



Visitation Catholic Parish

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MASS / SERVICES

OFFICE HOURS

Monday ~ Friday

9:00am - 1:00pm & 1:30pm - 4:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday ~ Saturday: 8am

Saturday Vigil: 5pm (English)

Sunday: 8am & 10am (English),

12 Noon (Spanish)

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

BAPTISMS

Please contact the parish office to schedule

MARRIAGES

Please contact the parish priest

MINISTRIES

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 2nd 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 new baby items please call 786-452-0266.

SPECIAL VOLUNTEERING

GROUP MINISTRY

NILDA RODRIGUEZ, CONTACT

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

JOHN WEST, CONTACT

Food distribution 2nd & 4th Wednesday

from 9am-12pm.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

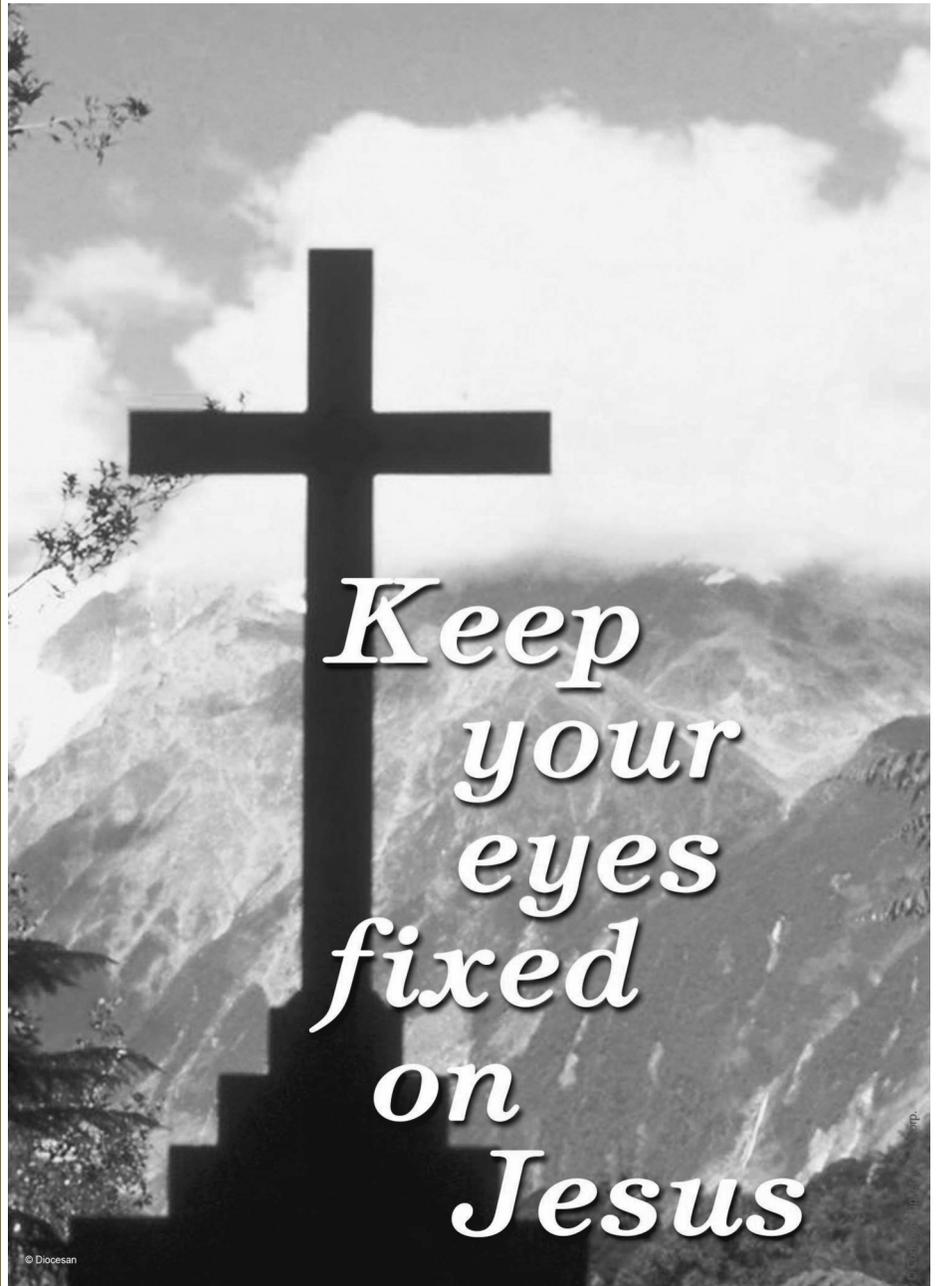
ELLA BROWN & DEBBIE GADSON,

CONTACTS

Meets the 4th Saturday of the month

@ 6pm in the parish hall.

20th Sunday of Ordinary Times



STAFF

REV. ELISEUS EZEUCHENNE
Administrator
Rev. Bernard Kirlin, Spanish Mass
Yanic Elie, Sacristan
Cheryl Thornhill, Parish Secretary

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MARTA VOZZI, DIRECTOR
dre.visitation@gmail.com
Tuesday 9:30am-12:30pm
Wednesday 4:00pm-7:00pm
Friday 9:30am-12:30pm
Saturday 2:30pm-6:30pm

Mass Readings and Intentions

August 16 - August 22

Saturday August 16

Joshua 24:14-29, Psalm 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11, Gospel Matthew 19:13-15

Saint Stephen of Hungary

8:00 AM ✠ - Willherm Jean by Marie Colette Jean

5:00 PM—No Intentions

Sunday August 17

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10, Psalm 40:2, 3, 4, 18, Hebrews 12:1-4, Gospel Luke 12:49-53

Saint Clare of Montefalco

8:00 AM - Anniversary - Ashwin & Gaby Menzies by Patricia

Menzies , Birthday - Sylvio Duval by Sylvio Duval

10:00 AM—No Intentions

12:00 PM ✠ - Roberto Y Rafael Fernandez by Claudia Hernandez ,

Silverio Aguilar by Aguilar Family

Monday August 18

Judges 6:11-24a, Psalm 85:9, 11-12, 13-14, Gospel Matthew 19:23-30

Saint Helen

8:00 AM ✠ - Elisel Previlus by Modeline Valminor, Luisita Ratio

by Erlinda & Edwin Salazar

Tuesday August 19

Judges 6:11-24a, Psalm 85:9, 11-12, 13-14, Gospel Matthew 19:23-30

Saint John Eudes

8:00 AM ✠ - Jean Gerard Louis by The Family

Wednesday August 20

Judges 9:6-15, Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM ✠ - Gerard Etienne by Emmanuel Etienne , Miriam

Slome by Teresita Diez

Thursday August 21

Judges 11:29-39a, Psalm 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

Saint Pius X, Pope

8:00 AM - Birthday - Birthday Blessings For Sebastien Macguffie by The Macguffie Family

✠ - Fr. Joseph Simoly by Marie Ange Thomas

Friday August 22

Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22, Psalm 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10, Gospel Matthew 22:34-40

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saints Symphorian and Timotheus

8:00 AM - No intentions



Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Prayer for the Week

O Virgin Mary, most powerful Mother of Mercy, Queen of Heaven and earth, in accordance with your wish made known at Fatima, I consecrate myself today to your Immaculate Heart. To you I entrust all that I have, all that I am. Reign over me, dearest Mother, that I may be yours in prosperity, in adversity, in joy and in sorrow, in health and in sickness, in life and in death.

Most compassionate Heart of Mary, Queen of Virgins, watch over my mind and heart and preserve me from the deluge of impurity which you lamented so sorrowfully at Fatima. I want to be pure like you. I want to atone for the many crimes committed against Jesus and you. I want to call down upon this country and the whole world the peace of God in justice and charity.

Mindful of this consecration, I now promise to strive to imitate you by the practice of the Christian virtues without regard for human respect. I resolve to receive Holy Communion on the first Saturday of every month when possible, and to offer daily five decades of the Rosary, with all my sacrifices in the spirit of penance and reparation. Amen.

ABCD 2025

The ABCD is an opportunity for us to unite as a faith community and show our commitment to being agents of hope. Thank you to all who have already made their commitment to the ABCD, and although we're on the right path, our parish has not met our goal yet. We believe we can get there, but we need your help! We invite you to join hands with us in support of the ABCD. Your support is essential, and every donation makes a difference. Please consider making a gift to the ABCD today! You may go online to www.isupportabcd.org. Please remember to indicate your parish as **Visitation Parish** in your donation.

Reflection on the Gospel

Nourishing fire of Good News

In the first part, Luke 12:49-50, we hear this language of fire and think judgment, and that may be what Christ wants us to think ... for now. But, in reality, the fire of judgment is perhaps about our own (in)ability to save ourselves. The cleansing fire reveals that we need God.

Fire was meant to destroy the reigning religion and religiosity that people used was a *Jesus said to his disciples: I have come to cast fire on the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already!* It's necessary here to focus on what Jesus did *not* mean by casting fire on earth. He very explicitly and deliberately rejected any use of violence or coercion in his mission. He did not form his followers into an army or lead them in war. A follower of Jesus could never be led to commit acts of terrorism, to murder the innocent, or to imagine that suicide might be rewarded with special favors in the Kingdom of Heaven. Someone ablaze with the fire of Christ will love, not attack his enemies. He will be endlessly patient, gentle, forgiving, compassionate. *He will always tend to create around him peace, joy, hope, reconciliation, mercy, goodness.*

The fire of Jesus burns, at least potentially, within each one of us. It's our secret, of which the secular world has no understanding, or conception. The dominant reality of our lives is not what you see; not the unexciting routines by which we live, but the living presence of the three Persons of the Holy Trinity: infinite love; absolute goodness; divine life. Touched by this fire, each of us is – should be – set alight by its contagious holiness, made to shine with its glory, to become ever more truly what we already are: God's own beloved children.

Our lives will give great glory to God. And our prayer of intercession will be a powerful force for good, for blessing, for salvation, in the world.

The instinct of Christians will always be to avoid confrontation where possible; to promote reconciliation, harmony, dialogue, mutual respect. Still, conflicts will arise, but above all we will remain deeply united to Jesus, leaving the outcome of our lives in his hands. At every holy Eucharist we ask the Lord to send down his fire into our hearts, into our lives; to transform us by his Holy Spirit: so that we truly become ablaze with his love. For Jesus' wish to be fulfilled we must play our part in helping to spread some of that fire of God's love everywhere.

Also in this passage Jesus expresses a longing for his baptism to be accomplished and how much stress he is under until it is completed. The Baptism he refers to is his immersion in the terrible suffering and death by which we will be liberated, and not the Baptism by John the Baptist when the person to be baptized was immersed in the baptismal pool which was seen as a parallel to Jesus going down into death and emerging to the new life of the resurrection.



New year 2025-2026
Registration on Sunday
August 17th and 24
after 10 AM and
12 Noon Masses.

ACTIVE PARISHONER

- Weekly attendance at Sunday Mass and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Volunteer on regular basis (**Time**)
- Active involvement in a parish ministry/organization (**Talent**)
- Weekly or monthly use of parish envelopes or online giving (**Treasure**)

Weekly Offertory Collection **August 10rd, 2025**

Mass:	\$ 4,482
Building Fund	\$ 1010.
Candles	\$ 197.
2nd Collection	\$ 2,631.
Nigerian Mission	

Catholic Daily Devotional for August 2025 - Mary Our Help

August 17, 2025: The Role of Suffering

The role of suffering in Catholic faith is redemptive, when united to Christ's cross. It purifies the soul, fosters empathy, and merits grace for ourselves and others. Saints like Padre Pio embraced suffering as participation in salvation. Biblical examples include Job's patience and Paul's thorn, showing trust in God. In daily life, suffering from illness or loss can draw us closer to God through prayer. The Church teaches offering sufferings in morning prayers for intentions. Communities support the suffering through visitation and sacraments like Anointing. Reflect on how suffering builds character and reliance on grace. It integrates with the mystery of evil, accepted in faith. Catholics are called to alleviate others' suffering through mercy works. Consider how unoffered suffering wastes potential, while redemptive suffering transforms. In families, sharing burdens strengthens bonds. Ultimately, suffering leads to resurrection joy. Through it, we conform to Christ. It is eased by sacraments and fellowship. In a pain-averse culture, it teaches endurance's value. By uniting to the cross, we find meaning and hope.

The role of suffering also involves a call to solidarity, where we accompany those who suffer, offering comfort and support. It encourages us to view suffering as an opportunity for spiritual growth, deepening our dependence on God. By offering our sufferings for the intention of others, we participate in the economy of grace, contributing to the salvation of souls. This perspective transforms suffering from a meaningless burden into a meaningful offering. In the Church, suffering is honored through the veneration of martyrs and the sick, recognizing their special place in the body of Christ. Ultimately, the role of suffering is to draw us closer to God, preparing us for the glory of heaven.

Furthermore, the role of suffering challenges us to question and seek understanding, leading to deeper theological insights and personal maturity. It fosters compassion, enabling us to empathize with others in their pain and offer genuine support. By embracing suffering with faith, we can witness to the power of the cross, inspiring others to trust in God's plan. This virtue is cultivated through prayer and reflection, allowing us to see God's hand even in difficult times. In a world that often avoids suffering, this perspective offers a countercultural path to true fulfillment and peace.

Daily Prayer

Lord Jesus, help us to unite our sufferings to Yours. Grant us strength and meaning in our trials. Amen.