St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X & St. Christopher

Parish Administrator: Rev. Father John Suresh

> **Parish Secretary:** Ellen Austin

Office Hours: Tuesday to Thursday 10 AM to 2 PM

Sunday Masses: St. Pius X - Lively

Saturday: 4:30 PM St. Christopher - Whitefish **Sunday** : 9:00 AM St. Stanislaus - Copper Cliff **Sunday: 11:00 AM**

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St. Stanislaus - Copper Cliff Sunday: 10:30 AM to 10:45 AM

St. Pius X - Lively

Saturday: 4:00 PM to 4:15 PM St. Christopher - Whitefish Sunday: 8:30 AM to 8:45 AM

Baptism:

Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements one month in advance by contacting the Parish Office.

Marriages:

Please make marriage arrangements 9 months in advance by contacting the Parish office. Saturday weddings are scheduled at 1:00 PM.

> Other Sacraments: **Contact Parish Office**

Bulletin Announcements: Email yours to ststans@eastlink.ca **Before 12 PM Wednesday**

Prayer line:

St. Stanislaus: Faye Wafer 705-682-3207 or Ellen Austin 705-682-4596

St. Pius X: Eleanor Williams 705-692-4061 **or Denise Stewart** 705-6924883

St. Christopher: Adrienne McIntyre 705-866-2235

Mission Statement:

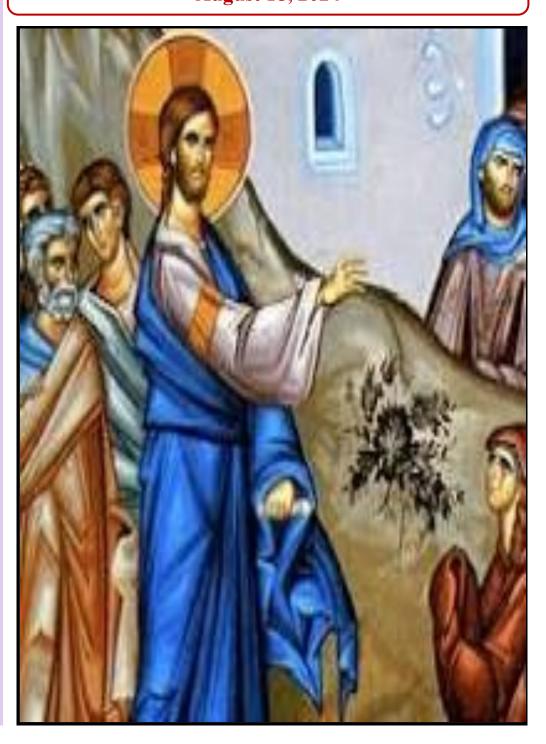
By our Baptism, we are committed to celebrate the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament and are continually called to build our lives in the image of Christ. Through liturgy and ministry, we strive to bring ourselves closer to God and to each other, by building a strong community of believers and a joyous family of God.

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME August 18, 2024





Tuesday, August 20

10:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish †Msgr Norman Clement by a parishioner

Wednesday, August 21
10:00 AM - St. Pius X, Lively
Followed by Rosary and Social
†Patricia Landriault by Stewart family

Thursday, August 22 10:30AM MEADOWBROOK LIVELY Joseph Woodliffe by Laurette Woodliffe

Friday, August 23 09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff Zel Girolemetto by Judi Zilio

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY
Saturday, August 24
04:30 PM - St. Pius X, Lively
For the people entrusted to the Pastor

Sunday, August 25 09:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish Families by Ginette & Michel Bonin

11:00 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff Faye Wafer by Albert Nesseth The Rosary is recited before Saturday and Sunday Mass.

The Cenacle of the Marian Movement of priests is held each Tuesday at 10:45 AM at St. Christopher's Church, Whitefish.

A Prayer Line is available for parishioners.
Anyone wishing to pray for a
special Intention, for someone who is ill,
having surgery, for the deceased, or
any other intention may contact
the Prayer Line or the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

Offering Masses is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church.

An Individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons.

For example, in Thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a Birthday or an Anniversary), for someone who is sick or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

Call the Parish Office: 705-682-4683

TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 34.1-2 Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Weekdays Scripture Readings: August 19 to August 25, 2024

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Ezekiel 24.15-24	Matthew 19.16-22
Tuesday	Ezekiel 28.1-10	Matthew 19.23-30
Wednesday	Ezekiel 34.1-11	Matthew 20.1-16a
Thursday	Ezekiel 37.1-14	Matthew 22.34-40
Friday	Ezekiel 16.1-15, 60,63	Matthew 19.36-12
Saturday	Revelation 21.9b-14	John 1.45-51
Sunday	Joshua 24.1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ephesians 4.32-5.1-2, 21-32++	John 6.53, 60-69

Sunday	Collection - August 11,	2024

Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 771.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 705.00
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 765.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 910.00
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 545.00	\$ 200.40	\$ 775.00

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

On the **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time** the key question the people are asking in **John's Gospel** is: "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus tells us the eating his flesh and drinking blood is real food and drink. It gives us life, eternal life. We are one with him and he is one with us.

Tuesday is the Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church; Wednesday the Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope and Thursday the Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Saturday is the Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle, with its own special readings.

We continue reading from the **Book of the Prophet Ezekiel**. We are treated to some of the best of Ezekiel's prophesy this week. He is sharp and biting in his calls for conversion and comforting in his prophesy about God's fidelity and mercy, especially in the field of dry bones that come to life.

Matthew's Gospel this week includes some favorite parables, like the rich young man and introduces the counter-cultural idea that riches may make it more difficult to be saved. Those are followed by stories of the Master of the vineyard who leaves us with the phrase "The last will be first and the first, last." Jesus tells the parable of the landowner who hires workers throughout the day, including the last hours. When he pays them all the same, those who worked all day grumbled. "Are you envious because I am generous?" He offers the parable of the guests who are too busy to attend the wedding feast of the king's son. On Friday Jesus tells us to love our neighbors as ourselves.

On the **Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**, we continue with **John's Gospel** and the Bread of Life discussion, with many of the disciples finding Jesus' call to be nourished on his body and blood as tough to swallow. And they leave him. Peter speaks for the others: "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

LAST STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT THE GROTTO
WITH FR. CHAD - WEDNESDAY AUGUST 21st @ 7 PM



Daily Prayer This Week

We pray through our everyday life this week, with the image in the background of our consciousness: Jesus offers us intimacy with him and gives us life, as shown in our relationship with him in the gospels.

Each day, we begin our day with the practice of briefly pausing, at our bedside to focus the day with a 15-30 second prayer. It is so helpful to develop this habit by simply doing it three or four days in a row. Even if we say that we are half-awake at this time, we can discover what a difference this way of beginning the day can be. With practice, it gets easier to say, "Thank you for this day, Lord. Please, be with me today, especially when I do ______ this morning and this afternoon as I ______ . Give me more patience, love and trust in you." While washing up and dressing, we can expand this prayer, in a simple friend-to-friend conversation with our Lord. This kind of connecting or checking-in with our Lord at the beginning of the day lets a background connection with our Lord develop and grow, while I'm doing many things. It changes our consciousness and connects and integrates this fundamental relationship I desire with the things I'm doing, whether they are pleasant, routine or quite difficult.

Throughout the week I might be thinking of what it would mean for me to sell what I have, give it to the poor, and really follow Jesus. What is preventing me from following the Lord more completely? Are there "riches" that I know are barriers to my surrendering to God's will more freely? What seems to possess me? Recognizing our lack of freedom in this area or that is the first step in being able to ask our Lord for the grace of freedom in that area.

We might also ask the Lord to show us what he desires that we be "free for." "Freedom from" is the first part of our relationship. Then, we are free to be sent. What am I being freed for? What loving am I being freed for? What new generosity, what type of self-giving? What neighbor, in my family, or the poor of the world, am I being called to notice and serve? We might ask the Lord to reveal to us this week how we are called to be servant.

We will still do what is on our schedule, respond to all our commitments. The difference will be that we will do it more in touch with the Lord. Staying focused and connecting with our Lord throughout the day is at the heart of prayer, "Raising our minds and hearts to God." And, at the end of each day, we give thanks for this gifted presence that day.