

Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

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

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SERVED BY:

Pastor	Fr. John Okosun
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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:

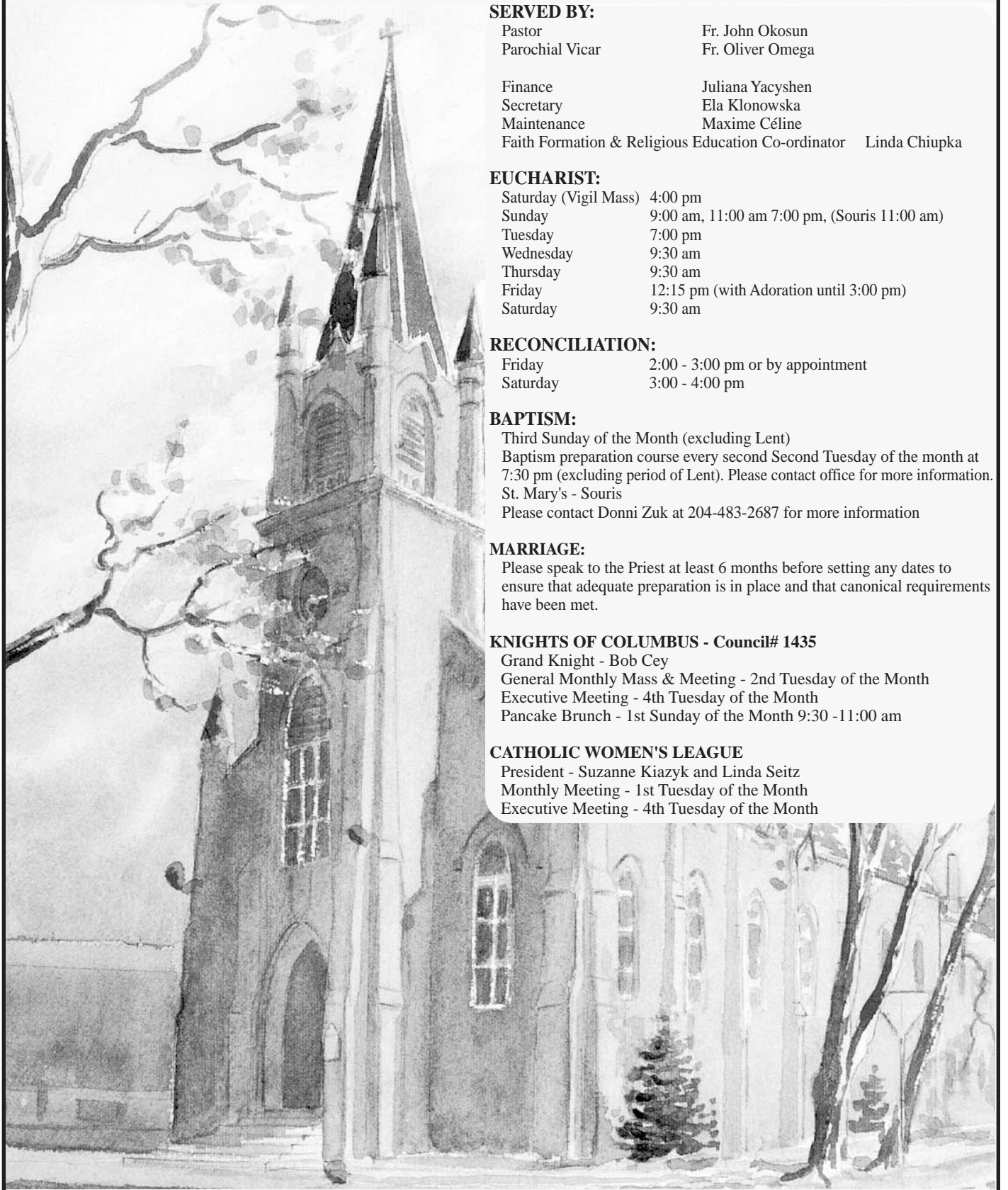
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

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 Kiazuk and Linda Seitz
Monthly Meeting - 1st Tuesday of the Month
Executive Meeting - 4th Tuesday of the Month





All for Jesus

MIGUEL DULICK

Today's gospel passage is challenging. If anyone other than Jesus told you that if you love your own family "more than me," you are "not worthy of me," you would laugh in their face! Or, is this what scholars call a "semitism"—a culturally conditioned exaggeration used for effect? What about you are "not worthy of me" unless you "take up [your] cross and follow me," or "whoever finds his life will lose it"? Does Jesus mean these literally, or are these metaphors? And what is "a prophet's reward"?

A friend of mine tried an experiment. He took the Gospel of Matthew and read it through from start to finish as if he had never seen it before. He was astonished! Jesus was serious. He meant it—all of it. Try it yourself without looking for loopholes.

The key in the reading today is "for my sake." The standard, the rule, that absolute mark is "me," that is, Jesus himself, only Jesus, always Jesus. And Jesus sets that mark very high. Take up your cross? Jesus was abandoned on the cross. Jesus gave away his Mother from the cross. Jesus lost his life on the cross. But he found that life: resurrection! That is "a prophet's reward," is it not?

I have to love Jesus' promise, a special "reward" for just sharing "a cup of cold water" with a "little one." It reminds me of Honduras, where I live. Here, a cup of cold water can make the difference between life and death. And that is no exaggeration! ●

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. June 30 (Amos 3.1-8; 4.11-12; Matthew 8.23-27)		
7:00 pm	† M-Paule LaRiviere	Yvonne & Greg Skura & Family
WED. July 01 (Amos 5.14-15, 21-24; Matthew 8.28-34)		
9:30 am	† George W. Dinsdale	Pat Dinsdale
THUR. July 02 (Amos 7.10-17; Matthew 9.1-8)		
9:30 am	Keven VanCauwenberghe	St. Vincent de Paul
	† Asuncion Rosales	Maria & Charles Lim
	† Steve Schmidt	Rod Ferris
10:30 am/FVH	† Joan Golding	Dr. Mary Egan
FRI. July 03 (Aphesians 2.19-22; John 20.24-29)		
12:15 pm	Josie Scaletta	Sally Scaletta
	† Annette Boucher	Liliane Dupuis
	Micheal, Taryn & Family	Dubois & Vajdik Families
	† Gwen Viola Buccini	Rudy & Rosemarie Bidinosti
	Alexandra Phillips	Chris & Cathie Czarnecki
SAT. July 04 (Amos 9.11-15; Matthew 9.14-17)		
9:30 am	† Bea Gross	Velma Beaudette
4:00 pm	† Gerry Reboll	Carol Mackenzie
SUN. July 05 – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
9:00 am	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for All Parishioners)	
11:00 am	† Gertrude Veitch	Ray & Mary Lou Simms
7:00 pm	† Mary & Benn Popien	Popien Family
11:00 am/Souris		

Last **Eucharistic Holy Hours for Vocation** sponsored by the Vocation Committee will be on Tuesdays **June 30th** after the 7:00 PM Mass.

Next gathering for **Youth Group** is on **Sunday July 05** at 1:00 p.m. Theme to discuss: "Your body is a temple – what Church teaches about sexuality".

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).

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.**

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.

Welcome to our Christian Community: *Isabella Branz Abraham, Theodore Haziell Alova, Antonio Silas Kean, Zaiden Jim Limjuco, Luke Bryan Scott, and Kaylem Wolski.*

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, and the homebound.

Dear Padre,

I raised my children in the faith, but two of them left the Church to embrace another denomination, and two others, although still Catholic, have not committed to regular church attendance. I worry about their salvation.



Your experience is not unknown to many Catholic parents. Many mothers and fathers could probably carry on a good conversation with you about their concerns for the faith lives of their children.

The journey of faith has many paths. An individual may think more deeply about the meaning of life or may find religion after a momentous experience or in the process of gathering with a community in which they find support, clarity, shared beliefs, or guidelines for living morally. For those of us who grew up believing, chances are, we were not introduced to religion through logic. Children are brought to church long before they are aware of their need for God. They learn doctrine and attend worship before questions of faith and religion form within them. Passing on the faith is a great gift that parents give, and it will serve these young people well. Your children have the tools to help them find their way, and God continues to be with them. Follow the example of St. Monica and pray for them. Trust this one to God and continue to be a good example. ●

Financial Report for: June 21, 2026

Weekly collection	\$	9,057.
Children collection	\$	175.
Sharing God's Gifts 2026 (Appeal)	\$	16,593.
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.

REMINDER – please **avoid using strong fragrances** when coming to our Church to respect our parishioners with allergies and sensitivity to fragrances.

Also, please **do not bring any food to our Church** (with the exemption of milk formulas for babies) to keep our Church safe and free from any rodents.

Couples for Christ would like to invite you to its **Christian Life Program (CLP)** on **June 20, 21, 27, and 28** at St Augustine of Canterbury Church with the theme: Answering His Call.

CLP is a series of talks, group discussions, and fellowship activities to deepen your Christian faith and for renewal of families. Open to young adult, married, elderly, widowed, and single. For more information, please see the poster on the bulletin boards, or contact Bro Boyet Escalera at tel. 204-721-4369.

Once-Weekly Catechism - registration is now open for the 2026/27 Once-weekly Catechism year (OWC). OWC is a weekly program of study for students from Kindergarten to Gr. 8, and for those up to age 18 who have not yet been Confirmed.

You may enroll online at <https://staug.ca/get-to-know-us/catechism/>, or in-person by visiting the Parish office. **Please register by June 30, 2026 to avoid late enrollment fees.** Catechism will begin on Thursday, September 10, 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.



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