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



June 26, 2022 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings take us back to the basics, inviting us to reflect honestly on our deepest priorities in life.



In today's Gospel, from Luke, Christ refers to the struggle to put Him above all else as He encounters two "would be" disciples on His way to Jerusalem. "'Follow me,'" Jesus says to the first man. "But he replied, 'Lord let me go first and bury my father.' The other said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." These two want to follow Christ but only on their own terms, only after taking care of some other, more pressing matters (at least in their own minds).

To this, Christ says thanks but no thanks! Following Him requires an unqualified "yes" not a "yes but..." We are called to put Christ and His kingdom ahead of our own plans if we truly wish to be his disciples and to find victory in the battle of selfishness.

Living stewardship as a way of life can go a long way in arming us for victory. Stewardship living provides us with a custom-made "training plan" — the commitment to a specific offering of our time, talent, and treasure to the Kingdom of God. It is a plan discerned through prayer and by looking at the realities of our unique circumstances, strengths, and limitations. The daily discipline of committing to the plan strengthens us and helps us gradually move away from the "yes, but" attitude and towards an unqualified "yes!" to Christ and His will.

Do not be afraid to give the best of yourself and your gifts to Christ. He deserves nothing less. And this way of life, while challenging, will be characterized by a joy and peace that only comes from living for Him.

Stewardship Reflections by <u>Catholic Stewardship Consultants</u>

Parish Calendar

Monday, June 27

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - John & Margaret Doodeman †

Tuesday, June 28

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Wednesday, June 29

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Jim Gorday \dagger

Thursday, June 30 - No Mass

Friday, July 1 - Canada Day

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - John & Margaret Doodeman † 9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Holy Hour

Saturday, July 2

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Lucia Montemarano †

Sunday, July 3

9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Mass for the People 11:00 a.m. - Johanna Miles † | Ivan Bukovec † Ailipio Pajo † | Wib Hirlehey †

Are You Being Called?

"Serve one another through love."

Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you?

Contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

Parish Family BBQ



This Sunday, June 26 after the 11:00 a.m. mass & bring your lawn chair

We look forward to seeing you this weekend for our family BBQ.



St. Julia SVDP Update

Camp Vincent

St. Julia Parish has been the principle contributor to Camp Vincent for many years. Camp Vincent provides the opportunity for children 6 to 15 years of age to experience a week of camp life. School Principals nominate children who are in most need of this experience.

We at St. Julia are the main supporters of this worthwhile gift to less fortunate girls and boys. St. Alfred Church has taken over the logistics. We ask for your continued generous support this year as in the past.

Should you choose to support this worthwhile cause please mark an envelope with your name and "Camp Vincent" to assure your donation is directed to the appropriate charity. What a great experience!

The bus leaves July 10th!

Special Blessings from Your Parish Family

Help us recognize significant anniversaries and birthdays in our Parish Community this year.

Anniversaries - 25, 40, 50, 60, 65 Birthdays - 80, 85, 90, 95, 100

Please let the office know if you are celebrating one of these special occasions so we can honour and celebrate with you.

CATHOLIC and LIVING IT!



Catholic Women's League Corner: June 25/26, 2022

Did you know:

- that the Catholic Women's League originated in England in 1906?
- that the Catholic Women's League of Canada was established in Montreal in 1920?
- that the St. Julia Council of the Catholic Women's League was chartered on October 7, 1968?

Journey In Faith 2022

Fr. Peter Rowe and Ineke Brinkman invite <u>you</u> to be our travelling companions on the journey to Switzerland, Austria and Germany, August 31 - September 7, 2022! Included in the itinerary are stops in Basel, Schaffhausen, Konstanz, Sankt Gallen, Bregenz, Lindau, Fussen (Neuschwanstein Castle) and the highlight, the Passion Play in Oberammergau (an every ten-year event, postponed from 2020).

Package price, with flights (Air Canada, Lifthansa), is \$5,375 per person, based on double occupancy (\$700 single supplement).

To get on board, call Ineke: 905/684-0888, x 1415 or 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

Click Here to print the form. Don't have a printer? Simply email or call the office and we will be pleased to mail you a form. Once completed drop off at the parish office or mail to:

St. Julia Church 16 Adelene Crescent St. Catharines, ON L2T 3Y7

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 - 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

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CanadaHelps.org

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

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Thank you for your configued generally,
God bless you and those that you love.