



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.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 A.M. & 12:00 noon  
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 (340) 203-0607

### PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Fr. Yacob Lonfo Fopa

**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Cassius Matthurin

**Accountant:** Dawn Callwood

**Religious Ed. Director:** Ms. Tamra Thomas

**Music Director:** Mr. Francis Callwood

### Sacristans:

- Ms. Silia Erilis
- Ms. Francesca Alcendor
- Mr. Julio Comperè
- Orville "Sparrow" Rouse (weekdays)

### Office Hours:

Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Saturday: 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Closed Sunday and Monday.

### 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-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A**  
**AUGUST 23, 2026**

# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

## AUGUST 23, 2026

### WEEKLY REFLECTION

**First Reading:** Isaiah 22:19-23

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

**Second Reading:** Romans 11:33-36

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:13-20

By Fr. Modeste Digwou

Dear brothers and sisters, the question Jesus asks His disciples at Caesarea Philippi is not a test question: “But who do you say that I am?” It is not a matter of public opinion — Jesus has already heard the rumors comparing Him to John the Baptist, Elijah, or one of the prophets. What He seeks is personal faith, the answer of a heart willing to stake a whole life on it.

Peter answers on behalf of them all: “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” This confession is not the fruit of his own intelligence alone; Jesus tells him plainly, “Flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father.” True faith is always a gift received before it is an answer given. We know Christ only because He first reveals Himself to us, and our task is to keep our hearts open to that revelation.

Then comes the promise: “You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church... I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.” Here we hear an echo of the first reading, where Eliakim receives the key of the house of David, a symbol of authority and service. The keys are not a power to dominate, but a responsibility to open — to open for sinners the way of forgiveness, for the lost the way of truth, for all people the way to the Father.

Brothers and sisters, each one of us is asked this same question today, personally. How do we answer — not with our lips only, but with our lives, our choices, the way we love and serve? And with Saint Paul, let us stand in wonder before “the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God,” whose judgments are unsearchable and whose ways are inscrutable — a God ever greater than we can grasp, yet always near to whoever seeks Him with a sincere heart.

Amen.

### SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK

**MONDAY:** *Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle*

Rev 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

**TUESDAY:** 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13; Mt 23:23-26

**WEDNESDAY:** 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mt 23:27-32

**THURSDAY:** *Saint Monica*

1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 24:42-51

**FRIDAY:** *Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13

**SATURDAY:** *The Passion of Saint John the Baptist*

1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21; Mk 6:17-29

**NEXT SUNDAY:** *22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**SATURDAY, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**

5:00 PM – **Daughter & granddaughter of Gloria Gifft** → Thanksgiving to God for favors received rb Gloria Gifft

– **Adriel Bryan** → Birthday blessings & protection rb parents Felicia & Danny

**SUNDAY, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

7:30 AM – **Vashanti Francis** → Birthday blessings rb her grandmother, Veda Henry

† **Phillip Marcellin** → Repose of the Soul rb his wife, Felicine Marcellin

† **Joan B. Pascal** → Repose of the Soul rb family

10:00 AM – **Eubald René** → God’s continued blessings & healing rb a parishioner

– **Students starting the new school year** → God’s blessings, guidance, & protection

5:00 PM † **Julienne Lafortune** → Repose of the Soul

**MONDAY, August 24<sup>th</sup> – no Mass**

**TUESDAY, August 25<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM – **Gregorian Mass** → rb Juliot Vonfo

**WEDNESDAY, August 26<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM – **Lizette Anthoine** → Birthday blessings rb her mother

– **Miranda Jones** → Birthday blessings rb the Johnson family

† **Irene Morris** → Repose of the Soul rb the Children of Mary

**THURSDAY, August 27<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM – **Gregorian Mass** → rb Juliot Vonfo

– **Bjorn Kadoo** → God’s blessings, protection, & guidance rb Cydrenia

**FRIDAY, August 28<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 AM – **Gregorian Mass** → rb Juliot Vonfo

– **Bjorn Kadoo** → God’s blessings, protection, & guidance rb Cydrenia

# 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.

**Month of August:** August is the month of the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**.

**Bishop's Appeal:** We thank all who have already returned their envelopes, and we continue to encourage those who have not yet contributed to drop their envelope in the collection basket or directly at the church office.

**Bishop Jerome Feudjio's 5th Episcopal Anniversary:** **Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>** at 9:30 am at St. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

**Diaconate Ordination for Paul Duro:** **Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 am at **Holy Cross Church** in St. Croix. We are all invited.

**Religious Education (CCD):** Parents are encouraged to register their children for the 2026-2027 CCD Program. Registration began on **Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>** and continues. Registration forms are located in the back of the church. Classes will begin on **Saturday, August 29, 2026** at 9:00 am.

**Air Conditioning Project:** We've made great progress on the air conditioning project for our church, but we still have **many bills to pay (urgent matter)**. We're counting on our parishioners and visitors to help us cover these costs so that we can finally enjoy this amenity in time for our parish's jubilee. Any initiative from parishioners and visitors that can help us raise additional funds is greatly appreciated.

**The Church's Stained-Glass Windows:** We still have 8 windows available. Order yours now.

**Weekday Masses:** Parishioners are encouraged to attend the **7:00 am daily weekday Masses**; or the **Wednesday noon Mass**.

**Masses at the Shrine** are held on **Fridays at 7:00 am**. Healing Masses are held on the last Friday of the month. The next Healing Mass will take place on **August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**.

**Weekly Diocesan Radio Program:** Parishioners are invited to tune in to **"VI Catholic Voice"** on WSTA 1340 AM every **Thursday at 7:00 pm** and re-broadcast on **Sundays at 12:00 noon**, or on **Spotify** or **Apple Podcasts**.

**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.

# Parish Information

**Sacrament of Baptism (Infant):** Our Baptisms are celebrated on the **fourth Sunday** of every month. Parents and godparents **are required** to attend **two (2)** preparation classes. Registration forms are available in the church office.

**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.

**CCD Religious Education/Faith Formation:** CCD classes take place every Saturday from 9:00 AM - 12 noon.

**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 Sick:** Please call the church office at (340) 775-1650 anytime for an anointing of the sick and dying. The priests visit our sick and shut-ins **every Friday with Holy Communion**.

**Healing Mass:** A healing Mass is held the last Friday of every month at 6:00 pm at the Shrine.

**Visiting the Sick:** The parish priests visit the sick **every Friday**. Please call the office if you have a sick or shut-it that you would like added to the list for home visits.

**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.

**The Sacrament of Matrimony:** Please contact the priest **six (6) months** prior to the date of the intended wedding. Church date and arrangements should precede all other wedding plans. **Marriage preparation is mandatory.**

**Parish Registration:** Parishioners who are 18 years and older are encouraged to complete a parish registration form. We would like to maintain an up-to-date listing of all Holy Family parishioners. Registration helps in providing letters of request for proof of church membership. Also, if you have relocated or your mailing address or contact number has changed, please update it at the church office.

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

# Catechesis

by Fr. Modeste Digwou

## The Four Marian Dogmas

A Catechesis for the Faithful

### Introduction

As we continue our journey towards August Month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, The Catholic Church proposes for our belief four solemnly defined dogmas concerning the Blessed Virgin Mary. A dogma is a truth revealed by God and definitively proposed by the Church's Magisterium, binding on the faith of all Catholics. Each Marian dogma exists not to elevate Mary above Christ, but to illuminate the mystery of Christ himself, and to hold up before us the pattern of a soul fully open to grace. This catechesis presents each dogma with its scriptural foundation, its theological meaning, and points for pastoral reflection.

### I. Mother of God — (Theotokos)

Defined at the Council of Ephesus, 431 AD

"And why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?" — Luke 1:43

Because Jesus Christ is one divine Person with two natures — fully God and fully man — Mary, who bore him in her womb, is truly the Mother of God (Theotokos, "God-bearer"). To deny her this title, as Nestorius did, is to divide Christ into two persons. This dogma safeguards not primarily Mary's honor but the unity of Christ.

- The title protects the truth of the Incarnation: the child born of Mary is truly God.
- It corrects any tendency to separate the human Jesus from the divine Son.
- Pastoral note: honoring Mary as Theotokos is, at root, an act of Christological faith

### II. Perpetual Virginity —

Affirmed from the early Church; Lateran Council, 649 AD; reaffirmed at Vatican II

"How shall this be, since I have no husband?" — Luke 1:34

Mary remained virgin before, during, and after the birth of Christ. "Brothers of the Lord" mentioned in the Gospels refers to close kinsmen, following common Semitic usage, not other children of Mary. Her perpetual virginity signifies her total consecration to God and her singular role as the New Eve and the living Ark of the Covenant.

- Her virginity is not merely biological fact but a sign of total self-gift to God.
- Lumen Gentium 57 (Vatican II) reaffirms this teaching within the mystery of the Incarnation.
- Pastoral note: presents Mary as model of consecrated availability to God's will.

# Parish Life

## Cassi Hill Pilgrimage



## Wende Rouse funeral



### The Catholic Charities Wish List

to help us serve the poor and homeless includes *goods* such as a pickup truck, refrigerator, food—consider our barrel at The Market in Tutu Park Mall—in *kind services* such as plumbing, and *donations* through the Bishop's Appeal.

Please contact us online at [catholiccharitiesvi.org](http://catholiccharitiesvi.org) or call 340-777-8518.

Thank you!

A/C Fund as of August 16, 2026: **\$242,912.75**

### Bishop's Appeal as of July 31, 2026

| Parish                      | Total Amount Received | Parish Goal | Parish Shortfall | Percentage of Goal |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Diocese Donor               | \$19,110.86           | \$47,000    | -\$27,889.14     | 41%                |
| Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral | \$5,222.25            | \$33,000    | -\$27,777.75     | 16%                |
| Our Lady Of Mt Carmel (STJ) | \$7,238.00            | \$24,000    | -\$16,762.00     | 30%                |
| Our Lady Of Perpetual Help  | \$9,600.00            | \$30,000    | -\$20,400.00     | 32%                |
| St. Anne's Chapel (STT)     | \$11,752.28           | \$16,000    | -\$4,247.72      | 73%                |
| Holy Cross                  | \$39,966.41           | \$35,000    | \$4,966.41       | 114%               |
| Holy Family                 | \$27,325.61           | \$35,000    | -\$7,674.39      | 78%                |
| St. Ann (Barrensport) STX   | \$17,300.00           | \$35,000    | -\$17,700.00     | 49%                |
| St. Joseph                  | \$13,271.67           | \$25,000    | -\$11,728.33     | 53%                |
| St. Patrick                 | \$9,500.00            | \$24,000    | -\$14,500.00     | 40%                |
| Total                       | \$160,287.08          | \$304,000   | -\$143,712.92    | 53%                |



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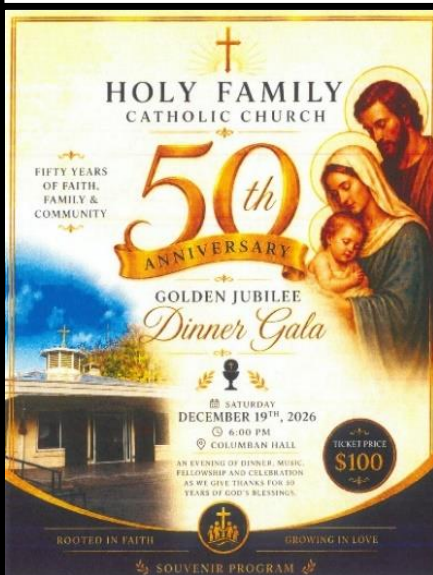
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## LA VOIX DU DIMANCHE DE LA COMMUNAUTE HAITIENNE

Vennyenyèm Dimanch nan Tan Òdinè – Ane A

Nimewo 146 Dimanch 23 Out 2026 La



### Meditasyon par Pè Modeste Digwou

Chè frè ak sè, kesyon Jezi poze disip li yo nan Sezare Filip la se pa yon kesyon tè: “Men, ki moun nou di mwen ye?” Se pa yon kesyon opinyon piblik — Jezi deja tande rimè k ap konpare l ak Jan Batis, Eli, oubyen youn nan pwofèt yo. Sa l ap chèche a se lafwa pèsònèl, repons yon kè ki dispoze mete tout yon lavi sou li.

Pyè reponn nan non yo tout: “Ou se Kris la, Pitit Bondye vivan an.” Konfèsyon sa a pa fwi pwòp entelijans li sèlman; Jezi di l kareman: “Se pa chè ak san ki fè ou konnen sa, men se Papa m ki nan syèl la.” Vre lafwa a se toujou yon kado nou resevwa anvan nou bay yon repons. Nou konnen Kris la sèlman paske li revele tèt li ban nou an premye, epi travay nou se kenbe kè nou ouvè pou revelasyon sa a.

Après sa vini pwomès la: “Ou se Pyè, epi sou wòch sa a m ap bati legliz mwen an... M ap ba ou kle wayòm syèl la.” Isit la nou tande yon eko premye lekti a, kote Elyakim resevwa kle kay David la, yon senbòl otorite ak sèvis. Kle yo se pa yon pouvwa pou domine, men yon responsablite pou ouvri — pou ouvri pou pechè yo chemen padon an, pou moun ki pèdi yo chemen verite a, pou tout moun chemen ki mennen bò kote Papa a.

Frè m ak sè m yo, yo poze nou chak menm kesyon sa a jodi a, pèsònèlman. Ki jan nou ka reponn — pa sèlman ak bouch nou, men ak lavi nou, chwa nou yo, fason nou renmen ak sèvi a? Epi avèk Sen Pòl, ann kanpe avèk admirasyon devan “pwofondè richès, sajès ak konesans Bondye a,” ki gen jijman nou pa ka konprann e ki gen chemen nou pa ka konprann — yon Bondye ki pi gran pase sa nou ka konprann, men ki toujou pre nenpòt moun k ap chèche l ak yon kè sensè.

Amèn.

### REFERANS BIBLIK

**Premye Lekti:** Ezayi 22:19-23

**Sòm Reponsyèl:** Sòm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

**Dezyèm Lekti:** Women 11:33-36

**Levanjil:** Matye 16:13-20

### LEKTI EKRI NAN SEMÈN LA

**LENDI:** Fèt Sen Batèlmi, Apot

Rev 21:9b-14; Sòm 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jan 1:45-51

**MADI:** 2 Tes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Sòm 96:10, 11-12, 13; Mat 23:23-26

**MÈKREDI:** 2 Tes 3:6-10, 16-18; Sòm 128:1-2, 4-5; Mat 23:27-32

**JEDI:** Sent Monika

1 Kor 1:1-9; Sòm 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 24:42-51

**VANDREDI:** Sen Ogisten, Evèk ak Doktè Legliz la

1 Kor 1:17-25; Sòm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13

**SAMDI:** Pasyon Sen Jan Batis

1 Kor 1:26-31; Sòm 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21; Mk 6:17-29

**PROCHÈN DIMANCH:** 22yèm Dimanch nan Tan Òdinè

Jer 20:7-9; Sòm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Women 12:1-2;

Mt 16:21-27

## ANONS PAWAS YO

### Chandèl p'ap janm fini an

**Chandèl Etènèl** la ki boule nan Sanktyè legliz nou an, rapèl Prezans Senyè a nan Trè Sen Ekaristi a, ap kontinye boule pandan tout semèn k ap 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.

**Mwa Out:** Out se mwa **Kè Imakile Mari** a.

**Apèl Evèk la:** Nou remèsye tout moun ki deja retounen anvlòp yo, epi nou kontinye ankouraje moun ki poko kontribye yo pou yo mete anvlòp yo nan panyen koleksyon an oubyen dirèkteman nan biwo legliz la.

**5yèm anivèsè Episkopal Evèk Jerome Feudjio a: Samdi 10 oktòb** a 9:30 am nan Katedral Sen Pyè ak Sen Pòl.

**Òdinasyon Dyak pou Paul Duro: Mèkredi 16 septanm** a 10:00 am nan **Legliz Holy Cross** nan Sen Kwa. Nou tout envite.

**Edikasyon Reliye (CCD):** Nou ankouraje paran yo pou enskri pitit yo pou Pwogram CCD 2026-2027 la. Enskripsyon an te kòmanse **samdi 22 out** epi li kontinye. Fòm enskripsyon yo sitiye nan dèyè legliz la. Klas yo ap kòmanse **samdi 29 out 2026** a 9:00 am.

**Espas devosyonèl bò gòch legliz la:** Nou ankouraje pawasyen yo pou yo fè yon moman silans avèk Kè Sakre Jezi a ak Kè Sakre Imakile Mari a. Nou kapab priye tou pou entèsksyon Sen Jozèf, Notre Dame du Secours permanent, ak Notre Dame de Częstochowa.

**Pwojè Klimatizasyon:** Nou fè anpil pwogrè sou pwojè klimatizasyon legliz nou an, men nou toujou gen **anpil bòdwo pou nou peye (se yon bagay ijan)**. N ap konte sou pawasyen nou yo ak vizitè yo pou ede nou kouvri depans sa yo pou nou ka finalman jwi ekipman sa a a tan pou jibile pawas nou an. Nenpòt inisyativ nan men pawasyen yo ak vizitè yo ki ka ede nou ranmase plis lajan ap apresye anpil.

**Vitray Legliz la:** Nou toujou gen 8 fenèt ki disponib. Kòmande pa w la kounye a.

**Mès Jou Lasemèn:** Yo ankouraje pawasyen yo pou yo ale nan **mès 7:00 am chak jou pandan semèn nan; oubyen mès midi mèkredi a**.

**Mès yo fèt nan Sanktyè** a **vandredi a 7:00 am**. **Mès Gerizon** yo fèt dènye vandredi nan mwa a. Pwochen Mès Gerizon an ap fèt **24 jiyè** a 6:00 pm.

**Pwogram Radyo Dyosèz chak semèn:** Nou envite tout pawasyen yo pou yo branche "**VI Catholic Voice**" sou WSTA 1340 AM chak **jedi a 7:00 pm** epi redifize l **dimanch a midi**, oubyen sou **Spotify** oubyen **Apple Podcasts**.

**Manje ki pa gate fasil:** Manje ki pa gate fasil ki kolekte wikenn sa a pral benefisye Òganizasyon Charitab Katolik ak moun ki fèmen lakay yo nan Pawas nou an. Nou remèsye w pou jenewozite w.

## MÈS ENTANSYON

Entansyon Lamès la se pou Repo Nanm **Julienne Lafortune**.

## 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

ÒF WIKENN, 15 – 16 out 2026

Òf: \$2,994.00

Sam. 5:00 pm: \$667.00

7:30 am: \$1,411.00

10:00 am: \$916.00

Dezyèm Koleksyon: \$761.00

Fon pou Èkondisyon: \$865.00

ÒF SIPOZASYON: \$104.00

OFRANN CASSI HILL: \$565.00

ÒF SEMÈN: \$177.09

13 out: \$61.09

14 out: \$69.00

19 out: \$29.00

21 out: \$18.00

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

[www.holyfamilystt.com](http://www.holyfamilystt.com)

Mès pou jenewozite 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



Leo P.P. XIV

Pope Leo XIV



Bishop Jerome Feudjio



Parish Administrator  
Father Modeste Digwou

WELCOME to our Church. It is our heavenly Father's house. Here you will always find God, arms stretched out; 'Well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into my joy.'

Come reverently, pray quietly, sing joyfully, listen attentively, give cheerfully, and come back gladly. Remain in Church after Mass for some personal quiet time with the Lord, or exit quietly for fellowship and sharing. Whether you are a Registered Parishioner, new to our community, or a visitor, WELCOME!

## 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.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

WEEKEND OFFERINGS, August 15 – 16, 2026

Offering: \$2,994.00

Sat. 5:00 PM: \$667.00

7:30 AM: \$1,411.00

10:00 AM: \$916.00

Second Collection: \$761.00

Air Conditioning Fund: \$865.00

CASSI HILL OFFERING: \$565.00

ASSUMPTION OFFERING: \$104.00

WEEKDAY OFFERINGS: \$177.09

8/13: \$61.09

8/14: \$69.00

8/19: \$29.00

8/21: \$18.00

Online giving can be made through our website at:

[www.holyfamilystt.com](http://www.holyfamilystt.com)

Thank you for your generosity!

## 2ND COLLECTION FOR THE COMING MONTH

Capital Improvements ..... August 22-23

Restoration Fund ..... August 29-30

Solidarity Fund

for the Church in Africa ..... September 5-6

Restoration Fund ..... September 5-6

Monthly School Support ..... September 12-13

Property Insurance ..... September 19-20

## Upcoming Event Dates at Columban Hall

- Saturday, August 29
- Sunday, September 13
- Sunday, September 6

## Gift Shop Hours:

- Sunday: after the 7:30 AM and 10:00 AM Masses

## Parish Pastoral Council

**Parish Administrator:** Fr. Modeste Digwou

**Pastoral Team:** Fr. Yacob Lonfo

**Chair:** Andrea Shillingford

**Vice-chair:** Francis Callwood

**Secretary:** Maria D.N. "Duchess" Blencowe

**Treasurer:** Cydrenia Ferness

**Pastor's Advisors:** Orville "Sparrow" Rouse  
Felicine "Baby" Marcellin

## Members:

Silia Erilis

Myrtha Bourdeau

Betty Bast

Olga McBean

Oliver "Bobby" Williams

Viola Williams

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*(Please call the Parish Office if you are being admitted to the hospital or require Communion or Anointing of the Sick.)*

### Church Attendance:

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

**141** persons attended Holy Mass for the Cassi Hill Pilgrimage.

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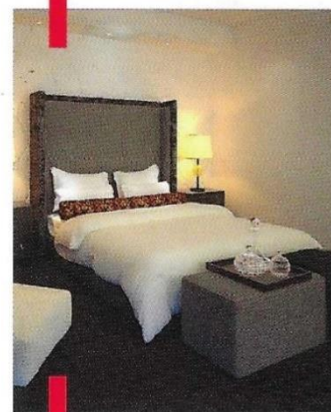


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