

Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

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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

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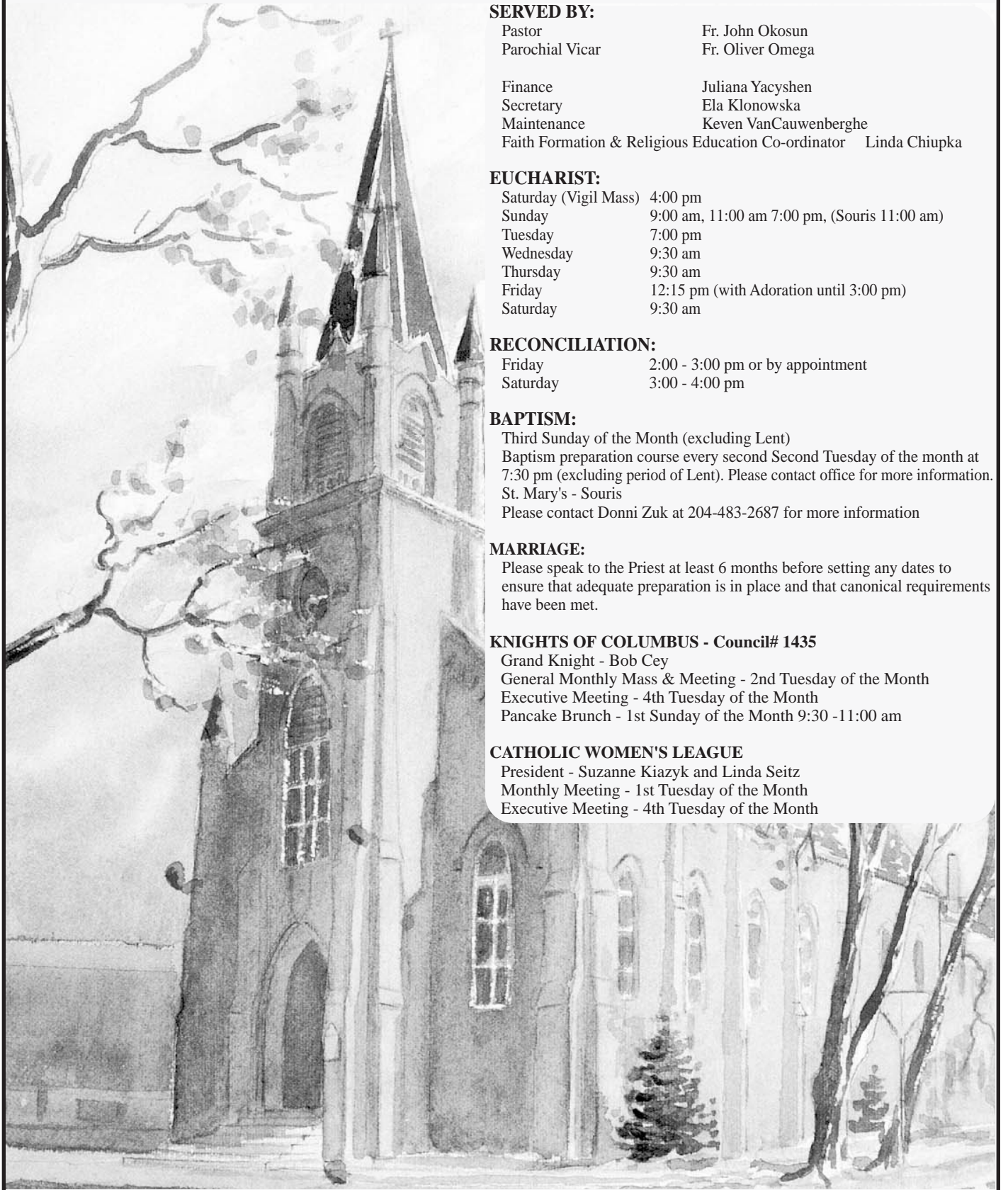
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

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





Enough?

ANN M. GARRIDO

When I was a child, my parents taught me to pray with my hands pressed together, fingers pointed upward toward God. But somewhere along the way, I learned a different posture for prayer: seated, with my palms facing upward on my lap. It's a gesture of openness—an acknowledgment that I come before God in humble need, ready to receive whatever he wants to give.

In today's gospel, Philip approaches Jesus in a similar stance of openness. "Show us the Father," he says, "and that will be enough for us" (John 14:8). Jesus responds that Philip has already seen the Father because Jesus' words and actions are the Father's words and actions. Philip needs no more—he has already received "enough."

Sometimes, I need this reminder myself. I long for a new insight into God that perhaps one more book or one more lecture will give me. Don't get me wrong: lifelong learning is a wonderful thing, and there is always more of God to discover! But it is important to acknowledge that, like Philip, I have already come to know the Father through Jesus, and everything I need to live the Christian life is already in place. Rather than more knowledge, it is a question of putting into action what I've been taught.

Of late, when I pray, I have embraced a new prayer posture: turning my hands downward, resting my palms on my knees. It helps me remember that with Jesus as my shepherd, I "shall not want." I already have all I need. ●



LEARN ABOUT THE AUTHORS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Reflect

What does "enough" mean to me?

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. May 05 (Acts 14.19-28; John 14.27-31a)		
No Mass		
WED. May 06 (2 Timoth 4.1-5; John 10.11-16)		
No Mass		
THUR. May 07 (Acts 15.7-21; John 15.9-11)		
No Mass		
FRI. May 08 (Acts 15.22-31; John 15.12-17)		
No Mass		
SAT. May 09 (Acts 16.1-10; John 15.18-21)		
9:30 am	Mothers	CWL
4:00 pm	†Mike & Elsie Panchuk	Terry & Pam Szmon
SUN. May 10 – 6th Sunday of Easter		
9:00 am	†Mary Magjack	Ed & Mike
11:00 am	Missa Pro Populo	
7:00 pm	Lilian Sieklicki	Mom & Tato
11:00 am/Souris		

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, Anne Sawers, Arlene Spence, Albertine Moran, Angel Eranio Cabrera, Ladesma Cabrera, Emery Fouillard, Marie Bialkoski, Lorraine Williams, and the homebound.

Children's Mass – a joyful, family-friendly Mass especially for children and families will be celebrated on **May 3rd at 12:30 p.m.** Potluck will follow.

St. Augustine **Class Mass** for grades 2, 4 & 8 will be on Wednesday **May 13th** at 11:15 a.m.

Youth & Young Adults Group is meeting on Sunday **May 17th** @ 1:00 p.m. Topic to discuss: "7 gifts of the Holy Spirit".

Last gathering for **Men's Group** for this season is on Wednesday **May 20, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m.** ("On Fortitude – The Virtue of Striving for Truly Good Things").

The next two **Eucharistic Holy Hours for Vocation** sponsored by the Vocation Committee are scheduled on Tuesdays **May 19th and June 30th** after the 7:00 PM Mass. We would appreciate it if you would support and promote this initiative.

There will be **no daily Masses** between **May 4th – May 8th** (included) due to our priests being away for their retreat.

Our Church will be **closed** for public on **May 6th & May 7th** for carpet cleaning.

5th Sunday of Easter

When Pope Francis announced the Synod on Synodality, a three-year global conversation (2021-24) with the People of God to discern together how to be a Church where we walk together, reactions from Catholics ranged from amazement to cynicism to hope. This massive project reached from the Vatican to the tiniest faith community through small groups wrestling with questions about where the Church is and where it could go.

I guess not much has changed in 2,000 years: the early Church wrestled with these same questions, as we see in today's first reading. What are the priorities? Who can carry them out? How can we best serve those we care for? Confident in God's love and God's word, believers made decisions together and kept on working for the kingdom. They were (and we are) "living stones": "a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people," as the first Letter of Peter puts it.

Just as he beckoned his disciples, Jesus invites us to follow him. In today's Gospel, Thomas asks, "How can we know the way? As we continue to walk together on the synodal path, we at times wonder the same thing. But by keeping our eyes on Jesus – the Way, the Truth and the Life – we cannot go astray.

Let your love be upon us, Lord, even as we hope in you.

Anne Louis Mahoney, Ottawa ON
(Living in Christ, May 2026)

*** Reflection of the Week ***

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

(John 14.1-12)

Financial Report for: April 26, 2026	
Weekly collection	\$ 9,042.
Children collection	\$ 245.
Sharing God's Gifts 2026	\$ 11,717.
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.

The Parish is seeking volunteers for all the masses on **Pentecost Sunday May 24th** who will come beautifully dressed in their Cultural/Traditional Attire. Just like the apostles spoke in different tongues, our volunteers will have to say 'Welcome' in their mother tongue like we did last year. There will also be a potluck after the 11:00 AM Mass on that day, all are welcome. Sign up sheets will be at the entrance at every Mass till the 17th of May. Thank you.

Refugee Committee

If you have religious items (e.g. Statues, Crucifixes, Rosaries or Religious Books), that you no longer need, please consider donating them to the Refugee Committee. There are bins set out at the church entrances for the religious articles you wish to donate.

The collected items will be available after Masses on **May 9th and May 10th** for a freewill donation to support their cause of sponsoring and supporting refugees. Thank you.

Fundraiser for Life Culture Brandon

Life Culture Brandon will be starting our annual fundraiser on the weekend of Mother's Day, **May 9th and 10th**.

Please consider taking a plastic container home and filling it with your spare change and returning it on Father's Day weekend, June 20th and 21st. This "Changing Hearts and Minds Campaign" will financially support the 9 Pro-life bus benches throughout the city.

Thank you for your generosity toward this worthwhile cause.

The **Knights of Columbus** will be hosting the first annual **Golf Tournament** on **Saturday May 30th** at the Wheat City Golf Course. Here is the link for more information and how to register as a team or individually: <https://kofc1435.staug.ca/golf/>. Proceeds are going to the Catholic School Board.

CWL Scholarship

Applications for the **2026 St. Augustine's Catholic Women's League Scholarship** are now available at all Brandon High Schools and Souris High School. This \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to a female student who is graduating from Grade 12 (Senior 4) in the current year and is an active member of St. Augustine's Parish, Brandon or missions served by St. Augustine's Parish. Applications may be delivered to St. Augustine's Parish Office. Also, forms are available at the Parish Office.

Deadline for applications is **3:00 p.m., Friday, May 29, 2026.**

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