

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

Parish Priest :
Rev. Father Arulkumar

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
scheduled at 1:00 PM.

Other Sacraments :
Contact Parish Office

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
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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 Lent - March 12, 2023



John 4: Samaritan Woman

Jesus satisfies your
heart with

TRUTH

Registration for Reconciliation and First Communion 2023

Registration forms for the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion will be available after each Mass next weekend, March 18 / 19, 2023.

The children in **GRADE TWO** are eligible for these sacraments, as well as any child in grades three or four who did not receive the sacraments. **St. James students will receive the forms at school and will return them to the school by April 5, 2023.** Other registration forms may be returned to the Parish Office or placed in the collection basket at any of the three parishes **on April 01/02, 2023.** Late registrations will not be accepted.

If the child was baptized in a parish other than St. Christopher, St. Pius X and St. Stanislaus a recent copy of the baptismal certificate must be submitted with the registration form. If there are questions and/or concerns, please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, March 14

10:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish

No Intentions requested

Wednesday, March 15

10:00 AM - St. Pius X, Lively

†Rob Hirsch by Cecila & John Jamieson

Thursday, March 16

10:30 AM - Meadowbrook, Lively

No Intentions requested

Friday, March 17

09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

For the intentions of St. Stanislaus Parishioners

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 18

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively

For the People entrusted to the Pastor

Sunday, March 19

09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish

No Intentions requested

11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

† Rosemary Beaton by the Fleury 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

Third Sunday of Lent

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 95

**O that today you would listen to the voice
of the Lord. Do not harden your hearts!**

Weekdays Scripture Readings: March 13 to March 19, 2023

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	2 Kings 5.1-15	Luke 4. 24-30
Tuesday	Daniel 3. 25, 34-43	Matthew 18. 21-35
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 4. 1, 5-9	Matthew 5. 17-19
Thursday	Jeremiah 7.23-28	Luke 11. 14-23
Friday	Hosea 14. 1-9	Mark 12. 28-34
Saturday	Hosea 5, 15 ; 6-6	Luke 18. 9-14
Sunday	1 Samuel 16. 1, 6-7, 10-13 / Ephesians 5. 8-14	John 9. 1-41

Sunday Collection - March 05, 2023

Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 300	\$ 32.50	\$
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 1370	\$ 92	\$
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 285	\$ 165	\$

The Third Week of Lent

We now begin the time in Lent when on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent.

In the weekday readings, Jesus challenges the people in his hometown of Nazareth to look at him in a new way - 'No prophet is accepted in his own native place'. In a fury, they drive him out of the temple. Peter asks Jesus the limits of forgiveness. Jesus says that we must forgive again and again. He tells the parable about the servant, who though forgiven himself, does not forgive his fellow servants. Jesus has come to fulfill the law and the words of the prophets, not abolish them. When someone claimed that Jesus must be using Satan's power to heal, Jesus responds 'Every kingdom divided against itself will be laid waste and house will fall against house'. When asked to name the 'greatest' commandment, Jesus names two, thus putting together the necessity of loving God with our entire being and loving our neighbor as our very selves. The week ends as Jesus tells a powerful story of the Pharisee and the tax collector praying in the temple. I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.

The **Fourth Sunday of Lent** brings the story of the man born blind from **John's Gospel**. His disciples ask, 'Who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?' Jesus heals the man who now sees more clearly than the Pharisees the true identity of Jesus. 'I do believe, Lord'.

Daily Prayer This Week

This is a pivotal week of Lent. We can solidify the patterns we have begun or we can make a new start, if we haven't been able to get started yet. If we have begun to recognize what needs realigning in our lives and have begun to fast and abstain from some things that get in the way of our relationship with the Lord, then we are engaging in a struggle. We are likely uncovering resistance and experiencing our personal sinfulness face-to-face.

This is all preparing us for a deeper conversion, a readiness for reconciliation with God and the graces that will allow us to be a source of reconciliation with others. This is the time when we begin to see and experience how much God loves us at a new and more personal level. These graces prepare us to keep our eyes focused on Jesus in the weeks ahead - to learn from him, to fall in love with him more deeply and to be drawn to imitate him more completely. If we are just getting started with our Lenten journey, renewing our desires for these graces will be all we need to begin with a renewed openness. God does not need a lot of time to convince us of his love for us.

This is a week about God's love for us and our call to love others the same way. It is a week to keep our daily focus on naming a desire each morning. The day ahead will shape what we ask for as our feet hit the floor in the morning. Pausing to thank the Lord for this day and to ask for the grace to let our mind and heart be renewed in the concrete circumstances, relationships and obligations of our day. Throughout the day, we can then return to those desires in background of our awareness. Our request for the Lord's help is always there and our consciousness of it will help us make the choice we desire to make, to let go of what we need to let go of, to add what we need to add. This will take us deeper and deeper into self-awareness and a sense of our need for a Savior, who is right there to embrace us and give us the graces we ask for.



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Third Sunday of Lent - John 4:5-42

Water is one of the most important requirements for the sustenance of all lives. In fact, according to scientific studies, water makes up to 60-75 percent of the total body fluid. Hence, total withdrawal or extraction of water from any person will result to death. In the Old Testament, water is a common metaphor for spiritual satisfaction (Isaiah 12:3).

The first reading of today tells us of the ordeal of the Israelites in the wilderness. After four hundred and thirty years of slavery in Egypt, God came to deliver them (Exodus 12:40). Yet, they grumbled against Moses, and consequently, against God because they were thirsty. God instructed Moses to strike the rock. From it, water came forth. The Israelites drank, and were satisfied.

In today's gospel, Jesus presents himself to the Samaritan woman as the Eternal Living Water. This underscores the importance of Christ in our life. The lesson from this, is we must not discriminate against people on the basis of their race or culture. Jesus knew quite well who the woman was (a Samaritan) and her life history. Yet, he approached her for a drink. Jesus' aim was actually, to draw her closer to himself, the Eternal Living Water.

Hence, by breaking the silence and going against the social customs, and prejudices between Jews and Samaritans, Jesus becomes the gift of God to this woman and her people. Like Jesus therefore, we must be ready to take risks. This is by challenging the unjust rules of social structures and norms. It is by breaking down walls that excludes people, and by opening up possibilities to others. This is, so that they can experience Christ.

Finally, the argument that ensued between Jesus and the woman represents the obstacles, that we must overcome in order to draw people to Christ, the Eternal Living Water. In other words, they represent the '**rational stubbornness**' that the society will present to us before they finally yield to the gospel. However, if we ourselves are connected to the Eternal Living Water, we shall have a better and more convincing witness without getting weary.