



This Sunday's Reading
15th March, 2020

First Reading :
Exodus 17:3-7
Responsorial Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9
If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.
Second Reading:
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel: John 4:5-42

Readings for Monday to Saturday
Monday 16th 2 Kings 5: 1-15b
Psalm 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4
Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday 17th
Daniel 3:25, 34-43
Psalm 25: 4 -9
Matthew 18:21-35
St. Patrick, bishop

Wednesday 18th
Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9
Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20
Matthew 5:17-19
St. Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop & doctor

Thursday 19th
Samuel 7: 4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Psalm 89: 2- 5, 27 & 29
Romans 4: 13, 16-18, 22
Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Solemnity of St. Joseph,
Husband of Mary

Friday 20th Hosea 14:2-10
Psalm 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17
Mark 12:28-34

Saturday 21st Hosea 6:1-6
Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab
Luke 18:9-14

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"Is The Lord In Our Midst Or Not?"

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT- 15th MARCH, 2020 - YEAR A

The Lenten Mission begins on Monday 16th March to Thursday 19th. March at 7:00pm nightly. It will be followed on Friday 20th March by a Penitential Service. The preacher is Fr. Irenaeus Vincent. All are invited.

The Feast of St. Joseph - Mass will be celebrated on 19th March with the school at 8:00am .

Parishioners are advised that the Mass in honor of St. Joseph will take place on Thursday 19th March at 6:00 pm at Holy Family Cathedral. All are invited.

LENTEN RETREAT

The Holy Spirt Sisters invite you for a day of **prayer and reflection** on Saturday, March 21st at Mount Tabor Retreat Centre. Please contact the Sisters at 461 2176 for more details.

BIBLE QUIZ COMPETITION 2020

Parishioners are advised that the Bible quiz Competition will take place on Friday 8th May at 7:00 pm in Holy Family Cathedral. The Books to Study are:

- Daniel 1-6
- Gospel of John 1-6

All Active & Auxiliary Junior and Senior members of the Legion of Mary are advised that ACIES 2020 will be held on 22nd March in the Pastoral Centre immediately after Sunday School. All are invited.

Parishioners are advised that the Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 31st March at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family Cathedral.

St. Joseph's Academy's Fine Arts Revue Talent Competition and Show will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at Dean William Lake Cultural Centre starting at 7:30 pm. Admission is \$25.00. The finalists will compete in **Song, Pan, Soca, Piano, Rap, Calypso, Spoken Word and an Open Mixed Category.** The Glee Club and Rhythm Master Steelband will also be on display. Entertainment will also come from our Parents' Corner featuring **Dr. Charlotte Jeremy Cuffy** (song) **Ms. Monifa Browne** (dance) and **Mrs. Donalie Hunte - Daley** (song).

Attention all participants of **Catholicism201 - ALPHA in a Catholic Context-**. There will be no session on Tuesday, March 17 due to the Parish Lenten Retreat. Sessions resume on March 24th. Our retreat will be held on Sunday, March 29th at Mount Tabor.

Easter Catholic Radio Fund-Raiser

The usual Easter Catholic Radio fund-raiser will take place at Small Frye's on Easter Sunday from 2:00 pm until. BBQ pork , chicken , pigtails, seasoned rice, fry fish and Bakes, Goat water , and plenty to drink. Great prizes await you as well. All are invited. Keep Catholic Radio on air after 18 years.

Loving Father,

So many times I turn away from you and always you welcome me back. Your mercy and love give me confidence. Thank you for the invitation to share, fast and pray so that you can form a new heart within me. Your powerful compassion for my weaknesses leads me to ask for mercy and await with great hope the Easter joy you share with us.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

CATHEDRAL

Mondays & Wednesdays: 6:00pm Mass
Tuesdays : 6:00am Potters 6:00pm
ThursdayVILLA 6:00pm
Fridays: 6:15 am & 1 2:15 noon
Saturday: 8:00 am

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY: Cathedral

8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY : Cathedral
Hispanic Mass: Cathedral
St. Martin De Porres, Parham:
St. Anthony, Potters:
St. Francis of Assisi, Villa:
Good Samaritan, Donovans

8:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
(1st & 3rd Sundays) 9:00 am

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Lenten Stewardship Drive Envelopes are available in your Sunday Offering Boxes. These envelopes should be returned on or before Palm Sunday. The Stewardship Drive collection goes towards the Bishop's work in the Diocese as well as our own parish needs. Please give generously.

YOUTH LECTORS & ANIMATORS TRAINING

There will be a training session for all youth lectors and animators on Saturday March 28th at 1:30pm at the Pastoral Center. Young people interested in this ministry are also invited to attend.

GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING COMMUNION AND OTHER LITURGICAL PRACTICES DURING THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

Dear Parishioners, The following are to be implemented with immediate effect throughout the Diocese of St John's-Baseterre -

- * Holy Communion is to be given **ONLY** under the species of the Body of Christ. **(bread Only)**

- * Concelebrants at Eucharistic celebrations are advised at their discretion, to consume the precious blood of Christ through intinction.

- * Until further notice, Communion should be given **ONLY BY HAND TO HAND. STRICTLY NO COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE**

- * All ministers helping with the distribution of Holy Communion should wash their hands prior to the distribution.

- * Strictly **NO** handshakes at the beginning or the end of the Eucharistic Celebration.

- * All Holy Water Fonts or Receptacles in use in the Church are to be emptied.

- * Please consider stopping or removing any local/parish practice that may promote or encourage the spreading of the virus.

- **TRAINING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS** - persons interested in beginning this Ministry. Parents please note: Children and young people interested in becoming Altar Servers are invited to contact the Pastoral Centre at 560-2693. Training will commence on Saturday 28th March at 10:00 a.m. in the Cathedral.

Let us pray for the sick and 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

Phyllis Mayers, Irene Lake, Shawn Phillip, Gillian Howie, Nelister Sebastian, Catherine Durand, Dion Thomas, Margaret Ryan, Cecilia John, Evelyn Jolly, Georgina Glave-Toussaint, Horsford Hill, Catherine DeTouche, Edward Lewis, David Morris, Gweneth Bryan, Monica Jacobs, Ruth Shannon, Maude Joseph, Shanla Carr, John Willock, Arnold Gomes, Frank DeAbreu.

PS... Please inform the Parish Office of phone contacts for this list of sick and shut-ins

MARRIAGE & FAMILY MINISTRY

Couples intending to get married in the Catholic Church should register at the Pastoral Centre and make an appointment to see the priest. Furthermore, six months' notice should be given prior to the date of the wedding. **Please do not set the date without the consent of the priest.**

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION— 8th March, 2020

		First	Second
Cathedral	Saturday	3,009.53	960.17
	Sunday	3,683.15	1,002.47
Potters		560.00	40.20
Parham		530.00	214.25
Villa		1,692.73	615.16
Donovans		-	-
Hispanic		349.80	-
Diocesan Schools		128.00	

Thank you for your generosity

JAMBOREE UPDATE:

Jamboree 2020 - The Disciple and the Word. The young people of the Diocese of St. John's-Basseterre will be in Antigua from July 11 - 20. The young people with their leaders from Montserrat, St. Kitts, Nevis, Anguilla, Tortola and Virgin Gorda will join our young people and their leaders from Antigua for 10 days of spiritual, social, educational and fun-filled activities. This will be held at St. Joseph's Academy. We are anticipating at least 200 persons during this time.

The Logo Competition entries depicting the theme - The Disciple and the Word - are due on March 31st. Registration ends on March 31st. Forms can be collected at the Pastoral Centre and after Mass, for persons who may wish to register.

VOLUNTEERS - are needed to assist in getting the school ready to welcome the young people: Carpenters, Painters, Plumbers, Electricians, Landscapers. Chefs/Cooks are also needed to prepare three meals daily for ten days.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT for Jamboree: You may be unable to assist in the areas mentioned. However, your contribution in the following ways will be greatly appreciated: Dry Goods/Canned Items Drive: At the end of each month from March to June, your donation of dry goods and canned items will be greatly appreciated. Each month we will highlight what can be given.

JAMBOREE ITEMS FOR THE BASKET FOR MARCH:

Toilet paper, paper towel, paper napkins, bleach, liquid disinfectant, liquid hand soap, lysol spray, dish liquid, gloves, garbage bags (30 & 40 gallons), mosquito repellent. We thank you for your support.

SPECIAL WALK UP JAMBOREE COLLECTION on Palm Sunday - April 5th. Thank you for your support and generosity.

Sunday's Gospel Reflection

Would you do a favor for someone who snubbed you or treated you like an enemy? Jesus did just that and more! He treated the Samaritans, the sworn enemies of the Jews, with great kindness and respect. The Samaritans who lived in the middle region of Israel between Galilee and Judaea and the Jews who lived in the rest of the land of Israel had been divided for centuries. They had no dealings with one another, avoiding all social contact, even trade, and inter-marriage. If their paths crossed, it would not be unusual for hostility to break out.

VATICAN CITY

Pope Francis has decided the next world Synod of Bishops at the Vatican, which will take place in October 2022, will have the theme: "For a synodal church: Communion, participation and mission."

The Vatican announced the choice of "synodality" as the theme in a brief communique March 7.

"Synodality," which literally means "walking together," has become a key topic of Francis' pontificate, but one which has raised questions and even confusion.

The basic idea in the pope's teaching is that the grace of baptism makes one part of the body of the church and, therefore, responsible for its life and mission. In a hierarchical church, that shared responsibility calls for regular, serious and structural forums for listening to all members of the church. At the same time, as the pope has said, it does not mean putting decisions to a vote as if a synod were a parliament.

In 2018, the International Theological Commission, which advises the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, published a document on the topic, "Synodality In the Life and Mission of the Church."

Synodality, which has been present in Christianity since its very beginning, the document said, is not simply about involving people in decision making, but involving all the baptized in discerning God's will and listening to the Holy Spirit. The goal, it said, always is to find the best ways for every baptized person to fulfill the church's mission of proclaiming God's love and salvation in Jesus Christ to the world.

Regarding questions that continue to be raised about the similarities and differences between synodality and a democratic form of church governance, the commission wrote: "A synodal church is a church of participation and co-responsibility. In exercising synodality she is called to give expression to the participation of all, according to each one's calling, with the authority conferred by Christ on the College of Bishops headed by the pope. Participation is based on the fact that all the faithful are qualified and called to serve each other through the gifts they have all received from the Holy Spirit."

At the same time, it said, "the authority of pastors is a specific gift of the Spirit of Christ the head for the upbuilding of the entire body, not a delegated and representative function of the people."