

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

ststans@eastlink.ca

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
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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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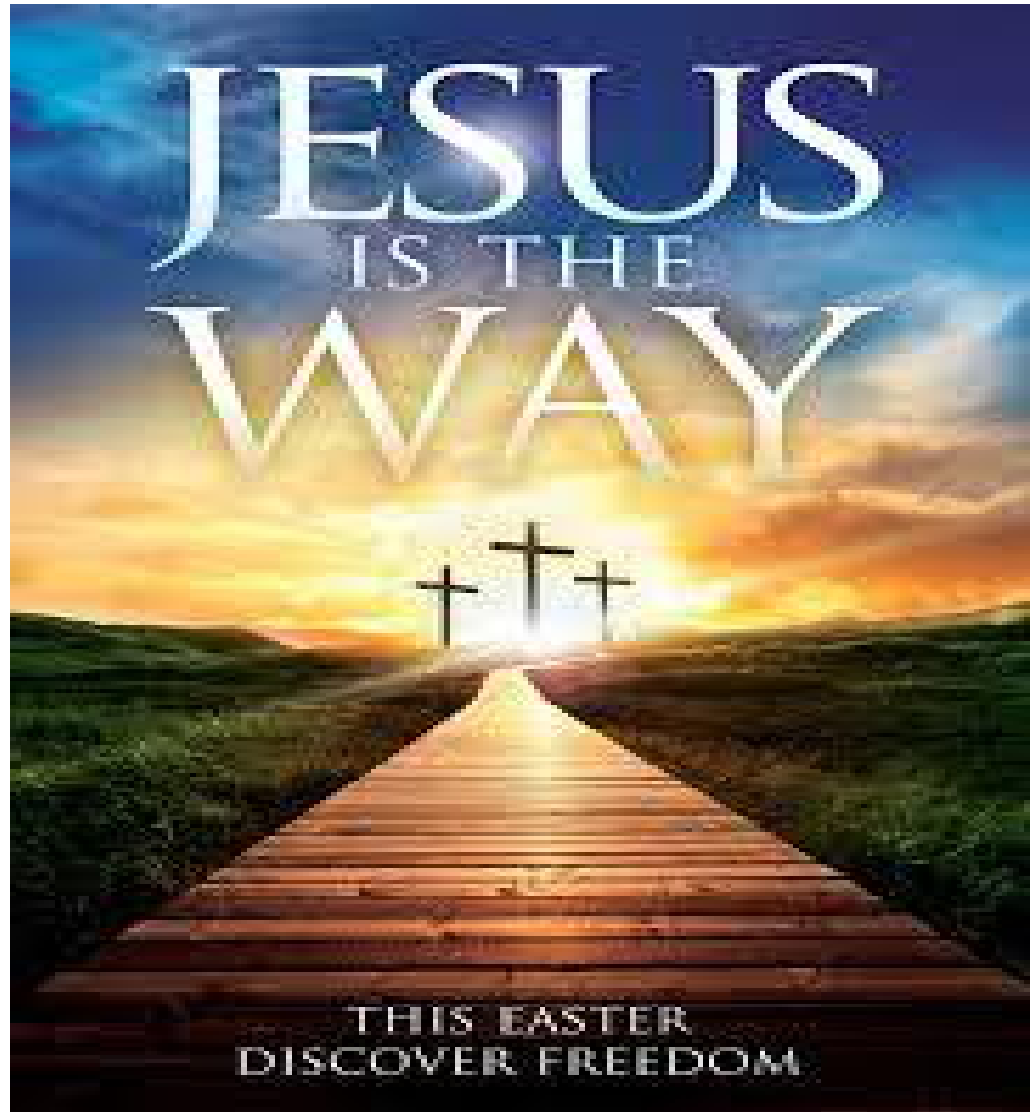
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5th Sunday of Easter - May 10, 2020



Dear Parishioners,

You can reach the Office by Phone on

Tuesday and Wednesday

Between 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Note:

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:00 AM Sunday, May 10

† Deacon Archie Nesseth by Albert Nesseth (St. Stanislaus Parish)

Sixth Sunday of Easter

10:00 AM Sunday, May 17

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 33

Let your love be upon us, Lord, even as we hope in you.

Weekdays Scripture Readings: May 11 to May 17, 2020

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Acts 14:5-18	John 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28	John 14:27-31
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6	John 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26	John 15:9-17
Friday	Acts 15:22-31	John 15:12-17
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10	John 15:18-21
Sunday	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17	1 Peter 3:15-18 John 14:15-21

‘I am the Way and the Truth and the Life’ (John 14:1-12)

What does Jesus Christ mean when he says this John 14:1-12?

Are there not many paths to God, many truths? As long as you believe in God and try to be a good person, it doesn't matter what religion you belong to. **There are different paths up the mountain, but they all lead to the summit. How many times have you heard people say such things?**

It's politically correct. Tolerant. Reasonable.

But Jesus says it's wrong! *'I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father but by me'*.

The highway to heaven had been closed for centuries. God did not set up the road block. We did. But the barriers that we erected were immovable. At least by us. God was the only one who could open the way.

There was a problem with truth and life as well. Oh, people had some ideas about God. But the ideas were shadowy and fragmentary and mixed with distortions. Everyone in the ancient world knew the divine had created the universe and that worship was a duty. But some thought homage required human sacrifice. And most thought that there were many gods. A few, like Aristotle, realized that there could only be one God, but imagined this God to be remote and aloof from human affairs.

Finally there was the issue of life, divine life. Even those possessing the most truth about God, the Jews, had a problem here. They knew what God required, but even the best among them lacked the power to do it. Take David for instance. When the chips were down, he proved defenseless against the power of lust, deceit and even murder.

Jesus is the way. Indeed he is a two way street. In him, God comes to meet us, holding back, offering everything of who he is and what he has. Through Him and Him alone, we have access to God to such a degree that we can now call him Abba, Father.

Jesus is the truth. Not just some truth but the entire truth. He is God's definitive and perfect Word expressing who God is, what He's like, who we are, and what we need to do to be saved from misery and futility.

And Jesus is the life. He gives us not only commandments and noble ideals, but also the power to live them out, the power to become new people. That Power is the Lord and Giver of Life Himself, the Holy Spirit, who Jesus pours out on those who accept Him.

So there is only one Way, one Truth, one Life, one Priest who offers a perfect sacrifice for sins. So how can it be that we are called a royal priesthood (I Peter 2)?

How can it be that we who believe in Him are to do greater works than he? (John 14:11-12)

It's simple. Once we've been baptized, there is no longer a separation between us on the one hand and Him on the other. We are baptized into him, become members of his body, so he begins to live his life and exercise his priesthood through us. If we let him, he will use our lips to spread his truth, our lives to show the way and our love to give others life. And the works He will accomplish through us will far surpass what he did in his three short years of public ministry. More hungry will be fed, more sick healed, more books written. Tyrannical, atheistic empires will even be brought down. The Good News will be preached not just in Galilee, but all over the world, not just in person, but touching millions at a time through radio, TV, and internet.

But the greatest work that He will accomplish through us is to teach us too to be priests, to offer the spiritual sacrifice of our own lives (Romans 12:2) to the Father through Him, with Him, and in Him. **For the meaning of human life is to love and the greatest gift we've received from Him is the power to give ourselves away.**

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