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MISSION STATEMENT

As a Parish community let us strive to be a welcoming community of Christian believers, challenged and nourished by the word of God, discerning together the way of Jesus, supporting and nurturing one another in love, compassionately committed to the poor and oppressed, harnessing the wealth of our gifts in joyful celebration and journey together in hope.

VISITORS

We sincerely welcome you to St. Julia Catholic Church. May your visit to family and friends, or to our lovely area, be filled with God's blessings.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
..... 11:00 a.m. (St. Julia Choir)

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Any time by appointment with a priest
Communal celebrations in Advent and Lent

Holy Hour

1st Friday 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM : Contact the parish office to meet with a priest or deacon. Baptism is celebrated by appointment on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 1 p.m.

CONFIRMATION : Students in grade eight are invited to prepare with their parents/guardians through St. Peter School or Denis Morris High School. Registration is required in September.

EUCHARIST : Children in grade two will be prepared for their First Eucharist with their parents through St. Peter School. Registration is required in September.

RECONCILIATION : Children in grade two will be prepared prior to First Confession. Parents will prepare their child and will bring them for their First Confession.

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK : During a serious or prolonged illness or before surgery. Families will call for the priest to anoint the sick person.

MARRIAGE : An initial appointment with a priest or deacon six months prior to your desired wedding date - no date will be set before meeting with a priest/deacon.

VOCATIONS : Those being called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life are invited to make an appointment to speak with Fr. Greg or one of the deacons for information and referral.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA) will direct adults inquiring about becoming members of the Catholic Church through weekly prayer and instruction - Mondays @ 7:00 p.m. September through May. Contact a member of the pastoral team for information and registration.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN (RCIA) will prepare children of catechetical age for baptism. One parent must be Catholic and the child is expected to be enrolled in our Catholic schools. Weekly participation in Children's Liturgy - Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. September through June. Contact a member of the pastoral team for information and registration.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Peter Catholic Elementary School 905-984-3040
Denis Morris Catholic High School 905-684-8731

MINISTRIES

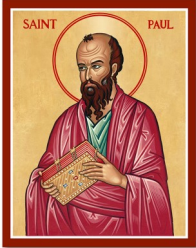
- All members of the parish are encouraged to be involved with and take an active part in at least one ministry of the parish.
- All members of the parish are asked to register with our church. Please contact the church office to introduce yourselves and register.
- All members of the parish are encouraged to share in the ministry of stewardship by offering their time, talents and treasure. Monthly direct deposit forms are available through the parish office. When you are away for a weekend or on an extended holiday you continue to support the parish through your monthly direct deposit. Thank you!
- We ask that parishioners consider a remembrance for St. Julia Catholic Church in their will.

AUGUST 2, 2020

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's readings should inspire the Christian steward with deepened gratitude to our God, Who loves us with such fierce and tender love. We must make an intentional response every day to return love for Love.

In our Second Reading, from Romans, St. Paul reminds us that nothing and nobody can keep God from loving us. No anguish, distress, persecution, famine... and we might add pandemic, economic loss, relationship strife — nothing — can keep our God from His faithful love for us. God has got us in the palm of His hand.



And yet, this reassurance is only the beginning of God's gifts to us. Our Gospel passage from Matthew recounts the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fish. This of course, is a foreshadowing of the miraculous gift the Eucharist, which feeds us not with bread but with the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus.

Let's look at the opening verses of this passage, for they reveal a little of the tender heart of Jesus for all of us. "His heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick." What generous and compassionate love He shows.

But even that is not enough for our Lord. He remains with them, ministering to and teaching them well into the evening. The disciples suggest that Jesus should send them away so that they could buy some food. But Jesus will not hear of it. He insists that the disciples feed them right then and there. And then, He provides the miraculous abundance of food out of the few loaves and fishes the disciples could round up.

What a privilege for those disciples to participate in Christ's miraculous plan for His people. This privilege is ours, too, as Christian stewards. Let us make a grateful response to such amazing love.

— Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, August 3

8:30 a.m. - Wayne Mattie †

Tuesday, August 4

8:30 a.m. - Jerome Lalonde †
Frank McNally †

Wednesday, August 5

8:30 a.m. - Rosemary McNamee †

Thursday, August 6

No Mass

Friday, August 7

8:30 a.m. - Mother Mary Leonie †
9:00 a.m. - Holy Hour

Saturday, August 8

5:00 p.m. - Giovanni Sorgente †
Bert Mattie †

Sunday, August 9

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People

11:00 a.m. - Julianne Misk †

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