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BISHOP

# Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral

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August 22, 2021

**PSALMS 60.2-62.6**

Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.  
For thou hast been a refuge for me.  
A strong tower from the enemy, I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever:  
I will take refuge in the covert of thy wings, O Lord.  
For thou, O God, hast heard my vows:  
Thou hast given me the heritage of those that fear thy name.  
Thou wilt prolong the king's life; His years shall be as many as oxen.  
He shall abide before God for ever:  
Oh increase lovingkindness and truth, that they may preserve him.  
So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever,  
That I may daily perform my vows.  
God alone a Refuge from Treachery and Deceit.  
For the Chief Musician; after the manner of Jeduthun. A Psalm of David.

**62 My soul waiteth in silence for God only:  
From him cometh my salvation.  
He only is my rock and my salvation:  
He is my high tower; I shall not be greatly moved.  
How long will ye not upon a man,  
That ye may slay him, all of you.  
Like a leaning wall, like a tottering fence?  
They only see him to thrust him down from his dignity:  
They delight in lies:  
They bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly. O Lord.  
My soul, wait thou in silence for God only:  
For my expectation is from him.  
He only is my rock and my salvation!**

**LORD,  
to whom shall we go?  
YOU HAVE THE WORDS TO  
eternal life.**

John 6:68

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**TELEPHONE: 340-774-0201**

**SAINTS PETER AND PAUL CONVENT**  
340-774-0201 ext. 23

**Daughters of the Holy Family**  
Sister Clarisse Doungmene  
Sister Adele Gatsi  
Sister Sylvérine Fola

**MISSION STATEMENT**  
*To continue the ministry of Jesus Christ by:*

Preaching the Good News to a Caribbean Community in keeping with the vision of the Roman Catholic Church. Furthering the faith of God's people with sound teaching and meaningful liturgies in keeping with the apostolic tradition. Promoting and implementing inclusive strategies to meet the needs of the populations that worship at Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral.

**SAINTS PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL (JK-12)**

**PRINCIPAL**  
Mrs. Maria Jules-Daniel, MLIS

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**MASSES**  
**Weekend:** Saturdays 5:00PM; Sundays 8:30AM  
**Weekdays:** Wednesdays and First Fridays 5:00PM

**CONVENT**  
340-714-1101  
**Franciscan Handmaid of Mary**  
Sr. Mary T. Adenubi  
Sr. Emerite Kiloba

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# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a,15-17, 18b

We will serve the Lord, for He is our God.

Psalm 34

“Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.”

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32  
or 5:2a,25-32

This is a great mystery, regarding Christ and the Church.

Gospel: John 6:60-69

To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Today’s readings emphasize the need to make a commitment. The tribes of Israel are asked to commit themselves to the god that they choose to serve. Paul speaks about spouses’ commitment to their partners as a parallel to the relationship between Christ and the church. Jesus asks the Twelve if they will commit to continue to follow him. As we listen to God’s word, let us consider how we would answer each challenge and pray that our commitment to our faith be strengthened.

## MASS INTENTION SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 2021:

7:00AM-†Kenve Heff Rb St. Patrick’s Manor  
†Jovenel Moise Rb Haitian Community  
4:30PM-Elizah and Andrew Douglas, Jr. Rb  
Antonia St. Catherine-Douglas

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021:

7:00AM-†Sister Denise Gounou Rb Holy Family Sisters  
10:00AM-†Harish Hemrajari Rb Mr.&Mrs. Steve Olive and family  
†Henry J. Richardson Rb Mauvene G. Borton  
12:00PM-†Francisca A. Guillen Araujo Rb Maggie Ventura

### MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021:

7:00AM-†Gerald W. Jules Rb his children

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021:

7:00AM-Maria De Jesús Rb her husband and daughter

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2021

7:00AM-†Sister Denise Gounou Rb Holy Family Sisters  
12:15PM-†James M. Sibilly II Rb brothers Jeffrey & Julian

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2021:

7:00AM-†Sister Denise Gounou Rb Holy Family Sisters

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, 2021:

7:00AM-Humphrey, Hendricks and Larsen families  
Rb Pearla Larsen and family

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2021:

7:00AM-Special Intention Rb a parishioner  
4:30PM-Special Intention Rb Marcial LaPlace

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021:

7:00AM-†Theodore Bernier Rb Mr.&Mrs. Steve Olive and family  
10:00AM-Sor Cruz (Birthday) Rb Mr.&Mrs. Edwin Olive  
12:00PM-

### MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 2021:

7:00AM-†Edgardo Brigino Rb Aurora Martin & Sor Cruz

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021:

7:00AM-Thanksgiving for blessings Rb a parishioner

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

7:00AM- Special Intention Rb E.B.  
12:15PM-†Jovenel Moise Rb Haitian Community

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2021:

7:00AM-†Claudet Woods & Ethlyn Caines Rb Yvonne Mills

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2021:

7:00AM-Erasto Serbiá Jr. (Birthday) Rb his siblings  
Marie P. Duplan (Special Intention) Rb herself

At the request of Antonia St. Catherine Douglas



**The Vigil light will be lit  
in the CATHEDRAL  
for blessings to  
Antonia and  
Andrew Douglas Sr.  
from August 21-27, 2021**

## MASS - SCHEDULE

### WEEKENDS

Saturday: 4:30PM (Vigil Mass)  
Sunday: 7:00AM, 10:00AM,  
12:00PM (Spanish)

### WEEKDAYS

Monday to Saturday: 7:00AM  
Holidays: 7:00AM

### CONFESSIONS

Wednesday: 11:30AM - 12:00PM  
Saturday: 4:00PM - 4:25PM  
or by appointments

### HOLY HOUR

(Discontinued until further notice)  
Tuesdays: 7:30AM - 12:00PM

### DEVOTIONS

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
(Wednesday before Mass)

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Every Sunday  
beginning with the 7:00AM Mass

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS:

We welcome visitors to our church today. If you are interested in registering as a parishioner, please contact the Church Office by calling 340-774-0201. We sincerely thank you for worshipping with us today. Please be assured of our prayers.

### CONDOLENCES:

Our condolences go out to the family and friends of the deceased, **Arthur Beazer**, son of our former sacristan †Knolly Beazer. Because of COVID restrictions, his Christian Burial was in Tampa, Florida on August 21, 2021. May his soul rest in peace.

### ALTAR FLOWERS:

This week, the flowers for the Altar were donated by Antonia and Andrew Douglas Sr.

### FRIENDS OF THE MUSIC MINISTRY:

Would like to thank our parishioners for their support of the last Soup Sale on August 8, 2021. The **Next SOUP SALE** will be held on **September 5, 2021**, following both the 7:00AM and 10:00AM Masses. Two soups will be available: RED PEAS and GOAT WATER.

Also available will be two dinner plates: SALT-FISH and PIG TAIL SOUSE WITH POTATO SALAD.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

All parents are hereby informed that we are registering CCD students for the 2021-2022 school year. Religious education classes begin on September 12, 2021. Classes will be held both face-to-face and virtually. Pick up the registration form from the Church Office or register online at [www.cathedralvi.org](http://www.cathedralvi.org). We are also seeking volunteers to teach or assist in our Faith-Formation classes. Please call Sister Adèle at 340-774-0201 ext. 23 for further information.

### SECOND COLLECTION:

The second collection this weekend is taken up for the Solidarity of the Church in Africa. Next weekend, the second collection will go towards Youth Ministry. Thank you for your support.

### NEW AIR-CONDITIONER:

We continue to solicit your contributions for the new air conditioning system. As of Wednesday, August 18, 2021, we have collected **\$54,151.00** for the \$90,000.00 air conditioner. Thank you for your generous donation to this very important project.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SAINTS PETER AND PAUL SCHOOL:

Our Catholic School is announcing registration for the 2021-2022 Academic Year. Please call the school office to schedule testing or for additional information: 340-774-2199 or 340-774-5662. Or, contact us by email at: [info@spps.edu.vi](mailto:info@spps.edu.vi). Act now, classes are filling up fast!

### TEACHING POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School is hiring teachers for the academic year 2021-2022. If you wish to teach in a peaceful environment conducive to learning, call our school office at 340-774-2199 for further information.

### CONFESSION:

In addition to confession on Saturdays, there will be confession on Wednesdays from 11:30AM until 12:00PM (noon). Because of the new Covid restrictions, the 12:15PM Mass on Wednesdays will be in the Cathedral.

## NEW SCHOOL YEAR PRAYER

*Spirit of God,  
fill our hearts with desire to seek  
truth and rejoice in beauty.*

*Help us to know  
what is pleasing to you and to  
understand what is right  
and good in your sight.*

*Give us the spirit of learning  
that we may please you by our  
thoughts and love you in your  
creation.*

*Give all teachers  
your constant encouragement and  
guide them in their work.*

*Spirit of God,  
make us effective witnesses of your  
truth to all whose lives we touch.*

*We ask this in the name of  
Jesus the Lord  
Amen.*

### HURRICANE PRAYER:

God, our Father, all the elements of nature obey your commands. Keep us safe from the danger of hurricanes and all other natural disasters. Let us always feel the presence of Your love. May we be secure in Your protection and turn our fears into praise of Your goodness. We ask this, Father, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen**

## ANUNCIOS

### BIENVENIDA A NUESTROS VISITANTES:

Damos la bienvenida a los visitantes en nuestra iglesia hoy. Si usted está interesado en saber más acerca de nuestra parroquia o quiere registrarse como miembro, por favor, póngase en contacto con la oficina de la Iglesia llamando al 340-774-0201.

### TALLER DE BIBLIA:

Todos los feligreses de habla hispana están invitados al **Taller de Biblia** todos los martes a las 5:30PM en el Salón de Hospitalidad. Recuerden traer su biblia y libreta para tomar notas.

### PÉSAME:

Expresamos nuestro más sentido pésame a la familia y amigos del fallecido †**Arthur Beazer**, hijo de nuestro ex sacristán †**Knolly Beazer**. Debido a las restricciones de COVID, su Entierro Cristiano fue en Tampa, Florida, el 21 de agosto de 2021. Que su alma descanse en paz.

### CONFESIONES:

Además de las confesiones los sábados, habrá confesiones los miércoles desde las 11:30 AM hasta las 12:00 PM (mediodía). Debido a las nuevas restricciones COVID, la misa de las 12:15PM de los miércoles será en la Catedral.

### CATECISMO:

La inscripción para las Clases de Catecismo 2021 -2022 comienza el domingo, 15 de agosto de 2021, para niños de primer grado hasta escuela superior. La tarifa es de \$ 30.00.

Se necesitan maestros, ayudantes de maestros y voluntarios. Por favor llame a la hermana al 340-474-9150 o envíe un correo electrónico a [cathedralvi@gmail.com](mailto:cathedralvi@gmail.com) si usted está interesado en difundir el Evangelio. Recoger un formulario de registro en el vestíbulo.

### ESCUELA DE LOS SANTOS PEDRO Y PABLO:

Nuestro Colegio Católico anuncia la inscripción para el Curso 2021-2022. Por favor, llame a la oficina de la escuela para programar las pruebas o para obtener información adicional: 340-774-2199 o 340-774-5662. O por correo electrónico a: [info@spps.edu.vi](mailto:info@spps.edu.vi) Actúe ahora, ¡las clases se están llenando rápidamente!

### PUESTOS PARA MAESTROS DISPONIBLES:

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School está contratando maestros para el año académico 2021-2022. Si desea enseñar en un ambiente tranquilo conduciendo al aprendizaje.

### SEGUNDA OFRENDA:

La segunda ofrenda será para la Solidaridad de la Iglesia en África. El próximo fin de semana, la segunda ofrenda se destinará para el Ministerio de Jóvenes. Gracias por su apoyo.

### NUEVO AIRE ACONDICIONADO:

Continuamos solicitando sus contribuciones para el nuevo sistema de aire acondicionado. Hasta el miércoles 18 de agosto, se ha recaudado **\$54,151.00** de un total de \$90,000.00. Gracias por su generosa donación

## 21ER DOMINGO ORDINARIO

### ENTRADA:

Hoy escuchamos a Josué preguntarles a las tribus de Israel a qué dios quieren servir. Tenían otras alternativas, pues sus vecinos adoraban otros dioses. También nosotros tenemos otras alternativas. Podemos escoger servir a la riqueza o a la posición social, al poder o al placer y así permitir que esas cosas nos lleven por otra dirección. Pero hoy venimos aquí junto a nuestras familias, amistades y vecinos como signo de nuestro compromiso de servir al Señor. Renovemos nuestro compromiso de servir a Dios y de seguir a Cristo en nuestro caminar por la vida hasta llegar a la vida prometida en el Bautismo.

### LITURGIA DE LA PALABRA:

Las lecturas de hoy enfatizan la necesidad de hacer un compromiso. A las tribus de Israel les pidieron que se comprometieran con el dios que querían servir. Pablo habla sobre el compromiso mutuo de los cónyuges como un paralelo a la relación entre Cristo y la Iglesia. Jesús le pregunta a los Doce si hacen el compromiso de seguir siendo sus discípulos. Al escuchar la palabra de Dios reflexionemos en cuanto qué clase de respuesta daremos a esos dos desafíos y oremos para que el compromiso con nuestra fe sea fortalecido.

### SALMO RESPONSORIAL:

“HAZ LA PRUEBA Y VERÁS QUÉ BUENO ES EL SEÑOR.”

### ORACIÓN PARA PROTECCIÓN DE HURACANES:

Dios, Padre nuestro, a quien los elementos de la naturaleza obedecen, manténnos a salvo de los huracanes y todos los demás desastres naturales. Haznos sentir siempre la presencia de Tu amor. Que estemos seguros de Tu protección y convierte nuestros temores en alabanza de Tu bondad. Esto te lo pedimos, Padre, por medio de Tu Hijo Jesucristo, que vive y reina contigo, en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, y es Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. **Amén.**

### NUESTRA IGLESIA Y NUESTRA ESCUELA SON AMBIENTES SEGUROS:

Todos estamos comprometidos con la protección de los niños en nuestras instituciones.

**Si nota algún comportamiento nocivo hacia nuestros hijos, no dude en ponerse en contacto con nosotros lo antes posible. Gracias.**

### PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA:

¿Qué acción específica puedo hacer a fin de demostrar mi compromiso de seguir siendo un discípulo (una discípula) del Señor?

**SECOND COLLECTION  
WILL BE TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:**

**AUGUST 22, 2021:**

Solidarity for the Church in Africa

**AUGUST 29, 2021:**

Youth Ministry

**SEPTEMBER 5, 2021:**

Music Ministry

**SEPTEMBER 12, 2021:**

Catholic Education



**OFFERTORY / OFERTORIO**

Last week's offertory amounted to:  
La ofrenda de la semana pasada sumó a:

**\$2,294.00**

Second Collection

**\$1,192.00**

**Thank you for your donation.  
Gracias por su donación.**

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

Mass Intention envelopes are available in the Church Office. Intentions will not be taken over the telephone. Please ensure that you give your telephone number; if the date you requested is already taken, you will receive a call from the Office to assign a new date. Please put your \$10 donation inside the envelope, seal it, and take it to the Church Office. Dates are available on a **First Come - First Served** basis.

**TABERNACLE LIGHT:**

The Parish is pleased to light the Tabernacle Candle on behalf of your family or loved ones either in the Cathedral or the Chapel. This Vigil Light will be lit in their honor for one week, starting on Saturday. Please put your \$25 donation in the Devotional Light Envelope, complete the necessary information, and submit it to the Church Office.

**E-GIVING:**

Please fill out the E-Giving Enrollment Form, at the Church Office, if you prefer to send your offertory donations using automatic payments from:

- \* your Checking/Saving account.
- \* your Credit or Debit card.
- \* your PayPal account.
- \* a Bank-to-Bank transfer.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

What specific action can I take to show my commitment to remain a disciple of our Lord?



**DAILY READINGS**

Sunday/Domingo, August 22

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a,15-17, 18b

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32  
or 5:2a,25-32

**Gospel:** John 6:60-69

Monday/Lunes, August 23

*Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin*

First Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5,8b-10

Gospel: Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday/Martes, August 24

*Saint Bartholomew, Apostle*

First Reading: Revelations 21:9b-14

Gospel: John 1:45-51

Wednesday/Miércoles, August 25

First Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

Gospel: Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday/Jueves August 26

First Reading: Thessalonians 3:7-13

Gospel: Matthew 24:42-51

Friday/Viernes, August 27

*Saint Monica*

First Reading: Thessalonians 4:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday/Sábado, August 28

*Saint Augustine, Bishop*

First Reading: Thessalonians 4:9-11

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday/Domingo, August 29

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8

Second Reading: James 1:17-18,21b-22,27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

**OUR CHURCH AND OUR SCHOOL  
ARE SAFE ENVIRONMENTS:**

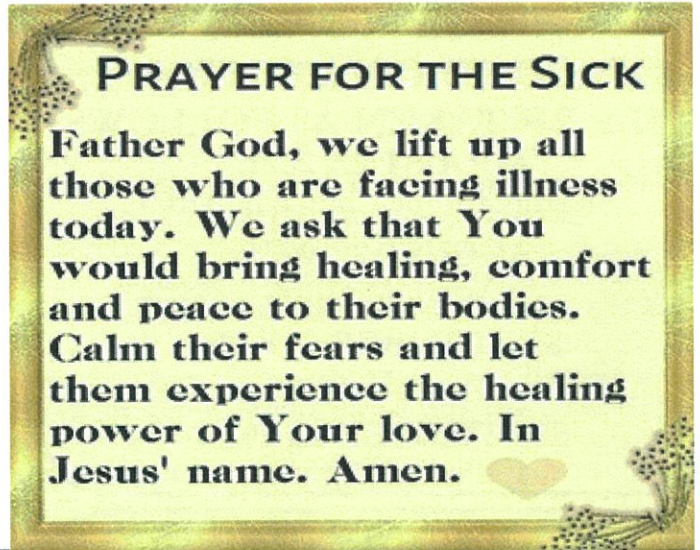
We are all committed to the protection of the children in our institutions. **If you notice any harmful behavior toward our children, do not hesitate to contact us as soon as possible.**

Thank you.

**OBSERVANCE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Please be aware that during the COVID Pandemic, there are regulations that must be followed by everyone:

- 1- Wear a face covering at all times in the church.
- 2- Sanitize your hands.
- 3- Maintain a social distance of 6 feet.
- 4- Receive Holy Communion in the hand.



**PASTORAL SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Baptisms are generally held on the last Sunday of the month. Requests for a different date and time will be honored to the extent possible. Parents and sponsors who have not yet received the required baptismal instruction are expected to do so by attending our baptismal preparation program. Call the Parish Office well in advance so that class arrangements can be made.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:**

Anyone wishing to have his or her wedding celebrated at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral must contact the Church Office 9-12 months prior to the celebration and talk to a priest for pre-wedding counseling. Please visit our website [www.cathedralvi.org](http://www.cathedralvi.org) or call us at 340-774-0201. The Sacrament of Matrimony is generally celebrated on a Saturday between the hours of 11:00AM and 2:00PM. Please contact the pastor if you would like a different time for your wedding. (Note that Saturday mornings are reserved for cleaning and decorating the church.)

**FUNERAL MASSES:**

Funeral Masses at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral are held on the designated day at 9:30AM. The Funeral Program should read "**Christian Burial**" on the cover. If you would like a different time, please contact the pastor. Viewings will not take place inside the Cathedral. Funerals generally are not held on weekends (Saturday or Sunday). Thank you for your cooperation.

**SICK & SHUT-INS:**

If anyone in your family is ill, please inform the Parish. Give us their name so we can pray and minister to them.

**HOME OR NURSING HOME**

- LENO ABRAHAM
- JENVILLE ANDREWS
- EDWIN ARROYO
- MONICA BIRKLEY
- OLMAN C. CONNELL
- HILDA DANIEL
- RITA DUNCAN
- ALICIA FELLNER
- DONALD FRANÇOIS
- JOKATA GARCÍA
- MERCEDES GARCÍA
- WILFRED GARDIER
- ALFREDO GASKIN
- ERIC GRAF
- ESONIA HASSELL
- JOHN HENLEY
- JOSEPH HODGE
- EDITH LEBLANC
- GWYNNETH MOOLENAAR
- HUGO MOULON
- JOSEPH MORRELL
- ARACELY NICHOLSON
- CAROLINE PARSONS
- LEIDA PIZARRO
- SONIA PIZARRO
- WALTON RAVARIERE
- PHYLLIS RODNEY
- CYRUS SAMPSON
- RAFAELA SANES
- PETRONA STANISLAUS
- CECILIA HILL-THOMAS
- JOHN H. VENZEN
- ULRICA VIALET

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