St. Stanislaus & St. Pius XParish Priest :
Rev. Father Arulkumar& St. Christopher

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

> **Other Sacraments :** Contact Parish Office

scheduled at 1:00 PM.

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

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. 78 Balsam Street, P.O. Box 910 Copper Cliff, ON P0M 1N0 Tel: 705-682-4683 / Fax: 705-682-2646

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33rd Ordinary Sunday - November 19, 2023

HIS MASTER SAID TO HIM

> Well done, good and faithful slave



You were faithful with a few things, I will put You in charge of many things

enter into the joy of your master

ATTHEW 25:23 A CALL TO FATHEFUS Matthew 25:14-29

The St. Pius X CWL invites you to a Pot Luck, Silent Auction and Member Appreciation on Saturday, December 2nd, 2023 in the St. Pius X Church Hall after Mass. Bring your favorite Dish! Please contact Luda Curich at 705-626-4584 for more information.

Liturgy - St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X & St. Christopher

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 21 10:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish No Intentions requested

Wednesday, November 22 10:00 AM - St. Pius X, Lively † Lena Besner by Dina Greene Thursday, November 23 10:30 AM - St. Meadowbrook, Lively No Intentions requested

Friday, November 24 09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff Deceased Members of CWL St. Stanislaus

34th Ordinary Sunday Saturday, November 25

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

Sunday, November 26

09:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish
† Frances Chenard by Chenard family
† Robert Almany by Brenda Alemany

11:00 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

† Fulvio Pigozzo by Rita Pigozzo & 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

33rd Ordinary Sunday Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 128 Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord.

	Weekdays ochpture Readings. November 20 to november 20, 2025					
Day	Reading	Gospel				
Monday	1 Maccabees 1. 10-64	Luke 18. 35.43				
Tuesday	2 Maccabees 6. 18-31	Luke 19. 1-10				
Wednesday	2 Maccabees 7. 1, 20.31	Luke 19. 11-28				
Thursday	1 Maccabees 2. 15-29	Luke 19. 41-44				
Friday	1 Maccabees 4. 36-37; 52-59	Luke 19.45-48				
Saturday	1 Maccabees 6. 1-13	Luke 20. 27-40				
Sunday	Ezekiel 34. 11-12, 15-17/1 Corinthians 15. 20-26,28	Matthew 25. 31.46				

Weekdays Scripture Readings: November 20 to November 26, 2023

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Parish News - St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X & St. Christopher

Sunday Collection - November 12, 2023			Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!		
Church	Envelopes		Loose	PADP	
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 811		\$ 97	\$	
St. Pius X, Lively \$ 530			\$ 46.75	\$	
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 950		\$ 146	\$	

33rd Week of Ordinary Time

The **Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time** brings us the familiar and powerful parable from **Matthew's Gospel** about the servants who are each given sums of money to invest. We are all called upon to use the gifts we have received as gifts, and to return them, fully developed, having made the best use of them.

We remember the Memorial of the **Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, the **Memorial of Saint Cecilia**, **Virgin and Martyr**, and the **Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac**, **Priest**, **and Companions**, **Martyrs**.

In the US, Thursday is Thanksgiving Day, with its own set of readings.

In this next to the last week of the Liturgical Year, we read from the **First Book of Maccabees**. These books are about the revolt against Jewish persecution a little over a century before Christ. The Maccabees are presented as a family that is faithful to the law in the midst of this persecution. Their witness is inspiring today.

We have wonderful stories from **Luke's Gospel** this week as Jesus moves toward and enters Jerusalem for the end of his ministry. Jesus heals the blind beggar near Jericho. The man immediately 'followed him, giving glory to God'. Then Jesus meets Zacchaeus who is up in a tree - because he was short, but probably also because he's a tax collector and was nervous about being caught in a zealous crowd. Jesus transforms him by inviting himself to Zacchaeus' house for dinner. Near Jerusalem, Jesus tells a parable of a rejected king and servants who use the gifts given them faithfully. In Jerusalem, Jesus weeps over the city, foreseeing the destruction that is coming, 'because you did not recognize the time of your visitation'. Entering the temple, Jesus drives out the old way of doing business and begins his ministry. He silences the Sadducees, over their doubt about resurrection from the dead.

Sunday is the **Thirty-Fourth or Last Sunday in Ordinary Time** and the **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**. Jesus tells the marvelous parable about how we will all be judged - as a shepherd separates sheep from goats, based upon our care for the poor: 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me'.

33rd Ordinary Week - Daily Prayer This Week

We can easily spend this week asking for the grace to use the gifts we've been given. We want to recognize that we have gifts, and that they are, in fact, gifts. We didn't 'earn' them; we were entrusted with them. We can reflect upon the potential each gift has and how we might develop and use each gift we have more completely - in loving, in making a difference on behalf of the poor in our world.

Each morning this week, as soon as our feet hit the floor, and while we are washing up and getting dressed, we can have our own version of the following brief conversations with our Lord. These simple prayers can shape our desiring throughout the day, as these longings in our heart grow deeper and interact with the events, encounters and opportunities in our lives.

'Dear Lord, throughout this day, help me count the ways you love me'. 'Lord, thank you for being so generous to me. I forget the gifts you have given me. Be with me today, so that I might be grateful and use my gifts well'. 'Loving Father, today I'm grateful for my parents, for the opportunities I've had up to this day, and for the special privilege this day brings to serve my family and to try to make a difference in this world. Be with me and keep me hopeful and patient, generous and free today'. 'Dear Jesus, I spend too much time in a tree, above the conflicts, keeping myself pretty safe. Give me the courage of your presence with me today, so that I might take more risks in loving. There are going to be some hungry, thirsty, naked, sick and imprisoned people crossing my path today. Guide me in loving better. The cry of the poor in our world seems so overwhelming. Help me listen better and imagine what I might do to make a difference, with your help'.

Each night, with these prayers in our hearts all day, we can easily give thanks for the experience we were given of intimacy with our God in the midst of our busy days.



33rd Ordinary Week

Today's Gospel is quite clear as Matthew draws near to his presentation of Jesus. God is making an investment in each human person with specific and personal gifts. These are not merely tallents of physical abilities, but more interior, soul-bound. and meant to be accepted as precious and not to be compared with anyone else. One person receives five, one three and the third, one. The master made an investment to increase his number of gifts with great interest. Two traded well, did something profitable with what they had received. The fearful person figured out that he/she had been given less and thought better of trading and so buried it in the ground.

Now was the master so self-interested that he became angry when he got back the one talent he had given first. Was the third person wise, because of fear of being punished for losing it? Was the master known to be harsh, selfish and punishing? The parable does not reflect exactly everything. It has one strong message and minor aspects can distract from appreciating what Jesus is offering. It moves to form our interiors as is the woman formed interiorly and so lives who she knows and receives herself to be. We do not put Jesus on as we put on shirts and pants. Jesus invests Himself in us and we then give Him exterior expression in all we do. We keep His grace which keeps all our goings graces. He has buried Himself in us that we might continually give Him flesh. God is ever in-fleshing with divine love, as an eternal dressing of humanity.

As Hopkins ends his poem, we act in God's eye, what in God's eye we are.

'For Christ plays in ten thousand places, lovely in limbs and lovely in eyes, not His, to the Father through the features of men's faces'.