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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 7th, 2021—32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Today's First Reading from the First Book of Kings, as well as the Gospel passage from Mark, both center on the actions of two seemingly poor and helpless widows who show themselves to be faith-filled and generous stewards. In the eyes of the world, particularly in biblical times when there was no life insurance or Social Security, these widows were weak and dependent on others to take care of them. They each found themselves in desperate situations — one in the midst of famine with a child for which to care, and the other clearly impoverished. Yet, each demonstrated strength and generosity that distinguished them from those around them.

From where did this strength come? It came from knowing who they are, and Whose they are. These women must have known their security would not come from a good life insurance policy or connections to someone with a hidden storehouse of flour. No, their security came from knowing they were daughters of the Most High God and from putting their faith in Him. They had no need to panic in the midst of natural disaster or cling desperately to their menial resources. Their faith in God set them free to trust Him when all seemed hopeless. Their faith kept them detached from material possessions. Their faith allowed them to be brave and generous, to think of others despite their own trials.

These women saw themselves as stewards, not owners, of the resources God gave them, regardless of how much or how little they had. And acting as stewards made them gracious, generous and mighty indeed.

- Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Parish Calendar

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

Tuesday, November 9

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †
10:30 a.m. - St. Peter Virtual School Mass for
Deceased Loved Ones - All Souls †

Wednesday, November 10

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls † 6:00 p.m. - Serra Club Mass - All Souls †

Thursday, November 11 - no Mass

Friday, November 12

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †

Saturday, November 13 5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †

> Sunday, November 14 9:00 a.m. - All Souls † 11:00 a.m. - - All Souls †

St. Julia Take Out Pasta Night

Wednesday, November 17, 2021 Final Call



Includes: Penne Pasta & Sauce, Meatballs, Caeser Salad, Roll & Butter Cost: \$12.00

Advance Ticket Sales Only Ends: 12:00 noon, Wednesday, November 10th

Tickets will be sold before/after weekend Masses and can also 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. - 6:30 p.m.



Faith Formation & Catechesis

We welcome you to join our RCIA session for *"The Holy Spirit"*

at 7:00 pm, Monday, November 1st in our parish hall. All participants must provide proof of vaccination.



Let's put People and Planet First

Let's listen to the voices of our brothers and sisters fighting for their right to a healthy environment



World leaders have gathered for the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26). Although these powerful decision-makers are debating the future of the planet, they are probably too far removed from the realities of its most vulnerable people. It is up to us to hear and amplify the voices of those who are defending their rights and the environment against economic ravage.

Medarda Hernandez, whose community in Honduras has been repeatedly harmed by large industrial projects, including supposedly "green" projects, says, "if other extractivist projects start in our community, we are not going to let them pass. I ask the international community to come to our aid, because we are really suffering from this situation."

So that people like Medarda do not go unheard, let's make Canadian companies operating abroad responsible for protecting human and environmental rights. Join Development and Peace's People and Planet First campaign to make this happen. Visit https://devp.org/en to learn more.



St. Julia Catholic Women's League Updates

New Executive

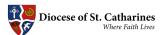
To continue the proud tradition of the Catholic Women's League in St. Julia parish, we are seeking an executive to serve for the next term of office. If you are interested to learn more, please call Kathy at 905-684-6462.

Raffle Fund-Raising

The St Julia CWL will be raffling off 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 each Mass on Saturdays and Sundays beginning November 6th until December 5th. The draw will be held after the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, December 5th. 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.

Service Pin Awards Presentation

The CWL Service Pin Awards Presentation will be held at St Julia Church on Monday, November 22nd, at 1:00 pm. Fr. Greg will do a Prayer Service, followed by the Service Pin Awards Presentation. The pins will be given to those members who have 5 to 50 service years in 2019 and 2020, as well as new members who joined in 2019 and 2020. Covid protocols such as wearing masks and social distancing will be in place. Unfortunately there will be no social gathering at this time. CWL members, who are eligible to receive the pins, will be contacted by phone and invited to attend. We look forward to seeing many of our members at this celebration.



Special Anniversaries

Bishop Bergie will send a congratulatory certificate to married couples who have celebrated or will celebrate a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th anniversary in the year 2021. To receive a certificate, please complete a registration form available at the parish by November 15th.

Deo Gratias, Special Collection

Please support the *Deo Gratias* Collection of November 13/14, 2021. All revenue will go to our Clergy Aid Society. We are grateful to God, and to our retired clergy in the Diocese of St. Catharines who, from the time of their ordination, have cared for us and our spiritual needs. In thanksgiving to God for them and their years of faithful service, your generous support of the *Deo Gratias* collection will enable us to care for those who have dedicated their lives to caring for us. The revenue from this collection does not go into an endowment fund but goes directly to the Clergy Aid Society which provides an income for our retired clergy.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church

in Thorold will be holding an online auction fundraiser starting November 10 to raise funds to renovate the lower level of the Church. Register on www.MaxSold.com to bid for your chance to win tickets to a Toronto Maple Leaf game, a Fitbit Smartwatch + GPS, NFL jackets or passes to Niagara Parks attractions (Courtesy of Niagara Parks) valued at \$300.00! A variety of gift certificates will be available as well as pre-owned treasures looking for a new home. Get an early start on Christmas shopping. Visit our website at www.ourladyoftheholyrosary.org or call the Parish Office (905-227-3178) if you have questions.

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

Interac e-Transfer

- Instant offering / transfer of funds from your bank account to St. Julia's account
 - 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.