



# Visitation Catholic Parish

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MASS/SERVICES

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday ~ Saturday: 8am  
Saturday Vigil: 5pm (English)  
Sunday: 8am & 10am (English),  
12 Noon (Spanish), 2pm (Créole)

### CONFESSION

Thursday & Saturday: 8:30am-9:30am  
Sunday: 11:30am - 11:55am

### ROSARY

Monday - Saturday @ 7:30am

### ADORATION

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday  
8:30am-9:30am

### EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Friday 8:30-9:30am

### INFANT BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

First & last Friday @ 6:30pm | Activities room. Please contact the parish office in advance prior to scheduling

### BAPTISMS

1st Sunday @ 9:30am | 2nd Saturday @ 6:30pm

### MARRIAGES

Please contact the parish priest

### MINISTRY LEADER

JOANNE LAMBERT, CONTACT

### CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

ISABELLE EDMOND, CONTACT

Thursday's 8:00pm -9:30pm | Parish hall  
Haitian Creole

### CHOSEN YOUTH MINISTRY

LESTER KELLY, CONTACT

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

JAMES WHITTERS, GRAND KNIGHT

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month  
1:30pm | Activities room

### LEGION OF MARY

SYLVIE PARIS, CONTACT

Saturdays 8:30-10:30am | Activities room

### RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

SHIRLEY SEQUEIRA, CONTACT

If someone you know is pregnant & needs help or you would like to volunteer or donate baby items please call 786-452-0266.

### SPECIAL VOLUNTEERING

### GROUP MINISTRY

NILDA RODRIGUEZ, CONTACT

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

JOHN WEST, CONTACT

Food distribution 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
from 9am-12pm.

### WOMEN'S COUNCIL

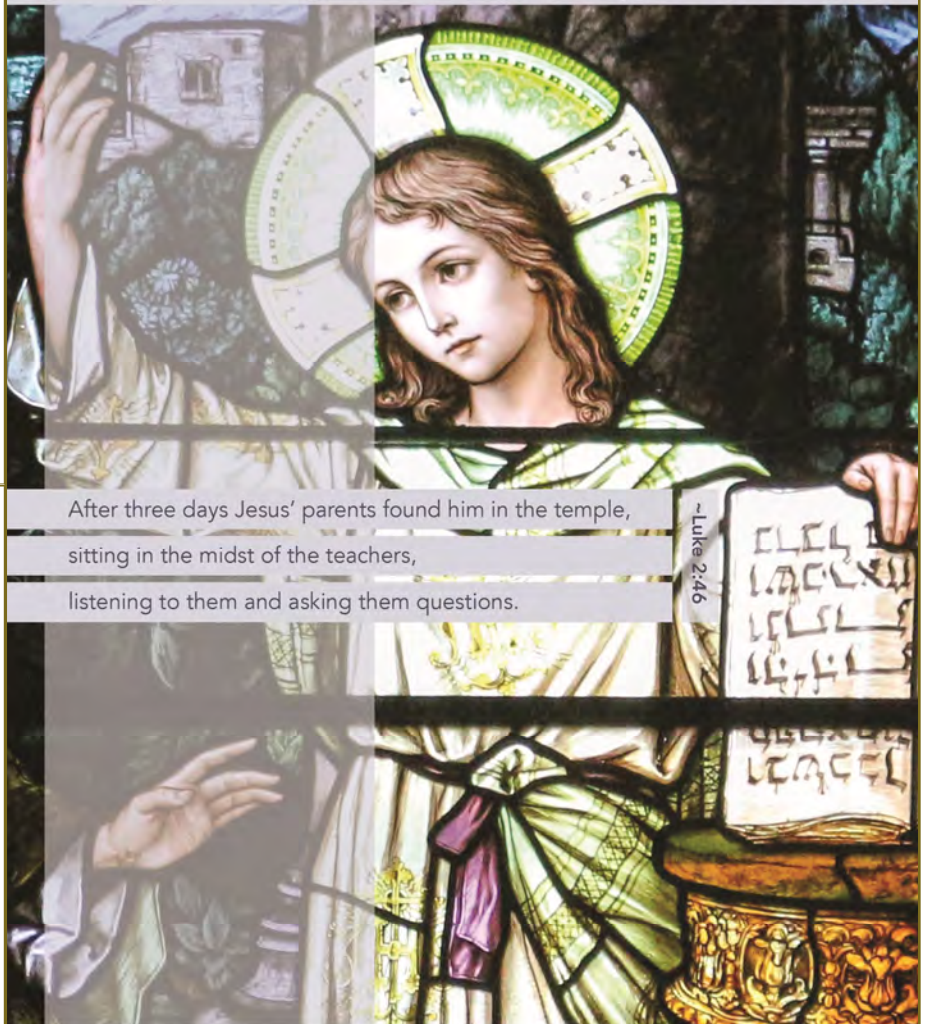
ELLA BROWN & DEBBIE GADSON,  
CONTACTS

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month @  
6pm in the parish hall.

MINISTRIES

## December 29, 2024

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph*



After three days Jesus' parents found him in the temple,  
sitting in the midst of the teachers,  
listening to them and asking them questions.

~Luke 2:46

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MARTA VOZZI, DIRECTOR  
[dre.visitation@gmail.com](mailto:dre.visitation@gmail.com)

Tues 9:30am-12:30pm  
Wed 4:00pm-7:00pm  
Fri 9:30am-12:30pm  
Sat 2:30pm-6:30pm

OFFICE

Monday ~ Friday

8:30am - 2:00pm & 2:30pm - 4:30pm

### PARISH STAFF

REV. ELISEUS EZEUCHENNE, PASTOR

Rev. James Quinn, Weekends

Rev. Bernard Kirlin, Weekends

Yanic Elie, Sacristan

Cheryl Thornhill, Parish Secretary

## SANCTUARY LAMP DECEMBER 28 – JANUARY 3, 2025



Special Intention for Nettie Mildor & Sarady Amparo,  
†Meritee Gilmissie, †Melanie Mildor, †Islande Mildor  
Requested by Nettie Mildor

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER 28 – JANUARY 4, 2025

#### SAT. DEC 28, VIGIL: THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

5pm: Deceased members of the Story family by Peggy Bartish

#### SUN. DEC 29, THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

8am: Special Intention for the Leathers family by Suzie Maxilus

8am: Birthday Blessings for Irmine Louis Jean by the Louis Jean's

10am: Thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity by Josette Desroses

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10am: †Joseph Gerard Chassagne by Ghislaine Chassagne

12pm: †Mauricio y Pilar Palau by Carmen Aviles

12pm: Special Intention by Maria Wheeler

2pm: Birthday Blessings for Yolaine Marsan by Marie Josaphat

2pm: †Holy souls most abandoned by Roslyn Taylor

2pm: 50th Anniversary Blessings for Henriot et Colette St. Gerard  
by Marie Fecu

2pm: Special Intention for Whitney Timothee by Suzie Castride Felix

#### MON. DEC 30, OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

8am: †Holy souls most abandoned by Roslyn Taylor

8am: †Mauricio y Pilar Palau by Carmen Aviles

8am: Special Intention by Maria Wheeler

#### TUE., DEC 31, OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

8am: In Thanksgiving to God by Sylvio Duval

8am: Thanksgiving for the Maxilus family by Suzie Maxilus

8am: †Angel Diez by Teresita Diez

#### WED. JAN 1, SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

8am: In Thanksgiving to God by Yanic Elie

8am: Action de Grace by Alexandra Etienne

8am: †Holy souls most abandoned by Roslyn Taylor

8am: Action de Grace by Anna Clervil

#### THU., JAN 2, ST. BASIL THE GREAT & ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN, BISHOPS

8am: †Elianise Lancivette by Yanic Elie

8am: Birthday Blessings for Nicarla Clevil by Anna Clervil

8am: Grace for Forgiveness by Joseph Harry Coq

8am: In Thanksgiving by Alta Alexis and family

#### FRI., JAN 3, HOLY NAME OF JESUS

8am: †Souls of my parents by Anne Marie Cecil Lamour

8am: Action de Grace by Emmanuella Pierre Desrosiers & family

8am: Thanksgiving by Emmanuella Pierre Desrosiers & family

#### SAT., JAN 4, ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS

8am: †Lucien Joseph Jabouin by Nadege Henry

8am:

## PRAY FOR THE HEALING OF

Drouet, Carmen Marcano, Marcus Clare, Susan & Joseph DeBiase, Martha Vanegas, Porfirio Burgos, Jo & Tom Pender, Liliana Drouet, Amelie Joseph, Carole Jeanty, Debbie Gadson, Thomas Frye, Jeannette Carter, Juan Marrero, Marcelina Figueroa, Richard Monestime, Christopher Monestime, Mael Monestime, Yanielle Berrouet, Emmanuelli Kouassi, Alfredo R. Rivero \*Please notify the parish office to add or remove a name\*

## PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Be our Strength,  
our Courage,  
and our Sanctifier.  
May this new year be a  
time of deep  
spiritual growth  
for us, A time of

Happy New Year  
Wishes

2025

welcoming your graces and gifts, A time for  
forgiving freely and unconditionally, a time  
for growing in virtue and goodness.  
Come, Holy Spirit be with us today and al-  
ways. Amen

## READINGS THIS WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

**Tuesday:** Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;  
Lk 2:16-21

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

**Friday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51

**Sunday:** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

## Elba Archbold

Funeral Mass, Saturday, December 28, 2024 @ 10am

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light  
shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the  
faithful departed rest in peace. Amen



Rondrick Casimir, Gabriel Vegeman, Juliana John, Walter Lambert, Emilie August, Millicent John, Zachary & Lauren Lambert, Brian Blondun, Liliana

Drouet, Carmen Marcano, Marcus Clare, Susan & Joseph DeBiase, Martha Vanegas, Porfirio Burgos, Jo & Tom Pender, Liliana Drouet, Amelie Joseph, Carole Jeanty, Debbie Gadson, Thomas Frye, Jeannette Carter, Juan Marrero, Marcelina Figueroa, Richard Monestime, Christopher Monestime, Mael Monestime, Yanielle Berrouet, Emmanuelli Kouassi, Alfredo R. Rivero \*Please notify the parish office to add or remove a name\*



# NEW YEARS DAY | JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2025

## A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - 8AM ENGLISH MASS

The parish office will be closed on Wednesday, January 1st in observance of New Year's Day. The church will close after the 8am Mass. There will be no adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays & Thursdays until January 29th. We wish everyone a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year.

DECEMBER 29, 2024

### GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE



Give Blood  
for  
Life!

This Sunday the "Big Red Blood Mobile" will be here from 9am to 2:30pm. All donors will receive a free wellness checkup including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening as well as a \$25.00 eGift card and a gift from OneBlood.

### Jesus Is Left Behind

"Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?"  
Luke 2:49 (NIV)

Based on Luke 3:7-18



U R V E W T Y F Z F A V O R N  
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A O G G S B G M V Z S Q H V A  
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TRAVELED	FEAST	FAVOR	GREW	PARENTS
TEMPLE	RETURN	FOUND	FRIENDS	TEACHERS
STATURE	RELATIVES	AMAZED	HOME	FATHER
SEARCHING	COURTS	WISDOM	ANSWERS	MOTHER

DECEMBER 22, 2024	
Mass:	\$ 5340.00
Building Fund:	\$ 45.00
Christmas Bazaar:	\$ 197.00
Christmas Tree Donations:	\$ 4699.00
Christmas Tree Cash Sales:	\$ 4523.00
Candles:	\$ 129.00
Poor box:	\$ 97.50

Weekly Offering



JESUS SAID TO HIS PARENTS,  
“WHY WERE YOU  
LOOKING FOR ME?  
DID YOU NOT KNOW  
THAT I MUST BE IN  
MY FATHER’S HOUSE?”

LUKE 2:49

# THE HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY, and JOSEPH

DECEMBER 29, 2024

## FAMILY LIFE

It wasn't at all what Mary and Joseph expected their life to be like. Almost from the beginning, there were indications that something extraordinary was at work: Mary's angelic annunciation; Joseph's strange dream; the puzzling words of Simeon and Anna in the Temple. And now this: during Mary and Joseph's annual Passover journey to Jerusalem, the discovery that their son Jesus was lost—and even when he was found, they didn't totally recognize their twelve-year-old boy. Today's feast of the Holy Family reminds us of the perplexities and promise of family life. The mystery of “the Word made flesh” becomes very tangible indeed in the routines and foibles of family life—our Christmas gatherings were likely unmistakable reminders of that! From the pure flesh of a newborn child to the wizened flesh of a beloved grandmother, families are ground zero for glimpsing the wondrous mystery of the Incarnation.

## DID YOU NOT KNOW?

A child's first words are usually a source of excitement and joy for family members. Today we hear the first words of Jesus in the Gospel according to Luke. And they are challenging ones. “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?” The words astounded, astonished, and great anxiety are used to describe Jesus' extended visit to the Temple. How familiar those emotions are to most parents! Had Jesus' parents forgotten the angel Gabriel's words or the prophecy of Simeon? In Luke's Gospel this passage foreshadows Jesus' final journey to Jerusalem where he will experience his own Passover and again be “lost” for three days. The story of Hannah in the first reading confirms the need and nature of trusting in God's activity in our lives. It seems clear that faithful attention to a family's spiritual life is no guarantee that life will be free from hardship.

## EMMANUEL: GOD IS WITH US

Could Tolstoy have gotten it wrong when he wrote that all happy families are alike and that unhappy families are each unhappy in their own way? It seems that the opposite is equally true. Because happy families foster the unique talents and interests of each member, each person shines according to their own lights. A happy family's faith, goals, and challenges will be uniquely their own. Unhappy families, on the other hand, might look very similar in their woundedness, their fears and confrontations, and their tendency to give negative interpretations to another's actions.

It is tempting to conclude that family life today is more problematic than ever. It might be reassuring to learn that the feast of the Holy Family was added to the Church's universal calendar because of Pope Leo XIII's concern for the state of family life—one hundred years ago! During this season of Christmas when families are everywhere, we welcome Emmanuel—the God who has pitched his tent among us.

## TODAY'S READINGS

1 Samuel 1:20–22, 24–28  
Psalm 84:2–3, 5–6, 9–10  
1 John 3:1–2, 21–24  
Luke 2:41–52