

OFFERINGS & DONATIONS

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1. Ensure you communicate clearly that the payment is for the St. Joseph The Worker Parish
2. You will be given a number for each community (see below). Please choose the one required.

Gros Islet – 01
Grande Riviere – 02
Monchy – 03

Payments can be made in person or online. For further clarification please contact the Parish Office. We appreciate your support.

PRAYER DURING THE HURRICANE SEASON

O Lord, our God and Father, who gives rain and sunshine to your children, we ask you in this rainy season to uphold us and provide for our needs.

You try our patience and test our faith and reliance on you; forgive our sin of ingratitude. So often have we forgotten to thank you for your goodness and acts of mercy. Teach us to look up to you each day, appreciative of rain and sunshine, as you, in your wisdom, through any kind of weather do feed us all.

In your mercy, protect us against hurricanes and tropical storms. Pour out your blessings upon our nation and our people, and make us grateful for the weather we receive from your bountiful hand.

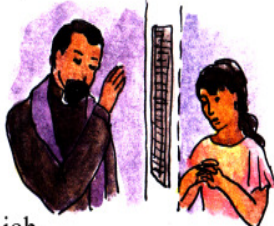
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Priests
Take the Place of Jesus



In today's Gospel reading Jesus was preaching in the synagogue. (A synagogue is kind of like your local church building.) The people there didn't believe in Him because they thought they knew Him. They didn't take Him seriously because they knew His family.

Do you know the priest at your church? He takes the place of Jesus at every Mass and when you go to Confession. God gave him a very special job.



However, even though priests have a very special job, they are still people like you. They need lots of help from God to do their job well. We should pray for our priests every day!

Here is a prayer you can say:



*Dear Jesus,
Please bless all priests. Make them be like you. Give them all the help they need to lead us to Heaven.
Thank you for all the priests who have helped me, and please send more good priests to the Church. Amen.*

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at least **6 months** before the desired date.



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
6.00 - 6.45p.m.
&
by appointment

Lord of all.

As we've walked with the Apostles in the Gospels in recent weeks, we've witnessed Jesus command the wind and sea, and order a little girl to arise from the dead. But He seems to meet His match in His hometown of Nazareth. Today's Gospel is blunt: "He could work no miracle there." Why not? Because of the people's lack of faith. They acknowledged the wisdom of His words, the power of His works. But they refused to recognize Him as a prophet come among them, a messenger sent by God. All they could see was how much "this man" was like them - a carpenter, the son of their neighbor, Mary, with brothers and sisters.

Of course, Mary was ever-virgin and had no other children. The Gospel refers to Jesus' brothers as Paul refers to all Israelites as his brothers, the children of Abraham. That's the point in the Gospel, too. Like the prophet Ezekiel in the First Reading, Jesus was sent by God to the rebellious house of Israel, where He found His own brothers and sisters obstinate of heart and in revolt against God.

The servant is not above the Master. As His disciples, we too face the mockery and contempt we hear of in the Psalm. And isn't it often hardest to live our faith among those in our own families, those who think they really know us, who define us by the people we used to be before we chose to walk with Jesus? As Paul confides in the Epistle, insults and hardships are God's way of teaching us to rely solely on His grace.

Jesus will work no mighty deeds in our lives unless we abandon ourselves to Him in faith. Blessed then are those who take no offense in Him. Instead, we must look upon Him with the eyes of servants, knowing that the son of Mary is also the Lord enthroned in the heavens.

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First Reading

Ez.2:2-5

Second Reading

2Cor.12:7-10

Gospel

Mk.6:1-6

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.



MONDAY

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m.& 12:30 p.m.

G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

Monchy: 6:00 p.m.



FRIDAY

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.



SUNDAY

Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 A.M.

Gros Islet/Monchy

10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY

7:00 a.m.



The Sacrament of Baptism	
<p>The Sacrament of Baptism, often called "The door of the Church," is the first of the seven sacraments, since the reception of the other sacraments depends on it. It is the first of the three Sacraments of Initiation, the other two being the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Once baptized, a person becomes a member of the Church.</p> <p>The Necessity of Baptism: Christ Himself ordered His disciples to baptize those who accept the message of the Gospel. In His encounter with Nicodemus (Jn.3:1-21), Christ made it clear that baptism was necessary for salvation: "Amen, amen I say to thee, unless a man be born again of water and the Holy Ghost, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." For Catholics, the sacrament is not a mere formality; it is the very mark of a Christian, because it brings us into new life in Christ. That doesn't mean that only those who have been formally baptized can be saved. The Church recognizes three types of baptism.</p> <p>1. The Baptism of Water: Water is poured on the head of the person to be baptized, saying at the same time: I baptize thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>2. The Baptism of Desire: This applies both to those who, while wishing to be baptized, die before receiving the sacrament and "those who, through no fault of their own, do not know the Gospel of Christ or His Church but who nevertheless seek God with a sincere heart, and, moved by grace, try in their actions to do His will as they know it through the dictates of conscience." (<i>Constitution on the Church</i>, Second Vatican Council).</p> <p>3. The Baptism of Blood: The baptism of blood refers to the martyrdom of those believers who were killed for the faith before they had a chance to be baptized. This was a common occurrence in the early centuries of the Church, and also in later times in missionary lands.</p> <p>The Effects of the Sacrament of Baptism:</p> <p>Baptism has six primary effects, which are all supernatural graces:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-The removal of the guilt of both Original Sin (the sin imparted to all mankind by the Fall of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden) and personal sin (the sins that we have committed ourselves).-The remission of all punishment that we owe because of sin, both temporal (in this world and in Purgatory) and eternal (the punishment that we would suffer in hell).-The infusion of sanctifying grace (the life of God within us); the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit; and the three theological virtues.-Becoming a part of Christ.-Becoming a part of the Church, which is the Mystical Body of Christ on earth.-Enabling participation in the sacraments, the priesthood of all believers, and the growth in grace. <p>(excerpt: aboutcatholics.com)</p>	
PLEASE PRAY FOR	
THE SICK	
Martha Mason Iris Macauldy Daphne Lorde Denis Augustin Nellie Hall Bentley Jn Baptiste	
DECEASED	
Apolina Smith Monica Brown Marie V. Ambrose Daphne Lorde Mary Celine Popo Stanislaus Joseph Teresa Charles	
WEEKDAY READINGS	
✠ MONDAY Gen.28:10-22 Mt.9:18-26 ✠ TUESDAY Gen.32:23-33 Mt.9:32-38 ✠ WEDNESDAY Gen.41:55-57; 42:5-7,17-24 Mt.10;1-7 ✠ THURSDAY Gen.44:18-21,23-29 45:1-5 Mt.10:7-15 ✠ FRIDAY Gen.46:1-7,28-30 Mt.10:16-23 ✠ SATURDAY Gen.49:29-32;50:15-26 Mt.10:24-33	

MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY/RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B		
Sat July 3 - 6:00 p.m.		Guid: Augusta Toussaint Thks: Perlin Verdant & family Algitha Richelieu & family B'day: Jaeden Glace, Alannah Bousquet
Sun July 4 - 7:30 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
10:00 a.m.		Int: Parish Youth
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon July 5 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. John Wilson Fr. Joseph Raj Sr. Mary Lee Cox	Int: Anthony Robinson, Cecil Graham
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Jannel Cadet
Tue July 6 - 6:00 a.m.	Arch. Robert Rivas OP Msgr. Patrick Anthony Fr. Albert Smith	Dc'd: Mona James Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed July 7 - 6:00 a.m.	Mother Rosaria Joseph Sr. Frances Norbisch Sr. Christine Alphonse	Thks: Gabriel Abung
12:30 p.m.		Thks: Diane Palton & family Richard Palton & family
Grand Riviere - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu July 8 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Amalraj Penigilipadi Fr. Cezar Herrera Sr. Giovanna Mabunda	Thks: Bernadette Pamphile & family
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Vladimir Lubin
Monchy - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Fri July 9 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Will Howard Rev. Andrew Edward Sr. Ramona George	Dc'd: Mary Roach Mary Celine Popo
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Noah Henry, Eldra Sidoine Thks: Mary Wellington & family
Sat July 10 - 6:30 a.m. BVM	Sr. Benedicta Chanda Sr. Petronilla Banda	B'day: Lordina Gaspard, Rufus Verdant Xilef Felix, Marina St. Martin