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

Parish Priest: Rev. Father Arulkumar

D. O. S: Ethel Fraser Whitefish Lake First Nation

Parish Secretary:

Faye Wafer

Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday 12:00 PM to 4:00 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 Friday: 9:00 AM to 9:15 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 12:00 PM Wednesday

Prayer line:

St. Stanislaus: Fave 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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1st Sunday of Advent - November 29, 2020



You will be able to view LIVE **Bishop Thomas Dowd's Installation** on December 17th, 2020 at 2:00 PM. Live Salt + Light Television & Salt + Light Website

You can reach the Office by Phone only Tuesday to Thursday - 10 AM to 1 PM Thank you!



Tuesday, December 01

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention

Wednesday, December 02

09:30 AM - Mass

No intentions

Thursday, December 03

09:30 A:M - Mass

No intention

Friday, December 04

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention

**Second Sunday of Advent** 

Saturday, December 05

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively

†Brian Lahaie by Sheila Makela

Sunday, December 06

09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish

For the People entrusted to the Pastor

11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

† Lena Desotti by Eleanor Kehoe & family

The Rosary is recited before Saturday and Sunday Mass.

The Cenacle of the Marian Movement of priests is held each Tuesday at 9:15 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

1st Sunday of Advent Responsorial Psalm - Psalm

Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved

## Weekdays Scripture Readings: November 30 to December 6, 2020

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Romans 10.9-18	Matthew 4.18-22
Tuesday	Isaiah 11.1-10	Luke 10.21-24
Wednesday	Isaiah 25.6-10a	<b>Matthew 15.29-37</b>
Thursday	Isaiah 26.1-6	Matthew 7.21, 24-27
Friday	Isaiah 29.17-24	<b>Matthew 9.27-31</b>
Saturday	Isaiah 30.19-21, 23-26	Matthew 9.35, 10-1, 5-8
Sunday	Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11 2 Peter 3.8-14	Mark 1.1-8

### First Sunday of Advent by Pope Francis (Mark 13:33-37)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today we begin the journey of Advent, which will culminate in Christmas. Advent is the time we are given to welcome the Lord who comes to encounter us, and also to verify our longing for God, to look forward and prepare ourselves for Christ's return. He will return to us in the celebration of Christmas, when we will remember his historic coming in the humility of the human condition; but he enters our heart each time we are willing to receive him; and he will come again at the end of time to 'judge the living and the dead'. Therefore, we must always be vigilant and await the Lord with the hope of encountering him. Today's liturgy introduces us precisely to this evocative theme of vigilance and waiting.

In the Gospel (Mk 13:33-37) Jesus exhorts us to take heed and watch, so as to be ready to welcome him at the moment of his return. He tells us, 'Take heed, watch ... for you do not know when the time will come.... Watch therefore ... lest he come suddenly and find you asleep' (vv. 33-37).

The person who takes heed is the one who, amid the worldly din, does not let himself be overwhelmed by distraction or superficiality, but lives in a full and conscious way, with concern first and foremost for others. With this manner we become aware of the tears and the needs of neighbours and we can also understand their human and spiritual strengths and qualities. The heedful person then also turns toward the world, seeking to counter the indifference and cruelty in it, and taking delight in its beautiful treasures which also exist and are to be safeguarded. It is a matter of having an understanding gaze so as to recognize both the misery and poverty of individuals and of society, and to recognize the richness hidden in little everyday things, precisely there where the Lord has placed us.

The watchful person is the one who accepts the invitation to keep watch, that is, not to let himself be overpowered by the listlessness of discouragement, by the lack of hope, by disappointment; and at the same time it wards off the allure of the many vanities with which the world is brimming and for which, now and then, time and personal and familial peace is sacrificed. It is the painful experience of the people of Israel, recounted by the Prophet Isaiah: God seemed to have let his people err from his ways (Is 63:17), but this was a result of the unfaithfulness of the people themselves (cf. 64:4b). We too often find ourselves in this situation of unfaithfulness to the call of the Lord: He shows us the good path, the way of faith, the way of love, but we seek our happiness elsewhere.

Being attentive and watchful are prerequisites so as not to continue to 'err from the Lord's ways', lost in our sins and in our unfaithfulness; being attentive and being watchful are the conditions that allow God to permeate our existence, in order to restore meaning and value to it with his presence full of goodness and tenderness. May Mary Most Holy, role model for awaiting God and icon of watchfulness, lead us to her son Jesus, rekindling our love for him.



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