



St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy



**Holy Spirit
Working Here**

Confessions: Every Saturday 9.00 - 10.00 am; 6.00 - 6.45 pm.; & By appointment

HEALTHY CHANGE IS PROOF OF LIFE

Gospel Summary

In today's Gospel, Jesus encourages us to take love to a new level. Rather than hate our enemies or be angry with those who have hurt us, he tells us to love them. We can show our love by some action, or by praying for them; but most importantly, Jesus reminds us that this is the very love that God has for us. Our aim is to mirror that love.

Reflection for Families

Jesus tells us how to resolve our problems using love instead of violence. When someone hurts us, it is tempting to hurt them right back; but Jesus gives us another plan. It is a plan that is as unusual for our time as it was for the people of Jesus' time. He said to love the person who hurts us. Love our enemies. We know our friends and understand them.

Sometimes it is because we know them that we accept some of the odd or annoying things they do. Jesus says everyone can love and forgive a friend. That part's easy. It is loving our enemy that may be the challenge. Nearly every world religion has a message of this sort . . . now if we could all just live it!

Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Encourage members of your family to recall an incident where they have been wronged in some way. It may take some thinking (and not a little open-mindedness), but come up with at least one good thing that came from the experience. Maybe you can even go to the person and tell him or her about it, but short of that, pray to God thanking him for the possibilities in your life from this one encounter.

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Pause Awhile and Tweet these:

- ⇒ When someone hurts or frustrates me I usually . . .
Because of this reading, in the future I will . . .
- ⇒ One step I will take to focus on the positive instead of dwelling on the negative will be to . . .
- ⇒ God knows the one person in my life who really annoys me. This week, I will try to show my love for him/her by . . .

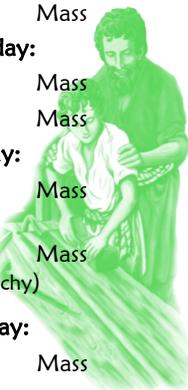
*7th Sunday in Ordinary time
Cycle A
February 19-26, 2011*

The Lord is Compassion and love

- ✠ **1st Reading:**
Leviticus 19:1-2.17-18
- ✠ **2nd Reading:**
1 Corinthians 3:16-23
- ✠ **Gospel:**
Matthew 5:38-48
- ✠ **MISSAL PAGES**
Old : 301
New: 392
Newest: 199

Standard Mass Times

- ☼ **Monday - Friday:**
5:45 am Morning Prayers
6:00 am Mass
- ☼ **Wednesday:**
6:00 pm Mass
- ☼ **Saturday:**
6:30 am Mass
7:00 pm Mass
- ☼ **Sunday:**
7:30 am Mass
(G.I./ G.R.)
10:00 am Mass
(G.I. / Monchy)
- ☼ **Holiday:**
7:00 am Mass



VISION 2020 - Disciples on Mission

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MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET	CLERGY / RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME CYCLE A

Sat. Feb. 19 7:00 p.m.		Special int: Catherine Jn. Baptiste B'day: Melissa Hackshaw
Sun Feb. 20 7:30 a.m.	Msgr. Thomas Glasgow Abbess Marianna Pinto Sr. Elma Gustave	MISSA PRO POPULO
10.00 a.m.		EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE
G. RIVIERE 7.30 a.m.		EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE
MONCHY 3.30 p.m.		Solemn Blessing: St. Rose of Lima Church

GROS ISLET WEEKDAY

Mon. Feb. 21 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Kevin MacDonald Fr. Amal Raj Sr. Scholastica Felician	IHO Holy Spirit: Charles Family IHO St. Michael: Mary Brewster Healing: Dan Jn. Baptiste
Tues. Feb. 22 7.00 a.m. <i>Chair of St. Peter</i>	Fr. Joseph Krastel Fr. Konrad Mair Sr. Rosaria Joseph	Thanks: Cyril & Laurentia Matthew Darwin Matthew & family Success: Davis & Gail Jawahir
Wed. Feb. 23 6.00 p.m. <i>St. Polycarp</i>	Rev. Errol Frederick Sr. Emmanuela Joseph Sr. Annie Reneau	IHO St. Anthony: Cecilia Gatneau IHO St. Michael: Mary Brewster Thanks: Ryan Matthew & family
Thurs. Feb. 24 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Stanislaw Slaby Fr. Prayer Sr. Margaret Mary Maynard	D'cd: Joanne Annetta Sidoine Philip Hippolyte
Fri. Feb 25 6.00 a.m.	Fr. Lambert St. Rose Fr. Stephen Quinlan Sr. Christine Alphonse	D'cd: Roslyn Phillip Peter Phillip Anthony & Hermancia Florius & Other family members
Sat. Feb. 26 6.30 a.m.	Fr. Cecil Goodman Rev. Luvinious Inglis Sr. Hazel Ann Alphonse	D'cd: Anne Willis-Dipoo Cyrlia Gadette Holy Souls in Purgatory

Remember to pray for

SICK:

Claudette Quinlan
Julia Francis
Martine Quinlan
Rev. Evans Drysdale

DECEASED: (RIP)

Boniface Hypolite
Cyprian Jn. Noel
Anne Marcellin

FLOWERS OF FAITH



Love - No Matter What

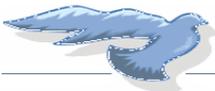
God expects His children to love one another. However, when we see what Biblical love is, we realize that we all fall short. The God who requires is in selfless and sacrificial. It does not serve its own interests, but puts others first. It is unconditional; your fellowman does not have to deserve it; in fact, you love him in spite of his shortcomings.

Jesus loved in this manner. Now God is asking you to love others like this, too. It sounds impossible—and it is! In and of yourself, you will never be able to love like Jesus, but God makes it possible by means of the Holy Spirit within you.

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brother, love one another deeply, from the heart (1 Peter 1:22)



HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY



Youth *May The Spirit Be With You*



Celebrating Our Catholic Faith

Sunday, February 20th, 2011



The Lord is Compassion and Love

1. What day is it, today, in the Church's calendar?.....
2. From which book of the Bible is today's first reading?.....
 - Where is this book in the Bible? In the Old or New Testament? Is it the first, second, third, or fourth book? Is it part of the Books of Moses, the Books of History, the Gospels, the Letters?
 - What are two lessons a kid your age can learn from this reading?
3. From which Psalm is today's Responsorial?.....
4. From which book of the Bible is today's second reading?.....
 - This reading ties in closely with the first. What are two lessons that you can learn from St. Paul's advice in this reading?
5. From which book of the Bible is today's Gospel reading?.....
 - Again, this reading ties in closely with the first two. How are they similar? What is Jesus trying to teach us in this Gospel passage?.....

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Everybody wants to be happy. As the days pass, we often don't give God a second thought. When things are going good, we get very comfortable. We think that we have the power to bring about our own happiness. In pride, we think we have all the answers. When things are going good, it is easy for us to think we don't need God. We turn away from God and before we know it one tiny sin leads to another larger sin. We can fix anything if we just work harder. If we can't fix it, we're probably just not working hard enough. Each day brings more and more challenges. The easy fix gradually becomes not so easy anymore.

If we can't fix it ourselves, it has to be somebody else's fault. Our pride won't let us believe otherwise. Our pride won't allow us to turn outside of ourselves to a God who we can't see. This same pride can also lead us into self righteousness. It can turn us against those in need. If you hang out in Christian circles long enough, you'll be sure to hear groups attacking this person or that person because their values don't line up. It is easier to be against somebody who is misguided than it is to stand with them and guide them towards the Truth that will ultimately lead people to positive change.

Pride doesn't really have any use in true faith in God. It leads to resentment which eventually becomes anger. The happiness that we hoped for is now nowhere to be found. It is a distant memory lost back in the idealistic days of our youth.

This is your life. Are you who you want to be?

NOTICES

THE ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH, Monchy will be blessed this Sunday, February 20 at 3.30 p.m. by His Grace Archbishop Rivas. Everyone is invited to experience this great event. There will also be a grand Bar B Que on Monday, February 21 at the Monchy Church Grounds from 7.00 p.m. Tickets costs \$15.00 per person and can be purchased from the parish office, parishioners and on the night of the Bar B Que.

LECTORS FOR the Eighth Sunday in ordinary time, Cycle "A" are: *(Caroline Felix-Auguste & Jennifer Alexander), (Winston Duncan & Algitha Richelieu), (Sabina George & Nathaniel Deterville).*

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK all those who have supported our youth fundraising drive. Your support is greatly appreciated. We kindly ask those who were given sponsored sheets for the walk to return them to the Parish Office, or to Aunty Bev or Sr. Marie Therese. Once again thank you for your support.

THE ANNUAL MARIAN HOME POVERTY MEAL is on Sunday, March 20, 2011 at the guest house -Villa Santa Maria, Mount of Prayer at Coubaril from 12:00 noon - 2:30 pm. All are encouraged to support this worthy cause. Tickets are available at the Parish office at a cost of \$50:00. There will be attractive door prizes to be won.

THE ACC YOUTH GROUP of Grande Riviere will be celebrating their Youth Sunday today (Sunday, February 20, 2011). We would like you to keep them in your prayers so they may bloom into a very active and spiritual group in the Community of Grande Riviere and also to protect them from the many obstacles that may come their way. Let us build the youth Ministry together and get the youth to be more involved in productive activities. Thanks to all the families, parishioners and other groups for their continued Support.

FR. LINUS CLOVIS invites all pilgrims to a general meeting on Tuesday March 1, 2011 from 5:00 p.m. at the Parish Centre in Castries. Pilgrims are asked to be guided accordingly.

THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION of St. Lucia will be hosting its annual Founder day rally and church service at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday February 27, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. Following the Mass there will be a parade around the city to St. Aloysius R.C. Boys School where they will be holding a fair. All are invited to attend and support the Girl Guides Association.

ALL PERSONS WHO ATTENDED the last class of the Catholic Social Teachings are to note that there will be a follow up on Wednesday 16-23 and 30 March, 2011 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the Pastoral Centre.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Registration: 1st & 2nd Wednesday of the month 9:30-11:30

Classes: Every Thursday at 5:00pm.

Baptism: Last Sunday of every month

FIRST COMMUNION:

Classes: Saturday:- 10:00 am - 12:00 pm - **Gros Islet**
9:30 -11:30 am - **Grande Riviere**

Sunday:- After Mass - **Monchy**

COFIRMATION:

Classes: Sunday:- After Mass - **Gros Islet Monchy**
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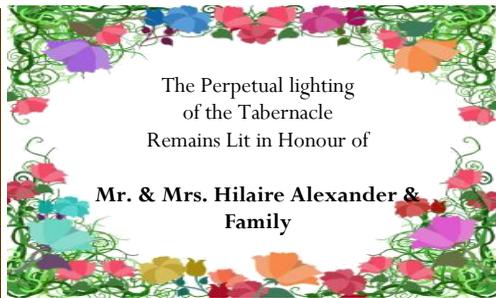
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MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Priest six (6) months in advance of the wedding date

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the parish office.



SUNDAY COLLECTIONS 2011

COMMUNITY	FEB. 13
MONCHY	538.03
GRANDE RIVIERE	771.86
GROS ISLET	7228.41