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	9:00 am	\$2,894.20	\$ 504.85
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The Marriage **Enrichment** Weekend will be held from October 6 - 8, 2023 at St James Club. Topic: Grit and Grace of Marriage by Terri and Andrew Lyke, 2 pioneers in the marriage ministry since 1982. The cost of the Marriage Weekend will be approximately US \$550.00 per couple.

Please see below the Online Registration Google Form for the Enrichment Weekend. Marriage Enrichment Weekend ... Click on this to register.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul invites you to its Gala Dinner scheduled to be held on Friday, September 22, 2023 at the Royalton Resort. Contribution -\$200.00

Tickets are now available and can be purchased from the following persons.

Jill Fernandez - 464- 5047 Karen Crawford- 764-7748 Manuella Henry - 770-6159 Stephane Harris-Burke - 789 -6369

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********** St John's Catholic **Hispanic Center Notice**

The Hispanic Community will host a Cultural Encounter on Friday 6th **October**, **2023** from 6:30p.m. to There will be music, 9:30 p.m. dance, songs, raffles, games and Lots of Food and Drinks. Ticket costs \$30.00 and can be purchased from any member of the Hispanic Committee, the Pastoral Centre and Gilbert Laudat.

Parishioners are invited to the 10th Anniversary Holy Mass of the Episcopal Ordination of Most Reverend Robert A. Llanos on Thursday 14th September, 2023 at 6:00pm at Holy Family Cathedral. It is also the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross.

Parishioners are also asked to take note that there will be no Mass in the morning at Holy Family Cathedral and no Mass in Villa on that day.

ST. LWANGA YOUTH CENTRE

CENTRE SUPERVISORS needed at the St. Lwanga Youth Centre for the upcoming services and activities. Interested persons may call 780-9688 or 773-6833 for further information.

SERVICES offered at St. Lwanga Youth Centre:

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Interested persons or groups, please contact the Youth Centre at 780-5635 or 773-6833 for information regarding amenities and rates.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE and HOME WORK assistance available for Primary School children. For Secondary Schools, Mr. Joseph Prosper is available at the Youth Centre to assist students with their SBAs for Geography and History(CSEC and CAPE) and Social Studies (CSEC)

Please contact the Youth Centre -780-9688 or 773-6833 to register.

CATECHETICAL NOTICE:

Last week of registration for all Catechetical groups. Please register at the Parish Office or catecheticshfc@gmail.com email to



The Prayer of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer During Hurricane Season

O Heavenly Father, all the elements of nature obey Your commands, including hurricanes. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear of Your power into praise of Your goodness. Grant this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Couples for Christ Ministries in Antigua is celebrating its 24th anniversary with a week of activities commencing September 10th, 2023, under the theme "Rise up, take up your mat and go". We pray for God's continued blessings and the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we live out our mission of "Families in the Holy Spirit, renewing the face of the earth".

Rev. Fr. Glanville Joseph, CSsR, an Antiguan born Redemptorist passed away on September 7, 2023, in Baltimore, USA following a period of illness. He was an older brother of Mrs. Anne Marie Fisher.

We extend our sympathy and prayerful support to the family and pray that God may rest his soul. Bishop Robert A. Llanos will preside at the evening Mass on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 for the repose of his soul.

Christ the King High School celebrates this September, 90 years of solid Catholic Education and Human Formation. All are invited to join a thanksgiving Mass on September 17, 2023 at Holy Family Cathedral, Michael's Mount at 9:00a.m. The launching of the anniversary celebration and activities will take place in November.

WORLD MISSION MONTH

October is World Mission Month and World Mission Sunday will be celebrated on October 22, 2023. The theme is "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move." (Luke 24:13-35)

Full details of Diocesan celebrations for World Mission Month will be given in next week's bulletin.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK & SHUT- INS:

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

Gillian Howie, Nelister Sebastian, Catherine Durand, Dion Thomas, Georgina-Glave-Toussaint,

Catherine DeTouche, Edward Lewis, David Morris, Gweneth Bryan, Shanla Carr, John Willock, Arnold Gomes, Marion Warren, Auchland Jarvis, Jean James, Conrad Looby, Cecelia John, Justin Joseph, Carmen Ambrose, Tyler Lockhart., Joan Underwood, Cosmas Rowe, Andrea Brown, Latoya Edmun-Joseph, Rose Margetson, Niethia Dyier, Patrick Skerritt.

Catechetical Notices

Parents please note that ALL CATECHETICAL SESSIONS will commence in October. However, there will be meetings with all parents of the various groups before sessions start. For this Catechetical Year, PARENTS will be asked to be collaborators in their children's preparation and therefore will be invited to commit to being actively involved in the preparation and in the life of the parish. We look forward to this collaboration, commitment and cooperation.

CATECHISTS will be participating in ongoing formation sessions during the month of September which is Catechetical Month and September 17th is recognized as Catechetical Sunday. This year's theme suggested by the Antilles Episcopal Conference (AEC) Catechetical Commission is: CATECHISTS: AGENTS OF A SYNODAL CHURCH

This Sunday's Readings 10th September, 2023

First Reading: Ezekiel 33: 7-9
Responsorial Psalm: If today you hear
his voice harden not your hearts
Second Reading: Romans 13: 8-10
Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

Readings for Monday to Saturday Monday 11th Colossians 1: 24-2: 3 Psalm 96: 62: 6-7, 9 Luke 6: 6-11 Tuesday 12th Colossians 2: 6-15 Psalm 145: 1-2, 8-11 Luke 6: 12-19 Wednesday 13th Colossians 3: 1-11 Psalm 145: 2-3, 10-13 Luke 6: 20-26 St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & doctor Thursday 14th Numbers 21: 4-9 Psalm 78: 1-2, 34-38 Philippians 2: 6-11 John 3: 13-17 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross Friday 15th 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 Psalm 16: 1-2 & 5, 7-8, 11 John 19: 25-27 or Luke 2: 33-35

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there, among them."

Saturday 16th 1 Timothy 1: 15-17

Psalm 113: 1-7

St. Cornelius, pope & martyr & St.

Luke 6: 43-49

Cyprian, Bishop & Martyr



WHAT THE 1ST READING SAYS TO ME.

Watchmen on the city walls or out on the hills formed part of the defense system in Biblical times. They had to sound a warning when undesired foreigners were spotted. Ezekiel sees the prophet, God's "mouthpiece", as such a watchman, in charge of the well-being of the community. He must do his duty. The message (God's word) seems to be that we must be willing to accept correction first of all from those in charge of the community: children from parents; parishioners from priests; students from teachers; employees from the employer; citizens from the law enforcer. those who are not willing to accept fair and respectfully given correction are in a weak position when they have to correct others.

WHAT THE SECOND READING SAYS TO ME

As Jesus did, Paul quotes the Old Testament and sees love as the unifying principle behind all laws and commandments. "Love does no evil to the neighbor," even though an honest and respectful fraternal correction may cause some necessary pain.

WHAT THE GOSPEL SAYS TO ME

As we have this tradition in Matthew, it brings out that fraternal correction is the concern not only of "the watchman", but of all "the brethren." Genuine love for others implies the willingness to correct them, if necessary, and to accept correction from them as well! Fraternal correction given with due respect and inspired by love is a favor for which we should be grateful, even if it hurts our pride. In strong language we are told that the well-being of an individual if there is no other way.

KNOW YOUR CHURCH

By Hannah Brockhaus

Vatican City, Sep 6, 2023 / 03:06 am

Pope Francis on Wednesday encouraged people to look for the quiet goodness in the world, even when the tendency is to pay more attention to failure and scandal.

"Just think how many hidden seeds of goodness make the garden of the world flourish, while we usually only hear about the sound of falling trees," he said during his weekly public audience on Sept. 6.

"People, we too like scandal. 'Look at what barbarity, a tree fell, the noise it made!' But you don't see the forest that is growing every day. Because the growth is in silence," the pope added.

He urged people to look "toward the light of the good" in the world and to fight the tendency to only appreciate others to the extent that they share our ideas. Francis addressed pilgrims and tourists in St. Peter's Square two days after his return from a trip to Ulaanbaatar, the capital of Mongolia.

Mongolia, a country sandwiched between China and Russia, is sparsely populated with around 3 million people across nearly 604,000 square miles.

The population, which is historically Buddhist, includes fewer than 1,500 Catholics.

"One might ask: Why did the pope go so far to visit a small flock of the faithful?" Pope Francis said at the general audience. "Because it is precisely there, far from the spotlight, that we often find the signs of the presence of God, who does not look at appearances, but at the heart."

"The Lord," he explained, "does not look for the center stage but the simple heart of those who desire him and love him without ostentation, without wanting to tower above others. And I had the grace of meeting, in Mongolia, a humble Church and a joyful Church, which is in the heart of God, and I can testify to their joy of finding themselves also at the center of the Church for a few days."



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