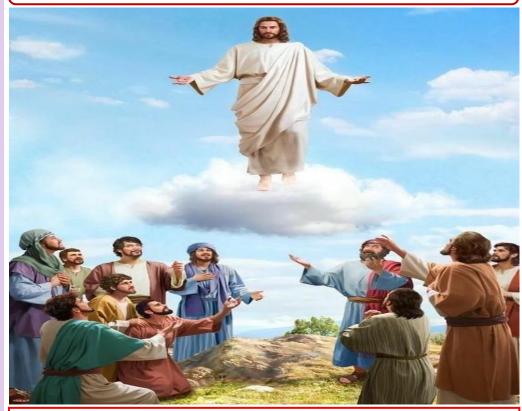
# St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X & St. Christopher

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## The Ascension of the Lord - May 29, 2022



Christ is now exalted above the heavens, but he still suffers on earth all the pain that we, the members of his body, have to bear. He showed this when he cried out from above: Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? and when he said: I was hungry and you gave me food.

## Why do we on earth not strive to find rest with him in heaven even now, through the faith, hope and love that unites us to him?

While in heaven he is also with us; and we while on earth are with him. He is here with us by his divinity, his power and his love. We cannot be in heaven, as he is on earth, by divinity, but in him, we can be there by love.

- By St. Augustine

**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**.

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

# Mass Intentions

**Tuesday, May 31** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 09:30 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish † Palma Gauthier by Helen Osika

Wednesday, June 1 10:30 AM - St. Pius X, Lively † Veronica Prowse by Cecelia Jamieson

Friday, June 3 09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff † Special Intentions by Jennifer Kirkwood

# **Pentecost Sunday**

## Saturday, June 4

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively† Beverley Lafleur by Richard Lafleur & family

## Sunday, June 5

**09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish †** Dan Brunne by Frances & John Chenard

**11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff** For the People entrusted to the Pastor The Rosary is recited before Saturday and Sunday Mass.

The Cenacle of the Marian Movement of priests is held each Tuesday at 10:15 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

The Ascension of the Lord Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 47 God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

Day	Reading	Gospel			
Monday	Acts 19:1-8	John 16:29-33			
Tuesday	Zephaniah 3:14-18 / Romans 12:9-18	Luke 1:39-56			
Wednesday	Acts 20:28-38 - St. Justin, Martyr	John 17:11b-19			
Thursday	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11	John 17:20-26			
Friday	Acts 24:27; 25:13b-21	John 21:15-19			
Saturday	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31	John 21:20-25			
Sunday	Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13	John 20:19-23			

## Weekdays Scripture Readings: May 30 to June 5, 2022

**Parish News** - St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X & St. Christopher

Sunday Collection - May 21 / 22, 2022			Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!		
Church	Envelopes		Loose	PADP	
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 270		<b>\$</b> 5	\$	
St. Pius X, Lively	<b>\$ 245</b>		\$ 20	<b>\$</b>	
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 590		\$ 120	\$	

#### **Seventh Week of Easter**

On Sunday, most of the world will celebrate the **Seventh Sunday of Easter**. As if in preparation for Pentecost Sunday on June 5, we read in Acts of the stoning of Stephen, who is 'filled with the Holy Spirit'. In John's Gospel the poetic words of Jesus are a love song to us as he prays to his Father, 'Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me....'

#### Tuesday is the Feast of the Visitation.

During the upcoming week, the first reading continues from the **Acts of the Apostles**. We are following the preaching and ministry of Paul. We can feel his intensity as he urges the Ephesians to follow his example in living the faith 'I served the Lord with all humility and with the tears and trials that came to me...' He returns to Jerusalem to face persecution but remains under house arrest, teaching and meeting with followers.

The gospels are mostly from **John's Gospel**, chapter 16 and 17. Jesus warns his disciples that they will be scattered and says they will find trouble in the world but assures them he has conquered the world. Jesus' prayer reflects the passionate, inseparable nature between him and his Father. 'I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do'. 'I pray ... that they may all be one ... as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us'. Jesus challenges Peter three times to 'feed my sheep' and the Easter season comes to a close with **John's gospel** on Saturday. Jesus reminds us, 'It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain'.

Sunday is the great feast of **Pentecost**, the birthday of the Church. The readings and the whole Church celebrate the coming and ongoing presence of the Holy Spirit among us. The Apostles who had been so frightened are now on fire. Now they can speak clearly, so everyone can understand them. In **John's Gospel**, Jesus breathes on his jittery followers and tells them, 'Peace be with you' and fills them with courage, giving them the mission to forgive and sending them to carry out his desire that we all be one.

#### **Daily Prayer This Week**

We can hardly believe the message from this week's gospel. It is one of complete invitation to us. Jesus tells us of his intimate bond with the Father and invites us into the same kind of close relationship with Jesus himself.

He does not promise us a trouble-free life, and is clear about the challenges we will face as his followers. He cautions us that the world will want to make us one of 'its own' and Jesus lovingly protests that we are his, not the world's. He prays to the Father of us, 'They are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me...'

This kind of loving dialogue with the Father is what Jesus wants with us. It does not mean our lives will be trouble-free but we are offered the peace in our hearts that Jesus longs to give us.

Some days we may feel anything but peace in our hearts. That is the time to pause and open our hands and our hearts to the Lord. Just the simple physical act of opening our hands can send a signal to our hearts. We can stop thinking and start feeling the love that Jesus has for us.

We can begin each morning at the side of our beds, aware of the sacredness of the day ahead of us, and ask for peace, courage and guidance. On our way to work or while taking care of our family, cooking or running errands, we can stop for the briefest moment and ask again: 'Lord, help me to feel how much you love me. Help me to accept that love and carry it to all those you send into my life today'.

And at the end of the day, we can pause again at the side of our bed, reflect for a moment on our day and offer thanks for the moments where we felt in our hearts the love of Jesus. And, we can ask that tomorrow we can feel the Lord's own love and compassion for us - and beg that we can pass that along. Like Peter in Friday's gospel, we have denied Jesus many times in our lives but he looks at us again with love and simply says, 'Follow me'.

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