



# 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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**27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 5th October, 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

Parishioners please save the date — Christmas Dinner will be held on Friday 5th December, 2025.

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**The Annual Independence Church Service** will be held on Sunday 26th October during the 9am Mass. All parishioners are asked to wear their National Dress. Immediately after the Mass there will be an Agape. Persons are kindly asked to bring a dish to share.

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The Administrator (Fr. Lawrence Malama) will host a meeting for all persons who would like to be a part of the committee for the Christmas Dinner. The meeting will be on Thursday 9th October at 5:30 pm at the Pastoral Centre.

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**Couples for Christ Ministries** invites you to our **Christian Life Program**, where you can experience God's love. This will be held at the Pastoral Centre, Michael's Mount. This three-day event will be held on **Sunday 19th October, Sunday 26th October, and Sunday 9th November, from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** All are welcome to be a part of this enriching journey of faith, family, and community. For more information, please contact 770-2285 or 723-0480, or email [mago\\_paul11@gmail.com](mailto:mago_paul11@gmail.com).

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## **OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY**

All are welcome to join the **Legion of Mary** group to recite the Rosary every **Wednesday** in October at **5:15pm** at the **Lady of Fatima Shrine**.

## **OCTOBER IS MISSION MONTH!**

In a special way during the month of October we remember that every one of us is called to be a missionary—someone who shares God's love with others. Mission Month is a time to pray for people around the world who are helping those in need, especially in places where life is difficult. Let's ask ourselves: How can I share Jesus' love today?

Mission Month 2025 will be held under the theme **"Missionaries of Hope among the Nations"**.

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**FINAL NOTICE:** Final day for **REGISTRATION & MEETING** for new Catechetical groups will be held on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 5:00 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre**. Parents with children for the following, please note the group and date of birth: Pre-Communion - 2018; First Communion - 2017; Confirmation 2012 (Groups Post Communion - Pre-Confirmation - children born between 2013 - 2016 – sessions for these stages are held on Sundays after Mass 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.)

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**FROM THE DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL OFFICE:** Heartfelt gratitude, parishioners, for your faithful prayers and spiritual support during the recently concluded Diocesan Jubilee of Catechists, held under the theme "Hope Encountered." From September 25th to 29th, over 50 catechists from across the islands of our diocese gathered in St. Kitts for a time of working sessions, renewal, fellowship, and deep reflection on the hope we encounter in our shared mission. The Jubilee Indulgence was incorporated as catechists availed themselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and gained their indulgences as they passed through the door of the Co-Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Site. Your intercession was felt throughout the gathering, uplifting our hearts and strengthening our commitment to serve with joy and purpose. May the fruits of this Jubilee continue to bless our parishes and inspire all catechists to be radiant witnesses of Christ's hope.

## **LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION** **28th September, 2025**

Cathedral	1st	2nd
Saturday 6:00 pm	\$800.70	\$492.90
Sunday 7:00 am	\$1,864.56	\$327.41
9:00 am	\$1,973.55	\$302.06
Hispanic	-	-
Out Stations		
Potters	\$710.00	\$50
Parham	\$435.00	\$220.00
Villa	\$670.42	361.74
Diocesan Schools	\$70.00	-

**Thanks for your Generosity**

## 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, Rose Margetson, Niethia Dyier, Victor Charles, Junie Browne, Colette Simon, Brenda Frederick, Elma Skerritt, Yvonne Watkins, Anthony Mathurin,, Shirley Dyer.*

## 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 Father. Spare us from past 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 Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.



# Jubilee 2025

## Migrants

October 4-5, 2025

## WHO IS A MIGRANT?

A person who moves away from his or her place of usual residence, whether within a country or across an international border, temporarily or permanently, and for a variety of reasons.

## SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

The issue of migration has been a long-standing concern for the Catholic Church leadership and its lay faithful. In the United States, Catholics have long understood themselves as part of an immigrant Church, with waves of Catholic migrants entering the United States throughout its history from all over Europe, Africa, Central America, and Asia. Through this period the Catholic Church has responded proactively to the spiritual and material needs of migrants living in our communities, through the provision of pastoral care, social service programs, education, and other forms of support.

## KEY SAINTS

- Our Lady of Guadalupe (feast day December 12), also called the Virgin of Guadalupe, is a Catholic title for the Blessed Mother, Mary, mother of Jesus who appeared four times to a Mexican peasant name Juan Diego. These four Marian Apparitions occurred in December of 1531, where Mary also appeared to his uncle Juan Bernardino, during this time the Mexican territories were part of the Spanish Empire. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the patron saint of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador and parts of California. She is also known as the Patron of the Americas, Migrants and Refugees.
- St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, MSC (1850-1917, feast day November 13), also known as Mother Cabrini, founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She was the first American Saint canonized by the Catholic Church. She is the patron saint of immigrants, and she devoted her life to serving Italian immigrant children in New York City. Her devotion founded 67 institutions in 35 years to help the poor, sick, uneducated and abandoned.
- St. Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947, feast day February 8) was a Canossian religious sister who converted to Catholicism after being a slave her whole life. She was born in the Darfur region of South Sudan and was kidnapped at the age of 7 by Arabic slave traders who named her "Bakhita" which means fortunate. St. Josephine was sold, abused and mistreated throughout her life, and in 1883 was sold to an Italian Diplomat. During this time, the diplomat had to leave her with the Canossian sisters during his travel, where she was drawn to the Church, and Jesus' mercy. In 1890 she was baptized and confirmed taking the name Josephine. Upon her owner's return, they wanted to take Josephine back and the future saint refused to go.

## 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 5th October

#### **First Reading**

*Habakkuk 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4*

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-9*

#### **Second Reading**

*2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14*

#### **Gospel**

*Luke 17: 5-10*



*"If You Have Faith Even The Size of A Mustard Seed."*

### Monday 6th October

*Jonah 1: 1—2:1-2,11*

*Jonah 2: 3-5 & 8*

*Luke 10: 25-37*

**St. Bruno, priest**

### Tuesday 7th October

*Jonah 3:1-10*

*Psalm 130: 1-4, 7-8*

*Luke 10: 38-42*

**Our Lady of the Rosary**

### Wednesday 8th October

*Jonah 4: 1-11*

*Psalm 86: 3-6, 9-10*

*Luke 11: 1-4*

### Thursday 9th October

*Malachi 3: 13-20*

*Psalm 1: 1-4 & 6*

*Luke 11: 5-13*

**St. Denis, bishop, & companions,  
martyrs**

**St. John Leonardi, priest**

### Friday 10th October

*Joel 1: 13-15; 2: 1-2*

*Psalm 9: 2-3, 6, 8-9 & 16*

*Luke 11: 15-26*

### Saturday 11th October

*Joel 4: 12-21*

*Psalm 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12*

*Luke 11: 27-28*

**Blessed Virgin Mary**

**St. John XXIII, Pope**

## WHAT THE 1ST READING SAYS TO ME

The setting is Jerusalem, besieged by the Babylonians (600 B.C.). The prophet tries to console his fellow citizens. They must have faith in God. "The just one, because of his faith, shall live." We may be besieged by sorrow and distress. Our faith in God should be our stronghold.

In such moments a Christian kneels down and prays: "Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us. For he is our God, and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides."

## WHAT THE 2ND READING SAYS TO ME

Paul, himself in jail, reminds Timothy of his ordination to the ministry. There are dark days of persecution ahead. Leadership in such a situation requires courage and faith. It could be that Timothy was somewhat timid. "Do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord." And as a bishop, "guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit that dwells within us."

When you are depressed, or things do not go your way, keep your faith in God alive with the help of the Holy Spirit who dwells within you!

## WHAT THE GOSPEL SAYS TO ME

Like the apostles, all Christians must pray often that God may increase their faith. Either your faith in God grows or it withers! Since children are baptized into the faith of their parents, father and mother must help them grow in the faith. This is a serious duty.

But we are warned to keep commercialism out of faith, just as we must keep it out of love. Faith and the service of God that it entails cannot earn the reward of heaven. God does not owe us anything. When gratefully we have done our duty, we are still useless servants who hope for God's graciousness.

## Saint of the Day - October 7, 2025

*The Story of Our Lady of the Rosary*

Saint Pius V established the feast of Our Lady of Victory to thank God for the Christian defeat of the Turks at Lepanto—a victory attributed to praying the rosary. Pope Gregory XIII changed the name to Feast of the Holy Rosary—originally celebrated on the first Sunday in October—in 1573. Pope Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716. And in 1913, Saint Pius X set the date for the feast that we know today of October 7.

The development of the rosary has a long history. First a practice developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. Soon a mystery of Jesus' life was attached to each Hail Mary. Though Mary's giving of the rosary to Saint Dominic is recognized as a legend, the development of this prayer form owes much to the followers of Saint Dominic.

One of them, Alan de la Roche, was known as "the apostle of the rosary." He founded the first Confraternity of the Rosary in the 15th century. In the 16th century, the rosary was developed to consist of 15 mysteries: joyful, sorrowful and glorious. In 2002, Pope John Paul II added the five Mysteries of Light to this devotion.

## REFLECTION

The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pius XII called it a compendium of the gospel. The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death, and resurrection. The "Our Fathers" remind us that Jesus' Father is the initiator of salvation. The "Hail Marys" remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The "Glory Bes" remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity.

The rosary appeals to many. It is simple. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.



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