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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 Eucharist. Parents will prepare their child and will bring them for their First Confession.

ANointing 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.

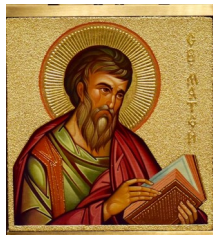
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AUGUST 30, 2020

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Let's be honest. If we are striving to live the stewardship way of life, it's not going to be easy. Dying to self and living for Christ and others is tough. It's the work of a lifetime. But in the end, it's the only work that really matters and the only life that truly satisfies.

Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, reflects this challenging reality. Jesus tells His disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me." This sounds harsh. Why would anyone want to do this?



Our Lord has the answer, of course. "Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

It's all about love. Jesus loved (and loves) us totally, giving us all of Himself on the Cross, in His Word, and in the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist. And so we must choose: love of self, or love of God and others — which is tough, but fulfilling and leads to the eternal reward of heaven. Jesus promises that He "will come with his angels in his Father's glory and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

Let us make the tough choice to lose our life for Christ's sake in grateful response to His love. Honestly, what better life could there be?

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

"...we shall always be with the Lord".

Are you called to bring faith in Christ and eternal life to others as a priest or in the consecrated life?

Call Fr. Greg at the parish office 905 684 5603 or email him frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, August 31

8:30 a.m. - Special Intention
Michael Stasiak † Joe Crispo †

Tuesday, September 1

8:30 a.m. - Joseph Kukovica †

8:00 p.m. - Holy Hour

(Brock Catholic Retreat—all are welcome)

Wednesday, September 2

8:30 a.m. - Joanne Hicks †

Thursday, September 3

No Mass

Friday, September 4

8:30 a.m. - Anne Marie Brady †

Rosemary McNamee †

9:00 a.m. - Holy Hour

Saturday, September 5

5:00 p.m. - John, Margaret & Kathy O'Neill†

Sunday, September 6

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

11:00 a.m. - Joe Huibers †

Special Intention for Rosario de Alzamora

RCIA

(THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

The RCIA is the Church's way of bringing new members into the community of faith. We look forward to the fall when we will begin the process anew. **Who should consider RCIA?**

1. Those who have never been baptized and wish to become Catholic;
2. Baptized members of other Christian churches who wish to enter the Catholic Church;
3. Catholics out of high school who have never been confirmed and who wish to be fully initiated into the Church by receiving Confirmation.

We also invite interested parishioners to serve on the RCIA team. There are a number of dedicated people involved, but we can always use more. **How Can I help?**

1. As a CATECHIST who would give an instruction about the Catholic faith or lead a Scripture Sharing.
2. As a HOST who would prepare the room and refreshments for the RCIA gathering.

For those who volunteer for the RCIA team, the various duties would be shared to make it as easy as possible for all. The RCIA is a most rewarding experience for all involved. We encourage you to join the RCIA if you wish to be initiated into the Church or can give your talent as part of the team.

The RCIA meet evenings beginning in October. Questions? Please contact Fr. Greg by calling the parish office, via email at frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com or by completing this form and returning it to the parish office or in the offertory collection.

DETACH AND RETURN TO THE OFFICE

I'm interested in RCIA:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

I'm interested in:

_____ Joining RCIA _____ Being on the RCIA Team

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1 John 4:19

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