



Diocese of Saint Thomas

# Holy Family Catholic Church

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## 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

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**Master of Ceremony & Public Relations:**  
Monique Ferrell

### Sacristans

- Ms. Silia Eritis • 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-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**SEPTEMBER 22, 2024**

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### WEEKLY REFLECTION

**First Reading:** Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 54:3-4, 5, 6 & 8

**Second Reading:** James 3:16—4:3

**Gospel:** Mark 9:30-37

**Reflection by Rev. Fr. Modeste Digwou**

**Theme: On the roads of Galilee..... “What were you discussing on the way?”**

This week’s Word of God takes us back to one of the highlights of Jesus’ life with his disciples. In this morning’s Gospel, Saint Mark takes us into Jesus’ conversations as he travels through Galilee. There are three topics that the evangelist chooses to help the first communities get to know Jesus better and follow him. But also three beautiful considerations to inspire us this week.

**“The Son of Man is to be betrayed and they will kill him.”**

Last Sunday, Jesus announced his passion and death for the first time, and this did not leave the Apostle Peter indifferent, for he could not hear with his own ears that this was happening to the Master. By announcing for the second time his death on the cross and the sufferings that will accompany it, Jesus draws his disciples into the mystery of God’s love, who sent him to bear the sins of the world and reconcile mankind to Himself. After this second announcement of his passion, his disciples are afraid to question him, as if this revelation of the coming passion were for them an impossible secret to bear, as if the sufferings to come were already casting their shadow, the shadow of failure, over their daily life with Jesus. Yet Jesus is content to confirm to the disciples that this is indeed the destiny towards which he is heading. He will give them more details when the time comes.

**“What were you discussing on the way?”**

This is the second subject of today’s Gospel from Saint Mark. The disciples had been discussing among themselves who was the greatest, as if to say that if the Master is no longer here, who will take his place? Their preoccupations and conversations thus appear to be entirely in the spirit of the world, the “worldly” spirit: *“If anyone wants to be first, let him be last of all and servant of all.”* The disciples remain silent, embarrassed, for they had turned their backs on Jesus’ passion. As if to forget the path of suffering, they had made plans for greatness and had begun to compare themselves. Jesus responds with true greatness, which is to make himself the last of all, to place himself below all, not to make a show of showy humility, but by putting himself in a position to serve all his brothers and sisters.

In the second reading, the Letter of Saint James denounces this worldly mentality: *“Where do wars come from, where do conflicts among you come from? Is it not precisely from all these desires that are fighting within yourselves? You are covetous and you get nothing, so you kill; you are jealous and you don’t get what you want, so you fight and make war.”* Jesus invites us to put ourselves in the school of a tiny child:

**“Whoever welcomes a child like this in my name, welcomes me. And he who welcomes me does not welcome me, but the One who sent me.”**

This is the third consideration. When we stop worrying about being the greatest, we open ourselves up to welcoming and serving others. Welcoming a brother in the name of Jesus means making room for him in our lives, by referring to the person of Jesus and his work, to what Jesus is for this brother. In Jesus’ mind, the child is a living parable: we welcome him without looking to see if he deserves it, even before he can deserve it, simply because he needs to be welcomed. This is the welcome Jesus asks of us for the smallest, most insignificant of the brothers he sends our way.

In the Christian community, the values of personal advancement, competition and success are not what is sought first and foremost. It’s service that puts us on an equal footing, it’s mutual love. It is the mystery of the infinite Love of the Father and the Son, in the love that is the Holy Spirit, which gives face and meaning to everything, that we find ourselves in God. We ask for the grace to remain in love, the gift of God, and to put ourselves in the school of the very young and the poorest.

May we already receive him through the cup and bread we share, so that He may make us more and more like him, and so that we can say, like Saint Paul: *“I live, but it is no longer I, but Christ who lives in me.” (Galatians 2:20)*

Amen.

### SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK

**MONDAY:** *Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*

Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5;  
Lk 8:16-18

**TUESDAY:** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13;

Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21

**WEDNESDAY:** Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104,  
163; Lk 9:1-6

**THURSDAY:** Eccl 1:2-11;

Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17bc; Lk 9:7-9

**FRIDAY:** *Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest*

Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b & 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22

**SATURDAY:** Eccl 11:9—12:8; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13,  
14 & 17; Lk 9:43b-45

**NEXT SUNDAY:** *26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14;  
Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

### MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY September 21<sup>st</sup>**

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

– **Cynthia Charles, sons, & brothers** →  
Protection & deliverance rb Cynthia Charles

**SUNDAY, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

7:30 AM † **Octavia Joseph** → In memory rb her family

– **Curtis Phillip** → Birthday blessings rb his  
mother, Ivinia James

– **For the children of St. Jude Children’s  
Hospital** → rb the Louis family

10:00 AM – **Tyria Stewart & Makayla René** → Birthday  
blessings rb the René family

– **Jason Pendington** → Birthday blessings rb  
his grandmother

– **Nazarine Blaize** → Birthday blessings rb  
herself

† **Deceased Members of the St. Vincent de  
Paul Society** → Repose of Souls

5:00 PM † **Gerald & Geraelle Piton** → Repose of Souls  
– **Melissa Piton** → Birthday blessings

**MONDAY, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** – No Mass

**TUESDAY, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM † **Maria Titre** → Repose of Soul

**WEDNESDAY, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM † **Anna Stridiron** → Repose of Soul rb the  
Johnson & Stridiron families

– **Maria Blencowe** → Birthday blessings

**THURSDAY, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM – **Parish Priests of the Diocese of St. Thomas  
in the Virgin Islands** → Continued prayers

**FRIDAY, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM – **Fr. Isaac Agbenohevi** → Continued blessings  
& guidance on his priestly anniversary

# 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 burn throughout this coming week for birthday blessings for **Maria Blencowe**, requested by her friends, famalay, and family.



**Altar Flowers:** Today's Altar flowers are sponsored by the **St. Vincent de Paul Society**. Thank you for beautifying the church and may God continue to bless your ministry.

**Bishop's Appeal:** We thank each of you who have contributed and brought our donations to **\$21,688.00**, or **86% of our goal**; we have **\$3,312.00 more to go in order to accomplish our goal of \$25,000.00**.

**The Second Bible Course (with certificates):** The Bible course is currently meeting 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

**Healing Mass:** The next healing Mass will be held on **Friday, September 27th** at 6:00 PM.

**Bishop's Anniversary:** We are all cordially invited to celebrate the 34<sup>th</sup> priestly anniversary and birthday of our Bishop, **His Excellency Jerome Feudjio**. This celebration will be combined with the 15<sup>th</sup> priestly ordination anniversary of **Fr. Isaac Agbenohevi**. A Holy Mass will be celebrated at Holy Family Church on **Sunday, September 29, 2024**, at 4 PM. Following the Mass, refreshments will be served in the Columban Hall.

Respecting the Bishop's wishes, all gifts are requested to be in the form of cash or checks. All donations and gifts from this anniversary celebration will be directed entirely towards the ongoing support of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic School. Each of us is encouraged to be present and join the Bishop on this special occasion.

**Fire Prevention Week:** The Virgin Islands Fire and Emergency Services will be celebrating Mass at Holy Family Church on **Sunday, October 6, 2024** at 7:30 AM.

**Diocesan Council of Catholic Women:** The St. Thomas/St. John convention will take place on **Sunday, October 27, 2024** from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at Upper Columban Hall.

**Pilgrimage to Italy:** There will be a Jubilee Diocesan Pilgrimage to Italy from **April 21 to May 1, 2025**. Please see the bulletin board for further details.

# Parish Information

**Sacrament of Infant Baptism:** Infant Baptisms will take place on the **Fourth Sunday** of every month, parents and godparents 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Announcements, continued

**Magnificat:** September and October *Magnificats* are currently available at the gift shop. Please purchase your copies.

**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.

**Non-Perishable Food Items:** Non-perishable food items collected this weekend will benefit Catholic Charities and shut-ins of our Parish. We thank you for your generosity.



# Catechesis

## Spirituality

By Father Modest Digwou

### This encounter that changes everything in a Christian's life, according to the Pope

"Everything changes if you've really come to know Jesus!" What changes with an encounter with Christ? Everything, absolutely everything, taught Pope Francis from the window of the Apostolic Palace in St Peter's Square last Sunday, September 15. Having returned from his long trip to Asia, Francis once again delivered his meditation on the day's Gospel, after the Angelus. *"To know the Lord, it is not enough to know something about Him, but it is necessary to follow Him, to let ourselves be touched and changed by His Gospel,"* he said.

Taking as his starting point the question **"For you, who am I?"** posed by Jesus to his disciples, according to the account in Mark's Gospel, Pope Francis noted that "Peter responds perfectly, telling Jesus that he is the Christ." But by refusing the prospect of his passage through the cross, he bears witness to an all-too-human mentality, "which imagines a strong and victorious Messiah, who cannot suffer and die," the Pope remarked. Peter "still has to change his mentality, he still has to convert," explained Francis, inviting everyone to question their own prejudices.

*Let Jesus disturb you.*

"We too have learned something about God, we know the doctrine, we recite the prayers correctly and, perhaps, to the question 'who is Jesus for you?' we answer well, with a formula we learned in catechism. But are we sure that this really means knowing Jesus?" he wondered.

In reality, *"everything changes if you've really come to know Jesus!"* assured Pope Francis. This encounter *"changes your way of being, your way of thinking, the relationships you have with your brothers and sisters, your readiness to welcome and forgive, the choices you make in life,"* he insisted. The problem that never leaves me alone is that of knowing what Christianity really is for us today, or even who Christ is."

Rejecting the trap of a "quiet" life, Pope Francis called for introspection: *"Do I let myself be disturbed, do I ask myself who Jesus is for me and what place he occupies in my life?"* He invited everyone to draw inspiration from the Virgin Mary, *"who let God upset her plans and followed Jesus to the cross."*

# Parish Life

## Upcoming Event Dates at Columban Hall

- Saturday, September 21, 2024
- Saturday, September 28, 2024

## October Upcoming Events

- Launching of the Pastoral Year – **October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**
- Open House to encourage and enlist new members to our various ministries – **October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

## Weekend Services & Activities

### Confirmation







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## LA VOIX DU DIMANCHE DE LA COMMUNAUTE HAITIENNE

Vennsenkyèm Dimanch nan Tan Òdinè - Ane B

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### Meditasyon Par Pere Modeste Digwou

Tèm: Sou wout Galile yo..... "Kisa w t ap diskite sou wout la?"

Pawòl Bondye semèn sa a fè nou tounen nan youn nan pwen enpòtan nan lavi Jezi ak disip li yo. Nan Levanjil maten an, Sen Mak mennen nou nan konvèsasyon Jezi pandan l ap vwayaje nan Galile. Gen twa sijè evanjelis la chwazi pou ede premye kominote yo konnen Jezi pi byen epi suiv li. Men tou twa bèl konsiderasyon pou enspire nou semèn sa a.

"Yo pral trayi Pitit lòm nan e y ap touye l."

Dimanch pase a, Jezi te anonse pasyon li ak lanmò pou premye fwa, e sa pa t kite Apot Pyè endiferan, paske li pa t kapab tande ak pwòp zòrèy li ke sa t ap rive Mèt la. Lè Jezi anonse pou yon dezyèm fwa lanmò li sou kwa a ak soufrans ki pral akonpaye l, Jezi antre disip li yo nan mistè lanmou Bondye a, ki te voye l pote peche monn nan epi rekonsilye limanite ak tèt li. Apre dezyèm anons pasyon li a, disip li yo pè poze l kesyon, kòm si revelasyon pasyon k ap vini an se te pou yo yon sekre enposib pou yo pote, kòm si soufrans ki gen pou vini yo te deja jete lonbraj yo, lonbraj echèk yo. sou lavi chak jou yo ak Jezi. Men, Jezi kontante l konfime disip yo ke sa a se vre desten l ap dirije a. Li pral ba yo plis detay lè lè a va rive.

"Kisa ou t ap diskite sou wout la?"

Sa a se dezyèm sijè Levanjil Sen Mak jodi a. Disip yo t ap diskite nan mitan yo kiyès ki pi gran an, kòm si yo ta di si Mèt la pa la ankò, kiyès ki pral pran plas li? Konsa, enkyetid yo ki konvèsasyon yo parèt konplètman nan lespri monn nan, lespri "mondan" la: "Si yon moun vle vin premye, se pou l 'dènye nan tout ak sèvitè tout moun." Disip yo rete an silans, anbarase, paske yo te vire do bay pasyon Jezi. Kòm si yo te bliye chemen soufrans la, yo te fè plan pou grandè e yo te kòmanse konpare tèt yo. Jezi reponn ak vrè grandè, ki se pou l fè tèt li dènye nan tout, pou l mete tèt li anba tout bagay, pa pou l fè yon demonstrasyon de imilite ki parèt, men nan mete tèt li nan pozisyon pou l sèvi tout frè ak sè l yo.

Nan dezyèm lekti a, Lèt Sen Jak la denonse mantalite monn sa a: "Ki kote lagè yo soti, ki kote konfli pami nou yo soti? Èske se pa jisteman nan tout dezi sa yo ki ap goumen nan tèt nou? Ou anvii epi ou pa jwenn anyen, kidonk ou touye; ou jalouzi epi ou pa jwenn sa ou vle, kidonk ou goumen ak fè lagè." Jezi envite nou mete tèt nou nan lekòl yon timoun piti: "Nenpòt moun ki akeyi yon timoun konsa nan non mwen, li akeyi mwen. E moun ki akeyi m pa resewva m, men moun ki voye m nan."

Sa a se twazyèm konsiderasyon an. Lè nou sispann enkyete nou pou nou pi gran an, nou louvri tèt nou pou akeyi ak sèvi lòt moun. Akeyi yon frè nan non Jezi vle di fè plas pou li nan lavi nou, lè nou fè referans ak moun Jezi ak travay li, ak sa Jezi ye pou frè sa a. Nan lespri Jezi, timoun nan se yon parabol vivan: nou akeyi li san nou pa gade pou wè si li merite li, anvan menm li merite li, tou senpleman paske li bezwen akeyi l. Sa a se akèy Jezi mande nou pou pi piti, pi ensiyifan nan frè yo li voye chemen nou an.

Nan kominote kreyen an, valè avansman pèsònèl, konpetisyon ak siksè se pa sa yo chache an premye. Se sèvis ki mete nou sou egalite, se lanmou mityèl. Se mistè Lanmou enfini Papa a ak Pitit la, nan lanmou ki se Lespri Sen an, ki bay tout bagay figi ak sans, nou jwenn nou nan Bondye. Nou mande lagras pou nou rete nan lanmou, don Bondye a, epi pou nou mete tèt nou nan lekòl trè jèn ak pi pòv yo.

Se pou nou deja resewva l 'nan gode ak pen nou pataje a, pou l' ka fè nou vin pi plis sanble ak li, epi pou nou ka di, tankou Sen Pòl: "Mwen vivan, men se pa mwen ankò, men se Kris la ki. ap viv nan mwen." (Galat 2:20)

Amèn.

### REFERANS BIBLIK

**Premye Lekti:** Sajès 2:12, 17-20

**Sòm repons:** Sòm 54:3-4, 5, 6 & 8

**Dezyèm Lekti:** Jak 3:16—4:3

**Levanjil:** Mak 9:30-37

### LEKTI EKRI NAN SEMÈN LA

**LENDI:** *Sen Pius nan Pietrelcina, prèt*

Prv 3:27-34; Sòm 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5;  
Lik 8:16-18

**MADI:** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13;

Sòm 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lik 8:19-21

**MÈKREDI:** Prv 30:5-9;

Sòm 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163;  
Lik 9:1-6

**JEDI:** Ekl 1:2-11; Sòm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17bc;

Lik 9:7-9

**VANDREDI:** *Sen Vensan de Pòl, prèt*

Ekl 3:1-11; Sòm 144:1b & 2abc, 3-4;  
Lik 9:18-22

**SAMDI:** Ekl 11:9—12:8;

Sòm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17;  
Lik 9:43b-45

**PROCHÈN DIMANCH:** *26yèm Dimanch nan Tan Òdinè*

Nm 11:25-29; Sòm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14;  
Jas 5:1-6; Mak 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

## 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 limen pandan tout semèn kap vini sa a pou benediksyon anivèsè nesans pou **Maria Blencowe**, zanmi li yo, famalay, ak fanmi li mande.

**Flè Lotèl:** **Sosyete St Vincent de Paul** patwone flè lotèl jodi a. Mès paske ou bèl legliz la e ke Bondye kontinye beni ministè w la.

**Apèl Bishop's:** Nou remèsye chak nan nou ki te kontribye epi ki te pote don nou yo a **\$21,688.00**, oswa **86%** nan objektif nou an; nou gen **\$3,312.00** plis pou ale nan lòd reyalize objektif nou an **\$25,000.00**.

**Dezyèm kou Bib la (avèk sètifika):** Kounye a, kou sou Bib la ap rankontre chak **jeudi** apati 6:00 pm rive 8:00 pm nan Lower 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 nesèsè 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.

**Mès gerizon:** Pwochen mès gerizon an ap fèt **vandredi 27 septanm** a 6:00 PM.

**Anivèsè Evèk la:** Nou tout koridèlman envite pou selebre 34yèm anivèsè prèt ak anivèsè nesans Evèk nou an, **Ekselans Jerome Feudjio**. Selebrasyon sa a pral konbine avèk 15yèm anivèsè òdinasyon prèt **Fr. Isaac Agbenohevi**. Y ap selebre yon mès Sen nan Holy Family Church **dimanch 29 septanm 2024 a 4 pm**. Apre mès la, yo pral sèvi rafrechisman nan Sal Columban.

Pou respekte volonte Evèk la, tout kado yo mande yo dwe nan fòm lajan kach oswa chèk. Tout don ak kado ki soti nan selebrasyon anivèsè sa a pral dirije antyèman nan direksyon sipò kontinyèl Sts. Lekòl Katolik Pyè ak Pòl. Nou chak ankouraje pou yo prezan epi rantre nan Evèk la nan okazyon espesyal sa a.

**Semèn Prevansyon Dife:** Sèvis Ponpye ak Ijans Zile Vyèj yo pral selebre mès nan Holy Family Church **dimanch 6 oktòb 2024** a 7:30 am.

**Konsèy Dyosezyen Fanm Katolik yo:** Konvansyon St. Thomas/St. John ap fèt **dimanch 27 oktòb 2024** apati 1:00 pm rive 4:00 pm nan Upper Columban Hall.

**Pelerinaj nan peyi Itali:** Pral gen yon pelerinaj rejwisans dyosezen an Itali soti **21 avril** rive **1 me 2025**. Tanpri gade tablo afichaj la pou plis detay.

**Magnificat:** *Magnificat* Septanm ak Oktòb yo disponib kounye a nan boutik kado a. Tanpri achte kopi ou yo.

## MAS ENTANSYON

Entansyon mas yo se pou repo nanm **Gerald ak Geraelle Piton**; ak pou benediksyon anivèsè nesans pou **Melissa Piton**.

## 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, 14 – 15 Septanm 2024

Ofri: \$3,398.69

Sam. 5:00 pm: \$740.00 9:00 am: \$2,459.69

5:00 pm: \$199.00

Dezyèm Koleksyon: \$1,049.00

ÒF SEKIRITE: \$762.35

ÒF LA SEMÈN: \$22.00

11 Septanm: \$22.00

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.

## ANONS, KONTINYE

**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.

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# Parish Life



Parish Administrator  
Father Modeste Digwou



Associate Pastor  
Father Isaac Agbenohevi



Church Administrative Assistant  
Ms. Maria D. N. Blencowe

## Parish Pastoral Council

**Parish Administrator:** Fr. Modeste Digwou

Fr. Isaac Agbenohevi

Orville “Sparrow” Rouse

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Silia Erilis

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Francis Callwood

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## Economic Parish Council

**Parish Administrator:** Fr. Modeste Digwou

**Chair:** Cydrenia Ferness

**Co-chair:** Vincia St. Jean

**Secretary:** Dawn Callwood

**Treasurer:** Connal Alfred

**Members:**

Mona Bedminster

Jean Dragin

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Vilson By

## Pastoral Animation Team

Fr. Modeste Digwou

Monique Ferrell

Vincia St. Jean

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

## Holy Family Catholic Church August 2024 Financial Summary

### Income

Parish Contribution	\$16,538.58
Donations/Other Revenue	\$13,182.86
Second Collections	<u>\$4,733.80</u>
Total	\$34,455.24

### Expenses

Administrative	\$8,253.78
Benefits	\$4,474.01
Taxes	\$417.47
Supplies/Office	\$3,221.86
Maintenance/Auto	\$8,322.46
Insurance	\$886.50
Utilities	<u>\$5,411.09</u>
Total	\$30,987.17

**Net Income (Loss) \$3,468.07**

## 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, Mercedes Hodge, Mary Lewis, Veronica Sealey, Anthony Stridiron Sr., Joseph Toussaint

**AT HOME:** 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, Gail Homer, Owen Johnrose, Thomas Johnson, Pauline Jolly, Bernice Knight, Rita Ledee, Vivian Overseen, Cleopha Rawlings, Evelyn Simon, Keith Steele, Paquita Steele, Iona Vanterpool.

### HOSPITALIZED:

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

### Church Attendance:

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

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"Suffer the Children" (detail)

## 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,

September 14 – 15, 2024

Offering: \$3,398.69

Sat. 5:00 PM: \$740.00      9:00 AM: \$2,459.69

5:00 PM: \$199.00

Second Collection: \$1,049.00

SECURITY OFFERING: \$762.35

WEEKDAY OFFERINGS: \$22.00

9/11: \$22.00

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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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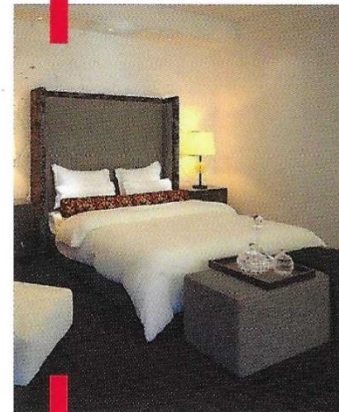
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