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

**Parish Priest:** Rev. Father Arulkumar

> **Parish Secretary: Fave Wafer**

> > **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:**

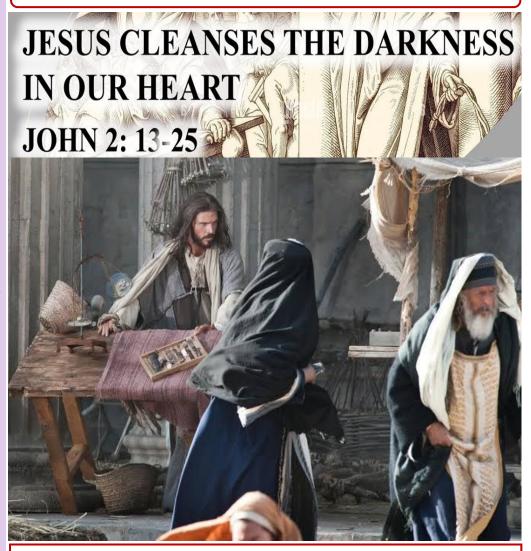
By our Baptism, we are committed to celebrate the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament and are continually called to build our lives in the image of Christ. Through liturgy and ministry, we strive to bring ourselves closer to God and to each other, by building a strong community of believers and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

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Third Sunday of Lent - March 03, 2024



**Lenten Penitential Service** Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 6:30 PM St. Stanislaus Church, Copper Cliff

# **Stations of the Cross**

St. Christopher, Whitefish - Tuesday after 10 AM Mass St. Pius X, Lively - Wednesday after 10 AM Mass St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff - Friday after 9:30 AM Mass



Tuesday, March 05
10:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish
No Intentions requested

Wednesday, March 06 10:00 AM - St. Pius X, Lively No Intentions requested

Thursday, March 07
10:30 AM - Meadowbrook, Lively
No Intentions requested

Friday, March 08 09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff No Intensions requested

Fourth Sunday of Lent
Saturday, March 09
04:30 PM - St. Pius X, Lively
For the People entrusted to the Pastor

Sunday, March 10 09:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish † Christian Duval by Carole-line Joachim

11:00 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff
† Yvon Simard by Adele Presello

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

## Third Sunday of Lent Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 95

O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord. Do not harden your hearts!

## Weekdays Scripture Readings: March 04 to March 10, 2024

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	2 Kings 5.1-15a	Luke 4.24-30
Tuesday	Daniel 3.25, 34-43	Matthew 18.21-35
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 4.1, 5-9	<b>Matthew 5.17-19</b>
Thursday	Jeremiah 7.23-28	Luke 11.14-23
Friday	Hoses 14.1-9	Mark 12.28b-34
Saturday	Hosea5.15b -6.6++	Luke 18.9-14
Sunday	2 Chronicles 36.14-17a / Ephesians 2.4-10	John 3.14-21

Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

Sunday Collection - February 25, 2024

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Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 405.00	\$ 188.00	\$
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 655.00	\$ 30.00	\$
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 615.00	\$ 16.00	\$

#### Third Week of Lent

For the **Third Sunday of Lent** we read the Ten Commandments and witness Jesus driving the money changers out of the temple. He says, 'Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up'. **John's Gospel** tells us the point: 'Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken'.

Jesus challenges the people in his hometown of Nazareth to look at him in a new way - 'No prophet is accepted in his own native place'. In a fury, they drive him out of the temple. Peter asks Jesus the limits of forgiveness. Jesus says that we must forgive again and again. He tells the parable about the servant, who though forgiven himself, does not forgive his fellow servants. Jesus has come to fulfill the law and the words of the prophets, not abolish them. When someone claimed that Jesus must be using Satan's power to heal, Jesus responds 'Every kingdom divided against itself will be laid waste and house will fall against house'. When asked to name the 'greatest' commandment, Jesus names two, thus putting together the necessity of loving God with our entire being and loving our neighbor as our very selves. The week ends as Jesus tells a powerful story of the Pharisee and the tax collector praying in the temple. 'I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted'.

For the **Fourth Sunday of Lent** we read Jesus' words to Nicodemus in the Fourth Gospel. Jesus will be lifted up on the cross to heal us from the power of sin and death. This gospel, which is written like a trial, tells us the verdict. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life'.

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION 2024

Registration forms for the sacraments of **First Reconciliation** and **First Communion** will be available after each Mass next weekend. The children in **grades two, three** and **four are eligible**.

St. James School students will receive the forms at school and will return them to the school by March 22, 2024.

Other registration forms may be returned to the Parish office or placed in the collection basket on March 23/24, 2024. Late registrations will not be accepted.

If the child was baptized in a parish other than St. Christopher, St. Pius X or St. Stanislaus a recent copy of the baptismal certificate must be submitted with the registration form.

If there are questions and / or concerns, please contact the Parish office.

Knights of Columbus (Council 3909) Membership Monthly Meeting - March 6, 2024 Dinner 6:00 PM Regular Meeting 7:00 PM at St. Stanislaus Church lower small hall



### **Daily Prayer This Week**

This is a pivotal week of Lent. We can solidify the patterns we have begun or we can make a new start, if we haven't been able to get started yet. If we have begun to recognize what needs realigning in our lives and have begun to fast and abstain from some things that get in the way of our relationship with the Lord, then we are engaging in a struggle. We are likely uncovering resistance and experiencing our personal sinfulness face-to-face.

This is all preparing us for a deeper conversion, a readiness for reconciliation with God and the graces that will allow us to be a source of reconciliation with others. This is the time when we begin to see and experience how much God loves us at a new and more personal level. These graces prepare us to keep our eyes focused on Jesus in the weeks ahead - to learn from him, to fall in love with him more deeply and to be drawn to imitate him more completely. If we are just getting started with our Lenten journey, renewing our desires for these graces will be all we need to begin with a renewed openness. God does not need a lot of time to convince us of his love for

This is a week about God's love for us and our call to love others the same way. It is a week to keep our daily focus on naming a desire each morning. The day ahead will shape what we ask for as our feet hit the floor in the morning. Pausing to thank the Lord for this day and to ask for the grace to let our mind and heart be renewed in the concrete circumstances, relationships and obligations of our day. Throughout the day, we can then return to those desires in background of our awareness. Our request for the Lord's help is always there and our consciousness of it will help us make the choice we desire to make, to let go of what we need to let go of, to add what we need to add. This will take us deeper and deeper into self-awareness and a sense of our need for a Savior, who is right there to embrace us and give us the graces we ask for.