



Diocese of
Saint Thomas

Holy Family Catholic Church

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Holy Family
Church



Mass Schedule

Monday No Mass
Tuesday – Friday 7:00 a.m.
Saturday 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

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Rev. Fr. Isaac Agbenohevi
Emergency: (340) 203-3798

Admin. Assistant: Ms. Maria DN Blencowe

Accountant: Ms. Penrose Gardiner

Religious Ed. Director: Ms. M. René

Music Director: Mr. Francis Callwood

Sacristans

- Ms. Silia Erilis • Orville “Sparrow” Rouse (weekdays)
- 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.”

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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WEEKLY REFLECTION

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Reflection by Rev. Fr. Isaac Agbenohevi

Theme: “The Law of the Lord is Life and Light”

The most important thing about the Christian experience is about listening to the Lord and observing his commandments. Apart from this, the Christian life has no value and significance. In the observance of the precepts and commands of the Lord, one must place particular emphasis on the essential and crucial elements of the Christian life – the precepts which promote the wellbeing of the Christian, and the Common Good should be upheld and promoted as against those regulations which work against the enhancement of the general Good of the Christian. In both the first reading and the gospel, we are brought to the appreciation of the need to observe the commands of the Lord – these Laws are meant for our own development and salvation. Focus and observance of the Law of the Lord is the most significant thing and not the obedience of human precepts. It is against this backdrop that, Jesus, in making reference to the prophet Isaiah remarks: “Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition.” It is in the Law of the Lord that we have life and restoration of all things. Let us pray for the grace to listen to the Lord and observe his commandments.

Prayer:

Lord God almighty,

Your Law and Commandments are just and true, and in them we find true satisfaction and fulfillment. Help us to live according to the demands of your commandments so that we may be worthy of eternal communion and fellowship with you in the kingdom where you live with the son and the Holy Spirit as one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK

MONDAY: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102;
Lk 4:16-30

TUESDAY: *Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church*
1 Cor 2:10b-16;
Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14;
Lk 4:31-37

WEDNESDAY: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21;
Lk 4:38-44

THURSDAY: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6;
Lk 5:1-11

FRIDAY: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40;
Lk 5:33-39

SATURDAY: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21;
Lk 6:1-5

NEXT SUNDAY: *23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10; Jas 2:1-5;
Mk 7:31-37

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY August 31st

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

SUNDAY, September 1st

7:30 AM † **Joseph Robinson Bellot** → Repose of Soul
– **William Dolphin** → Birthday blessings rb his
wife and children

– **Josiah René** → Birthday blessings rb his mom

10:00 AM – **Josiah E. René** → Birthday blessings rb the
René family

5:00 PM – **Haiti** → Continued blessing and guidance

MONDAY, September 2nd – No Mass

TUESDAY, September 3rd

7:00 AM † **Matheline Marfo Maria née Paul** → Repose of
Soul rb her family

WEDNESDAY, September 4th

7:00 AM – **Leayle Reinaldo McFarlane Sr.** → Repose of
Soul rb his family

THURSDAY, September 5th

7:00 AM † **Teachers & students** → Continued blessings &
guidance

FRIDAY, September 6th

7:00 AM † **All the ministry leaders of the parish** → God's
blessings & guidance

Announcements

Eternal Candle

The Eternal Candle which burns in the Sanctuary of our church, the reminder of the Lord's Presence in the Most Holy Eucharist, will continue to burn throughout this coming week.



Altar Flowers: Parishioners are encouraged to assist in beautifying the church by sponsoring flowers for any special event. Please contact the office of your intent.

Bishop's Appeal: We thank each of you who have contributed and brought our donations to \$15,277, or 61% of our goal; we have \$9,723 more to go in order to accomplish our goal of \$25,000.00.

The Second Bible Course (with certificates):

"At the Table of God's Word" – The Book of Revelation

- Interested persons should register at the Parish Office.
- It takes place every **Thursday** from **6:00 PM** to **8:00 PM** in Lower Columban Hall.

CCD Registration for Religious Education/Faith Formation:

CCD Registration dates are **August 24 - September 28, 2024** -

Registration Fees are as follows:

1. Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation: \$50.00
2. All other classes (Pre/Post Communion and Pre-Confirmation: \$40.00

(These fees will defray the costs of classes and other required materials.)

3. Orientation: Parents and participating students 10:00 - 11:30 am **Saturday, September 28, 2024**

CCD classes begin on **Saturday October 5, 2024** from 9:00 am - 12 Noon

Food Drive: Catholic Charities of the Virgin Islands is seeking food donations to support those in need within our St. Thomas/St. John community. You can drop off your donations at any of the church offices during office hours or bring them with you to Sunday Service. For more information, please call (340) 777-8518.

Church cleaning: We need volunteers to reinforce the church cleaning teams. Please join one of these teams.

- 1st week : Haitian group (Friday evening)
- 2nd week: Haitian group (Friday evening)
- 3rd week: Dominican group (Friday evening)
- 4th week: Viola group (Saturday morning)
- 5th week: Viola group (Saturday morning)

Magnificat: The September *Magnificat* is currently available at the gift shop. Please purchase your copies.

Office Closure: The church office will be closed on **Monday, September 2, 2024**, in observance of Labor Day.

Necrologium: A memorial service for Silia Erilis' mother will be held on **Wednesday, September 11, 2024** at 6:00 PM at Holy Family Church. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Parish Information

Sacrament of Infant Baptism: Infant Baptisms will take place on the **Fourth Sunday** of every month, parents and god-parents must attend two pre-baptismal classes prior to the Baptism. Please register your child.

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.

Healing Mass: A healing Mass is held the 4th Friday of every month at 6:00 pm.

Visiting the Sick: The parish priests visits the sick every Friday, please call the office with additional information.

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 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. 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.

Cleaning of the Church: The church is cleaned every Friday of the Month at 6:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed and welcomed.

Catechesis

The Cross and the Eucharist, Part 2

What is more, had we known then what we know now about the Resurrection to come, we would not have been scandalized at all. We would have understood the ghastly scene as the price Jesus was willing to pay to redeem the whole human race. We would have known the truth of what St. Paul would write later: “that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures” (1 Cor 15:3-4). Such thoughts, though, are sad “what ifs” aren’t they? None of that was possible, not least of all because we have come into the world twenty centuries too late. If the sword of Mary’s sorrow beside her dying Son could prick our hard hearts though, would we not really want to be there? Not just at the place where it happened once so long ago in history, but right there, right then as it all unfolds, hearing Jesus pronounce his triumphant judgment on the sins of the world: “It is finished.” Yes, there could never be a better place, a better time to be than at that central moment in salvation history. And the awe-inspiring truth is that we actually can do just that: be at the Cross, as Jesus redeems the world. How you ask? Pope Pius XII, in his encyclical “Mediator Dei” (§3) explains: “the Church prolongs the priestly mission of Jesus Christ mainly by means of the sacred liturgy. She does this in the first place at the altar, where constantly the sacrifice of the Cross is represented and, with a single difference in the manner of its offering, renewed.”

Our celebration of the Eucharistic Liturgy draws us into the depths of the Mystery of Christ, the mystery of salvation. When we enter the liturgy we step out of time and into the reality of eternity. Time fades away, leaving us standing about the Altar of the Lamb where we share in the Heavenly Liturgy. As the Second Council of the Vatican taught: “In the earthly liturgy we take part in a foretaste of that heavenly liturgy which is celebrated in the holy city of Jerusalem toward which we journey as pilgrims, where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God.” (“Sacrosanctum Concilium,” §8)

Our liturgy and the liturgy of heaven are made one: we are made present at the eternal offering of the sacrifice of Calvary to the heavenly Father and joined with all the saints at the banquet of heaven. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church puts it: “By the Eucharistic celebration we already unite ourselves with the heavenly liturgy and anticipate eternal life, when God will be all in all.” (CCC 1326) This is as close to heaven as we can get and still be in this world. Just think: we are really present in the heavenly liturgy. As the Catechism teaches, reaching back to the words of the Council of Trent (Cf. DS 1743): “The sacrifice of Christ and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are one single sacrifice: the victim is one and the same: the same now offered through the ministry of priests, who then offered himself on the cross; only the manner of offering is different. In this divine sacrifice which is celebrated in the Mass, the same Christ who offered himself once in a bloody manner on the altar of the Cross is contained and is offered in an unbloody manner.” (CCC 1367)

The sacrifice of Christ on Calvary is what the Eucharist simply is. Jesus is really present in all his reality, dying to redeem us, rising to bring us eternal life. To participate in the celebration of Mass transports us really and truly to the altar of the Cross. To understand this truth should thrill us to our depths. Heaven joined with earth, and we can be there! How could we ever imagine a substitute for that? Could an hour in nature compare? Could sitting at home reading the newspaper, sipping coffee, have anything near the value of this encounter with Christ Crucified? Shouldn’t we all burst into a joyful song of Christ’s victory (and ours): “Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name” ? (“Lift High the Cross” © 1978, Hope Publishing Co.)

(By Msgr. Gerald Twaddell - November 13, 2020/in Source and Summit Articles)

Parish Life

Upcoming Event Dates at Columban Hall

- Saturday, August 31, 2024
- Sunday, September 1, 2024
- Saturday, September 14, 2024
- Saturday, September 21, 2024
- Saturday, September 28, 2024

September & October Upcoming Events

- Confirmation – **September 15th, 2024**
- Launching of the Pastoral Year – **October 6th, 2024**
- Open House to encourage and enlist new members to our various ministries – **October 6th, 2024**
- Please patronize the gift shop.

Further details and dates to follow.

Weekend Services & Activities

Baptisms and birthday celebration





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LA VOIX DU DIMANCHE DE LA COMMUNAUTE HAITIENNE

Venndezyèm Dimanch nan Tan Òdinè - Ane B

Nimewo 043 Dimanch 1ye Septanm 2024 La

Meditasyon Par Pere Isaac Agbenohevi

Tèm: "Lalwa Seyè a se lavi ak limyè"

Bagay ki pi enpòtan nan eksperyans kretyen an se sou koute Senyè a ak obsève kòmandman l yo. Apa de sa, lavi kretyen an pa gen okenn valè ak siyifikasyon. Nan obsèvasyon presèp ak kòmandman Senyè a, youn dwe mete an fwa an patikilye sou eleman esansyèl ak enpòtan nan lavi kretyen an - presèp ki ankouraje byennèt kretyen an, epi byen komen yo ta dwe defann ak ankouraje yo. Règleman ki travay kont amelyorasyon nan Byen jeneral kretyen an. Nan tou de premye lekti a ak levanjil la, nou jwenn apresyasyon bezwen pou obsève kòmandman Senyè a – Lwa sa yo fèt pou pwòp devlopman ak sali nou. Konsantre ak obsèvan Lwa Senyè a se bagay ki pi enpòtan epi se pa obeyisans kòmandman lèzòm. Men sa Jezi te fè nan domèn sa a lè l te fè referans ak pwofèt Izayi di: "Izayi te byen pwofetize konsènan nou, ipokrit, jan sa ekri: Pèp sa a onore m ak bouch yo, men kè yo lwen mwen; anven yo adore m, yo anseye kòm doktrin kòmandman lèzòm. Ou pa respekte kòmandman Bondye a men ou rete kole ak tradisyon lèzòm." Se nan Lalwa Senyè a ke nou gen lavi ak restorasyon nan tout bagay. An nou priye pou favè pou nou koute Senyè a epi obsève kòmandman l yo.

Lapriyè:

Seyè, Bondye ki gen tout pouvwa,

Lalwa w ak kòmandman w yo jis ak verite, e nan yo nou jwenn vrè satisfaksyon ak akonplisman. Ede nou viv dapre egzijans kòmandman w yo pou n ka merite kominyon etènèl avèk ou nan wayòm kote w ap viv ak pitit gason an ak Lespri Sen an kòm yon sèl Bondye, pou tout tan.

Amèn.



REFERANS BIBLIK

Premye Lekt: Detewonòm 4:1-2, 6-8

Sòm repons: Sòm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

Dezyèm Lekt: Jak 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Levanjil: Mak 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

LEKTI EKRI NAN SEMÈN LA

LENDI: 1 Kor 2:1-5; Sòm 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102; Lik 4:16-30

MADI: *Sen Gregory Gran, Pap ak Doktè Legliz la*

1 Kor 2:10b-16;

Sòm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14; Lik 4:31-37

MÈKREDI: 1 Kor 3:1-9; Sòm 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21;

Lik 4:38-44

JEDI: 1 Kor 3:18-23; Sòm 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lik 5:1-11

VANDREDI: 1 Kor 4:1-5; Sòm 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40;

Lik 5:33-39

SAMDI: 1 Kor 4:6b-15; Sòm 145:17-18, 19-20, 21; Lik 6:1-5

PROCHÈN DIMANCH: *23yèm Dimanch nan Tan Òdinè*

Is 35:4-7a; Sòm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10; Jak 2:1-5;

Mak 7:31-37

ANONS PAWAS YO

Chandèl p'ap janm fini an

Bouji Etènèl ki boule nan Tanp legliz nou an, rapèl Prezans Senyè a nan Ekaristik ki pi Sen an, pral kontinye boule pandan tout semèn kap vini an.

Flè Lotèl: Nou ankouraje pawasyen yo pou yo ede yo anbeli legliz la lè yo patwone flè pou nenpòt evènman espesyal. Tanpri kontakte biwo entansyon ou a.

Apèl Bishop's: Nou remèsye chak nan nou ki te kontribye epi ki te pote don nou yo a **\$15,277**, oswa **61%** nan objektif nou an; nou gen **\$9,723** plis pou ale nan lòd reyalize objektif nou an **\$25,000.00**.

Dezyèm kou Bib la (ak sètifika):

"Ou tab la nan Pawòl Bondye a" - Liv Revelasyon an

- Moun ki enterese ta dwe enskri nan Biwo Pawas la.
- Li fèt chak **Jedi** soti **6:00 pm** rive **8:00 pm** nan Pi Ba Columban Hall.

Enskripsyon CCD pou Edikasyon Relijye/Fòmasyon Lafwa:

Dat enskripsyon CCD yo se **24 Out - 28 Septanm 2024** - Frè Enskripsyon yo se jan sa a:

1. Sentsèn Premye Kominyon ak Konfimasyon - \$50.00
2. Tout lòt klas (Pre/Pos Kominyon ak Pre-Konfimasyon - \$40.00

(Frè sa yo pral peye depans pou klas yo ak lòt materyèl ki nesesè yo.)

3. Oryantasyon: Paran ak elèv k ap patisipe yo 10:00 - 11:30 am **Samdi 28 septanm 2024**

Klas CCD yo kòmanse **samdi 5 oktòb 2024** apati 9:00 am - 12 midi.

Kondwi Manje: Katolik Charities of the Virgin Islands ap chèche don manje pou sipòte moun ki nan bezwen nan St. Thomas/St. Kominote John. Ou ka depoze don ou yo nan nenpòt nan biwo legliz yo pandan lè biwo oswa pote yo avèk ou nan sèvis Dimanch. Pou plis enfòmasyon, tanpri rele (340) 777-8518.

Netwayaj legliz: Nou bezwen volontè pou ranfòse ekip netwayaj legliz yo. Tanpri rantre nan youn nan ekip sa yo.

- 1ye semèn : gwoup ayisyen (Vandredi aswè)
- 2yèm semèn: gwoup ayisyen (Vandredi aswè)
- 3yèm semèn: Gwoup Dominiken (Vandredi aswè)
- 4yèm semèn: Gwoup Viola (Samdi maten)
- 5yèm semèn: Gwoup Viola (Samdi maten)

Magnificat: *Magnificat* Out la disponib kounye a nan boutik kado a. Tanpri kolekte kopi ou yo.

Fèmti Biwo: Biwo legliz la ap fèmen **lendi 2 septanm 2024**, nan obsèvans Jounen Travay la.

Necrologium: Yon sèvis memorial pou manman Silia Erilis pral fèt **Mèkredi 11 septanm 2024** a 6:00 PM nan Holy Family Church. Se pou nanm li ak nanm fidèl yo te ale grasa mizèrikòd Bondye a repoze anpè. Amèn.

MAS ENTANSYON

Entansyon mès la se pou kontinye benediksyon ak gidans pou **Ayiti**.

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 WEEKEND, 24 – 25 Out 2024

Ofri: \$3,535.00

Sam. 5:00 pm: \$572.00 7:30 am: \$1,816.00

10:00 am: \$983.00 5:00 pm: \$164.00

Dezyèm Koleksyon: \$1,030.00

ÒF LA SEMÈN: \$19.00

28 Out: \$19.00

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.



Parish Life



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Associate Pastor
Father Isaac Agbenohevi



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Pastoral Executive Committee

Pending announcement of new membership

Economic Parish Council

Parish Administrator: Fr. Modeste Digwou

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Monique Ferrell

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Jean Dragin

Oliver "Bobby" Williams

Glendia Caines

Silia Erilis

Francis Callwood

Mona Bedminster

Carmen White

Decoration Committee

Viola Williams

Hilda Celestine

Silia Erilis

Angele Lundy

Oliver "Bobby" Williams

McFarlane Babulal

Glendia Caines

Ongoing Projects : Fence/Restrooms/Gift Shop/ Hospitality Lounge and Others

Total cost of the completed projects

Fence \$105,733.60

Restroom and Other \$47,179.61

Total Costs \$152,913.21

Total Revenues

Fence/ Restrooms \$81,157.53

Restroom and Other \$775.00

Total Revenues \$81,932.53

Payments made to the contractor **\$129,378.21**

Remaining Debt **-\$23,535.00**

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 other 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.

Pray For the Sick & Shut-ins

OFF ISLAND: Signorah Baron, Helen Bruney, Eugenie England, Rose George, Olivia Gumbs, Allan Harrigan, Mary Lewis, Veronica Sealey, Joseph Toussaint

AT HOME: Blaizia Alcendor, St. Helaire Antoine, Carol Baron, François Baron, Philomen Baron, James Bellot, Fritznold Bredy, Rose Celestine, Docile Crepin, Baby Elizabeth Dolphin, Maggie Dolphin, Anthony Estime, John George, John & Norma Gimenez, Meraldo C. Gonzales, Vernelle Gumbs, Mercedes Hodge, Gail Homer, Owen Johnrose, Thomas Johnson, Pauline Jolly, Bernice Knight, Rita Ledee, Vivian Overseen, Cleopha Rawlings, Evelyn Simon, Keith Steele, Paquita Steele, Anthony Stridiron Sr., Iona Vanterpool.

HOSPITALIZED:

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

Church Attendance:

270 persons attended Holy Mass last weekend.

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SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Church in Africa August 31 – September 1
 Restoration Fund August 31 – September 1
 Monthly School Support September 7-8
 Property Insurance September 14-15
 Capital Improvements September 21-22
 Restoration Fund September 28-29
 Restoration Fund October 5-6

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

WEEKEND OFFERINGS, August 24 – 25, 2024

Offering: \$3,535.00

Sat. 5:00 PM: \$572.00 7:30 AM: \$1,816.00

10:00 AM: \$983.00 5:00 PM: \$164.00

Second Collection: \$1,030.00

WEEKDAY OFFERINGS: \$19.00

8/28: \$19.00

Online giving can be made through our website at: www.holyfamilystt.com

Thank you for your generosity!

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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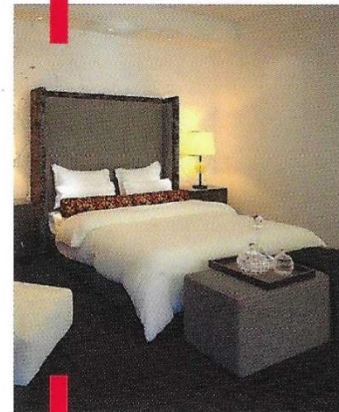
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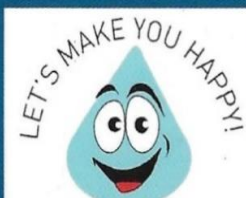
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