



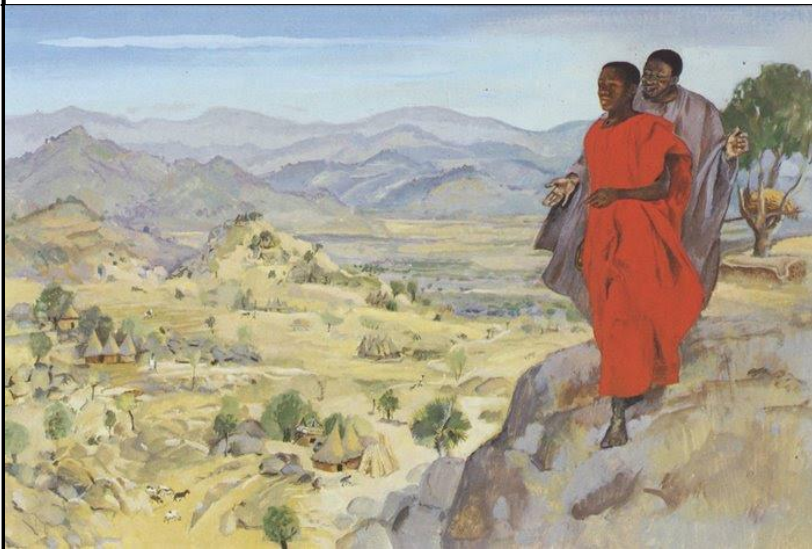
Diocese of
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Holy Family
Church



Mass Schedule

Monday (during Lent) 7:00 a.m.
Tuesday – Friday 7:00 a.m.
Friday (during Lent) 6:00 p.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.

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- Mr. Julio Comperè • Ms. Francesca Alcendor

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.”

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 18, 2024

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WEEKLY REFLECTION

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

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

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Reflection by Rev. Fr. Isaac Agbenohevi

Theme: "Change of Mind and Heart in Forty Days"

The Gospel of today, the First Sunday of Lent (Year B), describes Jesus' preparatory experience in the desert for forty (40) days before the commencement of his public ministry in Galilee with the proclamation of the Good News of God, thus, the message of the Kingdom of God. This period of preparation was significant due to the fact that it culminated in the beginning of the unfolding (unpacking) of the content of the reality of the Kingdom of God, which is inaugurated in the person of Jesus, i.e., the public ministry of Jesus. The significance of the period of forty days in scripture cannot be glossed over here: it was/is a period of renewal, strengthening, preparation, fortification, rebirth, regeneration etc. Jesus does these forty days experience in the desert (a place for wild beasts, evil spirits, demonic forces etc) where he was tempted by the evil one (Satan) who sought, in different ways, to derail and thwart God's salvific plan for sinful humanity. Jesus does not only prepare himself for his public ministry but also overcomes the evil one who tempted him severally in the desert. Our experience in the season of Lent will follow the example of Jesus. In this period of forty days, we are also going to work in ensuring a radical revolution of our lives (renewal, regeneration, transformation, rebirth) by means of the Lenten observances of fasting, prayer and almsgiving in preparation for the celebration of the paschal mystery at Easter when we will experience a new life (victory over sin, evil and death) in, through and with Christ. God intends to engage us in a new covenant – a covenant that will endure forever (see Genesis 9:1-15); but this covenant cannot be effected if we continue to live in sin. In this light, the Lenten period offers us an auspicious opportunity to battle sin and its trappings and overcome it by means of our intense penitential observances (repentance and conversion) so that we can experience true renewal and rebirth at Easter. Let us, therefore, present ourselves to the Lord, unworthy and sinful as we are, confident of his mercy, forgiveness and renewal.

Prayer:

Lord of mercy and compassion,

By our sins, we have walked other paths and gone other ways.

In this Lenten season, help us to be victorious in our battle against sin, by means of our fasting, prayer and almsgiving, so that we can experience the New Life of Easter – the pledge of a new and everlasting covenant. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen!

SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK

MONDAY: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

TUESDAY: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

WEDNESDAY: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32

THURSDAY: *Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle*
1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19

FRIDAY: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8;
Mt 5:20-26

SATURDAY: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

NEXT SUNDAY: *2nd Sunday of Lent, year B*
Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18;
Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19;
Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, February 17th

5:00 PM † **Gerson Eusebe** → Repose of Soul rb the Eusebe family

SUNDAY, February 18th

7:30 AM – **Victor Benoit** → In thanksgiving for his birthday
– **Joseph "Joe" Toussaint** → God's continued blessings & healing

10:00 AM – **Henkell Alexander** → Birthday blessings rb the René family
– **Sharon & Derrick Davis** → Anniversary blessings rb their family

5:00 PM – **Vico Erilis** → Birthday blessings & God's continued protection rb his sister, Silia

MONDAY, February 19th

7:00 AM † **Merle Penha-Murphy** → Repose of Soul
† **Lloyd Carlton Jackson Sr.** → Repose of Soul

TUESDAY, February 20th

7:00 AM – **Phillip Bellot** → Birthday blessings rb his mother, Francisca Henry

WEDNESDAY, February 21st

7:00 AM – **Duane Motta II & Zara Motta** → rb their family

THURSDAY, February 22nd

7:00 AM – **Kevin & Kemoi Bellot** → God's continued blessings, guidance, & protection rb their grandmother, Francisca Henry

FRIDAY, February 23rd

7:00 AM – **Eulie Rolle** → Healing rb her children

SATURDAY, February 24th

5:00 PM † **Alvin McBean** → Repose of Soul rb his wife, Olga McBean

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 **February 17th to February 23rd** for the Repose of Soul of **Yvonne Solomon Freeman**.

Bible Course (with certificates) – “At the Table of God’s Word”

- Interested persons should register at the Church Office.
- It begins on the **First Thursday of March, 2024**.
- Time: 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Dates to Remember:

- **Saturday, March 16, 2024:** Inter-parish pilgrimage of St. Thomas and St. John to Holy Family.
- **Tuesday, March 19, 2024:** Mass at Holy Family grotto.
- **Wednesday, March 20, 2024 – Friday, March 22, 2024:** Lenten Mission by Fr. Francis Chinwendu Nwachukwu and of Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Dominica.

Lent: Stations of the Cross will continue every morning in the church at 6:30 AM, followed by Mass, and on Fridays in the parking lot at 5:30 PM, followed by Mass. There will be no altar flowers, no Gloria, no Alleluia, and (except March 10) no musical accompaniments.

During Lent, Mass will be held every Monday at 7:00 AM, following the Stations of the Cross. A collection will be taken up every Mass during Lent.

Stations of the Cross Schedule: See the bulletin board.

Lenten Efforts and Sacrifices: Begins on Ash Wednesday.

Women’s Retreat: **Saturday, February 24, 2024** from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon at St. Anne’s Parish in Frenchtown. Confessions will start at 9:30 AM.

Easter Luncheon: St. Joseph Workers and Holy Family Catholic Church are sponsoring an Easter Sunday Luncheon honoring **Ms. Alma Wells, Ms. Lola Warrington, and Ms. Yvonne Francis** on **Sunday, March 31, 2024** at Holy Family Columban Hall at 1:00 pm. Donation is \$50.00; children 12 years and under: \$25.00 at the door.

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.

Office Closure: The church office will be closed on **Monday, February 19, 2024**, in observance of Presidents’ Day.

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

Parish Information

Sacrament of Infant Baptism

Pre-Baptism classes will be held Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the lower Columban Hall, starting Tuesday, February 20, 2024. A minimum of 4 classes is required. Register your child now.

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.

Necrologium: The funeral service for **Alvin McBean** will take place on **Thursday, February 22, 2024** at 10:00 AM at Holy Family Church.

The funeral service for **Ophelia F. Banis** will take place on **Friday, February 23, 2024** at 10:00 AM at Holy Family Church.

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

**2024 Lenten Pastoral Letter
(From the Desk of the Pastor)**

Peace be with you!

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.” (see 2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

These words from the great Apostle, St. Paul, to the Christian community in Corinth convey deep sentiments of faith, fellowship and communion with God and one another which are appropriate for our specific experience as we begin the season of Lent. Lent is “a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord’s Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ’s will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ’s death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ” (see USCCB – Lenten Resource). This season is very providential since it offers us the auspicious occasion, by means of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, to return to our God, our first love, after having walked other paths and gone other ways as a result of our sins. We will do everything possible to battle and overcome sin and evil and be completely reconciled to our God.

As a parish community, we will seize this opportunity to do intense prayer and penance asking God for the forgiveness of our personal and communal sins and promising to live a better Christian life. We will also foster our fellowship, communion and oneness in the Lord through our daily community Lenten activities and other spiritual observances such as the celebration of holy mass, confessions, rosary, stations of the cross, visitation of the sick and homebound, societal spiritual activities etc. This year (2024), as part of our Lenten experience, I would like us to focus on the following:

- the intensification of our Lenten commitment by participating in the various activities of the parish especially the various liturgical and paraliturgical activities which have been rolled out.
- the need to foster our fraternity, communion and fellowship in the Lord as a parish.
- an emphasis on the need to frequent the sacrament of penance and reconciliation.
- the urgent need to encourage our lukewarm sisters and brothers to rejoin our beautiful catholic fraternity.
- our willingness to support the infrastructural development, beautification and facelifting of the parish community.

In a spirit of community and love, we should all get involved in building a very strong catholic fraternity (in our parish) which focuses on the spiritual, doctrinal and pastoral needs of the People of God. I would like to encourage all and sundry to attach much seriousness to the Lenten observances of prayer, fasting and almsgiving so that, as a believing community, our Lenten preparation will make us worthy to celebrate the Paschal Mystery of the Lord. Finally, let us prayerfully reflect on the words of St. Paul, in his Letter to the Philippians, as we do this year’s Lenten experience and journey:

“Brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.” (see Philippians 4:8-9).

I wish each you a very productive and fulfilling Season of Lent.

Rev. Fr. Modeste DIGWOU

Parish Administrator

Holy Family Catholic Church

St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

Parish Activities Work



Arrival of the parking lot palms



Father Modeste and Kevin receiving blessing before traveling



Planting of the palm trees in the parking lot



The Annual Bishop’s Appeal, “**One Bread One Body**” calls upon us to express our love for God through charitable deeds. The demand for food assistance at our three soup kitchens is growing daily. Your contribution to Catholic Charities enables us to sustain this vital ministry of compassion. We kindly request that you take a brochure home , reflect on your sacrificial gift, and offer it as an act of charity. You have the option to pledge and distribute your payments monthly or make one-time donations. Further details are available in the brochure. Your generosity is deeply appreciated. Thank You.



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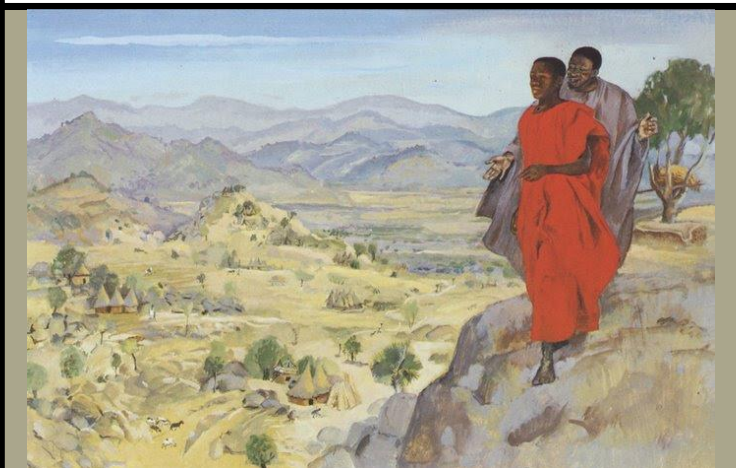
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LA VOIX DU DIMANCHE DE LA COMMUNAUTE HAITIENNE

Premier Dimanche de Carême, Année B.

No. 015 DU DIMANCHE 18 FÉVRIER 2024



Meditasyon Par Pere Isaac Agbenohevi

Tèm: "Chanjman lide ak kè nan karant jou"

Levanjil jodi a, Premye Dimanch Karèm lan (Ane B), dekri eksperyans preparasyon Jezi a nan dezè a pandan karant (40) jou anvan kòmansman ministè piblik li nan Galile ak pwoklamasyon Bon Nouvèl Bondye a, konsa: mesaj Wayòm Bondye a. Peryòd preparasyon sa a te enpòtan akòz lefèt ke li abouti nan kòmansman an nan dewoulman (depake) nan kontni an nan reyaltite Wayòm Bondye a, ki inogire nan moun nan Jezi, sa vle di, ministè piblik la nan Jezi. . Siyifikasyon peryòd karant jou nan ekriti yo pa ka glossed isit la: se te/se yon peryòd renouvèlman, ranfòsman, preparasyon, fòtifikasyon, renesans, rejenerasyon elatriye. Jezi fè eksperyans karant jou sa yo nan dezè a (yon kote pou sovaj). bèt, move lespri, fòs dyabolik elatriye) kote li te tante pa move a (Satan) ki t'ap chache, nan diferan fason, deraye ak antrave plan sovfi Bondye a pou limanite peche. Jezi pa sèlman prepare tèt li pou ministè piblik li a, men li genyen batay la tou mechan ki te tante l nan dezè a. Eksperyans nou nan sezon karèm la pral suiv egzanp Jezi. Nan peryòd karant jou sa a, nou pral travay tou pou asire yon revolisyon radikal nan lavi nou (renouvèlman, rejenerasyon, transfòmasyon, renesans) pa mwayen obsèvan karèm yo nan jèn, lapriyè ak amòs nan preparasyon pou selebrasyon paskal la. mistè nan Pak lè nou pral fè eksperyans yon nouvo lavi (vikwa sou peche, sa ki mal ak lanmò) nan, atravè ak ak Kris la. Bondye gen entansyon angaje nou nan yon nouvo alyans - yon alyans ki pral dire pou tout tan (gade Jenèz 9:1-15); men alyans sa a pa ka reyalize si nou kontinye viv nan peche. Nan limyè sa a, peryòd Karèm la ofri nou yon opòtinite favorab pou nou konbat peche ak pyèj li yo epi simonte li pa mwayen obsèvan entans penitans nou yo (repanti ak konvèsyon) pou nou ka fè eksperyans vre renouvèlman ak renesans nan Pak. Se poutèt sa, annou prezante tèt nou devan Senyè a, ki pa di ak peche menm jan nou ye, ki gen konfyans nan mizèrikòd li, padon ak renouvèlman li.

REFERENCES BIBLIQUES

Premye Lekti: Jenèz 9:8-15

Sòm repons: Sòm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Dezyèm Lekti: 1 Pyè 3:18-22

Levanjil: Mak 1:12-15

LEKTI EKRI NAN SEMÈN LA

LENDI: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Sòm 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

MADI: Is 55:10-11; Sòm 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

MÈKREDI: Jon 3:1-10; Sòm 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lik 11:29-32

JEDI: Fèt Chèz Sen Pyè, Apot

1 Pt 5:1-4; Sòm 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19

VANDREDI: Ez 18:21-28; Sòm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26

SAMDI: Dt 26:16-19; Sòm 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

PROCHÈN DIMANCH: 2yèm dimanch karèm, ane B

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18;

Sòm 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34;

Mak 9:2-10

Lapriyè:

Seyè mizèrikòd ak konpasyon,

Grasa peche nou yo, nou te mache sou lòt chemen e nou te ale nan lòt fason.

Nan sezon Karèm sa a, ede nou genyen vikwa nan batay nou kont peche, pa mwayen jèn nou, lapriyè ak amon pou nou ka fè eksperyans Nouvo Lavi Pak la - sèman yon nouvo alyans etènèl. Bay sa grasa Kris, Seyè nou an.

Amèn!

ANONS PAWAS YO

Kou Labib (avèk sètifika) - "Atè tab la nan Pawòl Bondye a"

- Moun ki enterese ta dwe enskri nan Biwo Legliz la.
- Li kòmanse premye jedi mas 2024 la.
- Lè: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Dat pou sonje:

- **Samdi 16 mas 2024:** Pelerinaj ant pawas Sen Toma ak Sen Jan bay Sen Fanmi.
- **Madi 19 mas 2024:** Mès nan grot Sentespri Fanmi.
- **Mèkredi 20 mas 2024 – Vandredi 22 mas 2024:** Misyon karèm pa Fr. Francis Chinwendu Nwachukwuand nan Pawas Our Lady of Fatima nan Dominik.

Karèm: Estasyon Lakwa yo ap kontinye chak maten nan legliz la a 6:30 am, apre sa mès, ak vandredi nan pakin nan 5:30 pm, apre sa mès. Pa gen flè lotèl, pa gen Gloria, pa gen Alelouya, epi (eksepte 10 mas) pa gen okenn akonpayman mizik.

Pandan Karèm, lamès ap fèt chak lendi a 7:00 am, apre Estasyon Lakwa yo. Y ap fè yon koleksyon chak mès pandan Karèm.

Orè Estasyon Lakwa: Gade tablo afichaj la.

Efò karèm ak sakrifis: Kòmanse nan Mèkredi Sann.

Retrè Fanm yo: Samdi, 24 fevriye 2024 soti 10:00 am jiska 12:00 midi nan Pawas St Anne nan Frenchtown. Konfesyon yo ap kòmanse a 9:30 am.

Manje Pak: Travayè St. Joseph ak Legliz Katolik Holy Family ap patwone yon Manje Dimanch Pak onore Madam Alma Wells, Madam Lola Warrington, ak Madam Yvonne Francis dimanch 31 mas 2024 nan Holy Family Columban Hall a 1:00. pm. Donasyon se \$50.00; timoun 12 ane ak mwens: \$25.00 nan pòt la.

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

Fèmte Biwo: Biwo legliz la ap fèmèn lendi 19 fevriye 2024, nan konsèvasyon Jounen Prezidan an.

Necrologium: Sèvis fineray pou **Alvin McBean** ap fèt **Jedi 22 Fevriye 2024** a 10:00 am nan Holy Family Church.

Sèvis antèman pou **Ophelia F. Banis** ap fèt **vandredi 23 fevriye 2024** a 10:00 am nan Holy Family Church.

Se pou nanm yo ak nanm fidèl yo kite grasa mizèrikòd Bondye a repoze anpè. Amèn.

MAS MANDE

Entansyon mès la se pou benediksyon anivèsè nesans ak pwoteksyon kontinyèl Bondye pou Vico Erilis, sè l', Silia 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 WEKNEN, 10-11 FEVRIYE

Ofri: \$4,240.00

5:00 pm: \$735.00

7:30 am: \$1,892.00

10:00 am: \$1,460.00

5:00 pm: \$153.00

Dezyèm Koleksyon: \$1,891.00

Ofri pou Timoun yo: \$19.00

ÒF LA SEMÈN: \$11.00

15 fev.: \$11.00

Yo ka fè bay sou entènèt sou sitwèb nou an nan: 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!

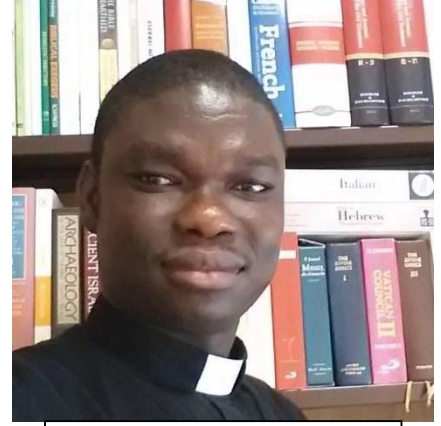
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250th Jubilee of the Diocese of Saint Thomas **Theme: Pilgrims of Hope in the Year of Prayer**

As part of the celebration of the great jubilee of 250 years of our Diocese, a spiritual pilgrimage is organized at Holy Family Church on **Saturday, March 16, 2024** from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM for the parishes of Holy Family, St. Anne OLP, and OLMC in St. John. This under the high patronage of His Excellency Jerome Feudjio, Bishop of the Diocese of Saint Thomas.

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: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Activities: Rosary, Confession, Penitential Service, Way of the Cross – Mass

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

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

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, St. Helaire Antoine, Gerard Henry, Mercedes Hodge, Gail Homer, Owen Johnrose, Pauline Jolly, Bernice Knight, Rita Ledee, Cleopha Rawlings, Evelyn Simon, Keith Steele, Paquita Steele, Anthony Stridiron Sr., Iona Vanterpool.

EBENEZER HOME: Cleota Hill.

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

Church Attendance:

348 persons attended Holy Mass last weekend.

180 persons attended Holy Mass on Ash Wednesday.

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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

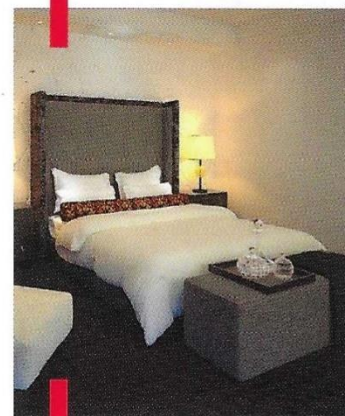
Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace,
 Where there is hatred, let me sow love, Where there is injury, pardon,
 Where there is doubt, faith, Where there is despair, hope,
 Where there is darkness, light, Where there is sadness, joy.
 O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled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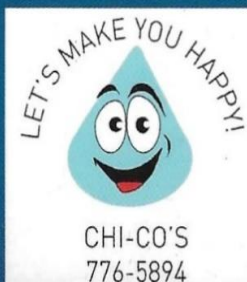
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