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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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#### Maintenance

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# February 5, 2023

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings are part pep talk and part marching orders for us Christian stewards. They offer wonderfully clear guidance on what matters most to God in the way we prioritize our lives and the way He intends for us to use the gifts He has given us.

The first reading, from the prophet Isaiah, gives us very straightforward instructions: "Thus says the Lord: Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own." The Lord gives no wiggle room here — care for our brothers and sisters in need is a "must do" for the Christian steward.



But note how generous our God is to us when we do these things. "Then your light shall break forth like the dawn and your wound shall quickly be healed." The more we give ourselves away the more we will find ourselves, and "light shall rise" for us in the form of more of God's grace in our lives and more joy and peace in our hearts.

Our Gospel passage, from Matthew sends us out on our stewardship way with a bang as Jesus declares to us, His disciples, that we are the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world." But, He adds, salt no longer gives flavor if allowed to go stale — light cannot bring its blessed brightness if left hidden. Therefore, we must act! We must live our lives so that others will see the things that we do — the ways that we serve others, care for the vulnerable, prioritize our family relationships and above all, our love for God — and then give Him glory.

This is the stewardship way of life. Let's give it our all!

Stewardship Reflections by [Catholic Stewardship Consultants](#)

## Parish Calendar

### Monday, February 6

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Gertrude Kilgour †  
Paul O'Sullivan †

### Tuesday, February 7

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

### Wednesday, February 8

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Special Intention

### Thursday, February 9

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - No Mass

### Friday, February 10

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

### Saturday, February 11

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Mary Barkwill †  
Marlene DeRose †

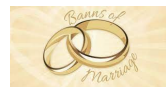
### Sunday, February 12

9:00 a.m. - Richard McNelis † | Gilbert LeBel †  
11:00 a.m. - Mass for the People

**Save the date for our Take Out Pasta Night**

**Wednesday, March 8, 2023 - details to follow**

We are pleased to announce the wedding of



**Nelson Obimna Omenugha and  
Mary Chidera Onyekwelu**

on April 15, 2023 at St. Patrick's Cathedral  
in Awka, Anambra State, Nigeria.

Any known reason why this marriage should not happen should be reported to Fr. Greg Schmidt. We wish Nelson and Mary God's blessing as they unite as husband and wife!

## Faith Formation & Catechesis



We welcome you to join our RCIA session for

**"The Commandments: 4-5"**

at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 7th in Divinity Hall.

## Are You Being Called?

**"Let your light shine before others"**

Shine your light on those closest to you,  
especially your spouse and family!

Contact Fr. Greg at the church office,  
905 684 5603 or email  
[frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com](mailto:frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com).



- \* Our Valentine CWL/St Julia blood drive is Saturday February 18th
- \* Mark your calendar and book your appointment now!
- \* Additional information is on our white board in the narthex.

St. Joseph's Youth Group (Grimsby) & the SaintCD Family & Youth Office are hosting a bus trip to the Toronto Metro Convention Centre's



# LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

**Saturday, March 4, 2023**

**Adult: \$45**

**Theme: Empowered to Stand**

(Price includes \$25 event ticket and bus transportation)

**Youth (13 – 18): \$35**

**Theme: STAND**

(Price includes \$15 event ticket and transportation)

*\*\* If teen is not part of an attending parish youth group, a parent/guardian must accompany the teen to the rally, completing diocesan permission forms & accepting responsibility for the minor*

Two (2) pick up and drop off locations:

6:30 am: Catholic Centre, 3400 Merrittville Highway, Thorold

7:00 am: Niagara Gateway Welcome Centre, 424 S Service Road, Grimsby

Estimated return times: around 8:00 pm

Email [familyandyouth@saintcd.com](mailto:familyandyouth@saintcd.com) or call Andrew at 905-945-2661 for more information or to arrange tickets.

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