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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



May 15, 2022 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Today's readings on this fifth Sunday of Easter contain inspiring but challenging messages for us Christian stewards. The Gospel from John includes this well-known verse: "My children...I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." What a succinct description of a stewardship way of life. It sounds so simples. But simple does not necessarily mean easy.



How exactly is Jesus Calling us to love? As He, Himself loved. Jesus loved (and loves) by serving us and by making a sacrifice of His very life for us. That is a tall order.

Living a life of service and self-sacrifice is not easy because it requires us to continuously fight against our selfish inclinations. But the more we empty ourselves of "self" by serving others, the more room we make in our hearts for God to pour His grace into us. Amazingly, the more we give our lives away to others, the more He fills us up with Himself who is love itself.

And amid the inevitable challenging moments this way of life entails we can be assured that the Lord who loves us so much that He died for us and established the Eucharist to be our strength and nourishment, is right here with us every step of the way. As we face the hardships that come with living as Christian stewards, we can continue to rejoice in the wonder of the Resurrection this Easter season, finding great joy in following in our Lord's footsteps and in loving as He loves.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Parish Calendar

Monday, May 16

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Colten Smith †
John van der Zalm †
9:00 a.m. - Rosary with CWL

Tuesday, May 17

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Marija Milinkovic†

Wednesday, May 18

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

Thursday, May 19 - No Mass

Friday, May 20

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

Saturday, May 21

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Shea Kenny † Marija Milinkovic † |

Sunday, May 22

9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Kathryn Bourgeois (Lapinski) †
Frances Novak † | Deceased members of Dickson Family †
11:00 a.m. - Mass for the People



Offerings for April

Envelopes	\$ 15,406.08
Preauthorized Giving	9,507.92
Canada Helps	288.47
Interac e-Transfer	3,390.00
Renovations & Repairs	2,385.00
Easter	5,480.00
Good Friday	3,090.00

Total \$ 39,547.47

Ukraine Emergency

Relief to date \$ 53,856.35

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish

Are You Being Called?

"Love one another."

"By this everyone will know that you are My disciples."

How will you manifest your discipleship?
Consider living the Lord's new
commandment of love as a priest,
deacon, sister or brother.
Contact Fr. Greg at the church office,
905 684 5603 or email
frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC and LIVING IT!



Monday, May 16: After the 8:30 Mass, we will lead the praying of the Rosary for peace in Ukraine and the intentions of the Holy Father.

Vance Badawey: Indigenous Peoples - Local to National Information

At the invitation of our Diocesan Catholic Women's League, on **Tuesday, May 17**, Vance Badawey, MP for Niagara Centre, will talk about "Indigenous Peoples - Local to National Information".

The **Zoom** link will be on the **Diocesan Catholic Women's League** website; <u>stcatharinescwl.ca</u>, on the night of the 17th. The Zoom portal will open at 5:30 p.m. and the presentation will start at **6 p.m**.

This event is open to all.





Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of May

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates and the dedication to service.



The Celebrate Life Dinner scheduled for June 4 is now sold out.

St. Julia Take Out Pasta Night



Wednesday, May 25, 2022

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

Cost: \$15.00

Advance Ticket Sales only until noon, Wednesday, May 18

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.

Ushers Needed

Are you willing to serve?

The Usher Ministry is in need of volunteers for each of our weekend masses. Primary duties and responsibilities include the offertory collection and distribution of bulletins at the conclusion of Mass with a friendly goodbye. This is a great opportunity to serve with very little time commitment required. Feel called to this ministry? Perhaps a Mother and school aged son, or Grandfather and grandchild. So many possibilities of serving here at St. Julia - a caring Roman Catholic Community. Please see Fr. Greg.

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.

Ways to Give to St. Julia Parish

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

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