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## SUMMER CAMP MEANS SUMMER FUN

Fifty-three children in ages seven to thirteen are enrolled in the Kids Learn Summer Enrichment Program at Ss. Peter and Paul School on St. Thomas. Sponsored by Catholic Charities of the Virgin Islands (CCVI) and funded by the Department of Human Services and the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands, the camp runs from June 27 to August 5. Chenese Clendinen, a Junior Kindergarten teacher at the Ss. Peter and Paul School, is heading the program this summer.

“We will build on the students’ academic weaknesses in these subject areas and turn them into strengths,” said Ms. Clendinen as she addressed the parents on the first day of the program. “It is important to remind children of who they are and show them all the potential they have in life. Most importantly, we want the children to have a sense of value for themselves and their families.”

The Kids Learn Summer Enrichment Program offers an academic course that consists of reading, math, writing and current events. It also offers physical education and arts and crafts.

On St. Croix, approximately ninety children are enrolled in the Sunflower Summer Fun Splash camp at St. Patrick School, under the leadership of Elizabeth Jacob for the past five years. This year’s camp began on June 27 and employs fifteen counselors.

The day begins by giving praise to God and hearing reflections by two seminarians. It continues with arts and crafts, steel pan, soccer, maypole, quadrille and modern dance. After lunch, the children read books or have stories read to them. The day ends with games including baseball and volleyball. In addition, the children have visited the Cruzan Rum distillery and the Frederiksted Library. Fridays are beach days.

“I love coming here because there are lots of things to do and we get to visit many different places, especially places we would not usually get to visit,” said Terrance Gordon, a second-timer at the camp.



*Pictured above, children played dominoes, basketball and card games in the Kids Learn Summer Enrichment Program on St. Thomas.*



# Notes from the Bishop's Desk

*The Most Reverend George V. Murry, SJ  
Bishop of the Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands*

## **BISHOP MURRY'S PUBLIC SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 2005**

August 1-8, Vacation

August 17, 10:00 a.m.  
Catholic School Principals and  
Teachers Workshop  
St. Joseph Church, St. Croix

August 20, 6:00 p.m.  
Diaconal Ordination of  
Wilfredo Acosta  
Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral,  
St. Thomas

August 22, 10:00 a.m.  
Feast Day Mass  
Missonaries of Charity House,  
St. Croix

August 27, 9:30 a.m.  
Catechists Workshop  
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church,  
St. John

## **DIACONAL ORDINATION ON ST. THOMAS**



Bishop George Murry, SJ, will ordain Wilfredo Acosta as a permanent deacon at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral on St. Thomas on Saturday, August 20, at the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

Mr. Acosta has been preparing for this ministry since 2000, while taking classes and serving as sacristan and assistant master of ceremonies at the Cathedral.

## **JESUIT ORDINATIONS IN NIGERIA**

Bishop George Murry, SJ, ordained three Jesuit seminarians to the priesthood at the Jesuit novitiate in Benin City, Nigeria, on July 23. The three new priests will minister to the growing Catholic population in West Africa.

Fr. George Quickley, SJ, the Provincial of the Nigeria-Ghana Province of the Jesuits, and a classmate of Bishop Murry, invited him to come for the ordination.

The ceremony included African music and traditional African symbols. In his homily Bishop Murry asked the people of Nigeria to pray for vocations in the Virgin Islands.

This was Bishop Murry's second trip to Nigeria. His first trip was in 2001 when, as a member of the Board of Directors of Catholic Relief Services, he visited several of the agency work sites.

## **NEW PASTOR AT HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

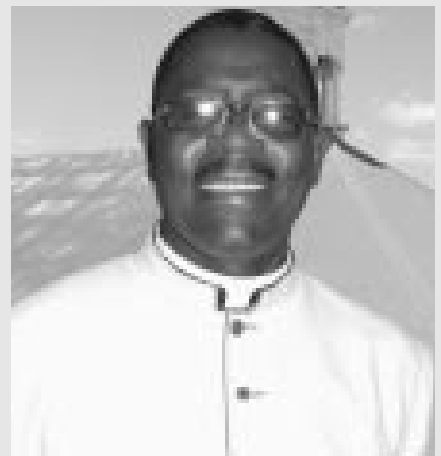
Bishop George Murry, SJ, has appointed Rev. Msgr. Jerome Feudjio as Pastor of Holy Family Church on St. Thomas, effective July 16.

Msgr. Feudjio had been studying for a Master of Science Degree in Rehabilitation Administration Programs and Services at South Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois.

Msgr. Feudjio was born Sept. 30, 1954, in Cameroon, Africa. He attended seminary in Africa and in the United States when he immigrated in 1980. Bishop Sean O'Malley accepted him as a seminarian for the Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands in 1989 and ordained him in 1990.

As a seminarian, Msgr. Feudjio served as Campus Minister of Ss. Peter and Paul School on St. Thomas in 1989. He became the priest in charge of St. Anne Chapel and Parochial Vicar at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral on St. Thomas (1990), then Administrator (1996) and Rector (1999) of the Cathedral, until Bishop George Murry, SJ, appointed him Chancellor and Administrator of St. Anne Chapel on St. Thomas in 2003.

In 2002, he was named chaplain to the Holy Father with the title Monsignor.



*Msgr. Jerome Feudjio*



# On the Road to Jerusalem

*The Most Reverend George V. Murry, SJ  
Bishop of the Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands*

## AUGUST

Thirty years ago the best selling novel of the summer was entitled *August*. It was the story of a young woman trying to cope with the month of August as her psychiatrist was on vacation. What she discovered was that August is a month ripe with the possibility of change. Summer was ending but Fall had not begun. August was the bridge between the old and new, a time to step back and be renewed in spirit and mind. That may be why so many people go on vacation during August. All of us need some time to slow down, relax and regroup even if we live in such a beautiful place as the Virgin Islands.

During a vacation we have an opportunity not only to be at peace with ourselves but also to re-orient ourselves to God. So often we say that we want to pray, that we want to read the scriptures, that we just want to sit quietly before the Blessed Sacrament. But time gets away from us and the demands of daily life make quiet time difficult to acquire. August is a good time to take to heart the words of the Scriptures "Be still and know that I am God."

The problems and the challenges of life are never solved simply by going on vacation. But the time can help us to put life into perspective and there is no one more important to be a part of our lives than the Lord. Take time during this August to vacation with Him and enjoy His company **On the Road To Jerusalem**.

### DEACON ALBERTO OLIVE 1918 – 2005



*Bishop George Murry (not pictured) celebrated the funeral Mass for Deacon Alberto Olive at St. Anne Chapel on St. Thomas on June 18. Pictured left to right, Fr. Kenneth Gaddy, CSsR, Very Rev. Neil Scantlebury, Msgr. Michael Kosak, Fr. John Mark and Fr. Louis Kemayou concelebrated the Mass.*

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Deacons Jose Vasquez, William Kenny, William Summer, Emith Fludd, Austin Medina, Roy Bruney, Joseph Mark were among his fellow deacons present.

Deacon Olive succumbed to illness on June 12 after serving the chapel for seventy-seven years, beginning as an altar server.

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## SPANISH BIBLE COURSE

Ernesto Rodriguez, Pastoral Associate at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on St. John, is teaching a six-session Introduction to the Bible course in Spanish on Tuesdays following a trilingual (English/Spanish/Creole) Mass at 7:00 p.m. The classes continue until August 23.

"Thanks to Mr. Rodriguez, our Hispanic outreach has reached a new height," said Fr. Charles Crespo, Pastor.

## CATHOLIC RADIO IN AUGUST

The Bishop's Office of Evangelization presents ninety minutes of Catholic radio on weekends.

In conjunction with the Sacred Heart Program in St. Louis, Missouri, *Contact* broadcasts on WIUJ 102.9 FM on Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. The August programs are listed below.

Aug. 6 "Lessons from Nature's Cathedral"

Aug. 13 "Learning to Give"

Aug. 20 "Classically-Trained"

Aug. 27 *To be announced*

*Tu Compañero Católico* follows *Contact* on WIUJ 102.9 FM on Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. *Tu Compañero Católico*, an award-winning half-hour Spanish-language program, is produced by the Redemptorist Hispanic Radio Ministry.

*The Catholic Voice* airs half-hour programs on WSTA 1340 AM on Sundays at 8:30 p.m. The programs are courtesy of EWTN TV & AM/FM Radio.

Aug. 7 Fr. Benedict Groeschel, CFR, "Get a Life in Jesus: Faith"

Aug. 14 Fr. Benedict Groeschel, CFR, "Get a Life in Jesus: Hope"

Aug. 21 Fr. Frank Perricone, "Understanding the Mass, Part 1"

Aug. 28 Fr. Frank Perricone, "Understanding the Mass, Part 2"

## REST IN PEACE

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Clifford Prince, the father of Sr. Donatine Prince, ICM, who died at home in Dominica after a long illness. Mr. Prince was buried July 2.

Sr. Prince served on St. Croix in 2001-2004 and is presently in Rome.

## PRAYER CHAIN

Parishioners and visitors at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on St. John are cooperating in a prayer chain for vocations. At every Sunday Mass, one family is invited to take home a chalice for seven days and pray for vocations to the priesthood, religious life and diaconate.

## PARISH AIDING MILITARY IN KUWAIT

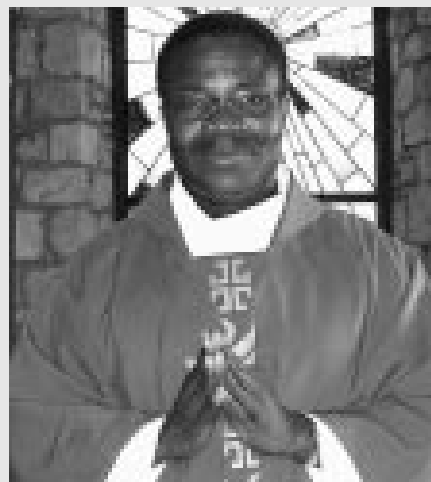
The parishioners of Holy Family Church on St. Thomas responded to the spiritual needs of Catholic men and women serving in the armed forces in Kuwait.

In May, parishioner Rita Brady shared with her pastor, Rev. Dr. George Franklin, the soldiers' need for Sunday missals. Her daughter, Sgt. Alicia Creque-White, who is serving in Kuwait, asked her mother to appeal to parishioners to send them missals. Over the memorial Day weekend, Fr. Franklin shared the story with the congregations at Mass.

"We received an overwhelming response," Fr. Franklin told *The Catholic Islander*. "Our original goal was fifty missals. However, at the end of each Mass, many people began donating \$20 each, the cost of the missal plus shipping. We collected \$1820, enough for ninety-one missals."

The need was underestimated, however, according to Fr. Franklin. The need is for 300 missals. Holy Family has raised \$3954 to purchase 200 missals, and is seeking contributions in order to purchase 100 more.

## V.I. PRIEST CONCLUDING STINT IN IRAQ



Fr. Simon Obeng

Fr. Simon Obeng, priest of the Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands and captain in the United States Army in Baghdad, Iraq, is scheduled to complete his year in Iraq in August. He will then report to his new duty station at Camp Carson, Colorado.

Fr. Obeng will resume service to the diocese in 2006.

Fr. Obeng visited the Virgin Islands on a two-week leave in June. Pictured left, he prepared to celebrate the Father's Day Mass at St. Ann Church on St Croix on June 19.

## OUR LADY OF CASSI HILL

Holy Family Church on St. Thomas will celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Cassi Hill beginning on Wednesday, August 10.

Deacon Joseph Mark of St. Ann Church on St. Croix will lead a triduum on August 10-12 at 7:00 p.m. The theme of the three days of talks will be "My Soul Magnifies the Lord."

The celebration continues with a candlelight procession on Sunday, August 14, at 7:00 p.m., followed by Mass in the church and a reception in the Columban Hall.

# ¡BUENAS NOTICIAS!

## ORDENACIÓN DIACONAL

El Obispo George Murry, Sj. ordenará a Wilfredo Acosta como diácono permanente en la Catedral de San Pedro y San Pablo en Sto. Tomás durante la Misa del sábado 20 de agosto a las 6.00 p.m. El Sr. Acosta se ha venido preparando para éste ministerio desde el 2000; en este lapso, tomó clases mientras fue sacristán y asistente del maestro de ceremonias en la Catedral.

## NUEVO PÁRROCO

El Obispo George Murry, Sj. ha nombrado al Rvdo. Msr. Jerome Feudjio como Párroco de la Iglesia Holy Family en Sto. Tomás, desde el 16 de julio. El Msr. Jerome Feudjio era Párroco de la Catedral de San Pedro y San Pablo y Administrador de la Capilla Sta. Ana en Sto. Tomás.

## NUESTRA SEÑORA DE CASSI HILL

La Iglesia Holy Family en Sto. Tomás celebra la fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Cassi Hill con una procesión acompañada de velas el domingo 14 de agosto a las 7.00 p.m. y concluye con Misa, seguida de una recepción.

## FIESTA PATRONAL DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE CARMEN



La comunidad hispana de la Iglesia Nuestra Señora del Carmen en St. John se acercaron a su imagen después de la Misa Patronal el 17 de julio.

## FIESTA DE SAN JUAN BAUTISTA



La comunidad hispana de la Iglesia San José en Sta. Cruz celebró la fiesta de San Juan Bautista con Misa el 24 de junio.

## DESAYUNO CON EL PÁRROCO

El 5 de agosto y el primer viernes de cada mes se comparte un desayuno en la Iglesia Nuestra Señora del Carmen en St. John después de la Misa de las 7.00 a.m.

## HORA SANTA/ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

El 5 de agosto y el primer viernes de cada mes hay Misa y Hora Santa bilingüe con Exposición y Bendición del Santísimo Sacramento en la Iglesia Nuestra Señora del Carmen en St. John comenzando con Misa a las 7.00 p.m.

## CLASES DE IDIOMAS

Clases en español e inglés se ofrecen simultáneamente en la Iglesia Nuestra Señora del Carmen en St. John los lunes, miércoles y viernes a las 5.00 p.m.

## INTRODUCCIÓN A LA BIBLIA

Se ofrece un curso sobre la Introducción a la Biblia en español en la Iglesia Nuestra Señora del Carmen en St. John los martes a las 7.30 p.m. hasta el 23 de Agosto.

## MISAS DE SANACIÓN

Un sacerdote impone las manos por la sanación en la Iglesia Nuestra Señora del Carmen en St. John cada viernes durante la Misa de las 8.30 a.m.

## RADIO CATÓLICA

La Oficina de Evangelización del Obispo presenta cada fin de semana *Tu Compañero Católico*, un premiado programa radial en español con una duración de media hora. A manera de revista, *Tu Compañero Católico* incluye segmentos de entrevistas con invitados especiales, catecismo, consejos espirituales, música y más.

*Tu Compañero Católico*, se oye en la radio WIUJ 102.9 FM los sábados a las 3.30 p.m.

## LEARN A LANGUAGE

Ernesto Rodriguez, Pastoral Associate at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on St. John, is teaching Spanish and English simultaneously on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5:00 p.m. The classes continue through October.

“We are doing everything we can to help our English and Spanish-speaking communities to become one,” said Fr. Charles Crespo, Pastor.

## CCVI INVESTS IN COMMUNITY STRATEGIES

Michael Akin, Executive Director of Catholic Charities of the Virgin Islands (CCVI), was among the participants who completed a four-day workshop preparing the territory’s Prevention Advisory Council to initiate a State Incentive Grant that will dispense \$1.3 million to community-based organizations for substance abuse prevention programs targeting adolescents. The workshop was conducted by the Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies on behalf of the Virgin Islands Department of Health’s Division of Mental Health. Mr. Akin is a member of the council.

Mr. Akin was also recently appointed by Governor Charles Turnbull to the Interagency Council on Homelessness. The purpose of the council is to end homelessness in the territory by the year 2012 by coordinating government, business and community-based organization resources. “CCVI is recognized as the primary service provider to the territory’s homeless population,” Mr. Akin told *The Catholic Islander*. “As such, CCVI must use that recognition to advocate for a structured community approach to address the homeless crises.”

## GRADE 8 GRADUATION



*The Ss. Peter and Paul School Eighth Grade Class of 2005 had its commencement exercises at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral on St. Thomas on June 9.*

## SCHOOL BENEFITS AS THE BISHOP BECOMES A BAKER



During the fundraising dinner and auction for St. Mary School at the Divi Hotel on St Croix in February, Frances Molloy of St. Ann Church bid \$1200 for a gourmet dinner for eight with Bishop George Murry, SJ, as the chef.

Dinner was served at Julio and Gwen Brady’s residence on July 2. The menu included items as varied as seaweed salad, Chinese eggplant served on endive leaves, and hummus and guacamole for appetizers, and roasted lamb, chicken in truffle sauce and “lechon” (Spanish pork) as the main dishes.

Bishop Murry enlisted help. Pictured left to right are Eric Hering, James Isherwood, Julio Brady, Elizabeth Hering, Bishop Murry and Gwen Brady.

# Catholic Education

## NEW PRINCIPALS AND VICE PRINCIPAL

Three Catholic schools on St. Thomas and St. Croix will have new leadership when they launch the new academic year later this month.

At Ss. Peter and Paul School on St. Thomas, Rev. Dr. George Franklin is the new President/Principal. In addition, Dr. Gwen Moolenaar will serve as the new Vice Principal for Academics upon retiring as Provost at the University of the Virgin Islands in September. Barbara Kenny continues as Vice Principal for Student Services.

On St. Croix, advance registrations are exceeding expectations at St. Joseph High School as Marla Matthew assumes the role of Principal. Ms. Matthew comes to the school after serving as Principal of Ricardo Richards Elementary School for twelve years.

Also on St. Croix, Pamela Tinsley Moors is the new Principal of St. Patrick School on St. Croix. A native of Mobile, Alabama, Ms. Moors most recently was Vice Principal of St. Patrick School in Sacramento, California. She comes to St. Croix with nineteen years of experience in Catholic education.

Fr. Pat Lynch and Elizabeth Hering will continue their successful partnership as Principal and Administrator of St. Mary School on St. Croix. They report that registration is "way ahead" of last year's numbers.

Registration continues at all the Catholic schools.

## SCHOOL PREPARES FOR RE-ACCREDITATION

Five members of the Middle States Commission on Secondary Schools Visiting Team will visit St. Joseph High School on St. Croix on November 14-17 as part of the renewal process for the school's Middle States continuing accreditation. The Middle States Association (MSA) ten-year accreditation of the school is due to expire.

To help with the planning, a Middle States Planning Committee was formed and has been meeting weekly since the beginning of this year. Stane Brajovic, Barbara Hill-Troutman, Jocelyn Hodgson, Marla Matthew (Principal), Mary McIntosh, Edward Modeste, Br. James Petrait, OSFS (Internal Coordinator), Mary Jane Provost, and Janis Valmond currently comprise the committee.

For this accreditation, committee members will follow an MSA plan called Accreditation for Growth (AFG). In addition to checking on how the twelve MSA Standards are being met by St. Joseph High School, the committee is developing measurable educational objectives and action plans on how the objectives will be accomplished.

## SCHOOL REVAMPS MISSION AND BELIEF

The Middle States' Planning Committee of St. Joseph High School on St. Croix revised the mission and beliefs of the school for the 2005-2006 academic year and beyond.

Mission: St. Joseph High School, the only Catholic secondary school on St. Croix, is called to foster a comprehensive learning experience that develops spiritual awareness, intellectual talents, personal responsibility, and social consciousness in every student, regardless of creed or ethnicity. Upon leaving St. Joseph High School for post-secondary education, students will be equipped with excellent academic skills, a sense of their own spirituality, and a commitment to social justice.

Beliefs: We believe that

- St. Joseph High School is built upon the strengths, talents, and resources of our students, educators, and community;
- A solid foundation in Christian values and moral character fosters a lived expression of our faith;
- Our multi-cultural and multi-ethnic school population mirrors that of St. Croix and affords us the opportunity to welcome and respect diversity;
- All students should be held personally accountable for their actions and successes;
- Extracurricular activities are a means of building self-esteem, developing talents, encouraging participation and school spirit, and achieving self-fulfillment;
- All children can learn when they are given the needed support and challenge;
- A highly qualified faculty will promote academic excellence and integrity;
- The school should cultivate an environment that fosters respect for oneself and others;
- Faculty and students agreeing to abide by Christian values are essential to a community atmosphere of acceptance and respect;
- The development of the whole child is important: spiritually, academically, morally, emotionally, socially, and physically.

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## OLMC PATRONAL TRIDUUM



*Very Rev. Neil Scantlebury invited congregants to prayerfully touch the monstrance during the Patronal Triduum at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on St. John on July 14.*

## The Pride of Our Parishes



Aldon Rogers began working at St. Ann Church on St Croix in 1980. He celebrates twenty-five years as Chief of Maintenance this summer.

## SEMINARIAN TEACHES



*Members of the charismatic prayer group at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on St. John prayed over seminarian Anthony Abraham as he prepared to teach on July 7.*

## FATHERS DAY BLESSING



*Very Rev. Neil Scantlebury, Rector of Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral on St. Thomas, blessed fathers with holy water and a prayer at the end of Mass on Fathers Day, June 19.*

## FIRST COMMUNION



*Rev. Dr. George Franklin administered First Holy Communion at Holy Family Church on St. Thomas on June 12.*



The St. Joseph Workers honored four parishioners of Holy Family Church on St. Thomas at the second annual Father's Day Luncheon at Columban Hall on June 19. Pictured left to right with Rev. Dr. George Franklin are parishioners Emile Padilla, Leonard Monsanto, Fr. Franklin, Justin Jn-Baptiste and Jean Dragin.

## CATHEDRAL CELEBRATES PATRONAL FEAST

Fr. Trevor Nathasingh of Trinidad returned to St. Thomas to lead the Patronal Feast Mission at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral on June 22-24. He was assisted by Sharon Jackson-Tobas of Trinidad on guitar. The theme of the mission was "Celebration of Faith, Friendship, and Love."

Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral's Patronal Feast Day Celebration included a morning Mass and a social at the Ss. Peter and Paul School courtyard on June 26.

Parish ministries including the Senior Choir, 6:30 a.m. Door Choir, Ushers, Hispanic Community, Youth Group, Catholic Daughters of America, St. Jude Prayer Group, Magnificat and Knights of Columbus held court at various tents. Milo's Kings provided the music. Events included a hat parade, Hispanic youth group dancers, Lockhart Elementary School Adult Dancers, movies, barbecues, children's races, dance and more.



*As Sharon Jackson-Tobias sang and played guitar, Very Rev. Neil Scantlebury and Fr. Trevor Nathasingh prayed over congregants.*



*Very Rev. Neil Scantlebury led Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.*



*Fr. Trevor Nathasingh of Trinidad preached the Patronal Mission.*



*Folk dancing was displayed in the schoolyard.*

*Our Blessed Mother's Message from Medjugorje  
May 25, 2005*

"Dear children! Anew I call you to live my messages in humility. Especially witness them now when we are approaching the anniversary of my apparitions. Little children, be a sign to those who are far from God and His love. I am with you and bless you all with my motherly blessing. Thank you for having responded to my call."

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# ***ST. CROIX CALENDAR***

## **HOLY HOURS/EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Holy Cross Church will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction on August 5 and all First Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Church will have a bilingual Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction on August 5 and all First Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

St. Ann Church has a Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction on Fridays at 5:30 p.m.

St. Patrick Church has a Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction on Fridays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

## **HEALING MASS**

St. Patrick Church will host a healing Mass on August 5 and all First Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

## **SANTO NIÑO DEVOTION/RECONCILIATION**

Devotions to El Santo Niño are at St. Joseph Church on August 6 and all First Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered simultaneously.

## **SECULAR FRANCISCANS**

The Our Lady of the Angels Fraternity meets at the Franciscan House on August 14 and the second Sunday of each month at 3:00 p.m.

## **EVENINGS OF CHARISMATIC PRAYER**

St. Patrick Church will hold an evening of charismatic prayer on August 19 and the third Friday of each month. St. Ann Church holds charismatic prayer meetings on Tuesdays and St. Joseph Church on Fridays. All meetings begin gathering at 7:00 p.m.

## **CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

Jim and Centelia Matthews lead a cancer support group at St. Ann Church on August 17 and the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

## **SECULAR ORDER DISCALCED CARMELITES**

Secular Order Discalced Carmelites meet August 28 and every fourth Sunday at St. Ann Church at 1:00 p.m.

## **CHARISMATIC RALLY**

St. Ann Church will host a charismatic Prayer and Praise Rally on Sunday, August 28, at 4:00 p.m. at Marian Hall.

## **LEGION OF MARY**

Praesidium Our Lady of Grace meets at the Holy Cross Church rectory on Sundays at 4:00 p.m.

## **CURSILLO ULTREYA MEETINGS**

Cursillo members meet at St. Joseph Church on Mondays after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Meetings are in Spanish.

## **NEO-CATECHUMENAL WAY**

The Neo-Catechumenal Way has catechesis for youth and adults at St. Joseph Church on Mondays and Fridays and at Holy Cross Church on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

## **BLUE ARMY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

The Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima meets in the chapel at Holy Cross Church on Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. Entry is by the gate to the rectory.

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Holy Cross Council 6482 meets at the McAlpin Hall of Holy Cross Church on first and third Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

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## ST. THOMAS CALENDAR

### **HOLY HOURS/EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

St. Anne Chapel has a Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction on August 5 and all First Fridays at 6:00 p.m. Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral has a Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church has a Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction on Fridays at 6:30 p.m., followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m. Holy Family Church has a Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction on Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

### **OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION**

The Children of Mary lead a devotion to Our Lady of Fatima at Holy Family Church on August 6 and the first Saturday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

The Holy Family Chapter meets at Holy Family Church on August 9 and the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

### **OUR LADY OF CASSI HILL**

Holy Family Church on St. Thomas will host a triduum in preparation for the feast of Our Lady of Cassi Hill on August 10-12 at 7:00 p.m. The theme of the three days of talks will be "My Soul Magnifies the Lord." Deacon Joseph Mark of St. Ann Church on St. Croix will be the facilitator. The celebration continues with a candlelight procession on Sunday, August 14, at 7:00 p.m. and concludes with Mass in the church, followed by a reception in the Columban Hall.

### **SECULAR FRANCISCANS**

The Lady Clare of Assisi Fraternity meets at Holy Family Church on August 13 and the second Saturday of each month at 1:00 p.m.

### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA**

Court 2049 meets at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral's Hospitality Lounge on August 20 and the third Saturday of each month at 2:00 p.m.

### **DIACONAL ORDINATION**

Bishop George Murry, SJ, will ordain Wilfredo Acosta as a permanent deacon at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral on Saturday, August 20, at the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Council 6187 meets at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral's Hospitality Lounge on the first and third Sunday of each month at 10:00 a.m.

### **LEGION OF MARY**

Junior Praesidium Mary, Queen of Archangels meets at the St. Anne Chapel Hall on Sundays at 1:30 p.m. Praesidium Mary, Mediatrix of All Graces meets at the St. Anne Chapel Hall on Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Praesidium Mary, Mystical Rose meets at Holy Family Church on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

### **EVENINGS OF CHARISMATIC PRAYER**

Charismatic prayer meetings are held at Holy Family Church on Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

### **BLUE ARMY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

The Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima meets at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

## ST. JOHN CALENDAR

### **BREAKFAST WITH THE PASTOR**

A pot luck breakfast will be held at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on August 5 and all First Fridays after the 7:00 a.m. Mass.

### **HOLY HOUR/EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

A bilingual Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction follows the 7:00 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on August 5 and all First Fridays.

### **LANGUAGE CLASSES**

Classes in Spanish and English are offered simultaneously at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5:00 p.m.

### **INTRODUCTORY BIBLE CLASSES IN SPANISH**

The Mt. Carmel College of Evangelization offers an Introduction to the Bible course in Spanish at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on Tuesdays until August 23 at 7:30 p.m.

### **EVENINGS OF CHARISMATIC PRAYER**

Charismatic prayer meetings are held at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

### **HEALING MASSES**

A priest lays on hands for physical, spiritual, emotional and psychological healing at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on Fridays at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

### **LEGION OF MARY**

Praesidium Mary, Queen of Angels meets at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.