



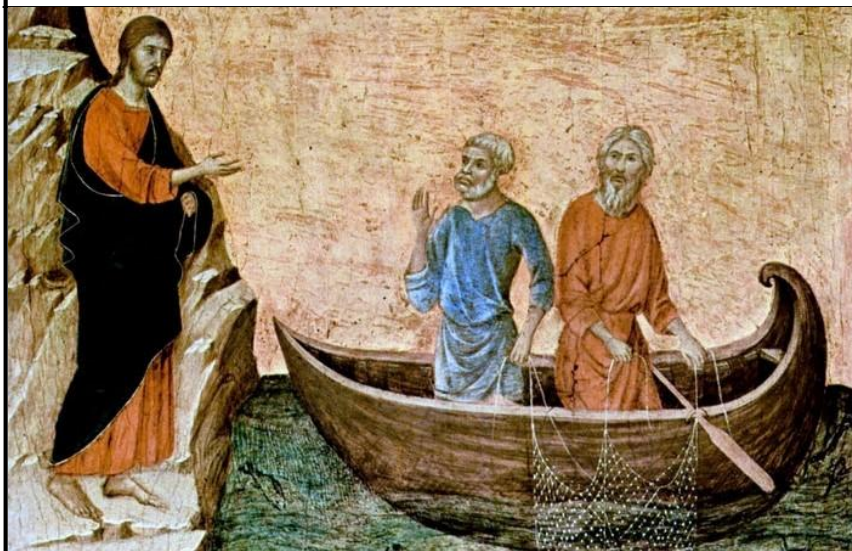
**Diocese of  
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# Holy Family Catholic Church

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**Holy Family  
Church**



## Mass Schedule

Monday ..... No Mass  
Tuesday – 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

### PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Rev. Fr. Modeste Digwou

Emergency: (340) 203-0607

**Admin. Assistant:** Ms. Carmen A. White

**Accountant:** 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. Julio Comperè

### Office Hours:

Mon – Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Closed Saturdays and Sundays

### 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 21, 2024**

# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## JANUARY 21, 2024

### WEEKLY REFLECTION

**First Reading:** Jonah 3:1-5, 10

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

**Gospel:** Mark 1:14-20

Beloved

Word of God for this 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: *“Let yourself be met ... the gaze of God, the gaze of Jesus”*

“What make a life rich is successful encounters. The richness of a life comes from successful encounters. At the very beginning of his ministry, Jesus proposed three-stage pedagogy of encounter.”

**Jesus set out for Galilee:** Jesus reminds us that there can be no encounter without moving, without leaving one's security, and without going beyond one's inner circle. **Jesus then goes out to meet those he wishes to call.** He meets each of them as they are, fishermen by the lake. He goes onto their land. It's not a question of drawing them to Himself, but of taking an interest in their lives. He calls them by name. A genuine encounter does not involve pressure or intrusion, but a step that invites the other to freely take his or her own. So Jesus can call Simon, Andrew, James and John, and how many others afterwards, right up to us today.

**With Jesus, the Encounter often opens with a Call.** The response unfolds in commitment. Jonah understood this. He got up and set off on his mission to Nineveh. In his Letter to the Corinthians, Paul reminds us that time is limited. Time on earth is limited, but it is given to us as a gift to be transformed into love, forgiveness and kindness! “My life is but an instant, a passing hour / My life is but a single day that eludes me and flees / You know this, O my God! To love You on earth / I have nothing but today” (Sainte Thérèse de Lisieux).

**Another 40 days and Nineveh will be destroyed:** the first invitation to conversion and, more precisely, to repentance...! Jesus will bring forgiveness...!

**The time is fulfilled:** the fulfillment of the promises is realized in Jesus - the kingdom of God is here! A double invitation: to conversion and to faith in God's good news. Come follow me... fishers of men... !

**Time is limited, time is short,** a term of navigation which means we are soon in port...

These three verses, of today's three texts, invite us to live according to this major reality: Christ is raised, in him the world to come is already present. It is on the basis of this good news that we are invited to build our lives, without becoming attached to this passing world.

We are therefore invited to follow in the footsteps of the apostles, who for the second time (the first we heard last Sunday), and this time definitively, are going to follow in his footsteps. The call of his first four disciples is the same call that each of us has received: it's not the call of specialists, it's the call addressed to ordinary people to fulfill the three fundamental expectations of every human person: the meaning of life, true love, belonging to a community where relationships are true!

### SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK

**MONDAY:** *Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26;  
Mk 3:22-30

**TUESDAY:** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10;  
Mk 3:31-35

**WEDNESDAY:** *Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30;  
Mk 4:1-20

**THURSDAY:** *Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle*  
Acts 22:3-16; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

**FRIDAY:** *Saints Timothy and Titus, bishops*

2 Tm 1:1-8; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:26-34

**SATURDAY:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;  
Mk 4:35-41

**NEXT SUNDAY:** *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, year B*

Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9;  
1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

### MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 PM – **Mary Wells** → Birthday blessings rb her sister, Paula, & family

– **Lewis Anthony** → Birthday blessings rb Jane Ann Casey

**SUNDAY, January 21<sup>st</sup>**

7:30 AM – **Vernice George & family** → God's protection & guidance rb Nazarine Blaize

10:00 AM – **Barbara Burton** → In thanksgiving rb Barbara

5:00 PM – **Pierre Joseph, Chrimite Monbia, & Angele Lundy** → Birthday blessings & guidance rb Silia Erilis

**MONDAY, January 22<sup>nd</sup>** → NO MASS

**TUESDAY, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

7:00 AM – **Susanna Pacquette** → Birthday blessings rb Susanna

**WEDNESDAY, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM – **Fr. Modeste Digwou** → God's continued blessings & guidance

**THURSDAY, January 25<sup>th</sup>**

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

**FRIDAY, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM † **Merle Penha-Murphy** → Repose of Soul

**SATURDAY, January 27<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 PM – **Elisah & Fernandes Schmidt** → Guidance & protection rb their mother

# 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 20<sup>th</sup> to January 26<sup>th</sup>** for God's continued blessings and protection for **Blaizia Alcendor**, requested by her son, Louis.

### **Dates to Remember:**

- **Healing Mass:** Our monthly Mass for the sick will be held on **Friday, January 26, 2024** at 6:00 PM.

**Restrooms:** *Let's keep our restrooms clean at all times.*

**Hospitality Lounge:** We're asking for your support of the lounge. Donations are being accepted, or you can provide in-kind assistance by donating coffee, tea/tea bush, sandwiches, crackers, pastries, and assorted fruits.

**Boat Ride:** The Catholic Diocese of the St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands presents its 250<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Pre-Valentine Boat Ride aboard the Kon Tiki Party Raft on **Sunday, February 4, 2024**, from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$25 and are available at the church office. See the bulletin board for more information.

**Cash Raffle:** The Students and Parents of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic School are conducting a Cash Raffle. One ticket is \$10.00, and a book of 11 tickets is \$100.00. The prizes are: first prize: \$10,000; second prize: \$3,000.00; third prize: \$1,500.00; fourth prize: \$1,000.00; fifth prize: \$500.00. The drawing will take place on **Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**. For additional information, call 340-626-3903.

**Lourdes in a Day:** The Order of Malta is inviting the parish sick to the 6<sup>th</sup> annual "Lourdes in a Day" event, **Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>** at **10:00 AM** at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. **Holy Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Bishop Jerome Feudjio.** Holy Water from Lourdes, confession, and lunch will be served. Please call 340-690-3292 to confirm your attendance.

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

### **From the Pastor's Desk (Appointments)**

**Coordinator/Godmother, Altar Servers:** Andrea Shillingford

**Parish Gift shop:** Ivinia James / Saint Joseph Workers

**Hospitality lounge:** Hilda Celestine / Saint Vincent de Paul / Ushers

**Restrooms:** Sons of Abraham

**Cassi Hill Shrine:** Orville "Sparrow" Rouse

**Holy Family Statue Grotto:** Saint Joseph Workers

**Coordinator, Altar Servers:** Andrea Shillingford

**Sacristy:** Silia Erilis / Julio Comperè

**Decoration Committee:** Viola Williams / Hilda Celestine

**Social Committee:** Felecine "Baby" Marcellin / Mia Pascal / Alicia Douté

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

# Parish Information

## **Sacrament of Infant 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 2 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. Confessions will be on Wednesdays after the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and on weekends 20 minutes before each Mass.

## **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.



# Catechesis

## \*Three Simple And Concrete Gestures For Living The Week Of Christian Unity\*

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, held this year from January 18 to 25, is a special opportunity for every member of the faithful to (re)discover the beauty of ecumenism. Here are three simple gestures to help you live it out, simply and concretely.

Drowned in the current events dominated by conflicts in the Holy Land and Ukraine, natural disasters and the controversies surrounding certain members of the government, the Week for Christian Unity, which opens this Thursday, January 18, could go unnoticed. And yet it's essential: it's the main ecumenical event organized by the Church every year for the past 116 years. This week reminds every Christian, whether Catholic, Protestant or Orthodox, *that communion between all the baptized is a spiritual requirement inherent in the faith. To pray for Christian unity is to respond to Christ's first request in the Our Father: "Hallowed be thy name."*

Here are three simple actions that every Christian can take this Unity Week.

### \*FIND OUT MORE

While Catholics are generally aware of the address of their local church and its mass times, they are less aware of the presence of a temple or Orthodox church in their neighborhood, town or department. So, as a sign of unity and interest in our Christian sisters and brothers, why not simply find out about their places of worship close to home? Getting to know them means becoming aware of the existence of other Christian communities who live and work alongside us on a daily basis.

### \*AGIR\*

Once you've identified these Christian places of worship in your area, it's time to show a little curiosity and fraternity. Finding out about service times and attending at least one is a great way of embodying Christian unity at your own level. And just in time, many events are organized for the Week for Christian Unity: services, concerts, times of sharing, worship... So don't miss out!

### \*PRAYER

The faithful are used to praying for peace and forgiveness, for their loved ones, for the strength to overcome trials, for the courage to accept certain decisions and accept others. But praying for Christian unity, much less so. Yet this is the ultimate prayer uttered by Jesus on the evening of Holy Thursday. ***"May they all be one"*** (Jn 17:21): this is the beginning of a prayer Jesus addressed to his Father, so that all those who follow him may remain united. He prayed in the presence of his disciples on the evening of the Last Supper, before his death and resurrection.

Here is a prayer to accompany the faithful in this process:

*Lord Jesus,  
who on the eve of dying for us  
prayed that all your disciples might be perfectly one,  
as you are in your Father, and your Father in you,  
make us painfully aware of the unfaithfulness of our disunity.  
Give us the loyalty to recognize and the courage  
to reject that which hides within us indifference,  
distrust, even mutual hostility.  
Grant that we may all meet in you,  
so that, from our souls and lips,  
may your prayer for Christian unity rise unceasingly,  
as you will, by the means you will.  
In you, who are perfect charity  
make us find the way that leads to unity,  
in obedience to your love and truth.  
Amen*

# Parish Activities Work



Appreciation of Chief  
Constructor "Balbo" Castor



Holy Family statue



Completed security fence



Balcony in front of the gift shop

## Prayer for Unity

We are one with you  
God, we are one with you.  
You have made us one with You.  
You have taught us that,  
if we are welcoming  
to one another, you dwell within us.  
Help us to keep this openness  
and fight for it with all our might.  
By accepting each other  
completely, totally,  
with hearts wide open,  
it's you we accept,  
it's you we love with all our being.

For our being is at the heart of your being  
and our spirit is rooted in your spirit.  
Fill us with love  
and let love bind us together  
as we travel our diverse paths.



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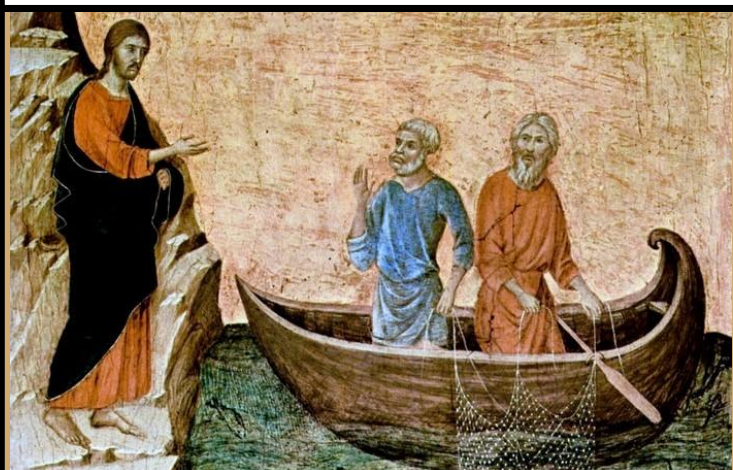
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## LA VOIX DU DIMANCHE DE LA COMMUNAUTE HAITIENNE

Troisième Dimanche du Temps Ordinaire, Année B.

No. 011 DU DIMANCHE 21 JANVIER 2024



### REFERENCES BIBLIQUES

**Premye Lekti: Jonas 3:1-5, 10**

**Sòm repons: Sòm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9**

**Dezyèm Lekti: 1 Korentyen 7:29-31**

**Levanjil: Mak 1:14-20**

### LEKTI EKRTI NAN SEMÈN LA

**LENDI:** *Jounen Lapriyè pou Pwoteksyon Legal Timoun ki poko fèt*  
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Sòm 89:20, 21-22, 25-26; Mak 3:22-30

**MADI:** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Sòm 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Mak 3:31-35

**MÈKREDI:** *Sen Fransik de Sales, Evèk ak Doktè Legliz la*  
2 Sm 7,4-17; Sòm 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mak 4:1-20

**JEDI:** *Fèt Konvèsyon Sen Pòl, Apot Travay*  
22:3-16; Sòm 117:1bc, 2; Mak 16:15-18

**VANDREDI:** *Sen Timote ak Tit, evèk*  
2 Tm 1:1-8; Sòm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10;  
Mak 4:26-34

**SAMDI:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Sòm 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;  
Mak 4:35-41

**PROCHÈN DIMANCH:** *4yèm Dimanch nan Tan Òdinè, ane B*  
Dt 18:15-20; Sòm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9; 1 Kor 7:32-35;  
Mak 1:21-28

### Meditasyon Par Pere Modeste

Mezanmi

Pawòl Bondye a pou 3yèm Dimanch nan Tan Òdinè sa a: *"Kite tèt ou rankontre ... gade Bondye, regard Jezi"*

"Sa ki fè yon lavi rich se rankont siksè. Richès yon lavi soti nan rankont siksè. Nan kòmansman ministè l la, Jezi te pwopoze yon pedagoji rankont ki gen twa etap."

**Jezi te pati pou Galile:** Jezi fè nou sonje ke pa ka gen okenn rankont san yo pa deplase, san yo pa kite sekirite yon moun, epi san yo pa ale pi lwen pase sèk anndan an. **Aprè sa, Jezi soti al kontre moun li vle rele yo.** Li rankontre chak nan yo jan yo ye, pechè bò lak la. Li ale sou tè yo. Se pa yon kesyon pou atire yo vin jwenn tèt li, men se pou yo pran enterè nan lavi yo. Li rele yo pa non. Yon rankont otantik pa enplike presyon oswa entrizyon, men yon etap ki envite lòt la lib pran pwòp tèt li. Se konsa, Jezi ka rele Simon, Andre, Jak ak Jan, ak konbyen lòt apre sa, jis jiska nou jodi a.

**Avèk Jezi, Rankont la souvan ouvè ak yon Apèl.** Repons lan dewoulman nan angajman. Jonas te konprann sa. Li leve, li ale nan misyon li lavil Niniv. Nan Lèt li pou Korentyen yo, Pòl fè nou sonje ke tan an limite. Tan sou tè a limite, men li ban nou kòm yon kado yo dwe transfòme nan renmen, padon ak jantiyès! "Lavi mwen se yon moman, yon èdtan k ap pase / Lavi mwen se yon sèl jou ki chape pou mwen epi ki kouri / Ou konnen sa, O Bondye mwen! Renmen w sou tè a / mwen pa gen anyen ke jodi a" (Sante Thérèse de Lisieux).

*Yon lòt 40 jou epi Niniv pral detwi:* premye envitasyon an pou konvèsyon ak, pi preziman, pou repantans...! Jezi pral pote padon...

*Lè a rive vre:* akonplisman pwomès yo reyalize nan Jezi - Peyi Wa ki nan Bondye isit la! Yon doub envitasyon: konvèsyon ak lafwa nan bon nouvèl Bondye a. Vin swiv mwen... pechè moun... !

*Tan limite, tan kout,* yon tèm navigasyon sa vle di nou byento nan pò...

Twa vèsè sa yo, nan twa tèks jodi a, envite nou viv dapre gwo reyalite sa a: Kris la leve soti vivan, nan li mond k ap vini an deja prezan. Se sou baz bon nouvèl sa a ke nou envite nou bati lavi nou, san yo pa vin atache ak monn sa a ki pase.

Se poutèt sa envite nou swiv tras apot yo, ki pou yon dezyèm fwa (premye a nou te tande dimanch pase a), epi fwa sa a definitivman, pral swiv tras li. Apèl kat premye disip li yo se menm apèl ke nou chak te resevwa: se pa apèl espesyalis, se apèl ki adrese moun òdinè pou akonpli twa atant fondamantal chak moun: sans lavi a, vrè lanmou. , ki fè pati yon kominote kote relasyon yo se vre!.



## ANONS PAWAS YO

### Dat pou sonje:

Mès Gerizon: Mès nou an chak mwa pou malad yo ap fèt vandredi 26 janvyè 2024 a 6:00 pm.

**Twalèt:** Ann kenbe twalèt nou yo pwòp tout tan.

**Ospitalite Lounge:** Nou ap mande pou sipò ou nan sal la. Yo aksepte don, oswa ou ka bay asistans en kalite lè w bay kafe, te/te touf bwa, sandwich, ti biskwit, patisri, ak fwi asòti.

**Vwayaj Bato:** Dyosèz Katolik Sen Toma nan Zile Vyèj yo prezante 250yèm Jubilee Pre-Valentine Boat Ride li abò Kon Tiki Party Raft dimanch 4 fevriye 2024, apati 2:00 pm rive 6:00 pm. Tikè yo se \$25 epi yo disponib nan biwo legliz la. Gade tablo afichaj la pou plis enfòmasyon.

**Raf Lajan Kach:** Elèv yo ak Paran Sts. Lekòl Katolik Pyè ak Pòl ap fè yon raf Lajan Kach. Yon tikè se \$10.00, ak yon liv ki gen 11 tikè se \$100.00. Prim yo se: premye pri: \$10,000; dezyèm pri: \$3,000.00; twazyèm pri: \$1,500.00; katriyèm pri: \$1,000.00; senkyèm pri: \$500.00. Desen an ap fèt samdi 10 fevriye. Pou plis enfòmasyon, rele 340-626-3903.

**Lourdes in a Day:** Lòd Malta ap envite pawas malad yo nan 6yèm evènman anyèl "Lourdes in a Day", Madi 13 fevriye a 10:00 am nan Legliz Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Se trè Reveran Evèk Jerome Feudjio ki pral selebre lamès Sen an. Dlo Sentespri soti nan Lourdes, konfesyon, ak manje midi yo pral sèvi. Tanpri rele 340-690-3292 pou konfime prezans ou.

**Atik manje ki pa gate:** Yo pral ranmase manje ki pa gate nan wikenn pwochèn nan chak mès Sen pandan ofrann, apre pwosyon apre koleksyon an. Benefis yo pral benefisye òganizasyon charitab Katolik ak fèmèn nan Pawas nou an. Nou remèsye ou pou jenerozite ou.

**Yvonne Freeman:** Yo pral fè yon sèvis kommemoratif an souvni Madan Yvonne Freeman. Sèvis la ap fèt nan Sanktyè a nan samdi 27 janvyè 2024 a 10:00 AM. Tout moun envite pou rantre nan sèvis la.

## MAS MANDE

Entansyon mas la se pou benediksyon anivèsè nesans ak konsèy pou Pierre Joseph, Chrimite Monbia, ak Angele Lundy, Angie mande.

## POU JENÈS LA

Pwogram CCD chak samdi a 9:00 a.m.

Nou envite jèn yo rantre nan kèk nan gwoup yo tankou gwoup koral la oswa vin tounen sèvè alter.



## KOLEKSYON SEMÈN NAN

### GESTION TREZOR

ÒF NAN WEKENDN, 13-14 JANVYE

Ofri: \$4,504.00

5:00 pm: \$944.00

7:30 am: \$1,370.00

10:00 am: \$2,038.00

5:00 pm: \$152.00

Dezyèm Koleksyon: \$987.00

ÒF LA SEMÈN: \$107.00

1/12: \$14.00

1/17: \$45.00

1/19: \$48.00

Yo ka fè bay sou entènèt sou sitwèb nou an nan: [www.holyfamilystt.com](http://www.holyfamilystt.com)

Mèsi pou jenerozite ou!

## NOUVÈL KOMINOTE A

- Reyinyon koral: chak Mèkredi a 6:30 p.m.
- Netwayaj Legliz la pa kominote ayisyen an: chak 1ye vandredi nan mwa a a 6:30 p.m.

*Bòn ane 2024!*

# Parish Life



Parish Administrator  
Father Modeste



Church Secretary  
Ms C. A. White

In memory of Yvonne Freeman



## Tributes for Yvonne Freeman

Fr. Modeste and the parishioners of Holy Family Church would like to attend deepest sympathies to the family of Mrs. Yvonne Freeman.

Yvonne was a very devoted and faithful member of the Holy Family Parish who touched the lives of many with whom she came into contact. She served as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, CCD Teacher, a member of the HF Prayer Group, the Catholic Charismatic Renewal and various over boards and ministries. She loved the Lord and had a great devotion to our Blessed Mother. She prayed daily for the church and its' members and never miss a daily mass. Let us pray that her soul will rest in peace and rise in glory. She will surely be missed.

Yvonne was a Christian who deeply embodied diocesan spirituality, in the sense that she could be found in every one of our parishes.

She loved to get close to people and talk to them.

My last memory of her is her insistent request for me to go and pray at Saint John with the seminarian who was in my charge, and when I wanted to say no, she replied insistently, "Father don't do that to me" three times, and I gave in. It *was the most beautiful day of her life*, as she declared just a few hours before her death.

She always prayed through the intercession of the Virgin Mary for "the grace of a good death." May the Lord grant her eternal rest and light shine on her.

May her Soul rest in peace.

## Pastoral Executive Committee

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## 250th Jubilee of the Diocese of Saint Thomas

As part of the celebration of 250 years of our diocese, the holy family parish has planned two activities, one spiritual and one social.

### An inter-parish pilgrimage

Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024

Location: Holy Family Parish

Involved: Holy Family Parishes - Sainte Anne - Our Lady Of Perpetual Help - Our Lady Of Mont Carmel

Time: 9:00Am - 14:00Pm

Activities: Rosary - Way of the Cross – Mass

In Charge: Father Modeste, parish Administrator and the Liturgy Committee

Happy New Year  
2024!



## Pray For the Sick & Shut-ins

**OFF ISLAND:** Signorah Baron, Helen Bruney, Eugenie England, Juliana George, Rose George, Olivia Gumbs, Thomas Johnson, Mary Lewis, Veronica Sealey, Joseph Toussaint, Iona Vanterpool

**AT HOME:** Blaizia Alcendor, Carol Baron, François Baron, Philomen Baron, James Bellot, Rose Celestine, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Maggie Dolphin, John George, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Vernelle Gumbs, Vanessa Harrigan, St. Helaire Antoine, Gerard Henry, Mercedes Hodge, Owen Johnrose, Pauline Jolly, Bernice Knight, Rita Ledee, Cleopha Rawlings, Evelyn Simon, Keith Steele, Paquita Steele, Anthony Stridiron Sr.

**EBENEZER HOME:** Cleota Hill.

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

### Church Attendance:

**339** persons attended Holy Mass last weekend.

## SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Cost of Envelopes ..... January 1  
Permanent Diaconate ..... January 6-7  
Restoration Fund ..... January 6-7  
Monthly School Support ..... January 13-14  
Property Insurance ..... January 20-21  
Security Fence ..... January 20-21  
Capital Improvements ..... January 27-28

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

WEEKEND OFFERINGS, JANUARY 13-14

Offering: \$4,504.00

5:00 PM: \$944.00      7:30 AM: \$1,370.00

10:00 AM: \$2,038.00      5:00 PM: \$152.00

Second Collection: \$987.00

WEEKDAY OFFERINGS: \$107.00

1/12: \$14.00      1/17: \$45.00      1/19: \$48.00

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## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### 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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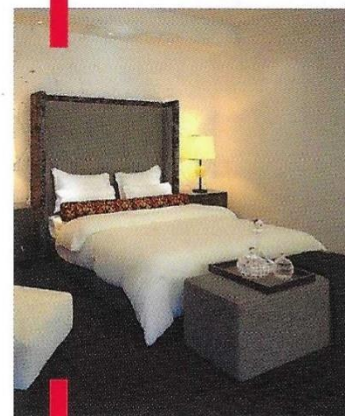
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