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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 8, 2022 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Throughout the Easter season, our readings have given us glimpses into the life of the newborn Church and the bold witness of the early disciples in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to all who would listen. The disciples were the first to live a stewardship way of life, and their example is as relevant today as it was 2,000 years ago.



In the First Reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, we catch up with Paul and Barnabas in Antioch. While they certainly have some success in reaching many people there with the message of salvation, others are downright infuriated by their words and send them packing. Yet, we read that "the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." Overall, it seems as if Paul and Barnabas had failed in Antioch. But seeing failure has not robbed them of their joy. What's more, they are filled to the brim with the abundant gifts of the Holy Spirit. How is this possible?

It is only possible because Paul and Barnabas saw themselves as nothing more and nothing less than stewards of Christ and His Good News. This realization brought them freedom — to offer themselves and their lives to others for the Sake of the Gospel. The "results" of their efforts were up to God.

This Spirit-filled, joy-filled life is available to us all today. It can be achieved when we recognize, as did Paul and Barnabas, that all we have and all we are is a gift from God, meant to be shared with others for His glory. Of course, living as God's stewards does not guarantee a life of ease or a life free of sacrifice. Sometimes the steward's life involves challenges, requiring all the strength and love one has to give. In the end, there is simply no more satisfying way to live.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

### Parish Calendar

#### Monday, May 9

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Helen Albanese †
Adelaide Costantini †
9:00 a.m. - Rosary with CWL
7:00 p.m. - RCIA

#### Tuesday, May 10

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Ethel Grey † | Anna Song † 10:30 a.m. - St. Peter School Mass - Crowning of Mary

#### Wednesday, May 11.

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - John Devoe † | Special Intention

Thursday, May 12 - No Mass

#### Friday, May 13

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Anointing of the Sick Josephine & Martin Kobe †

#### Saturday, May 14

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - St. Peter Family Mass John Barkwill † | Shea Kenny † Special Intention for Jennifer & Edward Murphy

#### Sunday, May 15

9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Mass for the People 11:00 a.m. - Jonathan Nogueria † | Melanie Nogueria † Dereck Nogueria †

#### **Are You Being Called?**

""Sing joyfully to the LORD ...; serve the LORD with gladness."

Are you discerning a vocation as priest, deacon, sister or brother?

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



#### St. Julia Take Out Pasta Night

#### Wednesday, May 25, 2022

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

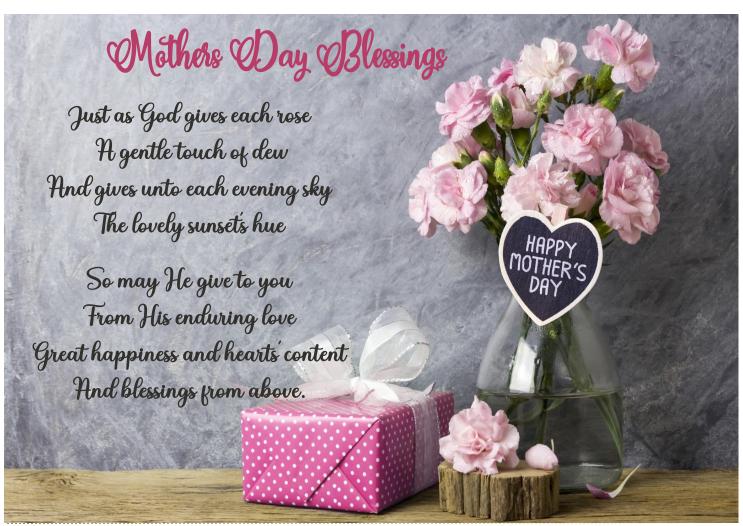
Cost: \$15.00

Advance Ticket Sales Only from Saturday May 7th until noon, Wednesday May 18th.

Tickets will be sold before/after weekend Masses or can be purchased from the office

#### 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.



# CATHOLIC and LIVING IT!



Catholic Women's League Corner: May 7/8, 2022

Congratulations to Diane Szydlowski, former president of St Julia CWL, on her re-election to the role of Chairperson on the Diocesan Council.

May's edition of the St. Catharines Diocesan Connection newsletter features our St Julia council on pages 35-37 and 47.

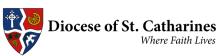
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Monday, May 9: After the 8:30 Mass, we will lead the praying of the Rosary for peace in Ukraine and the intentions of the Holy Father.



# 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.



Sunday, May 8, 3:00pm

#### HOLY HOUR to PRAY for VOCATIONS,

#### Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria.

Sunday, May 8 is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. It is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We will gather, under the leadership of Bishop Bergie, from all over the diocese, to pray for vocations to the priesthood, especially from and for our diocese and for vocations to the diaconate. And we shall intercede for vocations to the religious life. May the Lord touch the hearts of many young men and women to consecrate themselves completely and exclusively to Christ and the service of His holy people. May the Lord bless all married and single persons in their vocations.

# 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)
- · Can be altered or stopped at any time

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

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• 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.