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Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
11:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Office Hours

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

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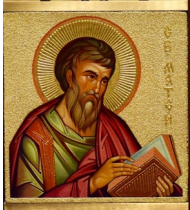
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February 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings challenge us to reflect on the true state of our hearts as it relates to stewardship. Do we think of stewardship as something we take care of once a year, simply a matter of ticking off boxes on a commitment card — or do we choose to embrace it as a spirituality and way of life that allows us to grow in conformity to Christ every day?



Our first reading, from the book of Sirach, teaches that our good God has given us freedom to make this choice — “Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him.” The concept of stewardship helps us to live out the fundamental choice to put God first. Stewardship is not meant to be a mere external exercise that we participate in on an occasional basis. It is meant to be embraced as a way of life a life that involves a continuous conversion of heart.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus illustrates the difference between an external observance of the law and a true conversion of heart, saying, “You have heard that it was said... you shall not kill... But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment.” Our Lord is asking us not only for exterior acts, but for a true change of heart. In stewardship terms, that means seeing everything as a gift from Him, to be used for His glory and the good of others.

In the week ahead, let us examine the state of our hearts to ask ourselves if we have chosen to allow stewardship to become a way of life for us. Only then we will experience its true depth and heart-changing possibilities. The choice is ours.

Stewardship Reflections by [Catholic Stewardship Consultants](#)

Parish Calendar

Monday, February 13

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Bill Kennedy †

Tuesday, February 14

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Rita Markle †

Wednesday, February 15

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Special Intention
Jacqueline Herman-Wing †

Thursday, February 16

8:30 a.m. - No Mass

Friday, February 17

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Annie Higgins †
Jacqueline Herman-Wing † | Special Intention

Saturday, February 18 - Coffee Social

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Maria Szeideman Sr. †
Elena Texon Partos †
Special Intention for Jennifer & Edward Murphy

Sunday, February 19 - Coffee Social

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People
11:00 a.m. - Joyce Sansone †

Catholics believe marriage to be a sacrament. By this we mean that the faithful love of husband and wife is a sign of Christ's lasting love for us.

WORLD
Marriage Day

FEBRUARY 12

On this World Marriage Day, let us pray that those who are married seek to bring each other closer to heaven each day.

A Valentine's Day Blessing

May the Lord bless you when
valentine's day is here
May He keep you in His Loving care
every day throughout the year
And may He grant you happiness in
everything that you do
For in everything you seek and share
His love is always with you
'Happy valentine's Day



Faith Formation & Catechesis We welcome you to join our RCIA session for
“The Commandments: 6-7” at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 14th in Divinity Hall.

CATHOLIC
and **LIVING IT!**



Catholic Women's League Corner: February 11th & 12th



**Canadian
Blood
Services**

BLOOD
PLASMA
STEM CELLS
ORGANS
& TISSUES

Join our St Julia
Catholic Women's League of Canada
on **Saturday, February 18th.**

1. Set up an account on **blood.ca** or on the **GiveBlood app** for **Apple** or **Android**
2. Select "partners" from the menu
3. Select "join a team" and search *Your team name* - a drop down list will appear
4. Select the team you wish to join
5. Book your next appointment either through your team bookings (visible under you team) or as an individual

Partner ID: (four letters and six numbers)

CATH011269, Organization: The Catholic Women's League of Canada

STJU0103842, Organization: St. Julia Parish

Year: 2023 Pledge: 20

Canadian Blood Services is opening the St Catharines Plasma Centre in the spring of this year.

This Plasma donor centre will be dedicated to the collection of plasma— the blood component needed to make specialized medicines used in the treatment of patients with a variety of life-threatening conditions.

The St. Catharines Canadian Blood Services donor centre located at **395-397 Ontario Street** is **CLOSING on the evening of February 18, 2023**. Other whole blood donor centres in the region will remain open.

The **new location at 420 Vansickle Rd** will be **for plasma donations only** (beside SoftMoc and OrangeTheory Fitness). The construction is underway and is scheduled to open in May 2023.

Information on whole blood donation centres is posted on the CWL white board.



Take Out Pasta Night Returns

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Includes: Penne Pasta & Sauce, Meatballs,
Caesar Salad, Roll & Butter

Cost: \$15.00

**Advance Ticket Sales only starting next
weekend until noon, Monday, March 6th.**

Pick up times:

(must be selected at time of sale):

4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. | 6:00 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

Tour the Catholic and Cultural Heritage Sites of Northern Iberia and Southern France

Fr. Peter Rowe and Ineke Brinkman invite you to be our travelling companion(s) on pilgrimage in **2023** (the dates: September 9-22)! Included in the itinerary are Fátima and Lourdes, Porto and Braga, Vila Real and Bragança, León and Oviedo, Covadonga Shrine and Altamira Cave, Bilbao and Pamplona, Loyola and Javier, Andorra and the Pyrenées, Montserrat and Manresa, and Gaudi's Barcelona.

Package price, with flights (Air Transat), is \$4,850 per person based on double occupancy (\$1,100 single supplement). To reserve your space, call Ineke (905-684-0888, extension# 1415) or email ineke.brinkman@visiontravel.ca.

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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
- Sustained offering for the parish through regular and consistent giving
- The debit will take place on the 5th day of each month (or on the next business day)
- Can be altered or stopped at any time

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- Instant offering / transfer of funds from your bank account to St. Julia's account
 1. Log in to your online banking
 2. Click *Interac* e-Transfer
 3. Add contact name i.e. St. Julia
 4. Notify by *email*
 5. Contacts email address
 - Enter in our new **stjuliaparishstcgiving@gmail.com** email address
 - (you will only have to enter this in for the first time – St. Julia will then be a saved contact)
 6. Make your donation via your newly set up *Interac* E-Transfer

Note: *Please put your envelope number in the message line
There is no password required for St. Julia to receive your donation*

The Traditional Envelope

- Tried and true. Offered at the end of Mass or you can mail your envelope to:

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CanadaHelps.org

- Instant donation using your credit card. Click Here to donate now.

Note: Tax receipts are issued directly from CanadaHelps.org

Thank you for your continued generosity.

God bless you and those that you love.