

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
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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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Third Sunday of Advent - December 12, 2021



Synod 2021 - 2023

Pope Francis is inviting the universal Church to participate in this important Church event. In our diocese, we will mark the opening of the Synod on the third Sunday of Advent. In January 2022, you will be invited to participate during the consultation phase, by sharing your ideas about the Church. Let us pray for the success of the Synod and may we welcome the Holy Spirit to guide us on this synodal journey together (From the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie).



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

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, December 14

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention Requested

Wednesday, December 15

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention Requested

Thursday, December 16

10:00 AM - Mass At Meadowbrook

† Brian Osika by CWL St. Pius X

Friday, December 17

09:30 AM - Mass

No intention Requested

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 18

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively

† Lawrence Malleau by W. & F. Tremblay

Sunday, December 19

09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish

† Mary Shay by John & Frances Chenard

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** 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

Third Sunday of Advent

Responsorial Canticle - Isaiah 12

**Shout aloud and sing for joy;
great in your midst is
the Holy One of Israel.**

Weekdays Scripture Readings: December 13 to December 19, 2021

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Numbers 24. 2-7, 15-17a	Matthew 21. 23-27
Tuesday	Zephaniah 3.1-2, 9-13	Matthew 21. 28-32
Wednesday	Isaiah 45. 6b-8, 18, 21b-25	Luke 7. 19-23
Thursday	Isaiah 54. 1-10	Luke 7. 24-30
Friday	Genesis 49. 2, 8-10	Matthew 1. 1-17
Saturday	Jeremiah 23. 5-8	Matthew 1. 18-24
Sunday	Micah 5. 2-5a / Hebrews 10. 5-10	Luke 1. 39-45

Sunday Collection - December 04 / 05, 2021

Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 895	\$	\$ 960
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 850	\$	\$ 800
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 755	\$ 100	\$ 775

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday of the Third Week of Advent begins with the **Prophet Zephaniah's** announcement of liberation and God's presence among the people after decades of their own infidelity. In **Luke's Gospel** John the Baptist is the focus of the expectation in the people who come to him asking what to do. He exhorts them to integrity and charity and announces the one who is to come: 'He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire'.

Monday is the **Memorial of Saint Lucy, Martyr**. Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church**.

We continue to focus on the first readings in this first part of Advent. From the Book of Numbers, we have the proclamation that 'a star shall advance from Jacob...' Zephaniah is the prophet of impending doom, if the people don't abandon their idolatry. But this week we read about consoling healing, 'on that day', when the Lord comes. Isaiah's message is full of promise: 'Turn to me and be safe ... for I am God; there is no other!'

On Thursday, we reach the December 17th and in these last eight days of Advent the focus returns to the gospels with stories from Jesus' family in the time before he was born. Matthew's gospel offers the genealogy of Jesus' family. On the 18th we read Matthew's account of the nativity: Joseph decides to divorce the pregnant Mary until an angel appears to him in a dream, saying, 'It is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her'. On the 19th, in the first chapter of Luke's gospel, Elizabeth and Zechariah struggle with their inability to have a child. They are told they will have a child named John who will be filled with the Holy Spirit. When Zechariah doubts, he is struck speechless.

The **Fourth Sunday of Advent** begins the last week of Advent, which takes us to Christmas on Saturday. The reading from Micah reminds us that of the seemingly unimportant town of Bethlehem, 'from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel'. Luke's gospel offers again the story of Mary's going to visit her cousin. Elizabeth understands immediately Mary's situation and praises God saying, 'How does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy'.

Daily Prayer This Week

This Third Week of Advent, our daily prayer continues to allow us to become much more concrete about naming our desires and preparing the way for the Lord. We begin this week with joy, knowing that our celebration of all the ways our Lord comes to us is near.

In the midst of what our culture tells us should be a picture-perfect holiday season, we can step back and get in touch with our fears and ask God to help us deal with the relationships we are afraid of, the family tensions that make us apprehensive, and the stress that can take us out of the spirit of Advent reflection. If we pause for just a minute, we can feel in our hearts that Jesus is saying gently to us each day: 'Do not be afraid'.

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