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Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
11:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Office Hours

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

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October 1, 2023

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

As Christian stewards we are called to a high and holy standard — living as Christ's disciples every day and with every person the Lord places in our path. But we can move towards this goal in "baby steps."

Jesus demonstrates this comforting truth through the parable He tells in today's Gospel from Matthew. It is the story of two sons whose father instructs them to go out and work in his vineyard that day. While the second son agrees to his father's request, he does not follow through — he fails to obey the father's will. The first son tells his father, "no." At least he is honest! And in the end, he reconsiders and obeys his father. The first son's honest, less-than-perfect response, is consoling to us Christian stewards. Haven't we all felt this way at times when God's will for us seems to be just too hard?

We can be honest with God at these times. He knows our thoughts already, after all. But when we stayed engaged in a real relationship with Him, even if it's just to say, "I don't think I can, Lord," He will supply us with just the grace we need to change our minds and do what He is asking us to do.

We can even take a step backward from time to time because our Father is merciful and kind. What matters is that we keep baby stepping along, assured of the grace we need to more closely imitate the actions and attitudes of Christ. This is the beauty of the stewardship way of life.

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Parish Calendar

Monday, October 2

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Shirley Favero †
Helen & Edmond Michaud † | Deceased
members of the Muratori & Paoloni Families †

Tuesday, October 3

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Deceased members
of the McElheran & Stasiak Families †
10:30 a.m. - Thanksgiving Mass at St. Peter
7:00 p.m. - RCIA

Wednesday, October 4

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Angela Reilly †
Special Intentions

Thursday, October 5 - No Mass

Friday, October 6

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Elizabeth Longo †
Wladyslawa & Teofil Szymanski †
Souls in Purgatory †
9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Holy Hour

Saturday, October 7

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - John Buckley †
Yvonne DeRozario † | Pierette & Georges Cote †

Sunday, October 8

9:00 a.m. - CWL Gathering Mass
Mass for the People
11:00 a.m. - Special Intention | Vincent Dugo †
Teresa & Oreste Fabiani †

Offerings for August

Envelopes	\$ 37,628.40
Air Conditioning	50.00
Monthly Preauthorized Giving	9,973.55
Canada Helps	86.85
Interac e-Transfer	1,760.00
Renovations & Repairs	725.00

Total \$ 50,223.80

**Thank you for your generosity and
continuing support of our parish**

Are You Being Called?

**"He humbled Himself and
became obedient...."**

If the Lord invites you to follow Him
in humble obedience as a priest or in the
consecrated life, how will you respond?

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

"Faith & Revelation"

7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 3rd in Divinity Hall.



- ♦ Pick-up for your fall Chrysanthemums is this weekend, in time for Thanksgiving gifting and/or decorating. We appreciate your support.
- ♦ Membership Meeting: Wednesday, October 4 at 1 pm.

We Stand for the Land, Mother Earth!

In collaboration with the Sault Ste-Marie Diocesan Council, Development and Peace has prepared this extraordinary retreat at the Anishinabe Spiritual Centre at Anderson Lake, Espanola. We'll explore topics like community organizing, "We Stand for the Land, Mother Earth", and learn how to drive action through effective leadership and attentive listening.

But that's not all – this retreat will empower you to translate your new insights into real-world action through Development and Peace's Fall Action Campaign!

Cost (Includes registration, six meals, and two nights lodging) **Youth ages 18-35:** subsidized cost



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October 1

**Happy Birthday
Msgr. Pizzacalla**

May God continue to
bless you abundantly



**A quick reminder to keep our church fragrance free.
Thank you for your cooperation .**



Can you spare one hour to save a Lifetime? Join thousands across Canada on October 1, 2023 in prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life. This is a family-friendly event providing a unique opportunity to witness to our neighbours a much-needed message of love, hope, and truth. Contact Muriel Dyson at 905-735-3666 for information on the Life Chain taking place in Welland on Niagara Street at the Seaway Mall at 2:00pm or contact Angela Braun at (905) 931-0363 for information on the Life Chain taking place along Lundy's Lane in Niagara Falls. Times and locations of all the Life Chains across Canada can be found at <https://www.campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain>.

*Registration for
Congratulatory Certificate
from our Bishop*

Bishop Bergie will send a congratulatory certificate to married couples who have celebrated or will celebrate a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th anniversary in the year 2023. To receive a certificate, please complete a registration form available at the parish by November 10th.

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 4. Notify by *email*
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 - 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)
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God bless you and those that you love.