

Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

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

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SERVED BY:

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EUCHARIST:

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 Second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm (excluding period of Lent). Please contact office for more information.
St. Mary's - Souris
Please contact Donni Zuk at 204-483-2687 for more information

MARRIAGE:

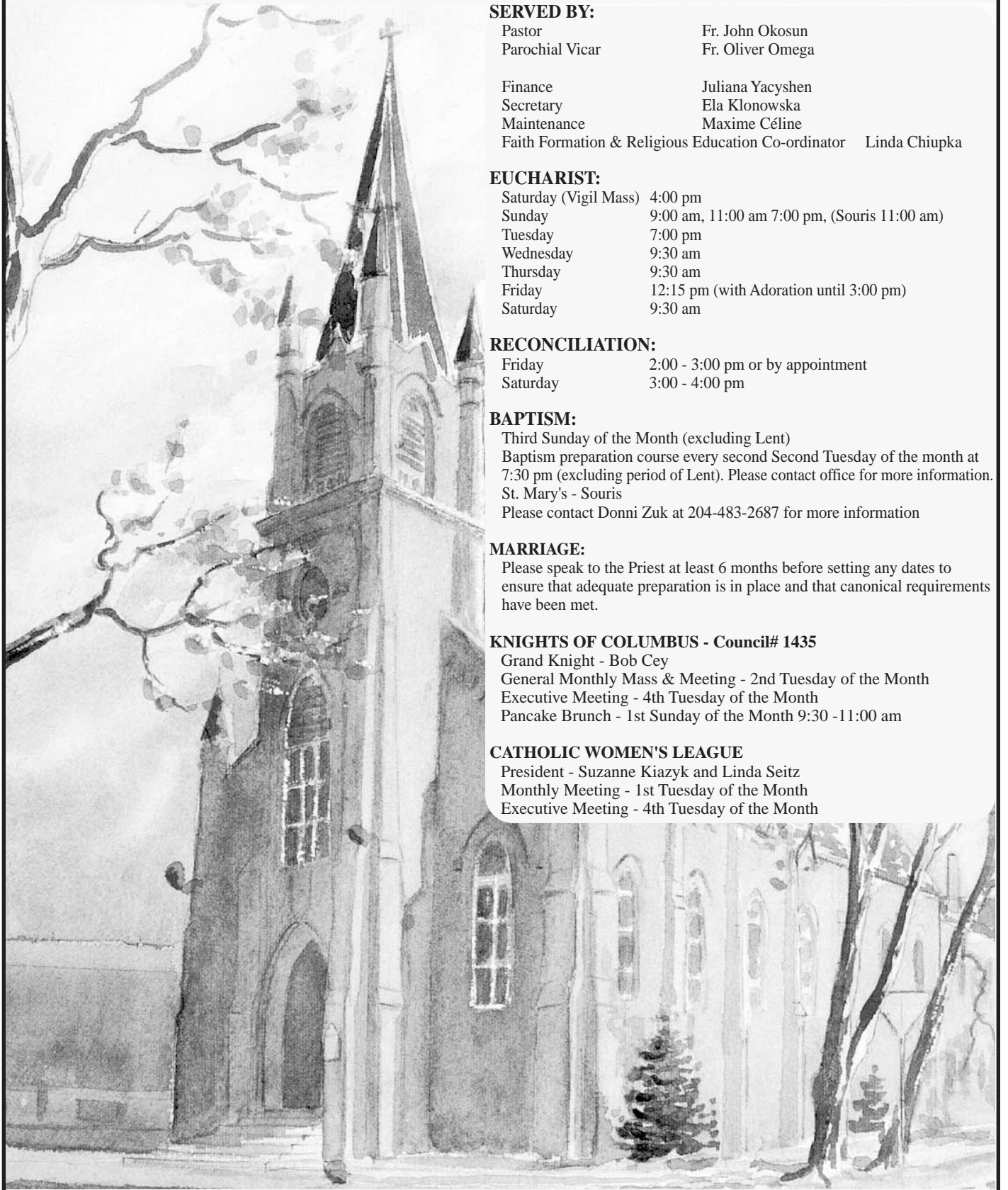
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Council# 1435

Grand Knight - Bob Cey
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





Leaving Room for the Unexpected

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

The Father is the reckless Sower. He sows not only in the good soil, where a harvest might be anticipated, but also in the difficult soil, where nothing seems to take root. He sows with abandon, seemingly wasting good seed, for no other reason than to experience the joy of creation and the endless possibilities of expecting to be surprised.

There is nothing wrong with well-laid-out plans and careful, methodical use of the resources available. However, planning should not exclude the possibility of the creative manifestation of the power of God in an unanticipated manner. Our planning should not restrict and constrict but rather enable and encourage. We have all experienced the unexpected flower that somehow lives surrounded by pavement. Or the hardy tree that clings to the side of the mountain. They should not be there. It should not be possible. Nothing can grow there. Yet, there they are, doing the impossible and proclaiming the improbable.

Thankfully, we serve a God who sees more than we are ever able to see. Who imagines for us more than we have ever dreamed possible. Who not only sows but also tends and waters, enabling stupendous growth, until it is time for the abundant harvest. ●

In Our Prayers Are: Gresnor Acquisio, Hermann Aquin, Jamie Ashley, Myron Blocka, Thomas Egan, Colette Garlinski, Pat Golding, Jenny Hamill, Vera Lafreniere, Angela Lau, Paul Malabar, Susan Richardson, Marilyn Ross, Joan Tweedie, Anne West, Pat Chambers, Rhea Chudy, Jean Warwaruk, Leon Sanders, Jason Pascal, Arlene Spence, Albertine Moran, Angel Eranio Cabrera, Ladesma Cabrera, Emery Fouillard, Marie Bialkoski, Lorraine Williams, Rohan and Baby, Dave, and the

Deacon **Rick DeBin** will be ordained at our Church on Friday **July 17** at 7:00 PM. All parishioners are invited to his Ordination Mass.

Our Next **Children's Mass** – a joyful, family-friendly Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday August 2nd at 12:30 p.m.** Potluck will follow. If your child would like to serve during the Mass, please contact Grace Simene (tel. 204-572-4344) or Dulce Lizada (tel. 204-740-8664).

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. July 14 (Isaiah 7.1-9, Matthew 11.20-24)		
7:00 pm	All Canadian Military Veterans with Medical or Mental Issues	Gerard & Glenda Wade
WED. July 15 (Isaiah 10.5-7, 13-16; Matthew 11.25-27)		
9:30 am	†Jeanette Tripp	Lara Family
THUR. July 16 (Isaiah 26.7-9, 12, 16-19; Matthew 11.28-30)		
9:30 am	†Bea Gross Alexandra Phillips Special Intention	Greg & Yvonne Skura & Family Godmother Rick & Jocelyn Kehler
10:30 am/FVH	†Rebecca Catherine O'Donohoe	Issigonis Family
FRI. July 17 (Isaiah 38.1-6, 21-22, 7-8, Isaiah 38, Matthew 12.1-8)		
12:15 pm	†Jacinta Rebucas Wareham †Sonja Millette †Tom Lehman Arlene Spence Sally Scaletta †Penelope Mwanje	Zosima Sevilla White & Family Noreen Dubois Darlene & Irvin Unrau Melina Lori Aleks Onita
SAT. July 18 (Micah 2.1-5, Matthew 12.14-21)		
9:30 am	†Mary Kennedy	Ray & Anne West
4:00 pm	†Joe Kosior	Noreen Dubois
SUN. July 19 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
9:00 am		Missa Pro Populo
11:00 am	†Philip Veitch	Ray & Mary Lou Simms
7:00 pm	Rose Kruk	Mom & Theodore & Family
11:00 am/Souris	Soccoro Family	Soccoro Punay
TUES. July 21 (Micah 7.14-15, 18-20, Matthew 12.46, 48-50)		
7:00 pm	†Jeanette Tripp	Mackalski Family
WED. July 22 (Song of Songs 3.1-4a; John 20.1, 11-18)		
9:30 am	Canada & Political Leaders	Life Culture Brandon
THUR. July 23 (Jeremiah 2.1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Matthew 13.10-17)		
9:30 am	†Kathy Smitzniuk Family †Percy Villafana Karen Fitzpatrick	Issigonis Family Loretta Hauser Lynn Silverside Rick & Jocelyn Kehler
10:30 am/FVH	†Peggy Mansoff	Rod Ferries
FRI. July 24 (Jeremiah 3.14-17; Matthew 13.18-23)		
12:15 pm	Charles †Sage †Steve Schmidt Alma Braschuk Zeel Anyamele Linda Chegwin	Maria Gurr Family Rod Ferries Heide Family Zeel Andrew & Margo Kiazky
SAT. July 25 (2 Corinthians 4.7-15; Matthew 20.20-28)		
9:30 am	†Bea Gross	Liliane Dupuis
4:00 pm	†Dustin Moffatt	Carol MacKenzie Gruber
SUN. July 26 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
9:00 am	Bruce Rae	Ken & Gloria Heide
11:00 am		Missa Pro Populo
7:00 pm	Thanksgiving	Maricris Sabado & Family
11:00 am/Souris	Murray & Donni Zuk	Parishioner from Souris

We welcome all to join the **Sing Aloud Mass on Sunday July 12 @ 12:30 p.m.** to give thanks to God. All **2026 graduating students** will have an opportunity to give thanks and receive blessing during this Mass.



On July 5th we joined with the entire Archdiocese of Winnipeg in this exciting renewal of our local Church as we come **together in Mission**. Together in Mission is a call to renew our discipleship, both as individuals and as parish communities.

Guided by the principles of Stewardship, the teachings of the Second Vatican Council, and the leadership of Pope Leo XIV and our own Archbishop, Archbishop Chatlain, we will strive to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and deepen our understanding of what it truly means to live as his disciples.

Awakened to the gifts of our time, talent, and treasure, may we become a flame of faith that brings hope and light to our community and to the world.

Please take a few moments to watch this important message from our Archbishop to learn more about **Together in Mission**.

Use the link below or scan our QR Code.

<https://archwinnipeg.ca/stewardship-and-mission/>

Financial Report for: July 05, 2025		
Weekly collection	\$	16,289.
Children collection	\$	255.
Sharing God's Gifts 2026 (Appeal)	\$	18,163.
Sharing God's Gifts 2026 Target	\$	62,365.
Weekly average spending	\$	11,000.

Options for Donating Money:

For your convenience we accept donation envelopes, e-transfers (finance@staug.ca) and pre-authorized payments. Please note: e-transfers are only funds to St. Augustine. **Please Do Not Use 2025 and Older Envelopes.** Thank you and God bless.

RCIA

Are you, or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? If you answered YES to this question, RCIA Program is perfect for you. **RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)** is the process for information and transformation. Perhaps you are from another Christian denomination and are seeking to come into the Catholic faith tradition, or perhaps a Catholic returning after decades of being away. If so, please leave your contact details at the Parish office and someone from the RCIA team will contact you.

Adult Sacrament Preparation Program

If you are an adult baptized Catholic who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation or First Holy Communion and you desire to complete the missing sacraments, we will be having sacramental preparation classes starting late October. Please leave your name and contact information at the Parish office and someone will be in touch with you.

On **Tuesday July 21** after the 7 PM Mass we are having a **farewell for Father Oliver** at the Parish square. Please join us for tea, coffee and an opportunity to thank Father Oliver and wish him the best in his new Parishes.

We are pleased to welcome, **Rev. Fr. Kaleab Eman Abdella**. Father Kaleab has been appointed Parochial Vicar of our Parish and St. Mary's Parish in Souris **effective August 1st, 2026**.

Knights of Columbus Brandon and assemblies from the United States have organized a **Mass at the International Peace Gardens on Sunday, August 16**. The recital of the rosary in six languages will start at 11:30 am with Mass following at 12:00 pm. Celebrant this year is Archbishop Murray Chastlain. This Mass was first organized over 50 years ago and brings parishioners from the United States and Canada together to pray for peace and harmony between our two great countries and all countries in the world. This year it is important that everyone attends to pray for harmony between our two great countries and peace around the world. The Knights have rented a bus for anyone that needs a ride to the Peace Garden. After the Mass there will be a couple of hours of free time to have a walk around the peace gardens to view all the different flower gardens. The venue has theater seating and is air conditioned. It is also wheelchair accessible. A meal of pulled pork and salad with dessert will be provided for a cost of \$20.00/12 and under free. We believe this is the only Mass of its kind in the world. Check the poster on our bulletin boards for more details.

THE GOOD NEIGHBOUR MINISTRY

Those who indicated their interest to support our seniors, the homebound, the sick and those with disability had their inaugural meeting on Monday July 6. It was decided that the ministry will be called, **"The Good Neighbour Ministry"**.

The immediate goal of the ministry will be:

To identify people in our community, who need some visit and phone calls and arrange to call and visit them from time to time.

The long-term goal is:

1. To plan social events for these people once in a month
2. To identify parishioners who cannot come to the Church because they have no rides and find ways to arrange rides for them.

Action plan for all parishioners:

If you know any person who will benefit from this ministry, kindly reach out to the person or persons and give their contact information to the parish office. And if you are interested in joining this noble ministry, kindly give your name to our parish secretary.



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