

## Pope Francis

Reflection on Hope:

A Message from Pope Francis: Words of Challenge and Hope I like to contemplate the holiness present in the patience of God's people: in those parents who raise their children with immense love, in those men and women who work hard to support their families, in the sick, in elderly religious who never lose their smile. In their daily perseverance I see the holiness of the Church militant. Very often it is a holiness found in our next-door neighbors, those who, living in our midst, reflect God's presence.

We might call them "the middle class of holiness." Let us be spurred on by the signs of holiness that the Lord shows us through the humblest members of that people which "shares also in Christ's prophetic office, spreading abroad a living witness to him, especially by means of a life of faith and charity." We should consider the fact that, as Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross suggests, real history is made by so many of them. As she writes: "The greatest figures of prophecy and sanctity step forth out of the darkest night. But for the most part, the formative stream of the mystical life remains invisible.

Certainly the most decisive turning points in world history are substantially co-determined by souls whom no history book ever mentions. And we will only find out about those souls to whom we owe the decisive turning points in our personal lives on the day when all that is hidden is revealed." Holiness is the most attractive face of the Church. But even outside the Catholic Church and in very different contexts, the Holy Spirit raises up "signs of his presence which help Christ's followers." Saint John Paul II reminded us that "the witness to Christ borne even to the shedding of blood has become a common inheritance of Catholics, Orthodox, Anglicans and Protestants." In the moving ecumenical commemoration held in the Colosseum during the Great Jubilee of the Year 2000, he stated that the martyrs are "a heritage which speaks more powerfully than all the causes of division." (A selection from the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE, ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD.)

# Our Lady of Divine Providence

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## XIX SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



### HOLY MASS

**Saturday:** 05:30pm English, Church.

**Sunday:** 09:00am English, Church.  
10:30am Creole, Church.  
12:30pm Spanish, Blue Chapel.

**Weekdays:** 05:30pm English, Blue Chapel.  
(*Except Wednesdays*)

**Fridays:** 05:30pm Blue Chapel.  
06:00pm Adoration Blessed  
Sacrament and Rosary.

### SCHEDULE OF SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms:** Contact one of the priests in person.

**Confessions:** Everyday before Mass or by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Upon request.

**Marriage:** Call the parish office for preparation before setting a fixed date.

**1st Communions:** June 6, 2021 Sunday

**Confirmation:** Fall 2021, Date to be confirmed.

## From the pastor's desk:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Continuing our reflection on vacations, in this summer period many have left the city and find themselves at tourist sites like this beautiful Islands of Turks and Caicos, or in their homeland for their vacations. My wish for them is that this awaited rest serves to strengthen their mind and body, which, given the confused course of modern existence, daily undergoes a continuous fatigue and strain.

The holidays also afford a precious opportunity to spend more time with relatives, to visit family and friends, in a word, to give more space to those human contacts whose desired cultivation is impeded by the rhythm of daily duties.

Certainly, not everyone can take advantage of vacation time and many must bypass it for various motives.

For many, as I mention last week, a good Christian knows that vacations are an appropriate time for relaxation and also the nourishment of the spirit through more extended periods of prayer and meditation, in order to grow in one's personal relationship with Christ and to conform increasingly to his teachings.

Therefore, vacation time becomes also a profitable occasion for cultural contacts, for prolonged moments of prayer and of contemplation in contact with nature or in monasteries and religious structures. Having more free time, the Pope says, *"one can dedicate oneself more easily to conversation with God, meditation on Sacred Scripture and reading some useful, formative book"*.

Those who experience this spiritual repose know how useful it is not to reduce vacations to mere relaxation and amusement. Faithful participation in the Sunday Eucharistic celebration helps one to feel a living part of the Ecclesial Community even when one is outside his or her own parish. Wherever we find ourselves, we always need to be nourished by the Eucharist.

Today's Gospel reminds us of this by presenting Jesus as the Bread of life. He himself, according to what St. John.

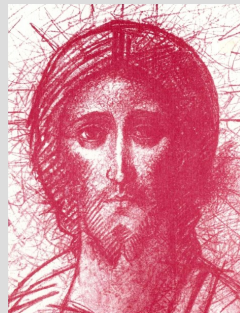
writes, proclaims himself as "the living bread come down from heaven" (cf. Jn 6: 31), bread that feeds our faith and nourishes communion among all Christians. Because God is love and He loves us.

God Bless you all,

Fr. Orlando

## CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS IN CREOLE

**W'ap chèche konprann lavi w?  
W fatigué ak lavi a, w Santi w sèl?  
W eskandalize de soufrans?**



**"JEZI AP PASE"  
"Vini, Pou w tande yon bòn nouvèl"**

Vini e koute yon anons kè kontan. Katechis Pou granmoun ak jen: Lendi ak Jedi a 7:00pm



## Children's Catechism

The Classes for the sacraments of Confession, First Communion and Confirmation will start on the 18th of September, 2021 at the Catholic School. Every Saturday at 11:00 am

Registration forms (blue) are at the main entrance of the Church.

## Parish Events July 30—Aug 6

**Sunday:** Holy Mass: 09:00am, 10:30am and 12:30pm  
04:00pm Coeur de Marie: Children's group.  
05:30pm Sacre Coeur de Jesus, P. Hall.  
05:00pm Fraternité, Red Room.  
05:00pm Creole Youth Choir Practice  
05:00pm Choeur D'hommes 1st and 3rd Sunday at church.

**Monday:** 05:30pm Mass, D. Mass Chapel.  
07:00pm Creole Catechesis Parish Hall

**Tuesday:** 05:30pm Mass, D. Mass Chapel.  
**Liturgy of the Word, NCW.**  
07:00pm English: Blue Chapel.  
07:00pm Spanish: Red Room

**Wednesday:** Liturgy of the Word, NCW.  
07:00pm Creole: Red Room

**Thursday:** 05:30pm D. Mass Chapel.  
06:00pm Creole Choir Practice Parish Hall.  
06:30pm English Choir Practice, D. Mass Chapel.  
07:00pm Creole Catechesis / Penitential

**Friday:** 05:30pm Daily Mass, Blue Chapel.  
06:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction.  
06:00pm Confessions.  
07:30pm Creole Catechesis Parish H.

**Saturday:** 05:30pm Mass, Blue Chapel.  
**Liturgy of the Eucharist NCW**  
07:00pm English: Church.  
Spanish: Blue Chapel.



## School Notes

Holy Family Academy

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Holy Family Academy's Main Office will be closed from July 5th to August 21st.

During this time you may reach us at [holyfamilytci@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamilytci@gmail.com)

After August 21th our Main Office will be open, on weekdays, from 10 AM to 3:00 PM for all school matters.

We wish to thank everyone that has contributed with their money, time and talent during this past academic year.

We wish everyone a safe and blessed summer.

### A SCHOLARSHIP FUND

It is in place to help families in need. Direct Wire Transfer instructions can be provided on request. [Year: \$4,000; Term: \$1,400; Month: \$450]

Please make checks payable to: Holy Family Academy