



Holy Family Cathedral Parish

Holy Family Cathedral
Michael's Mount

St. Martin de Porres
Parham

St. Anthony's
Potters

St. Francis of Assisi
Villa

Good Samaritan
Donovans



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"Family Life"

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH - 28TH DECEMBER, 2025 - A

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday

Holy Family Cathedral 6:00 pm

Tuesday

Holy Family Cathedral 6:00 am
St. Anthony's Potters 6:00 pm

Wednesday

Holy Family Cathedral 6:00 pm

Thursday

Holy Family Cathedral 6:00 am
St. Francis of Assisi, Villa 6:00 pm

Friday

Holy Family Cathedral 12:15 noon

Saturday

Holy Family Cathedral 8:00am

HOLY FAMILY CATHEDRAL ADORATION HOURS

Fridays

1:00 pm - 7:00 pm in the Chapel

Saturdays

7:00 am - 8:00am in the main
Cathedral

MASSES FOR OLD YEAR'S & NEW YEAR'S

Old Year's Mass

Holy Family Cathedral ...11:00 pm

New Year's Day

Holy Family Cathedral ...9:00 am

Donovans ...9:00 am

Parham ...9:00 am

Potters ...11:00 am

Villa ... 11:00 am

It is with sadness that we inform you of the death of Brother Edward Bosco Wakeham from Mt. St Francis Community. He passed away on Friday 19th December, 2025 in St. Patrick's Nursing Home, St. John's Newfoundland. He was 96 years old. We pray for the repose of our brother's soul, for his family and for all who loved him. May his soul Rest In Peace.

The **death** is announced of **Leo G. Henry the brother of Mrs. Angella Challenger** from Bishopgates Street. Details of his funeral will be given in a subsequent announcement.

The Chancery office will be closed from Monday 22nd December until Friday 2nd January, 2026.

The Pastoral Centre will be closed from Monday 22nd December, 2025 and will re-open on Monday 5th January, 2026. For urgent matters please call 560-2693 and leave a message.

The 2026 Calendars are here. Please get your copy from:

Shyka Hannays—Saturday Night.

Gilbert Laudat—Sundays

Rosie Aska— Villa

Helen Raguette—Parham

Barbara Bird—Potters

And at the Pastoral Centre

The cost is \$25.00.

The 2026 Bible Diaries are here. The cost is **\$80.00.**

The Daily Gospel Large Edition Books are also here and the cost is **\$55.00.** Limited supply.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

21st December, 2025

Cathedral	1st	2nd
Saturday 6:00 pm	\$1,362.36	\$ 381.16
Sunday 7:00 am	\$1,579.02	\$ 290.15
9:00 am	\$1,843.99	\$ 648.85
Out Stations		
Potters	\$ 380.00	\$ 233.50
Parham	\$ 545.00	\$ 245.00
Villa	\$ 920.67	\$ 154.00
Diocesan Schools	XXX	-

Thanks for your Generosity

Couples for Christ Ministries thanks everyone for supporting our Annual Christmas Raffle - Proceeds to support our Christmas Meal & Gift Outreach.

1st Prize: Mrs. Cecile Hill— 55" Smart Television

2nd Prize: Ms. Manuella Henry— 256 GB IPAD

3rd Prize: Mr. Atherton Tuitt—1000 W Microwave Oven

4th Prize: Mr. Matteo Mansoor - Christmas Food Hamper

5th Prize: Mr. Ken Williams - Resort Day Pass

The Consolation Prize Winners are as follows:

Efiah Norbert, Courtney Burton, Rochelle Rovedas, Esther of Armstrong Rd, Celesta Moore, Tevante Aska, Joseph Prosper, Hallett Burton, John Martin, Makeda Tweed.

May the joy of the Christ child's birth fill our hearts.

Feast of the Holy Family

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M	O	Y	E	Y	P	A	R	S	A	W	P	P	I	S	Y	V	A
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Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden →, ↓, and ↘.

FORGIVENESS
COMPASSION
ARCHELAUS
OBEDIENCE
NAZARETH
PROPHECY
JOSEPH

MOTHER
FATHER
ISRAEL
SAFETY
JESUS
ANGEL
DREAM

EGYPT
HEROD
MARY
LOVE

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. Amen.

Gillian Howie, Catherine Durand, Georgina-Glave-Toussaint, Catherine DeTouche, Edward Lewis, Arnold Gomes, Jean James, Conrad Looby, Cecelia John, Justin Joseph, Carmen Ambrose, Tyler Lockhart, Joan Underwood, Cosmas Rowe, Andrea Brown, Niethia Dyer, Victor Charles, Junie Browne, Cheralyn Beazer, Brenda Frederick, Yvonne Watkins, Anthony Mathurin, Shirley Dyer.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 28th December

First Reading

Sirach 3:2-6,12-14

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 128: 1-5

Second Reading

Colossians 3: 12-21

Gospel

Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23



"An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph"

Monday 29th December

1 John 2: 3-11

Psalm 96: 1-3,5,6

Luke 2: 22-35

St. Thomas Becket, bishop and martyr

Tuesday 30th December

1st John 2: 12-17

Psalm 96: 7-10

Luke 2: 36-40

Wednesday 31st December

1 John 2: 18-21

Psalm 96: 1,2,11,12,13

John 1: 1-18

St. Sylvester I, pope

Thursday 1st January

Numbers 6: 22-27

Psalm 67: 2,3,5,6,8

Galatians 4: 4-7

Luke 2: 16-21

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Friday 2nd January

1 John 2: 22-28

Psalm 98: 1- 4

John 1: 19-28

St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen, bishops & doctors

Saturday 3rd January

1 John 2: 29— 3:6

Psalm 98: 1,3 - 6

John 1: 29-34

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

WHAT THE 1ST READING SAYS TO ME

This reflection is a powerful reminder from the Book of Wisdom about the **honor and duty within families**, emphasizing that God blesses those who honor their father and mother, atoning for sins, securing blessings, and finding favor with God, teaching that respecting parents, especially in old age, fosters spiritual maturity, forgiveness, and reflects God's love, making family a path to holiness.

WHAT THE 2ND READING SAYS TO ME

This reflection is a powerful call for Christians to live out their new identity in Christ by "putting on" Christ-like virtues (compassion, kindness, humility, etc.) and "putting off" old sinful behaviors, forming a harmonious, thankful, and Jesus-centered community, which then extends to specific household roles (wives/husbands, parents/children, servants/masters) to reflect divine order and love, all rooted in being God's chosen, forgiven, and beloved people. It's about transforming daily life and relationships to mirror Christ's character, making the church a vibrant example of grace and unity.

WHAT THE GOSPEL SAYS TO ME

This gospel reading highlights God's protective plan for Jesus through Joseph's obedience, framing Jesus's perilous journey to Egypt and return as a new Exodus, fulfilling prophecy and showing that salvation involves suffering and displacement, much like modern refugees, challenging us to trust divine guidance amidst fear and worldly threats (Herod) to cultivate holiness.

The Story of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

Although Saint Paul might claim credit for promoting devotion to the Holy Name because Paul wrote in Philippians that God the Father gave Christ Jesus "that name that is above every name" (see 2:9), this devotion became popular because of 12th-century Cistercian monks and nuns but especially through the preaching of Saint Bernardine of Siena, a 15th-century Franciscan.

Bernardine used devotion to the most holy name of Jesus as a way of overcoming bitter and often bloody class struggles and family rivalries or vendettas in Italian city-states. The devotion grew, partly because of Franciscan and Dominican preachers. It spread even more widely after the Jesuits began promoting it in the 16th century.

In 1530, Pope Clement V approved an Office of the Holy Name for the Franciscans. In 1721, Pope Innocent XIII extended this feast to the entire Church.

Reflection

Jesus died and rose for the sake of all people. No one can trademark or copyright Jesus' name. Jesus is the Son of God and son of Mary. Everything that exists was created in and through the Son of God (see Colossians 1:15-20). The most holy name of Jesus is debased if any Christian uses it as justification for berating non-Christians. Jesus reminds us that because we are all related to him we are, therefore, all related to one another.



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EXOTIC ANTIGUA -2025 December Christmas Schedule

9th—(9am - 5pm) | 14th—(9am - 4pm) | 19th—(9am - 6pm)
 20th—(9am - 5pm) | 21st—(10am - 4pm) | 22nd—(9am - 7pm)
 23rd & 24th—(9am - 7pm) | 30th & 31st—(9am - 6pm)
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