit. As three persons, God acts always as a God of love; he does not condemn the world but acts to save it.

The Gospel also calls attention to the response that is required of us. God's love for us calls us to respond in faith by professing our belief in God's son, Jesus, and the salvation that he has won for us. This profession of faith is a sign of the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.



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Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me.
Within Thy sacred wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from Thee.
From the wicked enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me and bid me come to Thee that with Thy Saints I may praise Thee forever and ever.

Amen.

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love, Where there is injury, pardon,
Where there is doubt, faith, Where there is despair, hope,
Where there is darkness, light, Where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to
Console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
It is in dying that we are born to eternal life. **Amen.**

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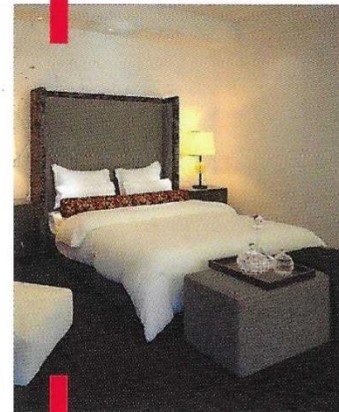
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