## 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: 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.

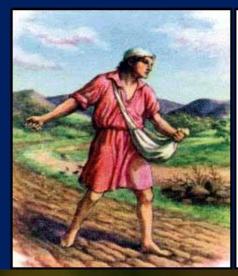
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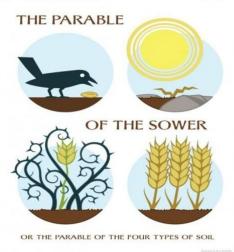
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15th Ordinary Sunday - July 16, 2023

## The Parable of the Sower Matthew 13:1-23





# What kind of soil are you?

"But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. who indeed bears fruit and yields,

in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Matthew 13.23



Thursday, July 20 10:30 AM - Meadowbrook, Lively No Intentions requested

Friday, July 21 09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff For the intentions of St. Stanislaus Parishioners

16th Ordinary Sunday

Saturday, July 22

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively
For the People entrusted to the Pastor

Sunday, July 23

**09:00 AM** St. Christopher, Whitefish †Nathan Heerschap by the Heerschap family

11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

† Arrigo Molino by Adele Presello & 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

15th Ordinary Sunday
Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 65
The seed that fell on good soil
produced a hundredfold.

Weekdays Scripture Readings: July 17 to July 23, 2023

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Exodus 1.8-14,22	Matthew 10.34-11
Tuesday	Exodus 2.1-15	Matthew 11.20-24
Wednesday	Exodus 3.1-6, 9-12	Matthew 11. 25-27
Thursday	Exodus 3. 13-20	Matthew 11.28-30
Friday	Exodus 11.10 ; 12.14	Matthew 12.
Saturday	2 Corinthians 5. 14-17	John 20.1, 11-18
Sunday	Wisdow 12. 13, 16-19 // Romans 8. 26-27	Matthew 13. 24-43

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Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP	
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 738	\$ 40	\$	
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 715	\$ 96.80	\$	
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 600	\$ 196	\$	

## The Fifteenth Week of Ordinary Time

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time is about God's faithfulness. The promise of Isaiah 55 and Parable of the Sower from Matthew's Gospel remind us that no matter what obstacles we face as his disciples, as sowers of the Good News, God will work effectively through us. 'But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirty fold'.

Saturday is the **Feast of St. Mary Magdalene**.

Sunday Collection - July 09, 2023

We begin three weeks of readings from the **Book of Exodus** continuing the story of God's faithful deliverance of the people from slavery in Egypt. This week we read of their plight in Egypt, Moses' birth and how he became a part of Pharaoh's inner circle, Moses' encounter with God in the burning bush, God's summons to Moses and the people, and the story of the Passover up to the time they left Egypt.

The **Psalm responses** this week are particularly wonderful entries to prayer:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

The Lord is kind and merciful.

The Lord remembers his covenant forever.

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

His mercy endures forever.

We follow a powerful part of **Matthew's Gospel** all week, with some wonderful messages of Jesus, preparing us for parables about the Kingdom of God. Jesus does not come to bring simple peace, but to call us to find our lives by surrendering them to him and his mission. Then Jesus goes to teach and to preach, beginning with strong words for the towns in which he worked great cures and where the people have not repented. Rather than being discouraged, Jesus prays to his Father and we have the privilege of overhearing him say that, although these things are hidden from those who seemed educated and clever, 'you have revealed them to the childlike'. Jesus invites us to come to him - when we are burdened - and he will give us rest. When the Pharisees go after his disciples because in their hunger they picked grain on the Sabbath, Jesus challenges them to learn what God meant by these words from the prophet Hosea, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice'. From that point on, those who rejected him conspired to kill him.

On the **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** we are reminded that God has sown good seed, but, of course, an enemy has sown weeds in the same field. We are not supposed to go out there judgmentally pulling up weeds, but to leave judgment to God. The way the Kingdom of God grows is the way tiny seeds grow and the way yeast makes dough rise: it is surprising and slow and almost imperceptible. If we have ears, we ought to hear.

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Be not afraid! Open wide the doors to Christ! - St. Pope John Paul II

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### 15th Ordinary Sunday - Daily Prayer This Week

This is a great week to grow in a sense of not being alone. It is so difficult to find intimacy with God in the midst of our everyday lives if we go through our lives, either trying to do it alone or simply not acknowledging the fact that God is always with us. We could make this the special gift we ask for each week: 'Lord, let me know and experience that you are with me, every day, all the time'. If we only came to realize that God is as faithful to us in our slavery as God was in the Exodus story, we'd feel so different each day. We'd express our gratitude more. We'd sing God's praises.

If we walk through each day this week with a little more confidence in God's presence, God's merciful love for us, God's protection and care for us, then the Gospel message of Jesus can find a way into our hearts much more freely. Imagine if with this confidence, we could start asking Jesus: Lord, I don't want to keep seeking myself this week. I don't want to be so absorbed in my needs, in winning, in manipulating, in criticizing, in using my power to protect myself. I want to find myself, the life you offer me, by surrendering more, by letting go of what I cling to. Help me be freer this afternoon and when I get home from work.

We could make this prayer, have this conversation with Jesus, while walking from one place to another, while shopping, over a lunch break, while doing laundry, sitting at an airport or driving to a meeting. Sometimes it is easiest to make this request precisely when I catch myself failing in some way, being particularly selfish or demanding in some way. When the Word can confront us, this is the doorway to naming a new desire. This week, we can find concrete times in our week, in real encounters and responsibilities of our very busy lives to say these or similar words: Lord, help me to be more childlike today. Help me simply come to you when I'm burdened or just tired, rather than all the other places I tend to go for relief. Let me be yoked to you as I carry out the promises of my life today. Free me from my impatience and tendency to judge others. Teach me how showing others the mercy you have showed me is more important than my hard driving sacrifice.

One day this week, one of these prayers will be just right. Another day, a much more personal request will come to us. What is important is that we grow in the habit of connecting with Jesus throughout the day, in these brief moments in the background of our lives. We have these moments, and we can easily get better at finding them. Then we can quickly grow in recognizing how the desires in our hearts can get formed and deepened through letting the Word into our hearts. We can practice beginning each day with a moment of prayer, asking for a desire and then repeating and refining that desire throughout the day.

We will discover that this is very consoling and enjoyable. We will experience ourselves growing in gratitude as God is generously giving us what we ask for, and we are indeed finding intimacy with Jesus each day. And when we get ready for bed each night, we can develop a habit of simply giving thanks - telling Jesus we are so grateful that we were not alone this day and how much we are grateful for his presence, mercy and for the mission he's sharing with us.