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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



# October 31st, 2021—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel presents Jesus' teachings on the two greatest commandments. Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. And love your neighbor as yourself. Let's consider these "greatest commandments" as they relate to three aspects of a Christian steward's daily life — the giving of our time, talent, and treasure.



The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord — in other words, our prayer life. It is vital to talk to God throughout the day, but if I really want to love Him with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength, shouldn't I make time for God "first" on my agenda each day? Not as an afterthought, but as a time I have intentionally chosen to spend only with Him.

The use of talents refers to the way I offer the abilities, skills, and interests the Lord has given me for the good of those around me. Doing so is a practical way to "love my neighbor as myself." At the same time, it is also a way to love the Lord with all that I am and have, since He has told us that whatever we do for others we are also doing for Him.

The use material gifts — or treasure — likewise demonstrates both love of God and of neighbor. When I trustingly offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory collection, I am showing Him in a very tangible way that He comes before all else in my life and I am putting my material resources at the service of my neighbor in the parish community and beyond.

When we live for God and others, we are living a stewardship way of life. And like the wise scribe in today's Gospel, we are moving closer to the kingdom of God, our ultimate destination.

- Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

# Parish Calendar

Monday, November 1 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls † 7:00 p.m. - RCIA

Tuesday, November 2 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls † 7:00 p.m. - All Souls Mass

Wednesday, November 3
8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls †
9:30 a.m. - Denis Morris Virtual School Mass
for Departed Souls - All Souls †

Thursday, November 4 - no Mass

Friday, November 5 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - All Souls † 9:00 a.m. - Holy Hour

Saturday, November 6 5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - St. Peter Family Mass Grade 2 Eucharist Inscription - All Souls †

> Sunday, November 7 9:00 a.m. - All Souls †

11:00 a.m. - CWL Gathering Mass - All Souls †

#### **Faith Formation & Catechesis**

We welcome you to join our RCIA session for "Jesus Christ"

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



## St. Julia Take Out Pasta Night

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

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.



# Let's put People and Planet First

Let's act for the planet and its defenders!

Development and Peace's annual People and Planet First campaign is inspired by the words of Pope Francis, who says that "a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (Laudato Si', 49). These cries are too often silenced by powerful companies that plunder resources in countries of the Global South, without regard for people's fundamental human and environmental rights. Many such companies are Canadian.



Act to end their impunity now! Sign the petition asking the federal government to enact laws that will compel Canadian companies to conduct due diligence across their overseas operations and that will give the victims of their abuses access to justice in Canadian courts. Visit https://devp.org/en



### 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.

#### **CWL Gathering Mass**

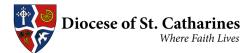
The next CWL Gathering Mass will be on Sunday, November 7th at 11:00 am. We look forward to celebrating Mass together.

#### 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 the awards presentation. We look forward to seeing many of our members at this celebration.





### St. Vincent de Paul News

### **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.

St. Julia is most grateful to Ontario Power Generation – Niagara Operations, for their generous donation of \$1,500. This money will go directly to the COVID-19 emergency relief for children and families in need, as well as to provide Christmas baskets & vouchers to the less fortunate in our community.

# 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

### The Traditional Envelope

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

St. Julia Church 16 Adelene Crescent St. Catharines, ON L2T 3Y7

### CanadaHelps.org

• Instant donation using your credit card. Click Here to donate now.

Note: Tax receipts are issued directly from CanadaHelps.org

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