

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
or Ellen Austin 705-682-4596
St. Pius X : Eleanor Williams 705-692-4061
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St. Christopher : Adrienne McIntyre
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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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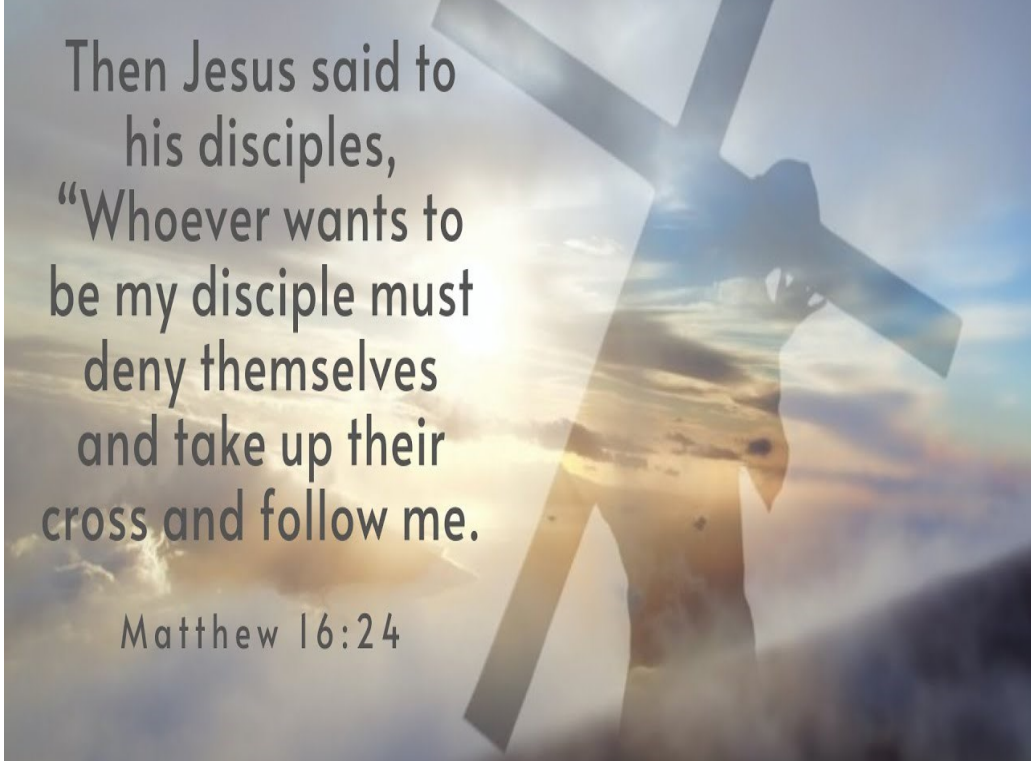
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22nd Ordinary Sunday - September 03, 2023



WHAT IT MEANS TO FOLLOW

MATTHEW 16:21-27



Then Jesus said to his disciples,
“Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

Matthew 16:24

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



23rd Ordinary Sunday

Saturday, September 09

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively

† Walter Marcolini by Marcolini family

Sunday, September 10

09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish
For the People entrusted to the Pastor

11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

† For the Parishioner of St. Stanislaus

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

22nd Ordinary Sunday

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 63

My soul thirsts for you,
O Lord my God.

Weekdays Scripture Readings: September 04 to September 10, 2023

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	1 Thessalonians 4. 13-18	Luke 4. 16-30
Tuesday	1 Thessalonians 5. 1-6, 9-11	Luke 4. 31-37
Wednesday	Colossians 1. 1-8	Luke 4. 38-44
Thursday	Colossians 1. 9-14	Luke 5. 1-11
Friday	Romans 8. 28-30	Matthew 1. 18-23
Saturday	Colossians 1. 21-23	Luke 6. 1-5
Sunday	Ezekiel 33. 7-9 // Romans 13. 8-10	Matthew 18. 15-20

Sunday Collection - August 27, 2023

Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 530	\$ 102	\$
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 534	\$ 12	\$
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 405	\$ 221.50	\$

22nd Week of Ordinary Time

Our week begins as we look to the **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**. We see a glimpse of the Prophet **Jeremiah** who understands the pain of following the Lord and decides not to speak the Lord's name again, 'but then it becomes like fire burning in my heart'. Paul's letter to the **Romans** encourages those ancient Romans - and us - not to conform to this age but to discern the will of God. In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus corrects his disciples' resistance to his own passion and death, telling them that if they try to save their lives, they'll lose them. 'Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me'.

Thursday is the **Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**.

Paul's **First Letter to the Thessalonians** concludes on Tuesday. Wednesday, we begin a week of readings from the **Letter to the Colossians**, with its gracious salutation and encouragement. The readers are exhorted to see Christ as the 'head of the body' noting that all is created 'in and through him'.

We now move from Matthew to **Luke's Gospel**, which we will read on weekdays from now until Advent begins. We will feel the special way the evangelist will highlight healing, mercy, the poor, women, prayer, the Spirit and a gospel for a new, all inclusive, Israel.

Jesus teaches in the synagogue and reads from Isaiah: 'Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing'. Jesus heals a man with demons. He heals Simon's mother-in-law, and all the sick they brought him. 'I must proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God, because for this purpose I have been sent'. He calls out to three discouraged fishermen to lower their nets, to show them his power. Peter is overwhelmed and protests he is unworthy. 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men'. At Jesus' persistence, Peter, James and John leave their nets to follow Jesus. The week ends with Jesus' tangling with the Pharisees who challenge the fasting of his disciples. 'Can you make the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them?' He deflects the criticism by telling them 'no one pours new wine into old wineskins'. When his critics note that his disciples were 'unlawful' by picking heads of grains to eat, he tells them, 'The Son of Man is lord of the sabbath'.

Next Sunday is the **Twenty-Third week in Ordinary Time**. As faithful followers, we are encouraged to 'love one another' throughout the readings. **Ezekiel** tells us that we are responsible for each other and Paul's letter to the **Romans** offers: 'Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another'. In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus tells us to challenge each other on our behavior and to pray, 'For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them'.

Development and Peace Caritas Canada Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie - October 13-15, 2023
Fall Retreat & Workshop Anishinabe Spiritual Center, Youth aged 18-35

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22nd Ordinary Sunday - Daily Prayer This Week

As we get into this pattern of letting the readings interact with the desires of our hearts, one week flows into the next. So, we begin this week continuing to reflect on the purpose of our lives. We can measure our resistance to self-denial for the sake of loving others more and ask for the Lord's healing and grace.

Our pattern of finding intimacy with our Lord in the unique context of our busy, complicated days begins with a morning moment of focus, the earlier the better. Soon after we wake up, we can pause briefly to give a faith filled shape to our day. While making coffee, starting a load of wash, taking a shower, getting dressed, we can begin our day with the Lord, begin our day in a relationship. At first, it may take practice to replace what usually goes on in our heads and hearts, with this kind of prayerful desiring. It can quickly become a very natural way to anticipate, plan and prepare for our day.

Reading this guide over the weekend or early in the week helps, as does reading the Daily Reflection for the day. But these resources work best when they provide a support for our inner conversation with the Lord as we go through the real experiences, relationships, conflicts and challenges of our day. Then the scriptures, the unique details of our lives, and the desires of our hearts simply come together in an ongoing dialogue with the Lord that takes place in the background of our days and shapes our choices and reveals deeper desires.

This week, we might ask Jesus to confront the demons that seem to dominate the upcoming week. We may have many mothers-in-law or friends that need healing that we can entrust to the Lord's care. We might experience discouragement in our work, with our spouses or parents or in our jobs or ministries. We can take those discouragements and use them as an opportunity to ask the Lord to show us his power there. And, when we are tempted to feel unworthy or to be humbled by the task ahead, we can let Jesus call us again to follow him. Perhaps this week we will feel the call to a real renewal, to not just keep trying to pour new wine into our old wineskins but to ask the Lord to make us new, and ready for the new calls, new graces he is offering us. With the smallest of efforts, we can find a few moments every evening to look back on these days of connecting with our Lord, and to express our gratitude for his presence and the new freedom and graces we are receiving.

By Saturday, we might find ourselves turning to Mary to ask for the graces we need from our Lord. 'I thank God for your life, Mary. Please place me with your Son'.