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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

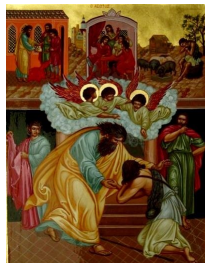
- All members of the parish are encouraged to be involved with and take an active part in at least one ministry of the parish.
- All members of the parish are asked to register with our church. Please contact the church office to introduce yourselves and register.
- All members of the parish are encouraged 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.

CHURCH MAILING ADDRESS: 16 Adelene Crescent, St. Catharines, Ontario L2T 3C7
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SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As Christian stewards we are called to a high and holy standard — living as Christ's disciples every day and with every person the Lord places in our path. But we can move towards this goal in "baby steps."



Jesus demonstrates this comforting truth through the parable He tells in today's Gospel from Matthew. It is the story of two sons whose father instructs them to go out and work in his vineyard that day. While the second son agrees to his father's request, he does not follow through — he fails to obey the father's will. The first son tells his father, "no." At least he is honest! And in the end, he reconsiders and obeys his father.

The first son's honest, less-than-perfect response, is consoling to us Christian stewards. Haven't we all felt this way at times when God's will for us seems to be just too hard?

We can be honest with God at these times. He knows our thoughts already, after all. But when we stayed engaged in a real relationship with Him, even if it's just to say, "I don't think I can, Lord," He will supply us with just the grace we need to change our minds and do what He is asking us to do.

We can even take a step backward from time to time because our Father is merciful and kind. What matters is that we keep baby stepping along, assured of the grace we need to more closely imitate the actions and attitudes of Christ. This is the beauty of the stewardship way of life.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, September 28

8:30 a.m. - Anne Marie Brady †

Tuesday, September 29

8:30 a.m. - Tom Roselli †

Joseph Anthony Cassidy †

Wednesday, September 30

8:30 a.m. - Joe Crispo †

Special Intention

Thursday, October 1 - No Mass

Friday, October 2

8:30 a.m. - Gloria Sarsonas †

Anne Marie Brady †

Fran Novak †

Saturday, October 3

5:00 p.m. - Julianne Misk †

Maria Urbancic †

Daniel & Cecilia Leo †

Sunday, October 4

9:00 a.m. - Marg Doodeman †

Rosemary McNamee †

Anne Niesink †

11:00 a.m. - Mass for the People

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

"He humbled Himself and became obedient...."

If the Lord invites you to follow Him in humble obedience as a priest or in the consecrated life, how will you respond? Call Fr. Greg at 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelopes will be available for pick up beginning next weekend. We have reduced the number of printed envelope boxes which has resulted in having to reassign envelope numbers to some families. Please be sure when picking up your new box of envelopes to check the alphabetical listing for your envelope number. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the office.

PRAYER OF REPARATION

O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary I beg the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.

HOLY BAPTISM

We welcome the following children
into our Catholic family.

*Lily Streicher
Thomas Vrbik
Myles Robles
Daniel Markotich
Catherine Markotich
Owen Zavitz
Rafael Salinas
Malakhi Hildebrandt*

*First
Holy
Communion*



We congratulate Michael Ferrelli
for receiving the Sacrament of the
Eucharist on July 25, 2020

We wish them God's blessings.

COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA: THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT!

Each year, and with the generosity of Catholic faithful from coast to coast to coast, the Bishops of Canada continue their work on important doctrinal and ethical questions; ecumenical initiatives and interreligious dialogue; international relations; evangelization, faith education and catechesis; relations with Indigenous peoples; questions of social justice; and the development of a culture of life and family. In addition to their national Conference, the Bishops of Canada also meet in four Regional Assemblies (Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and the West). The CCCB and the regional assemblies include the Bishops of the Latin Church, as well as the Eparchial Bishops of the Eastern Catholic Churches. On behalf of all Bishops of Canada, the Most Reverend Richard Gagnon, Archbishop of Winnipeg and CCCB President, shares his gratitude for the continued support of the Church's pastoral mission through prayers, gestures of kindness, encouragement, and generosity. "I thank all of you for your support and ask the Lord to bless you and your loved ones abundantly, and keep you safe always."



Life Chain, the Annual Day of Public Witness for Children Killed by Abortion, is held simultaneously in more than 200 locations across Canada each year. This year's Life Chain will take place on Sunday, October 4th. In St. Catharines, join us at St. Denis Church, 230 Lake Street, from 2:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. Please arrive by 1:45 p.m. to register and pick up your signs. We will witness and pray for the sanctity of human life; that women will choose life for their unborn child; and that our country will protect all its citizens—born and unborn. Covid-19 protocols will be in place and participants are asked to wear masks. For further information, contact Rob or Jackie at 905-646-4926.

The Life Chain will also take place in Niagara Falls on Lundy's Lane between Highland Ave. and Dorchester Dr. and in Welland on Niagara St. between Woodlawn Rd. and Lancaster Dr. from 2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.



Thinking about Separation or Divorce? – Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Retrouvaille is designed to help marriages regain their health. The Retrouvaille program is highly successful in saving marriages. For confidential information, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on October 23 2020, at the Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls, please call 905-664-5212 or email: Teamrecine@gmail.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

RCIA OPEN HOUSE

An RCIA Open House will be held on Tuesday, October 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Encourage someone to share faith with us and be part of our community. Anyone interested please join us for this opening night of exploration. Until then, should you have any questions please contact Fr. Greg.

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