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

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Corpus Christi - June 14, 2020

Corpus Christi Sunday Drive-by Schedule - June 13, 2020 04:30 PM Saturday St. Pius X St. Christopher - June 14, 2020 09:00 AM Sunday st. Stanislaus - June 14, 2020 11:00 AM Sunday

> PRAYER FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, YOU WHO HAVE GIVEN US YOUR PRECIOUS BODY AND BLOOD TO BE OUR MEAT AND DRINK, **GRANT THAT THROUGH** FREQUENT RECEPTION OF YOU IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST, I MAY BE STRENGTHENED IN MIND AND BODY TO DO YOUR HOLY WILL. AMEN.

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You can reach the Office by Phone on Tuesday & Wednesday & Thursday Between 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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 : Faye 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.

Note: The times of celebrations are given so that the parishioners can prayerfully unite themselves in their homes.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Sunday, June 14

05:00 PM Mass † Gino Fievoli By Elaine and Chris Fievoli Tuesday, June 16 09:30 AM Mass

Wednesday, June 17

09:30 AM Mass Thursday, June 18 09:30 AM Mass

Friday, June 19

09:30 AM Mass † Lena Desotti By Eleanor Kehoe & Family 12th Ordinary Sunday Sunday, June 21

09:00 AM Mass † Jack Love By St. Pius X Choir 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.

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 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 147 Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Weekdays Scripture Readings: June 15 to June 21, 2020

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	1 Kings 21:1-16	Matthew 5:38-42
Tuesday	1 Kings 21:17-29	Matthew 5:43-48
Wednesday	2 Kings 2:1, 6-14	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday	Sirach 48:1-14	Matthew 6:7-15
Friday	Deuteronomy 7:6-11 - The Sacred Heart of Jesus	Matthew 11:25-30
Saturday	Isiah 61:9-11 - The Immaculate Heart of Mary	Luke 2:41-51
Sunday	Jeremiah 20:10-13 Romans 5:12-15	Matthew 10:26-33

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

'If I only know, *I never*. Sometimes, *it hurts*'. I remember that these are the very words I uttered in my homily during my Thanksgiving Mass after my ordination. The people were surprised and looked at me when I said these. I could see in their faces a question like if I regretted my decision to become a priest. So I explained to them why I said so.

I uttered these words because I remember what my seminary professor in Canon Law had said that it is very difficult to get a dispensation from the Pope when I will decide to go out from the priesthood and get married especially if you have a good record in the seminary.

To tell you frankly, I have a good record in the seminary. I did not go out from the seminary during the day, only during the night. So the seminary rector could not see me because when I went out during the night, he was already asleep. That is why I became a priest, ha, ha, ha. I'm just joking.

I say this to you that it was during the Feast of the Corpus Christi or the Feast of the Body and blood of Jesus Christ that I celebrated my first mass - a Thanksgiving Mass, because I already received the gift of Ordination shared to me by my bishop which was given by God Himself. This gift, I should give too to other people.

I'm really happy that my first Mass happened during this feast because there is a connection between this gift of ordination and the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. That it is my work to give and celebrate the Sacraments together with the people especially the Holy Eucharist. For example, it is good also that if we have religious activities and other activities, these begin or end with the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. It is because, in my own reflection, the Holy Eucharist gives us the strength especially in our spiritual life.

Just like our physical bodies, we need food for our bodies in order to live. But as Christians, we also need another kind of food in order that our spirits and souls may continue to live. The food par excellence for our spirit is the Body and Blood of Christ in the Holy Eucharist, the food and drink Jesus Himself under the form of bread and wine.

In the gospel, Jesus says, 'I myself am the living bread that came down from heaven. Anyone who feeds on this bread will live forever. The bread it will give is my flesh for the life of the world'.

When we do reflect on the word 'hunger', it teaches us something about the Eucharist. Without adequate food for our body, *we become weak* and *cannot work*. We become easy victims of disease and sickness. Without food we quickly lose interest in anything cultural and spiritual; we lose our freedom and become enslave by poverty and injustice. In other words, without food we cannot live, a decent and full life. We cannot enjoy health, work, learning and freedom.

It is no different in our lives of the spirit. Without the food of the Eucharist, we become weak spiritually and incapable of reaching out to help others. We become easy victims to temptations and depressions. Without the bread of life we quickly lose interest in reading the Bible and in praying. We lose our freedom in the spirit and become enslave by the materialism of the world. In other words, we need the Eucharist to become fully alive in our lives of the spirit.

So to end this sharing, by eating this food of the Holy Eucharist, we show in effect, that we no longer live by bread alone or by beer alone or by television alone or by cars, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

The Supreme Word of God became flesh in Jesus who is now present in the Eucharist. Not only that, it is also a people sharing its bread with others - bread for the hungry by helping the poor, bread for the oppressed by fighting for justice, bread for the lonely by offering friendship, bread for the despairing by giving encouragement.

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