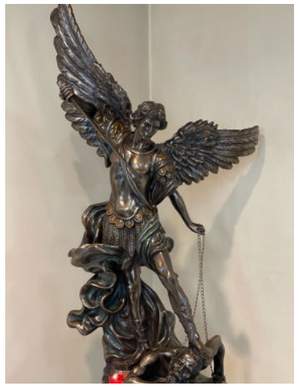
Mass Intentions: September 26-October 2, 2026

Sat. Sept. 26	7 a.m.	For Shereen Hill for God's healing
	6 p.m.	Birthday blessings for Kendell "Pino" Laurencin requested by his family
Sun. Sept. 27	7:30 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Julia Bobb requested by Mary Bobb & family; and birthday blessings for Sandra Donaie requested the Donaie and Charles families
	9:30 a.m.	Birthday blessings for Philomene Mitchel
(Coral Bay)	12:30 p.m.	For the OLMC parish, its benefactors, priests and parishioners for God's continuous blessings
Spanish)	5:30 p.m.	For the Hispanic community of St. John
Mon. Sept. 28	7 a.m.	Anniversary blessings for Gertrude and Rufus Verdant requested by their family
Tue. Sept. 29 (Coral Bay)	6 p.m.	For Jewel Powell for God's healing
Wed. Sept. 30	6 p.m.	For everyone on our sick list for healing
Thu. Oct. 1	7 a.m.	For Shereen Hill for God's healing
Fri. Oct. 2	7 a.m.	Birthday blessings for Jovannie Athanase requested by her family

Offer a Mass for your loved ones. Call the church office at 340-776-6339.



St. Michael Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the divine power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen.**

Daily Readings



Monday: September 28
Job 1:6-22
Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday: September 29
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or
Revelation 12:7-12ab
John 1:47-51

Wednesday: September 30
Job 9:1-12, 14-16
Luke 9:57-62

Thursday: October 1
Job 19:21-27
Luke 10:1-12

Friday: October 2
Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5
Matthew 18:1-5, 10

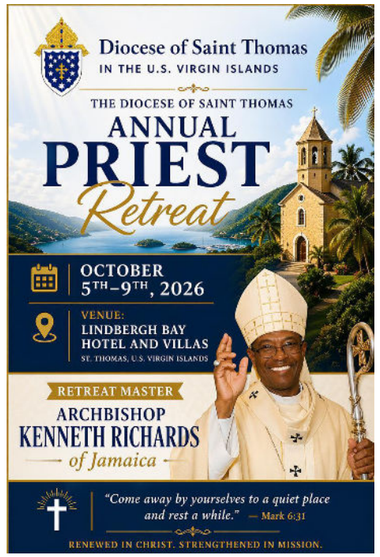
Saturday: October 3
Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17
Luke 10:17-24

Sunday: October 4
Isaiah 5:1-7
Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 21:33-43

Stewardship of Treasure

Sept. 19	6 p.m.	$258.00
Sept. 20	7:30 a.m.	$625.00
	9:30 a.m.	$946.00
	12:30 p.m.	$65.00
	5:30 p.m.	$97.00

Thank you for your offerings. May God bless you abundantly.



Priest Retreat

Dear Sisters and Brothers,
I hope this message finds you well. I am reaching out to humbly ask for your support in sponsoring a priest for our upcoming annual Priest Retreat, scheduled for Oct. 5-9, 2026, on St. Thomas. The sponsorship donation is $500.00 per priest, and we are looking to sponsor about 18 priests. Thank you in advance. Please keep us in your prayers.

In Christ,

Rev. Fr. Anthony Abraham
Vicar for Clergy



Parish Announcements

Continue to pray for the members of our body who are sick or suffering both on and off island. May we keep them in our hearts and in our minds. The names of the sick are posted on the bulletin board in the back of the church.

- **SECOND COLLECTION:** The second collection this weekend is to assist the poor and less fortunate.
- **YOUTH GROUP:** Youth Group meets on Mondays at 4:30 p.m. Youth ages 11-18 are welcome.
- **LEGION OF MARY:** Legion of Mary is held on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.
- **PRAYER MEETING:** Prayer Meeting will be held on Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026, at 6 p.m.
- **ALL-NIGHT VIGIL:** All-night vigil will be held on Friday, Oct. 2 starting at 7 p.m.
- **TEACHERS NEEDED:** OLMC needs teachers for Religious Education. If you are interested, call the church office at 340-776-6339.
- **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:** Religious Education classes are held on Saturdays at 10 a.m.
- **STEEL PAN:** Steel pan practice for youth is held on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. Adult classes will start on Monday, Oct. 5 at 5:30 p.m.
- **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP:** Men's Fellowship will be held on Friday, Oct. 9, at 6 p.m.
- **COOK NEEDED:** Catholic Charities St. John is looking for a part-time cook starting Sept. 28, 2026. Call Digna Doway for more information at 340-775-0969.
- **MEN'S RETREAT:** The second annual Emmaus Men's Retreat will be held from Nov. 20 to 22. Call 340-643-2067 or 340-776-6339 for more information.
- **OCIA:** We are accepting registration for the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults classes. These classes are for adults who would like to become a Catholic; adult Catholics who may not have made their First Communion or Confirmation; or Catholics who may want to know more about their faith. To register, call the church office at 340-776-6339. Applications are at the back of the church.
- **FOOD DRIVE:** Catholic Charities will be holding a food drive on the weekend of Sept. 26 & 27. Items needed include rice, barbecue sauce, frozen vegetables, cream of wheat, and biodegradable plates (6x6 and 9x6x3). Thank you for your generosity.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel has purchased land in Coral Bay to build this chapel, which will be named, St. Therese. We need your financial support to make this a reality.
To make a donation,
* Make checks payable to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, P.O. Box 241, St. John, VI 00831; memo line: Coral Bay Chapel.
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* Scan the QR Code.
Donations are tax-deductible.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Ezekiel 18:25–28	**Turn away from sin and live!**
Psalm 25	**"Remember your mercies, O Lord."**
Philippians 2:1–11	**Christ became obedient even to the point of death.**
Matthew 21:28–32	**The one who obeys the Lord, even reluctantly, is the one who does the will of the Father.**

In today's first reading, Ezekiel vividly contrasts the eventual fates of a virtuous person who turns belatedly to sin and a wicked person who turns away from sin to do what is right and just. In the same vein, Jesus presents two sons, one of whom promises obedience, but fails to follow through, while the other responds defiantly, but then has a change of heart. As we listen to God's word, let us ask ourselves where we often fall and how we can do better.



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PROMISE TO PROTECT
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Contact information for the Victim Assistance Coordinator in the Diocese of St. Thomas:
Phone: (340) 423-6825
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Hurricane Season Prayer
June 1-November 30

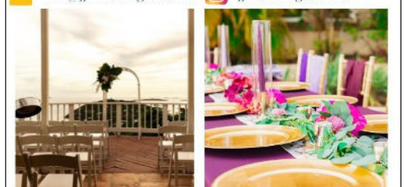
God, our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Keep us safe from the danger of hurricanes, earthquakes, floods, and other natural disasters. May we be secure in your protection and always feel the presence of your love as you turn our fears into praise of your goodness. Bless our families and bring peace to all nations. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. Amen.

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OLMC Member Birthdays
September 26-October 2

- Kendell Laurencin Sept. 26
- Sandra Donaie Sept. 27
- W. I-Sure Eugene Sept. 28

If your birthday is not listed, call the office at 776-6339.

~ Wish List ~

- 3 office chairs ($130.00-$300.00)
- 75-inch TV for upstairs in church
- RV (to house homeless women)
- Rolling gate operator with battery backup: $16,596.00
- Catholic Charities banner: $1,200.00

~ Sick List ~



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Away
Martha Alphones
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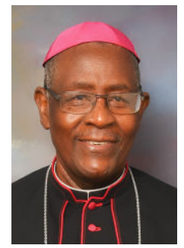
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Week in Preview

Youth Ministry:
Mondays at 4:30 p.m.

Legion of Mary:
Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.

Music Ministry:
Wednesdays at 4:45 p.m.

Charismatic Prayer Group:
Thursdays from 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Masses

Saturdays: 7 a.m. **(except after all-night vigil)**
6 p.m. **(VIGIL)**
Sundays: 7:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
12:30 p.m.**(CORAL BAY)**
5:30 p.m. **(SPANISH)**
Mondays: 7 a.m.
Tuesdays: 6 p.m. **(CORAL BAY)**
Wednesdays: 6 p.m.
Thursdays & Fridays: 7 a.m.

Devotions

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Hours

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Call for an appointment



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