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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



October 2, 2022 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our readings today show us that living a stewardship way of life, that is, a life focused on serving God and His Kingdom, is not easy. They also show us that our lives belong to God, not to us and that God will indeed bring about the fulfillment of His kingdom. We just need to have faith that He can do it and commit to our small part in His grand design. This is both our privilege and responsibility as Christian stewards.



Jesus makes this privilege and responsibility clear in today's Gospel passage from Luke. When the apostles ask the Lord to increase their faith, He tells them that even a mustard seed-sized faith is all that is needed to move mountains (because it is God who does the heavy lifting). We need only take the tiniest step forward, and He will do the rest.

But living our lives in His service is also very much our responsibility, as Jesus explains through the parable of the unprofitable servant later in this passage. Our Lord describes a scene in which a servant has just come in from tending to the master's affairs and asks whether it would be reasonable for the master to begin waiting on his servant. Of course, it would not be reasonable! The servant would be expected to continue to serve his master until he has completed the work the master has given him that day. Jesus says we should have this same attitude before God.

The time, talents, and treasure entrusted to us are all God's. Our very lives belong to Him. Whatever we do on God's behalf with our lives and our gifts is simply our God-given responsibility. The stewardship way of life makes the privilege and responsibility of serving Christ and His kingdom a reality.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Parish Calendar

Monday, October 3

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Cecilia Leo † 7:00 p.m. - RCIA Open House

Tuesday, October 4

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Donald Watts † 10:30 a.m. - Thanksgiving Mass at St. Peter School

Wednesday, October 5 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Mary Lee Leggett †

7:00 p.m. - Faith Study - Lesson #3

Thursday, October 6 - No Mass

Friday, October 7

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Teofil & Wladyslawa Szymski † 9:00 a.m. - Holy Hour

Saturday, October 8

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Quarterly Memorial Mass Bogomir Cerar †

Sunday, October 9

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People 11:00 a.m. - Carl Van Belle † | Len Spitters † Sr. Ellen Leonard (Loyola) †



Retrouvaille: Is your marriage struggling? Think you've tried it all? Think it's hopeless? Think he/she can't or won't change? There is help and hope that is totally different than counseling and group therapy, there's RETROUVAILLE!

The next Retrouvaille weekend is October 21 – 23, 2022. For more information call Angelo and Chiara at 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com. Visit our website at www.retrouvaille.org.

Walking Pilgrimage

Join us on a pilgrimage for the Feast of the Holy Rosary on Friday, October 7th. Pilgrimage leaves from St. Denis Catholic Church at 3:00pm (approx. 2 hours). Holy Hour to follow. Bring your icons, statues and rosaries. Let us ask Our Lady to bless our Families, our community and our world.

Are You Being Called?

"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

Will you let the Holy Spirit guide you beyond your hesitation and follow Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

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





Catholic Women's League Corner: October 2, 2022

Did you know that the Catholic Women's League of Canada has a very active Resolutions branch? A meeting is being planned with members of parliament or designated of the federal government to present this year's resolution: 'Enact Federal Legislation to Reduce Food Loss and Waste'.

The text of the resolution can be found at: https://cwl.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Resolution-2022.01-Enact-Federal-Legislation-to-Reduce-Food-Loss-Waste-Final.pdf.

Because change needs a champion.

St. Vincent de Paul News



PEOPLE ARE HURTING

The cost of living is rising, and so are housing rentals. People are hungry and must choose between paying bills and eating. As a result, Community Care has growing numbers needing assistance for food. In September, through your caring generosity, St, Julia St Vincent de Paul was able to donate \$3500 to Community Care for food for the hungry. In our own area, you currently sponsor 24 families with food vouchers through S.V.D.P. with your ongoing donations. We sincerely thank you for your ongoing effort to help those less fortunate.

We welcome new members and new ideas to further our mission to serve the needy. We invite you to join us at our next meeting on Wednesday, October 12 at 10:00 a.m. in the Serenity Room. This might be a rewarding result for both you and S.V.D.P. of St. Julia Church.



You are invited to join the discussion and learning about palliative care using the *Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care* developed by the CCCB and its partners. The program explores understanding the dying process, discernment and decision-making at the end of life, accompaniment and the importance of building Compassionate Communities. This free, in-person study will take place at the Catholic Centre, 3400 Merrittville Highway, Thorold over five Thursdays, beginning October 6th (7-9 pm).

Sign up in one of three ways:

- https://forms.gle/GrBRjHvybYhARSzN7
- email Terri at familyandyouth@saintcd.com
- call the Diocese's Reception Desk at 905-684-0154



Take Out Pasta Night Returns

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

Includes: Penne Pasta & Sauce, Meatballs, Caesar Salad, Roll & Butter Cost: \$15.00

COSL \$15.00

Advance Ticket Sales only. Ends at noon, Monday, October 17.

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.



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- The debit will take place on the 5th day of each month (or on the next business day)
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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
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 - 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.