

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

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**25th Ordinary Sunday - Sept. 20, 2020**

Parish Priest :

**Rev. Father Arulkumar**

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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 :

**St. Stanislaus : Faye Wafer 705-682-3207**  
**or Ellen Austin 705-682-4596**

**St. Pius X : Eleanor Williams 705-692-4061**  
**or Denise Stewart 705-692-4883**

**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.

Don't be jealous with what God has  
given to another person.

Be happy with what God has given  
you - stop comparing yourself to  
others.

The kingdom of heaven is not about  
fairness but about God's grace.

Read

*Matthew 20:1-16*

*Jesus Tells the Parable of the Vineyard Workers*

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

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## Tuesday, September 22

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention

## Wednesday, September 23

09:30 AM - Mass

No intentions

## Thursday, September 24

09:30 A:M - Mass

No intention

## Friday, September 25

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention

## 26th Ordinary Sunday

### Saturday, September 26

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively

† Helen Leblanc by Jim & Vivian Maloney

### Sunday, September 27

09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish

† Lionel Gauthier by Helen Osika

11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

For the People entrusted to the Pastor

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

## 25th Ordinary Sunday

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 145

The Lord is near to all who call on him.

## Weekdays Scripture Readings: September 21 to September 27, 2020

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Ephesians 4.1-7, 11-13 - St. Matthew, the Apostle	Matthew 9.9-13
Tuesday	Proverbs 21. 1-16, 10-13	Luke 8.19-21
Wednesday	Proverbs 30 5-9	Luke 9. 1-6
Thursday	Ecclesiastes 1. 2-11	Luke 9. 7-9
Friday	Ecclesiastes 3.1-11	Luke 9.18-22
Saturday	Revelation 7.9-17 2 Corinthians 4.7-15	Luke 9.23-26
Sunday	Ezekiel 18.25-28 Philippians 2.1-11	Matthew 21.28-32

**25th Ordinary Sunday - Matthew 20:1-16 - By Pope Francis**

Dear brothers and sisters,

In today's Gospel reading (cf Mt 20:1-16) there is the parable of the day labourers in the vineyard, which Jesus recounts in order to explain **two aspects of the Kingdom of God: the first is that God wants to call everyone to work for his Kingdom; the second is that, in the end, he wants to give everyone the same reward, that is, salvation, eternal life.**

The owner of the vineyard who represents God, goes out at dawn and hires a group of workers, agreeing with them on the day's wages. It was a fair wage. Then he goes out again [several times] later in the day - he goes out five times on that day - until the late afternoon to hire other unemployed labourers whom he sees. At the end of the day, the landowner orders that a denarius be paid to everyone, even to those who had only worked for a few hours. Naturally, the labourers who were hired first complain because they see that they are paid as much as those who worked for fewer hours. The landowner however, reminds them about what had been agreed; if he then wants to be generous with the others, they should not be envious.

In reality, this "injustice" of the owner serves to provoke in those listening to the parable a qualitative leap because here Jesus does not want to speak about the issue of work or of a fair wage, but about the Kingdom of God!

And this is the message: there are no unemployed people in the Kingdom of God. **Everyone is called to do their part; and there will be a reward from divine justice for everyone in the end** - not from human [justice], luckily! -, but the salvation that Jesus Christ acquired for us with his death and Resurrection, a salvation which is not deserved, but donated - salvation is free - thus, "the last will be the first and the first last" (Mt 20:16).

**With this parable, Jesus wants to open our hearts to the logic of the Father's love which is free and generous.** It is about allowing oneself to be astonished and fascinated by the "thoughts" and the "ways" of God which, as the Prophet Isaiah recalls, are not our thoughts and not our ways (cf Is 55:8).

Human thoughts are often marked by selfishness and personal advantages, and our narrow and contorted paths are not comparable to the wide and straight streets of the Lord. He uses mercy - do not forget this: He uses mercy -, he forgives broadly, is filled with generosity and kindness which he pours forth on each of us. He opens for everyone the boundless territory of his love and his grace, which alone can give the human heart the fullness of joy.

Jesus wants to make us contemplate the gaze of that landowner: the gaze with which he looks upon each of the labourers searching for work and calls them to go to his vineyard. It is a gaze which is filled with attention, kindness. It is a gaze which calls, invites one to get up and begin a journey because he wants life for each of us; he wants a full, committed life, safe from emptiness and inertia.

**God excludes no one and wants each of us to achieve his or her fullness. This is the love of our God, of our God who is Father.**

May Mary Most Holy help us welcome into our lives the logic of love which frees us from the presumption of deserving God's reward and from the critical judgement of others.

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