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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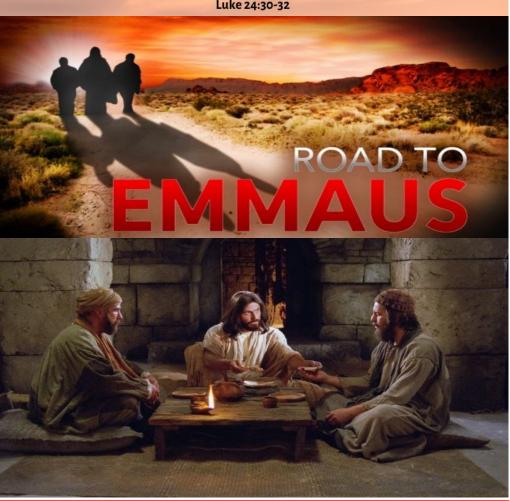
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Third Sunday of Easter - April 23, 2023

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eves were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

Luke 24:30-32



Thanks To All Who Helped the Divine Mercy Pilgrimage Meaningful and Successful!



Fourth Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 29

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

Sunday, April 30

09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish † Barbara Osika by Debbie Pyette

11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff
† Debbie Carroll by Jane & Gary Favot

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 Easter
Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 16
Lord, you will show me the path of life.

Weekdays Scripture Readings: April 24 to April 30, 2023

Day	Reading	Gospel	
Monday	Acts 6. 8-15	John 6.22-29	
Tuesday	1 Peter 5. 5-14	Mark 16. 15-20	
Wednesday	Acts 8. 1-8	John 6. 35-40	
Thursday	Acts 8. 26-40	John 6. 44-51	
Friday	Acts 9. 1-20	John 6. 52-59	
Saturday	Acts 9. 31-42	John 6. 53; 60-69	
Sunday	Acts 2. 14; 36-41 / 1 Peter 2. 20-25	John 10. 1-10	

Sunday Collection - April 16, 2023			Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!		
Church	Envelopes		Loose	PADP	
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 794		\$ 147	\$	
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 600		\$ 34.50	\$	
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 230		\$ 376.75	\$	

Third Week of Easter

The Third Week of Easter begins with the disciples on the road to Emmaus. Then did not recognized him until the breaking of the bread. The gospels all week are about his being broken and given for us as Bread that Gives Life.

In our first readings from Acts of the Apostles this week, we read of Stephen, one of the earliest martyrs, and of Philip converting an Ethiopian slave along the road. Next is the story of Saul, persecutor of Christians being blinded and then healed by Ananias in the name of Jesus. The week ends with Peter traveling the region and healing.

The Gospel for this week is from Chapter 6 of **John's Gospel** on Jesus as the 'Bread of Life'. Like so many stories in this Gospel, Jesus teaches from one layer of understanding to another, taking us deeper into understanding his gift of himself to us in the Eucharist. Jesus says, 'Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life. The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world. Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood remains in me and I in him'. This marvelous dialogue ends with this exchange with his disciples: Jesus then said to the Twelve, 'Do you also want to leave?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God'.

On the Fourth Sunday of Easter, in the gospel, Jesus tells us 'I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved... I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly'.



Daily Prayer This Week

This can be a very good week to grow in a sense of and practice with the notion of being a 'contemplative in the midst of action'. We have practically a whole week of gospels about Jesus' gift of himself to us as the 'Bread of Life'. This gives us the opportunity to let that mystery be in the background of our consciousness every day this week, as we go about our everyday tasks. What makes it 'contemplative' is that we will be asking for graces each morning, and we will let our desires and our activity interact.

We can begin reflecting upon how often we 'work for food that perishes'. The pay-off, the success, the accomplishment, the reward we receive for what we do is often quite passing and unsatisfying. It would be important to be able to sense anything that appears to be food that doesn't last and name it as such this week. The real food, the life-giving nourishment that our Lord offers us is himself.

If we can't celebrate the Eucharist daily this week, we can make what we used to call a 'spiritual communion' simply by opening our hearts and desiring to receive our Lord, so that he remain in us and we remain in him. We can practice consciously choosing union with Jesus, our Risen Lord and only Savior, and experiencing how that would affect the choices we need to make throughout our day. If we begin each day, asking for the grace of this union, and renew the desire at brief moments we have at various times in the day, our focus and attention begins to change. We will experience a peace and a gifted lack of hunger and thirst for so many of the things that draw us away from him, from loving, from mercy, from consciousness on those in need.

If the background focus of each day this week is to desire to be fed by a closeness with my Lord, it doesn't matter how busy I am, or how many conflicts I have to face, or what suffering I or my loved ones must endure. His flesh and blood are real food and drink because they are the real sacrifice that takes away the power of sin and death itself. United with his surrender to the Father, we set free from whatever can take away the life he gained for us. For this gift, for this faith, we can give thanks for every night, as we review our union with our Lord each night.

From St. Patrick's Church CWL: Invite all to an indoor yard sale on Saturday April 29th from 8 AM to 2 PM, in the lower hall of St. Patrick's Church, 39 Walford Road