

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

Parish Priest :
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

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Before 12:00 PM Wednesday

Prayer line :

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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
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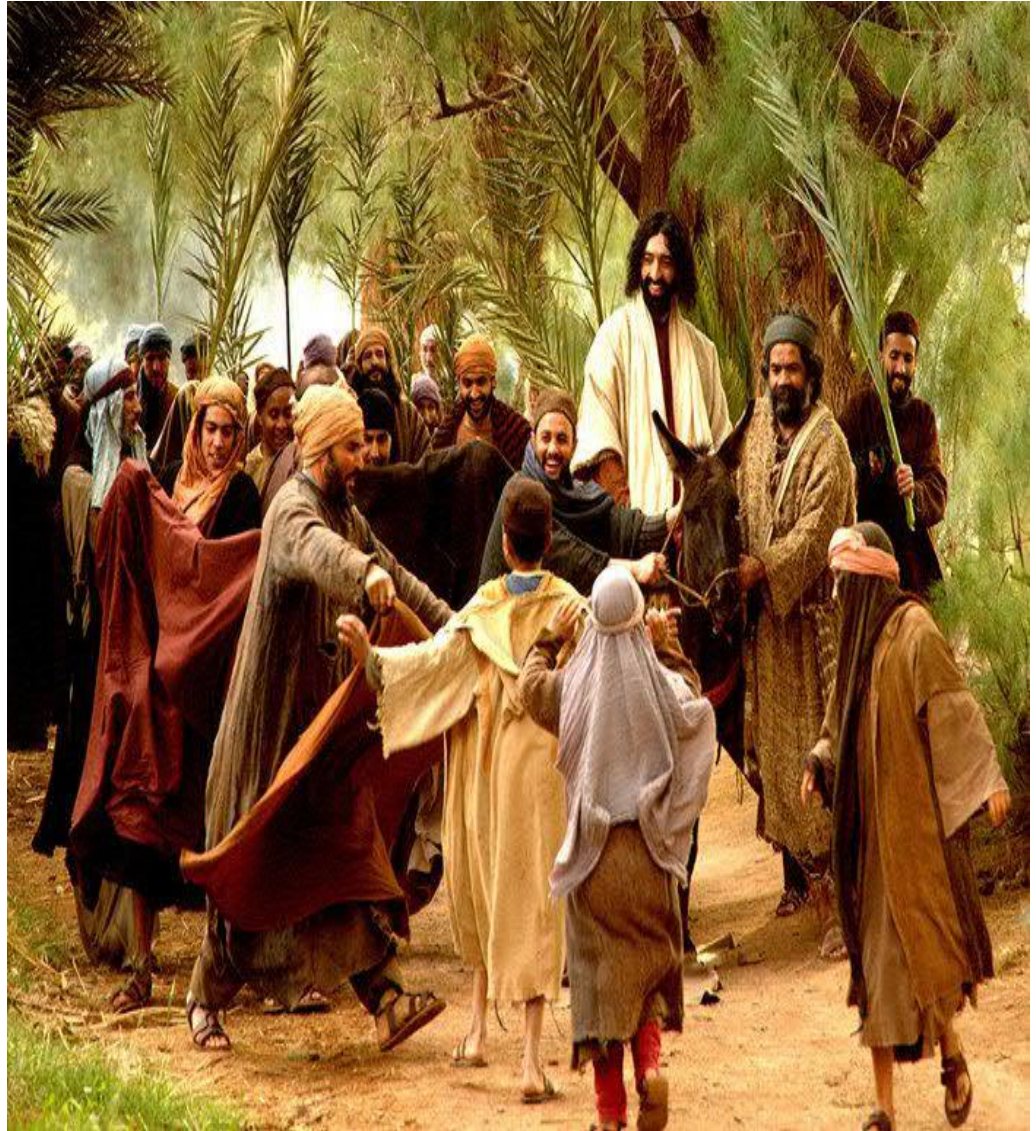
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Palm Sunday - April 5th, 2020



Dear Parishioners,

Until Further Notice

All Masses are cancelled.

Parish Office is closed.

Note:

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

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

10:00 AM Sunday, April 05

The Lords' Supper

7:00 PM Thursday, April 09

The Passion of the Lord

3:00 PM Friday, April 10

The Resurrection of the Lord

10:00 AM Sunday, April 12

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

Palm Sunday

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 22
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Weekdays Scripture Readings: April 06 to April 12, 2020

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Isaiah 42:1-7	John 12:1-7
Tuesday	Isaiah 49:1-6	John 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday	Isaiah 50:4-9	Matthew 26:14-26
Thursday	Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26	John 13:1-15
Friday	Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9	John 18:1-19:42
Saturday	Genesis 1:1-2:2 Romans 6:3-11	Matthew 28:1-10
Sunday	Acts 10:43, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4	John 20:1-18

A Reflection from Pope Francis from his Palm Sunday Homily..!

Who are we before Jesus who triumphs and before Jesus who suffers?

This week, we begin with a celebratory procession with olive branches: all the people welcome Jesus. Children and young people sing in praise of Jesus. But this week proceeds in the mystery of Jesus' death and His resurrection. We have listened to the Passion of the Lord. It will do us good to ask the question, who am I? Who am I before my Lord? Who am I, before Jesus Who enters Jerusalem on this feast day? Am I able to express my joy, to praise Him? Or do I keep my distance? Who am I, before Jesus Who suffers?

We have heard many names: the group of leaders, some who are priests, some Pharisees, some doctors of the Law, who had decided to kill Him. They waited for the opportunity to take Him. Am I like one of them? We have also heard another name: Judas. Thirty coins. Am I like Judas?

We have heard of other names: the disciples who understood nothing, who slept while the Lord suffered. Do I spend my life asleep? Or am I like the disciples, who did not understand what it was to betray Jesus? Like that other disciple who wanted to resolve everything by the sword: am I like them? Am I like Judas, who pretended to love and to kiss the Master in order to deliver Him into the hands of His enemy, to betray Him? Am I a traitor? Am I like those leaders who are quick to judge and seek false witnesses: am I like them? And when I do these things, if I do them, do I believe that in so doing I save the people?

Am I like Pilate, in that when I see that the situation is difficult, I wash my hands of it and do not assume my responsibility and condemn people, or allow them to be condemned? Am I like that crowd that does not know if it is in a religious meeting, a court of judgment or a circus, and chooses Barabbas? For them it was all the same: it was more entertaining to humiliate Jesus.

Am I like the soldiers who strike the Lord, who spit on Him, insult Him, who amuse themselves by humiliating the Lord? Am I like the Cyrenian who returned from work, weary, but who had the good will to help the Lord carry the cross? Am I like those who passed before the Cross and made fun of Jesus: 'He was so brave! If he comes down from the Cross we will believe in Him!' Making fun of Jesus?

Am I like those brave women, such as the Mother of Jesus, who were there, who suffered in silence? Am I like Joseph, the secret disciple who carried the body of Jesus with love, to bury him? Am I like the two Marys, who remained before His tomb crying and praying?

Am I like the leaders who, the following day went to Pilate to say, 'Look, this man said that he would be resurrected. Careful that this is not another trick', and blocked the life, blocked the tomb to defend doctrine, so that life does not come out?

Where is my heart? Which of these people do I resemble?

May this question accompany us throughout the week..!

Seven Words from the Cross..!

1. **The Word of Forgiveness:** 'Then said Jesus, 'Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do' (Luke 23:34).
2. **The Word of Assurance:** 'Then (the criminal who had scolded his fellow criminal for mocking Jesus) said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied to him, 'Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise' (Luke 23:42-43).
3. **The Word of Comfort:** 'When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, 'Woman, behold your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Behold, your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his home' (John 19:26-27).
4. **The Word of Desolation:** 'From noon onward, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at about three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' (Matthew 27:45-46).
5. **The Word of Suffering:** 'After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, 'I thirst' (John 19:28).
6. **The Word of Triumph:** 'When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, 'It is finished' (John 19:30).
7. **The word of Committal:** 'Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit'; and when he had said this he breathed his last' (Luke 23:46).

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