

Priorities

In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that if we love **GOOD MORNING, Jesus!** anyone more that we love Him we are not worthy of Him. What He means is that we need to keep God first in our lives. The two great commandments He gave us are 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and mind and strength' and 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

How can we keep God first in our lives? We can start by talking to Him as soon as we start our day. We can tell Him we love Him and offer our day to Him! We also keep God first by following His laws-making sure we go to Mass at least every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, and going to Confession when we have a serious sin.

I'D LIKE TO PLAY BUT I HAVE TO LOOK AFTER MY BABY BROTHER. The next most important thing is loving others. God wants us to love and care for the people He has put into our lives. First we must care for our family that He has given us and then our friends and neighbours.

What is the most important thing for you to do today? How can you put God first every day this week?

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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.**

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

VISION 2020-DISCIPLES ON MISSION

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 28TH JUNE 2020 - YEAR A

To find our lives.

The Liturgy this week continues to instruct us in the elements of discipleship. We're told that even the most humble among us have a share in the mission Christ gives to His Church. We're not all called to the ministry of the Apostles, or to be prophets like Elisha in the First Reading, but each of us is called to a holy life.

At Baptism our lives were joined forever to the cross of Christ, Paul tells us in the Epistle. Baptized into His death, we're to renounce sin and live for God in Christ Jesus. Jesus says in the Gospel that we are to follow Him, each of us taking up our personal cross. That doesn't mean we will all be asked to suffer a martyr's death, but each of us is called to self-denial, to the offering of our lives in service of God's plan.

Jesus must be elevated to first place in our lives, above even our closest bonds of kinship and love. By Baptism, we've been made part of a new family - the kingdom of God, the Church. We are to proclaim that kingdom with our lives, bringing our fathers and mothers, and all men and women, to live as "little ones" under the fatherhood of God and the kingship of the Holy One.

We do this by opening our hearts and homes to the service of the Lord, following the Shunnamite woman's example in the First Reading. As Jesus tells us, we're to receive others, not only prophets but also little children, the poor, and the imprisoned, as we receive Christ Himself. As we sing in today's Psalm, we are to testify to His favors and kindness in our lives.

We're to hold fast to the promise that if we have died with Christ, we shall also live, that if we lose our lives for His sake, we shall find our reward, and walk forever in His countenance.

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading  
2Kgs.4:8-11,14-16

Second Reading  
Rom.6:3-4,8-11

Gospel  
Mt.10::37-42

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers:  
5:45a.m.

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

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TUESDAY  
6:00 a.m.

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WEDNESDAY  
6:00 a.m.& 12:30 p.m.  
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.

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

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

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

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

Gros Islet/Monchy  
10:00 a.m.

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HOLIDAY  
7:00 a.m.  
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The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul - June 29th

The Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul is a liturgical feast in honour of the martyrdom of the apostles Peter and Paul, observed annually on June 29th. The celebration is of ancient origin. As early as the year 258, there is evidence of an already lengthy tradition of celebrating the solemnities of both Peter and Paul on the same day. Together the two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there.

Peter, a fisherman of Galilee originally named Simon, was introduced to the Lord by his brother Andrew. Jesus gave him the name Cephas which means ‘Rock,’ as he was to become the rock upon which Christ would build His Church. Peter was a bold follower of the Lord. He was the first to recognize that Jesus was “the Messiah, the Son of the living God,” and eagerly pledged his fidelity until death. He made many mistakes, erring time and time again, yet despite his human weaknesses, Peter was chosen to shepherd God’s flock. When entrusted with responsibility, he demonstrated that he was mature and capable. The Acts of the Apostles illustrates his role as head of the Church after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ.

Peter led the Apostles as the first Pope and ensured that the disciples kept the true faith. He spent his last years in Rome, leading the Church through persecution and was eventually martyred in the year 64. He was crucified upside-down at his own request, because he claimed he was not worthy to die in the same manner as his Lord. He was buried on Vatican Hill, and St. Peter’s Basilica is built over his tomb.

St. Paul was the “Apostle to the Gentiles”. His letters are included in the writings of the New Testament, and through them we learn much about his life and the faith of the early Church. Born at Tarsus (now in Turkey), he was a Jew of the tribe of Benjamin and a Roman citizen. Named Saul at his circumcision, he was raised a strict Jew whose profound conviction developed into a religious fanaticism against the infant Christian church. He took part in the stoning of the first martyr, St. Stephen, and in the fierce persecution of Christians that followed. But while on his way to Damascus to make new arrests of Christians, he was converted by a miraculous apparition of the Lord. He took the name Paul and spent the remainder of his life preaching the Gospel tirelessly to the Gentiles of the Mediterranean world. Once a persecutor of Christ, he became the Lord’s preacher. Once an impediment to the Gospel, he became its great champion. Once a guardian of Israel as an ethnic preserve of holiness, Paul came to serve as a father in the worldwide (literally, catholic) Church. Paul was eventually imprisoned and taken to Rome where he was beheaded in the year 67. He is buried in Rome in the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls.

In a sermon in the year 395, St. Augustine of Hippo said of Sts. Peter and Paul: “Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles’ blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith.”

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Iris Macauldy  
Priscillia Henry  
Martha Mason  
Luvina Joseph  
Mary Sonson  
Nellie Hall

DECEASED

Marie M. Lake  
Raphael Taylor  
Francis Jules  
Joseph Jameson

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

Acts 12:1-11  
2Tim.4:6-8,17-18  
Mt.16:13-19



TUESDAY

Am.3:1-8,4:11-12  
Mt.8:23-27



WEDNESDAY

Am.5:14-15, 21-24  
Mt.8:28-34



THURSDAY

Am.7:10-17  
Mt.9:1-8



FRIDAY

Eph.2:19-22  
Jn.20:24-29



SATURDAY

Am.9:11-15  
Mt.9:14-17



MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET

CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

INTENTIONS

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Sat Jun 27 - 6:00 p.m.

Sun Jun 28 - 7:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.



**B’day:** Laurna Deligny  
Constantin Defreitas  
**Thks:** Tarbula & Cyrille Amedee  
Hilton & Maude Oculien & family  
**Diaconate Ann:** Rev. Girard Glace

MISSA PRO POPULO

**B’day:** Roseline Deterville  
**Guid & Success:**  
Danquah & Danielle Theophilus  
Zahir Leslie, Kimani St. Omer

**Thks:** Parish Youth

**Int:** Gene Norley & family

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

**Mon Jun 29 - 6:00 a.m.**  
*Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles*

12:30 p.m.

Rev. David Popo  
Rev. Herald Wilson  
Rev. Gerard Calderon

**Tue Jun 30 - 6:00 a.m.**

Fr. Celestine Nwakwuo  
Rev. Winston Taylor  
Rev. Peter Fevrier

**Wed July 01 - 6:00 a.m.**

12:30 p.m.

Fr. Ignatius Cetoute  
Fr. Cleophus Joseph  
Fr. Joseph Akande

**Grand Riviere - 6:00 p.m.**

**Thu July 02 - 6:00 a.m.**

12:30 p.m.

Fr. Philomin Zacharias  
Fr. Athanase Joseph  
Fr. Stephen Quinlan

**Monchy-6:00 p.m.**

**Fri July 03 - 6:00 a.m.**  
*St. Thomas, Apostle*

12:30 p.m.

Msgr. Michel Francis  
Fr. Arthur Zalewski

**Sat July 04 - 6:30 a.m.**

Fr. Vinoth Santhappan

**B’day:** Darnell Louis, Paula Theophilus  
**Guid:** Danquah Theophilus, Zahir Leslie  
**Guid & Success:** Grace George

**Thks:** Lucretia James & family  
Diana Palton & family  
Lucille Philip & family

**B’day:** Ajanih Henry

**Dc'd:** Antoine & Rosa Glace  
Joseph & Irene Destang, Flora Girard

**Parishioners**

**Thks:** Stennett Bent & family

**B’day:** Rudell Octave  
**Healing:** Irvin Ferdinand

**Parishioners**

**Dc’d:** Alvina George, Holy Souls

**Thks:** Francisca Jean & family

**Dc’d:** Anthony Lake