# 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



P.O. Box 16, St. John's Antigua ◆ Email - hfc.antigua@gmail.com ◆ Phone 268 560-2693 ◆ 268 461-1127 "The "Already" and "Not Yet" of God's Kingdom"

14TH SUNNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - 6th July, 2025 - C

#### **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **Monday**

Holy Family Cathedral 6:00pm

#### **Tuesday**

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

#### Wednesday

Holy Family Cathedral 6:00pm

#### **Thursday**

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

#### Friday

Holy Family Cathedral 12:15 noon

#### **Saturday**

Holy Family Cathedral 8:00am

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION 29th June, 2025

Cathedral		1st	2nd
Saturday	6:00 pm	\$1,404.78	\$380.64
Sunday	7:00 am	\$1,867.97	\$561.31
	9:00 am	\$1,686.92	\$1,318.38
Hispanic		<b>-</b>	-
Out Stations			
Potters		\$483.25	\$125.00
Parham		\$400.00	\$160.00
Villa		\$398.95	\$171.85
Diocesan Schools		-	-

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## REGISTRATION FOR CATECHETICAL GROUPS:

Over the years, recurring patterns have highlighted the value of engaging parents prior to registration for the Sacraments and Religious Education formation. As a result, the catechists feel that holding sessions with parents clarify beforehand would help expectations and foster greater collaborative efforts in supporting parents, children and young people throughout spiritual formation. To this end, registration will be initiated at the end of two mandatory parents' sessions to be held in September. This is for all Catechetical groups. Details will be given in subsequent announcements.

A vacancy exists for a Parking Lot Attendant for the Diocesan Car Park on Church Street, St. John's. Interested applicants can apply in writing to the Chancery's email at dsjbchancery@gmail.com.

Transportation is an asset. Further details are published on the Diocesan website - <u>diocesesjb.org</u>.

There is a vacancy at **St. Joseph's Academy** to teach **Art** at the Forms 1 – 2 level and **English A (Language)** at the Form 1 level.

Suitably qualified applicants may apply as soon as possible to the Principal,

**St. Joseph's Academy, P.O. Box 234** or by email: **sjaantigua@gmail.com** or drop off a hard copy to the school's office.

## " Servants Of God's Kingdom " should

Make an act of self-offering and dedication. Support an activity related with promoting vocations.

The Society of the Divine Word (SVD) joyfully celebrates its 150th Anniversary, commemorating the founding of the congregation by St. Arnold Janssen in Steyl, the Netherlands, (Holland), on September 8, 1875, under the theme: Witnessing to the Light, from Everywhere, to Everyone.

**How To Join the Celebration!** We invite all parishioners to be part of this joyful occasion by sharing:

- Personal memories or testimonies
- Photos with SVD priests or brothers
- Reflections on how a Divine Word Missionary touched your life or strengthened your faith.

Send your contributions to: sydantigua@gmail.com or contact Fr. Pierre directly. Let us give thanks and praise for 150 years of faith, mission, and service. Thank you for your continued prayers and support for the mission of the Divine Word around the world.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified professionals to teach the following: Biology, English Literature, Principles of Business, Social Studies and Spanish at Christ the King High School.

Cover letter and CV should be submitted to <u>christtheking268@gm ail.com</u>. Deadline for submission is Monday 21st July, 2025.

The funeral Mass for Mr. Urbain Thomas (father of Crispin & Stanley Thomas) will be held on Tuesday 8th July, 2025 at 2:00pm at Holy Family Cathedral. Tributes begin at 1:30pm. Burial will be at the Valley Church Cemetery. May his soul Rest In Peace.

#### PRAYER FOR THE SICK & SHUT - INS:

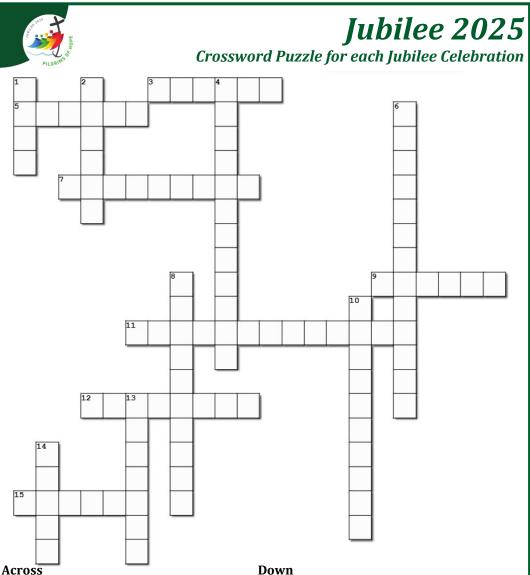
Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands.

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 Ioseph, Carmen Ambrose, Tyler Lockhart, Joan Underwood, Cosmas Rowe, Andrea Brown, Rose Margetson, Niethia Dyier, Victor Charles, Junie Browne, Colette Simon, Brenda Frederick, Elma Skerritt, Yvonne Watkins,

#### Prayer for Protection during the Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Spare us from past Father. tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Ierusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.



#### **3.** Someone who serves as a spiritual Leader and minister of the sacraments, acting as a bridge between God and the Faithful.

- 5. Someone who uses creative skill and imagination to produce art.
- 7. Freely offering your time and skills to help others or a cause without expecting payment
- **9.** A church official who is below a priest or minister in rank and helps with the church's ministry and service.
- **11**. The act of sharing information.
- 12. A young person between 13 and 19 years old.
- **15.** Someone who performs a job or task, usually for pay.

#### Down

- **1.** A group of people who play music together.
- 2. A High-ranking religious leader who is usually in charge of a diocese and empowered to confer holy orders.
- 4. Someone who starts and runs their own business.
- **6.** A group of people who join together, often with a religious or charitable purpose.
- **8.** Someone training to become a religious
- **10.** A condition that limits a person's physical or mental abilities.
- **13.** People who are older, typically 65 years of age or older.
- **14.** A physical activity or game involving competition and/or physical exertion.

#### THE JUBILEE PRAYER (AMENDED)

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your Son, Jesus Christ, our brother and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday 6th July
First Reading
Isaiah 66: 10-14
Responsorial Psalm
Psalms 66: 1-7, 16 & 20
Second Reading
Galatians 6: 14-18
Gospel
Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20



"Set off without Purse or Bag or Sandals"

#### Monday 7th July

Genesis 28: 10-22 Psalm 91: 1-4, 14-15 Matthew 9: 18-26

#### Tuesday 8th July

Genesis 32: 23-33 Psalm 17: 1-3, 6-8 & 15 Matthew 9: 32-38

#### **Wednesday 9th July**

Genesis 41: 55-57; 42: 5-7, 17-24 Psalm 33: 2-3,10-11, 18-19 Matthew 10: 1-7 St. Augustine Zhao Rong, priest & companions, martyrs

#### Thursday 10th July

Genesis: 44: 18-21, 23-29; 45: 1-5 Psalm 105: 16-21 Matthew 10: 7-15

#### Friday 11th July

Genesis 46: 1-7, 28-30 Psalm 37: 3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 Matthew 10:16-23 St. Benedict, abbot

#### Saturday 12th July

Genesis 49: 29-32; 50: 15-26 Psalm 105: 1-4, 6-7 Matthew 10: 24-33 Blessed Virgin Mary

#### WHAT THE 1ST READING SAYS TO ME

The prophet called "Third Isaiah" addresses his fellow citizens who have returned from exile in Babylon. He urges them to rejoice, for they have regained at least relative freedom. He compares the holy city, Jerusalem, with a mother who receives the returning exiles back at her breasts. But the prophet is well aware that rebuilding a ruined country is not so simple; it involves much frustration. Hence, he also consoles his people. Have hope! Sometime in the future, God will bestow shalom-prosperity on his chosen people!

We apply this promise to our own situation. We have been freed from the alienation/exile/bondage of evil. But we do not yet share in the shalom and blessings of the heavenly Jerusalem. It is the "already" and "not yet" we have to live with. Make the Responsorial Psalm your prayer of thanksgiving for what you possess as a Christian, and keep your hope alive for perfect happiness to come. "For thus says the LORD: . . . as a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you."

#### WHAT THE 2ND READING SAYS TO ME

Paul refers to what he had to suffer as a missionary. Most of his pain was caused by his fellow Jews who did not accept his vision of the new Israel of God. According to them, Gentiles who joined the Church should be circumcised according to the rule of the Jewish faith. Paul states that it does not matter. All that matters is that one is created anew. "Peace [shalom] and mercy be to all who follow this rule." This could be God's message to us! We are created anew, reborn from water and Spirit. This is what gives us real shalom-peace and constitutes the reason for our gratitude.

#### WHAT THE GOSPEL SAYS TO ME

What Jesus said to the Twelve (9:1-6), Luke now has him say to the seventy-two. The numbers symbolize respectively the twelve tribes of Israel and the nations of the world. The quintessence of the Christian blessing (God's gift to humankind) is shalom-prosperity. On entering any house, the seventy-two are to say first of all: "Peace to this household." The next part of their message should be: "The kingdom of God is at hand." The mission of the seventy-two was successful. They expelled demons!

What actually happened? Some good was done to those who received the message. Much evil went on as before. This is the "already" and "not yet" of God's kingdom in each individual and in the world at large. .

**Saint of the Day** - July 11th, 2025 *Saint Benedict's Story* 

It is unfortunate that no contemporary biography was written of a man who has exercised the greatest influence on monasticism in the West. Benedict is well recognized in the later Dialogues of Saint Gregory, but these are sketches to illustrate miraculous elements of his career.

Benedict was born into a distinguished family in central Italy, studied at Rome, and early in life was drawn to monasticism. At first he became a hermit, leaving a depressing world—pagan armies on the march, the Church torn by schism, people suffering from war, morality at a low ebb.

He soon realized that he could not live a hidden life in a small town any better than in a large city, so he withdrew to a cave high in the mountains for three years. Some monks chose Benedict as their leader for a while, but found his strictness not to their taste. Still the shift from hermit to community life had begun for him. He had an idea of gathering various families of monks into one "Grand Monastery" to give them the benefit of unity, fraternity, and permanent worship in one house. Finally he began to build what was to become one of the most famous monasteries in the world-Monte Cassino, commanding three narrow valleys running toward the mountains north of Naples.

The Rule that gradually developed prescribed a life of liturgical prayer, study, manual labor, and living together in community under a common abbot. Benedictine asceticism is known for its moderation, and Benedictine charity has always shown concern for the people in the surrounding countryside. In the course of the Middle Ages, all monasticism in the West was gradually brought under the Rule of St. Benedict.

Today the Benedictine family is represented by two branches: the Benedictine Federation encompassing the men and women of the Order of St. Benedict; and the Cistercians, men and women of the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance.





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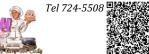


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