

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

Parish Priest :

Rev. Father Arulkumar

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 :

**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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21st Ordinary Sunday - August 22, 2021

Followers? Fans?



Then Jesus said to the twelve,
“Do you also want to go away?”

But Simon Peter answered Him,
“Lord, to whom shall we go? You
have the words of eternal life.”

Ordination Announcement - Deacon Chadwick Franklin
Place: Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption, North Bay
On Thursday, August 26th, 2021
By Most Rev. Thomas Dowd

**Note: Due to COVID-19 restrictions, attendance will be by
invitation only. Please remember Deacon Chad in your prayers
as he prepares to be ordained to the priesthood of our
Sault Ste. Marie Diocese.**

You can reach the Office by Phone only
Tuesday to Thursday - 10 AM to 1 PM
Thank you!

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, August 24

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention Requested

Wednesday, August 25

9:30 AM - Mass

No intention Requested

Friday, August 27

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention Requested

22nd Ordinary Sunday

Saturday, August 28

04:30 PM Mass

For the People entrusted to the Pastor

Sunday, August 29

9:00 AM Mass

† Maurice Lalonde by Tom & Marianne Scharf

11:00 AM Mass

† David MacDonald by Ray & Lisa Dicaire

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

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** 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

21st Ordinary Sunday

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 34

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Weekdays Scripture Readings: August 23 to August 29, 2021

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	1 Thessalonians 1. 1-5, 8b-10	Matthew 23. 13-22
Tuesday	Revelation 21. 9b-14	John 1. 45.51
Wednesday	1 Thessalonians 2. 9-13	Matthew 23. 27-32
Thursday	1 Thessalonians 3. 7-13	Matthew 24. 42-51
Friday	1 Thessalonians 4. 1-8	Matthew 25. 1-13
Saturday	1 Thessalonians 4. 9-11	Matthew 25. 14-30
Sunday	Deuteronomy 4. 1-2, 6-8 James 1. 17 - 27	Mark 7. 1-8, 14-23

Sunday Collection - August 14 / 15, 2021

Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$315	\$	\$1200
St. Pius X, Lively	\$600	\$	\$980
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$568	\$25	\$735

21st Week in Ordinary Time

On the **Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**, we continue with **John's Gospel** and the Bread of Life discussion, with many of the disciples finding Jesus' call to be nourished on his body and blood as tough to swallow. And they leave him. Peter speaks for the others, 'Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life'.

Tuesday is the **Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle**. Friday we remember **St. Monica** and Saturday, her son, **St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**.

Most of the first readings this week are from Paul's **First Letter to the Thessalonians**, the oldest book in the New Testament. The letters are affectionate and frank reminders of the humiliation and challenges that Paul met in preaching to this community he loved so much. These readings are a wonderful reminder that the letters of Paul were just that - letters to teach, encourage and support early communities of Christians.

Matthew's Gospel this week includes stories of Jesus strongly challenging the Pharisees. He saw how they made people's lives so difficult by their insistence on the rules and appearances while neglecting mercy and good faith. He chides them for paying attention to the extraneous and not the message: 'Blind guides, who strain out the gnat and swallow the camel!' His criticism grows stronger: 'On the outside you appear righteous, but inside you are filled with hypocrisy and evildoing'. Jesus teaches about preparation: 'Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come'. In the parable of the ten maidens who go out to meet the bridegroom, many of the women did not prepare for the meeting and do not have enough oil for their lamps and Jesus says again, 'Stay awake'. Except for this year's special readings, Saturday's gospel is the dramatic story of the three servants who are given resources by their master and rewarded or punished for what they did with the resources they had.

On the **Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**, the Gospel flows from the readings this past week. When Jesus is challenged because his disciples don't follow the ritual washings, he defends them, quoting Isaiah: 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me'. Jesus calls us to an inner cleanliness: 'From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile'.

Daily Prayer This Week

The old Baltimore Catechism defined Prayer as 'raising the mind and heart to God'. It reminds us that prayer is not simply saying words to God, or even thinking over religious things in our heads. Real prayer becomes a matter of the heart. We understand prayer best when we think of it as a relationship. Growing in prayer is to grow in love, in intimacy, in a type of communication that is 'heart to heart'. So, on the human level, if we have a difficult time receiving love or in surrendering our self-absorption and giving love or if we just haven't had much experience of being intimate and vulnerable with another human being, then it will be difficult for us to do that with God. Conversely, anything we can do to develop our relationship skills, to de-selfish ourselves and practice accepting love and loving generously will help us grow in our relationship with God. Praying can often become easier, more personal and intimate.

This week, we can go from hearing these wonderful readings to listening to Jesus with our hearts. It is great to begin this week asking for the grace to reflect throughout the day on how we will enter 'the narrow gate', by how we go about our day, interact with people, or return home from work. Then we can reflect on how we can humble ourselves and what that means for our day to day choices.

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