

| | Mass Schedule | Diocesan Bishop | Most Rev. Gerard P. Bergie D.D. |
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| Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. | | Pastor | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | | frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com |
| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word) 11:00 a.m. | Deacons | Deacon George Newman Deacon Brian Jeynes |
| | Confessions | Director of Music | Dr. David Holler |
| Saturday | 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment Office Hours | Maintenance | Jim Salmon |
| Monday to Frid | lay, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. | Administration | Christine Buckley Cheryl Wood |

Parish Mailing Address: 16 Adelene Cres., St. Catharines, Ontario L2T 3C7



April 30, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Today's readings on this fourth Sunday of Easter offer us a glimpse into the heart of our loving Savior. He is the Good Shepherd and we can confidently place our trust in Him as we live the stewardship way of life.



This endearing image of Jesus as our shepherd, and His personal love for each one of us, is described in our Gospel passage from John, through the words of Jesus Himself. Here we read Jesus' description of Himself as the "Good Shepherd." He says of Himself, "The sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice."

This aspect of our Lord's tender and personal love for each one of us is a compelling reason to embrace the stewardship way of life — in the offering of our time, talent, and treasure to Him, we can express our gratitude to Him for the incomprehensible love He has for us.

Embracing this way of life certainly requires trust on our part. But Christ has proven Himself worthy of our trust. He "bore our sins in His body." He calls Himself our shepherd and He offers Himself as the guardian of our souls. He has withheld nothing of Himself and His goodness from us. He would never ask anything of us that would bring us harm. He tells us "I came so that [you] might have life and have it more abundantly."

This Easter season, let us resolve to entrust ourselves and our lives gratefully to Him.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Parish Calendar

Monday, May 1

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) – Tom Longo † Special Intention

Tuesday, May 2

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Giovanni Ciarrocca † 10:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Crowning of Mary Mass for St. Peter Catholic Elementary School

Wednesday, May 3

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Denis Morris Easter & Catholic Education Week Mass Souls in Purgatory † | Special Intention

Thursday, May 4 - No Mass

Friday, May 5 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Basil Markle † Josephine & Martin Kobe † 9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Holy Hour

Saturday, May 6

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Gary O'Brien † Special Intention

Sunday, May 7

9:00 a.m. - CWL Gathering Mass Mass for the People 11:00 a.m. (Livestream) - First Holy Communion Vincent & Mary Dugo † | Lawrence Mattie † Slovka Gozvada † | Jozica Bayuk †

Offerings for March

| Total | \$ 32,562.36 |
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| Renovations & Repairs | 3,075.00 |
| Interac e-Transfer | 2,135.00 |
| Canada Helps | 86.85 |
| Monthly Preauthorized Giving | 9,799.41 |
| Envelopes | \$ 17,466.10 |
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Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish

Are You Being Called?

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

We pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst.

If you think God is calling you to serve the Church as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.



Catholic Women's League Corner: April 29th & 30th

- General Membership meeting: Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30 pm.
- Meeting of the Funeral Luncheon Committee at 6 pm just before the meeting .
- To mark National Hospice and Palliative Care Week, we invite all parishioners to attend an information night on Tuesday, May 9 at 7 pm in Divinity Hall. Guests from Hotel Dieu Shaver, Hospice Niagara and Paramed will first speak to the nature of palliative care in Niagara and then answer questions. Please sign up since space is limited.
- Mother's Day weekend is around the corner and so is our CWL BAKESALE, RAFFLE and FLOWER SALE. We are in need of baked goods (cut, wrapped and ready for sale) which can be dropped of in the Divinity Room after 4 pm on Saturday May 13 or before the Masses on Sunday, May 14



HOSPICE / PALLIATIVE CARE IN NIAGARA

Join us for a panel discussion and audience questions.

Tuesday, May 9, at 7 pm

| D | ivinity Room |
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| Dr. Galina Arvinte | Sally Baerg |
| Hotel Dieu Shaver | Health Care Connect Ontario |
| Chief of Staff. Palliative Care | Nurse Practitioner Palliative Care at |
| Physician | Home & Community Support Services |
| Trudy Cowan | Sr. Louise Dillon |
| ParaMed Home Health Care | Hotel Dieu Shaver |
| Clinical Education Supervisor: | Director of Mission and Pastoral Care |
| Joy Friesen | Sue Shipley |
| Hospice Niagara | Hospice Niagara |
| Community Program Manager | Senior Director of Clinical Services: |
| Palliative care | |
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St. Julia SVDP Update

The Vincent store in Niagara Falls continues to give assistance to refugees as well as their regular clients. Some items requested include clothing, small appliances, kitchen supplies, bedding, towels, suitcases and backpacks. You may find some of these items as you do your Spring cleaning. Gently used items may be dropped off at St. Julia Church for delivery to Vincent store. Your help is very much appreciated. St. Julia St. Vincent de Paul sincerely thanks you for your prayers and ongoing support. As well as monthly food vouchers, a \$3000 donation was made to Vincent store for additional necessary items for those in need this month.

"What you do unto others you do unto me" is a perfect example of your concern for those less fortunate.

God bless



Congratulations Msgr Leo

Msgr. Leo Clutterbuck will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood with a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, May 7th, 2023 at 11:30 a.m. in St. Alfred Church, 272 Vine Street, St. Catharines. A Reception will follow in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

"Please keep me in your prayers and know that you and your family are welcome to join us for this celebration." Celebrate Mary in May

Hail Mary full of Grace.

The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women. and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God. Pray for us sinners now. and at the hour of our death

Amen

Msgr. Leo

Ways to Give to St. Julia Parish

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- The easiest way to give, automatically debited from your bank account monthly
- Set it up once and never forget your offering
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- The debit will take place on the 5th day of each month (or on the next business day)
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 - 5. Contacts email address
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 - (you will only have to enter this in for the first time St. Julia will then be a saved contact)
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God bless you and those that you love.