

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

Parish Priest :
Rev. Father Arulkumar

Parish Secretary :
Faye 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 : Faye Wafer 705-682-3207
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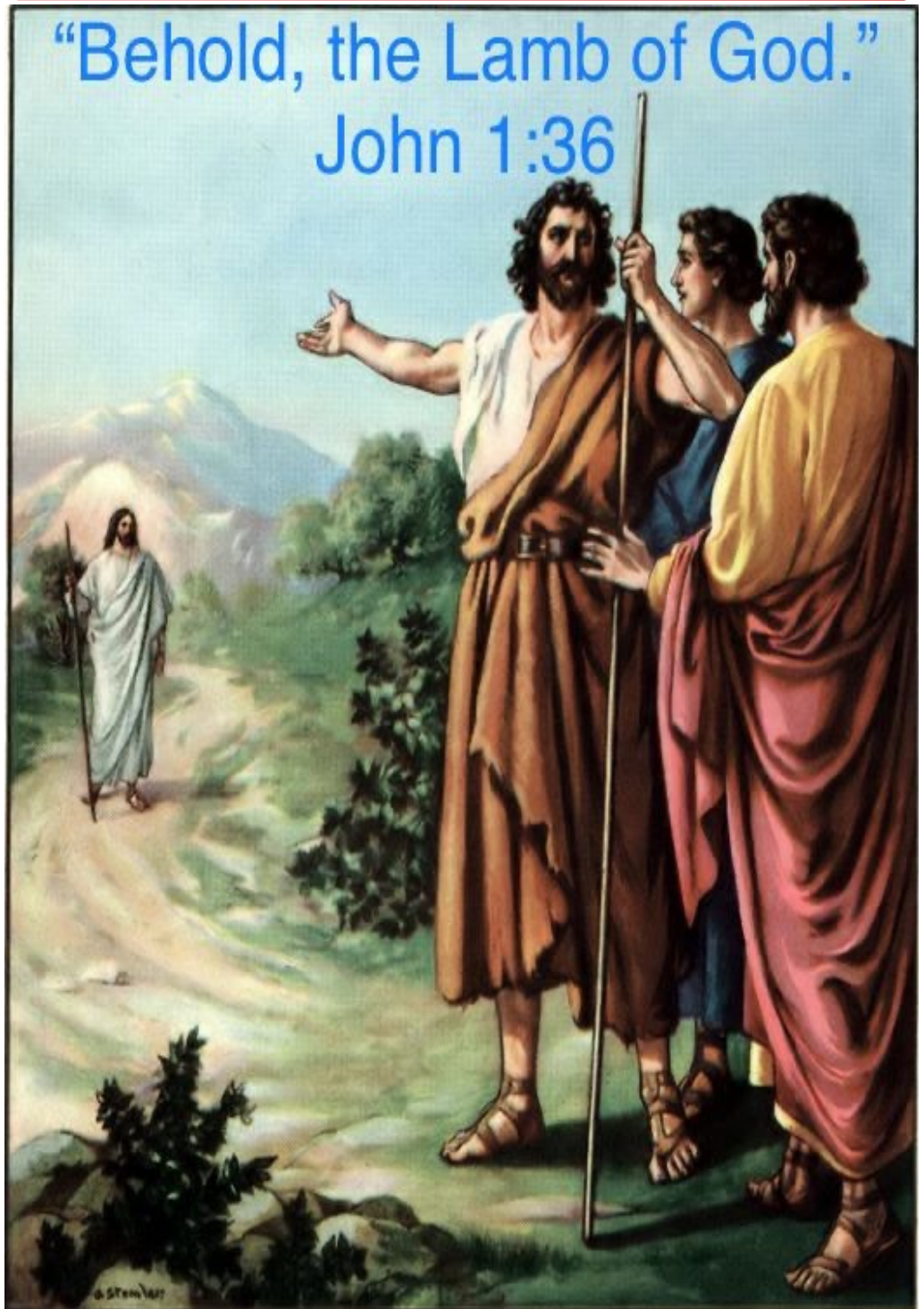
Mission Statement :
By our Baptism, we are committed to
celebrate the presence of Christ in Word
and Sacrament and are continually
called to build our lives in the image of
Christ. Through liturgy and ministry, we
strive to bring ourselves closer to God
and to each other, by building a strong
community of believers and a joyous
family of God.

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Second Ordinary Sunday - January 15, 2023



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, January 17

10:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish

† Frances Chenard by Betty & Jean Daoust

Wednesday, January 18

10:30 AM - St. Pius X, Lively

For the intentions of St. Pius X Parish

Thursday, January 19

09:30 AM - St. James School, Lively

No Intentions requested

Friday, January 20

09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

For the intentions of St. Stanislaus Parish

Third Ordinary Sunday

Saturday, January 21

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively

For the People entrusted to the Pastor

Sunday, January 22

09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish

† Frances Chenard by Lise Michael

11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

† Rochelle Roy by Dina Paolin

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

Second Ordinary Sunday
Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 40

**Here I am, Lord;
I come to do your will.**

Weekdays Scripture Readings: January 16 to January 22, 2022

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Hebrews 5. 1-10	Mark 2. 18-22
Tuesday	Hebrews 6. 10-20	Mark 2. 23-28
Wednesday	Hebrews 7. 1-3, 15-17	Mark 3. 1-6
Thursday	Hebrews 7. 25 / 8.6	Mark 3. 7-12
Friday	Hebrews 8. 6-13	Mark 3. 13-19
Saturday	Hebrews 9. 2-3, 11-14	Mark 3. 20-21
Sunday	Isaiah 9. 1-4 / 1 Corinthians 1.10-13, 17-18	Matthew 4. 12-23

Sunday Collection - January 08, 2023

Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 540	\$ 115	\$
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 715	\$ 39.70	\$
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 425	\$ 125	\$

The Second Week of Ordinary Time

The **Second Sunday of Ordinary Time** offers us beautiful readings. From the **Prophet Isaiah**: 'I will make you a light to the nations...' In **John's Gospel** John the Baptist and his followers see Jesus as he walks toward them. John says, 'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me'.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot**. Saturday is the **Memorial of Saint Agnes, virgin and martyr**.

The first reading this week continues with the **Letter to the Hebrews**. Written to inspire and encourage the community in its faith, he exhorts them 'not become sluggish, but imitators of those who, through faith and patience, are inheriting the promises'.

As we continue **Mark's Gospel** on the weekdays, Jesus is asked why his disciples don't fast. He challenges the religious leaders to have a completely open mind and heart to his teaching because 'new wine is poured into fresh wineskins'. Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath, bringing a new freedom. It is only chapter 3 in the gospel, but we already see the tension with religious leaders building. Because Jesus heals a withered hand on the Sabbath, the Pharisees seek to kill him. Jesus withdraws and people from the surrounding regions come to him, and even the demons know who he is. Jesus names twelve Apostles to be with him, to preach and to drive out demons. Jesus' relatives think he's 'out of his mind' because so many people are coming to him that he can't even eat.

The **Third Sunday of Ordinary Time** brings us to a cycle of **Matthew's gospels** during every Sunday of Ordinary Time this year. This week we see the call of the first disciples as Jesus stops Andrew and his brother, Peter on the beach. 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men'. At once they left their nets and followed him'.

Daily Prayer This Week


Ordinary Time is the longest Season of the Church year. Week after week, we are following the scriptures, and learning from them. It is important to focus our desires early in the day and talk with the Lord throughout the day, in the background of our busy lives. This is how we become 'Contemplatives in Action' and find intimacy with God without leaving the context of the real circumstances of our lives.

Sometimes we protest: 'I don't have time to pray'. But if we change our focus to the moments we have free, we find ourselves surprised at the time we really do have. There are dozens of times in all of our days during which our minds are occupied with something: a song, re-playing the last event, practicing a conversation with someone, having an imaginary argument with someone, thinking through the 'to do' list of the day. We can learn to fill these times with whatever we choose. If we choose to let it be about our relationship with our Lord, it transforms our lives.

It all begins with our mornings. This week, when we first get up and perhaps for a few moments in the shower or getting dressed, let's tell the Lord that what we desire today is to be more conscious that what we do this day responds to his call to us to be his disciple. Then, during the day, in those moments while driving or shopping or walking down the hall to a meeting, we can talk with God about how we are living our call in this or that activity we are engaged in. That conversation may get more detailed and specific in this or that set of events.

Each evening, for even a few moments, we can review our day's momentary conversations, recognizing the moments of real connection and grace and giving thanks for them, and resolving to take even greater advantage of these opportunities the next day.

Dear Lord, at times, my heart is quite sluggish. Give me hope today. Lift my spirits and give me perspective. When I find myself stiff and inflexible, make me into a new wineskin to receive the alive, new wine with which you wish to fill me. And let me be open to your call to discipleship today. What are the opportunities to preach your Word today? Where can I drive out demons, rather than sit with their discouragement and division? Please fill my home, my workplace, my heart with your Spirit, that I might join you in bringing good news for the poor.



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**- St. Pope John Paul II
Anonymous**



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Praying in Ordinary Time Before Lent

The five to eight weeks of Ordinary Time - after the Christmas Season and before Lent begins - is a wonderful time to pray. In many ways, it can be a pre-Lent period.

Staying Focused by following the readings

For example, in the Weekly Guide for The First Week of Ordinary Time, we see the beginning of Jesus' public life and how he begins to interact with people. That Guide offers this reflection:

'This week Jesus invites us to follow him, as friends and disciples. This is a good week for us to contemplate with Jesus, what we are looking for and how much we want to turn and follow him. We can pray to Jesus for the strength to leave the patterns and habits of our lives that so often turn us away from him and ask for the grace to make a new beginning in our lives'.

And, The Second Week of Ordinary Time helps us focus on using this Ordinary Time to grow in becoming a contemplative in action.

As Lent Approaches

Lent is a powerful season for our transformation. As we experience ourselves reflecting on the issues of our lives during Ordinary Time, we can consciously begin to shape what our Lenten journey might be like. We can begin to ask, what am I going to be desiring during this Lent? What do I need and what will I be asking help to do?

Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

The season of Ordinary Time can be rich and blessed because the readings and prayers offered us in this season are wonderful. They give us a chance to grow in our attraction to Jesus and to stoke our desire for a deeper, personal relationship with him.

May the Lord who has begun this great work in us, continue it in us, to its completion.