

# Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

Also serving Saint Mary's Church in Souris, MB (Sunday at 11 am)

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Weekday Office Hours: 8:30 am - 12:00 Noon, 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

## SERVED BY:

Parish Priest  
Parochial Vicar

Fr. John Okosun  
Fr. Oliver Omega

Finance	Juliana Yacyshen
Secretary	Aleks Onita
Maintenance	Keven VanCauwenberghe
Faith Formation & Religious Education Co-ordinator	Linda Chiupka

## EUCCHARIST:

Saturday (Vigil Mass)	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am, 11:00 am 7:00 pm, (Souris 11:00 am)
Tuesday	7:00 pm
Wednesday	9:30 am
Thursday	9:30 am
Friday	12:15 pm (with Adoration until 3:00 pm)
Saturday	9:30 am

## RECONCILIATION:

Friday	2:00 - 3:00 pm or by appointment
Saturday	3:00 - 4:00 pm

## BAPTISM:

Third Sunday of the Month (excluding Lent)  
Baptism preparation course every second Friday of the month. Please contact office for more information.  
St. Mary's - Souris  
Please contact Donni Zuk at 204-483-2687 for more information

## MARRIAGE:

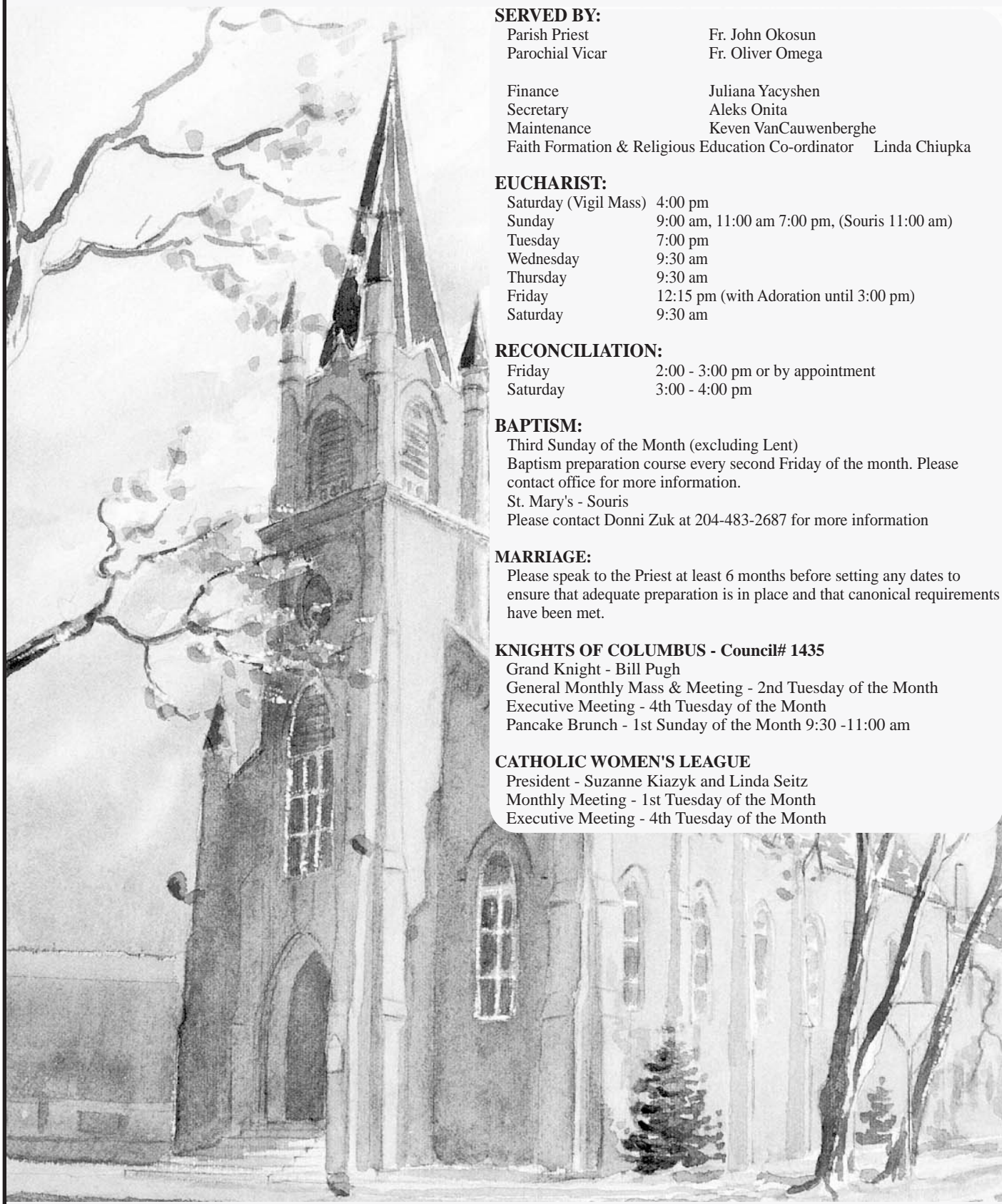
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Council# 1435

Grand Knight - Bill Pugh  
General Monthly Mass & Meeting - 2nd Tuesday of the Month  
Executive Meeting - 4th Tuesday of the Month  
Pancake Brunch - 1st Sunday of the Month 9:30 - 11:00 am

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

President - Suzanne Kiazzyk and Linda Seitz  
Monthly Meeting - 1st Tuesday of the Month  
Executive Meeting - 4th Tuesday of the Month





## A New World Is Coming

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**O**ur lives are filled with calls of one kind or another. Phone calls, text messages, teachers who call on us in class, those who call us for supper, people behind a counter who call out, "Next!" And, sooner or later, death will call each of us.

Jonah was once called to go to Nineveh, and the people of Nineveh were called to repent and change their lives. Simon and Andrew, John and James were called to follow Jesus. And today God calls each of us, but it is never easy to sort out what it is we are called to do.

Saint Paul took pains to tell us that "the world in its present form is passing away" (1 Corinthians 7:31). That being true, then God's call is always into a new way of life, which seems to imply leaving something behind, not unlike the four followers in Sunday's Gospel leaving their fishing nets and their father Zebedee in his boat.

The world that is passing away may be childhood, or productivity as we age. The new world may require confronting addiction and leaving a life of what we thought we couldn't live without. Or, like the people of Nineveh who were called to repent, it might be a call for our nation to confront our failure to engage in dialogue about and find solutions to injustice in its many forms at home and abroad. Who knows what God's new world will be? ●

### Reflect

**To what is God calling you, your community, our nation?**

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. Jan.23	7:00 pm	† Dorothy Hoare	Mackalski Family
Wed. Jan.24	9:30 am	† Melanie Bophy Sherbino	Adam & Laura Gurr
Thur. Jan.25	9:30 am	† Deacon John MacKenzie	Eveline Boulet & Family
		Arlene Spence	Rod Ferris
Fri. Jan. 26	12:15 pm	† Colin Hardy	Brenda Hardy
		Bella Bushidi	Godmother
Sat. Jan. 27	9:30 am	Alexandra Phillips	Godmother
	4:00 pm	Petra Gonzalez	Malena & Family
Sun. Jan. 28	9:00 am	† Luca Meu-Chin Pun	Peter, Cecilia & Family
	11:00 am	† Joan Britton	Corinne Hodgson
	7:00 pm	† Danilo Punay	Socorro Punay
Souris	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. John & Fr. Oliver

#### This week activities at St. Augustine:

- Monday** - Prayer Group - Time 7pm
- Tuesday** - RCIA at 6:30pm
- Wednesday:** St. Vincent de Paul hamper program 1:30pm-3pm.
- St. Cecilia Choir 5:45-6:45pm
- Thursday** - Catechism Classes 6:30-7:30
- Choir Practice 6:30-8:30pm
- Saturday** - Legion of Mary 10:15 am
- Chase the Ace 5-7pm at Houston House.

#### Legion of Mary

Every Saturday, shortly after the morning Mass, approx. at 10:15am in room 108. **Everyone welcome**



**In Our Prayers Are:** Eric Moore, Liam Penner, Vera Lafreniere, Angel Eranio Cabrera, Thomas Egan, Gresnor Acquisio, Ralph McDonald, Eric DePass, Judy Bryant, Colette Garlinski, Jenny Hamill, Angela Lau, Paul Malabar, Millicent Mychasiw, Susan Richardson, Bonnie Schellenberg, Ron Umpherville, and the homebound.

#### Pope's Prayer Intentions for the Month of January:

**For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church.** Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

#### Prayer for Priests and Priestly Vocations

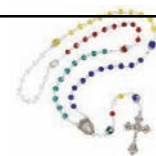
Heavenly Father, please grant to Your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your Holy Name. Please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them. Amen.

*Adoration and love of the Most Holy Trinity take place, first, within our souls. Deep within each one of us God offers an invitation to adore Him. It is there, within the soul, that The Divine Mercy of God is encountered. It is there that we begin to learn what Mercy is all about (St. Faustina Diary #6). Spend time, today, pondering the indwelling of the Most Holy Trinity. God is there, living within your own soul. Seek Him, love Him and adore His divine presence. Adoration of Blessed Sacrament every Friday 1-3pm.*

#### Message from Fr. Oliver:

I wish to thank you all for your Christmas greetings, for your prayers, gifts and kind words. It is a pleasure and a joy to be of service to you, the people of God. I pray that this year will be a year of further growth for all of us as we journey together towards our Lord in eternal joy and happiness. By the great love and mercy of God and his Son, Our Lord Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and St. Joseph her spouse, May you have a blessed season of Christmas and the new year! Adveniat Regnum Tuum, Fr. Oliver

**If you have rosaries that you aren't using please bring them to the office so we may give them to people in our Parish that could use them.**



*It is most important that you choose your career with care, so that you may really follow the vocation that God has destined for you. No day should pass without some prayer to this end. Often repeat with St. Paul. "Lord, what will you have me do?" -St. Fohn Bosco*



# Dear Padre,

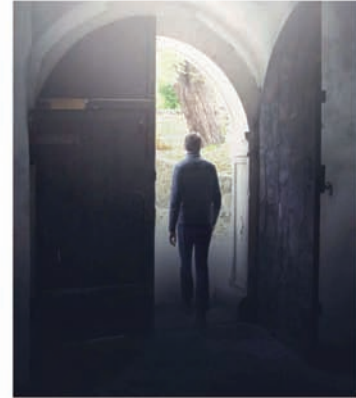
**While on vacation, I attended Mass at a church where many people left right after Communion. Why would they do this?**

Canon law says the faithful are bound to participate in the Mass on Sundays and other holy days. We are expected to attend the entire Mass.

A misunderstanding of this law may be traced to a pre-Vatican II teaching. Some theologians taught that the Mass had three main parts: offertory, consecration, and Communion. Some people reasoned that their obligation would be fulfilled by attending only those parts of the Mass. They felt justified in coming late and leaving early.

This changed with the Second Vatican Council (1962–1965). The Mass is divided into four sections (introductory rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, concluding rite), and Christ is present throughout the Mass. Attending Mass means being there from the processional hymn through the recessional hymn.

Some people have valid reasons for leaving Mass early, such as feeling ill or taking a crying child from church. Perhaps they are traveling and need to get to the airport on time. Still, I also wonder why there is a great exodus before the Mass has ended in some churches. In my opinion, people who are in the habit of leaving early should reconsider that practice. ●



Fr. Victor Karls, CSsR / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
January 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children 2 Sm 5:1–7, 10 Mk 3:22–30	January 23 Weekday 2 Sm 6:12b–15, 17–19 Mk 3:31–35	January 24 St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 2 Sm 7:4–17 Mk 4:1–20	January 25 Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle Acts 22:3–16 or Acts 9:1–22 Mk 16:15–18	January 26 Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops 2 Tm 1:1–8 or Ti 1:1–5 Mk 4:26–34	January 27 Weekday 2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17 Mk 4:35–41	January 28 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 18:15–20 1 Cor 7:32–35 Mk 1:21–28

Financial report as for	January 14th, 2024
Weekly Collection	\$5,007.
Average weekly expenses	\$11,000.
Children's collection	\$99.
SGG	\$2,305.

**Options for Donating Money :** We are trying to ensure your ease when making a donation. For your convenience we accept donation envelopes, e-transfers (finance@staug.ca) and pre-authorized payments. Please note that e-transfers are only funds to St. Augustine's. **Please, do not use old envelopes.** If you do not have envelopes to pick up please contact the office.

**Thank you for your generosity. God Bless you**

## Registration for St. Augustine School 2024-2025

The 2024 -2025 registration for new Kindergarten students for St. Augustine School is coordinated by the Brandon School Division. St. Augustine will continue to offer full day every day Kindergarten programming. Existing and new families must submit application forms to the Brandon School Division office at 1031 – 6 th Street.

- Application forms are available on the Brandon School Division web-site, and at the Brandon School Division Office

- Application period for St. Augustine School Kindergarten:

January 22, 2024 to February 2, 2024

- Applications can be submitted on-line or paper applications are to be dropped off to the Brandon School Division Office, 1031 6 th Street, Brandon, MB R7A 4K5.

Registration for the 2024 -2025 Grades 1 - 8 openings and waiting lists will be taken at the St. Augustine School office beginning February 1, 2024, at 8:00AM. If you have any questions, please contact the **school office** at 204729-3285.

**We are asking all people of good will to write to current ministers:** 1. The Honourable Arif Virani Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, 2.The Honourable Ya'ara Saks Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and Associate Minister of Health 3.The Honourable Mark Holland Minister of Health **Address of all ministers:** House of Commons, Ottawa ON, K1A 0A6, requesting that the expansion of Bill C-7 to include mental illness should be revoked. Please see posters for more info.



If you hosted Our Holy Mary's statue at your home during last 2 months could you please look for the three little doves that were attached to the statue? They got lost somewhere on the way.

*"Keeping quiet by mastering one's lips and tongue is a difficult, blazing, and arid work. But we must delve ever deeper into the interior realities that can shape the world usefully. Man must stand silently before God and tell him: God, since you gave me knowledge and the desire for perfection, lead me continually toward the absolute of love. Make me love more and more, because you are the wise artisan who leaves no work unfinished, as long as the clay of the creature does not oppose you with obstacles and refusals. I surrender wordlessly to you, O Lord. I want to be docile and malleable like clay in your hands, for you are a skillful, benevolent potter." - Robert Cardinal Sarah, "The power of silence" p.42*



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