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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**

Director of Music Dr. David Holler 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment Saturday

Confessions

Maintenance Jim Salmon Office Hours Administration **Christine Buckley**

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



November 28th, 2021 - First Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Advent, the season to prepare with awe and wonder for the Feast of the Incarnation of Jesus — born to us as Savior and Brother. It is a season to prepare for His return at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our individual judgment day is coming, too, when we will be called to give an account for all that God has given to us during our lifetimes. In other words, Advent is a steward's season!

Our readings for the first week of Advent waste no time in calling our urgent attention to these themes of reflection and preparation. They seem to shout, "Wake up! Get ready!" and offer us some practical advice as we enter into this season.



The Gospel, from Luke, warns, "Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life." How easy it is to lose focus on our Lord either by too much indulgence in our lives or by too much worry about our lives. During Advent, we Christian stewards must ask ourselves some hard questions. Am I staying faithful to my prayer life? Am I using my energy and skills to serve others? Am I overly concerned about material gain? Am I relying on my "stuff" or my investments as my source of comfort or security? Am I living for the moment or for the coming of the Lord?

Get ready Christian stewards! He's coming! Let us prepare with awe and wonder.

- Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Parish Calendar

Monday, November 29 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls † 7:00 p.m. - RCIA

Tuesday, November 30 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †

Wednesday, December 1

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - John Bak †
John & Margaret Doodeman † | Special Intention

Thursday, December 2 - No Mass

Friday, December 3

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Ivan & Zivko Petric †
Mary & Osgood Darte †
9:00 a.m. - Holy Hour

Saturday, December 4

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - St. Peter Family Mass Don Peacock † | Ann Pogacnik † | George Adams † Rajammal Jax Fernando † | Special Intentions

Sunday, December 5

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People
11:00 a.m. - CWL Gathering Mass

Jack Kennedy † | Giusepina & Francesco Napoli †
Salvatore Corda † | Paulina Tarka † |
Maria & Giovanni DelGobbo †

Are You Being Called?

"Let the little children come to me: ..."

Are you being called to bring others to Christ and His Kingdom as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?

Contact Fr. Greg at the church office,

905 684 5603 or email

frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

Faith Formation & Catechesis

We welcome you to join our RCIA session for



"The Sacrament of Confirmation

at 7:00 pm, Monday, November 29th in our Divinity Hall.

All participants must provide proof of vaccination.



Confirmation 2021

We pray for our students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend with Bishop Bergie.
We wish them God's abundant blessings.

Sarah A. Adriana B. Shanelle B. Niamh C. Francesco D. Zoe F. Jada G. Ava G. Avah I. Maya J. Jamie K. Abbey L. Noah M. Declan M. Sydney M. Jack M. Domenico P. Julia P. Gavin P. Isabel P. Solomon S. Olivia T. Selena T. Felicity T. Krystyna W.





St. Julia Catholic Women's League

Raffle Fund-Raising

The St Julia CWL will be raffling a twin bedspread quilt with a matching pillow sham hand-made by our CWL member, Joyce DeCoste. Tickets will be on sale before and after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 28th. Tickets will also be sold after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses on Sunday, December 5th with the draw taking place right after, The cost is \$5.00 for 1 ticket or \$10.00 for 3 tickets. This is going to be the only fund-raising event for the CWL this year.

Thank you in advance for your kind support.

CWL Gathering Mass

The CWL next Gathering Mass will be on Sunday, December 5th at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome and we look forward to celebrating Mass together.

Let's put People and Planet First



Thank you for putting People and the Planet First



A major focus of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's People and Planet First campaign is advocating for a law that compels Canadian companies to respect the human and environmental rights of local populations in their overseas operations. This fall, acting in solidarity with their brothers and sisters in the Global South, thousands of Canadians signed a petition asking the government to enact such a law.

On behalf of all those who struggle to preserve their land, lives, livelihoods and lifestyles, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for your commitment and mobilization. Together, we act in solidarity with the protectors of the Earth. Together, we have the power to change lives.

To continue supporting the petition and to keep up the campaign momentum, visit https://devp.org/en



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 - 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

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