St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X **Parish Priest :** & St. Christopher

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Fourth Sunday of Easter - April 21, 2024

1 AM the Good Shepherd

He is God. He knows us. We know him.,

"My sheep hear My voice,

and I know them, and they follow Me.

"And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish;

neither shall anyone

snatch them

out of My hand.

John 10:27-28

A Very Big Thanks To the Social Committee, Pastoral **Council, Parish Councils, finance** Committees, Knights of Columbus, CWL, Ladies Guild and all the Parishioners who made my farewell very meaningful. God bless you all. Thank you. Fr. Arulkumar



Rev. Father Arulkumar

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 : 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.

Liturgy - St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X & St. Christopher



Tuesday, April 23 10:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish No Intentions requested

Wednesday, April 24 10:00 AM - St. Pius X, Lively † Verna McInnis by Rosemary Frappier

Thursday, April 25 10:30 AM - Meadowbrook, Lively No Intentions requested

Friday, April 26 09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff No Intentions requested

Fifth Sunday of Easter Saturday, April 27 04:30 PM - St. Pius X, Lively † Don Demchuk by Knights of Columbus Sunday, April 28 09:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish For the People entrusted to the Pastor

11:00 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff † Fulvio Pigozzo by Rita and family 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

Fourth Sunday of Easter Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 118 The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

| Day | Reading | Gospel | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---------------|--|
| Monday | Acts 11.1-18 | John 10.11-18 | |
| Tuesday | Acts 11.19-26 | John 10.22-30 | |
| Wednesday | Acts 12.24-13.5a | John 12.44-50 | |
| Thursday | 1 Peter5.5b-14 | Mark 16-15-20 | |
| Friday | Acts 13.26-33 | John 14.1-6 | |
| Saturday | Acts 13.44-52 | John 14.7-14 | |
| Sunday | Acts 9.26-31/1 John 3.18-24 | John 15.1-8 | |

Weekdays Scripture Readings: April 22 to April 27, 2024

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 Sunday Collection - April 14, 2024
 Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

| Church | Envelopes | Loose | PADP |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------|
| St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff | \$ 793.00 | \$ 82.00 | \$ |
| St. Pius X, Lively | \$ 570.00 | \$ 45.00 | \$ |
| St. Christopher, Whitefish | \$ 480.00 | \$ 145.00 | \$ |

Fourth Week of Easter

On the Fourth Sunday of Easter we reflect on the Paschal Mystery more deeply. Psalm 118 says, 'The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone'. Peter quotes this psalm in preaching that the crippled man was healed, 'in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead'. In John's Gospel, Jesus tells us, 'A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep'.

Thursday is the Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church.

The first readings this week continue the story of the growth of the community, through the Acts of the Apostles.

For the gospels this week, we read from **John's Gospel**, chapters 10, 12, 13 and 14 - all emphasizing who Jesus is - from the Father and one with the Father. He has come to bring us light and life. He promises us that he is the gate, the way to life. And, he assures us that if we make our home in him, he will be in us, and we will thereby be one with Jesus and the Father. He says, 'I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved'. 'My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish'. "Whoever believes in me believes not only in me but also in the one who sent me, and whoever sees me sees the one who sent me'. 'From now on I am telling you before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe that I AM'. 'Do not let your hearts be troubled'. 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me'. 'If you ask anything of me in my name, I will do it'.

On the **Fifth Sunday of Easter** we have the wonderful gospel about Jesus as the vine. We are the branches that are pruned to bear more fruit. The powerful invitation is to remain connected with Jesus, that we might make our home in him, and bear much fruit.

We welcome **Fr. John Suresh** To our Parish as our Temporary Administrator for St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff St. Pius X, Lively and St. Christopher, Whitefish. We wish all the best for his ministry in our parish.



Daily Prayer This Week

This is potentially a powerful week for entering into how available Jesus is for us. He promises to be with us, to make us one with him, even to make his home in us. He promises to keep us safe and to bring us to our true home to be with him forever. The opportunity we have this week is to accept this offer of deepening our relationship with our Lord. We accept it if we let his availability to us seep more and more deeply into our consciousness each day. We do this by beginning each day focusing our first thoughts of the day in a simple recognition that we are not alone: 'Thank you for this day, Lord. I know you want to stay close to me, to guide me and support me today. I need some real strength and courage to face some of the challenges of this day. Help me to keep connecting with you throughout this day, to remember your presence and love'. This 20 second prayer will open our day to a Lord who invites us to surrender our troubles to him. At various times of the day - especially when we approach a particularly challenging responsibility, or an occasion or situation in which we habitually lose our peace or give in to temptation - we can be renewed by another 20 second prayer. Each time we turn to the Lord, our "moment of connection" can become more specific, more intimate, and more confident. If we find ourselves sidetracked and distracted all day, or for several days, it is easy to get right back on track by pausing, while doing almost anything, and asking our Lord to remind us of his constant presence. We will quickly return to a sense that Jesus knows us, understands us, and wants to be with us in whatever troubles our hearts. And, each night, when we give thanks to our Lord for his fidelity to us throughout the day, we will be given the grace to know, again, that we are never alone.