

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:

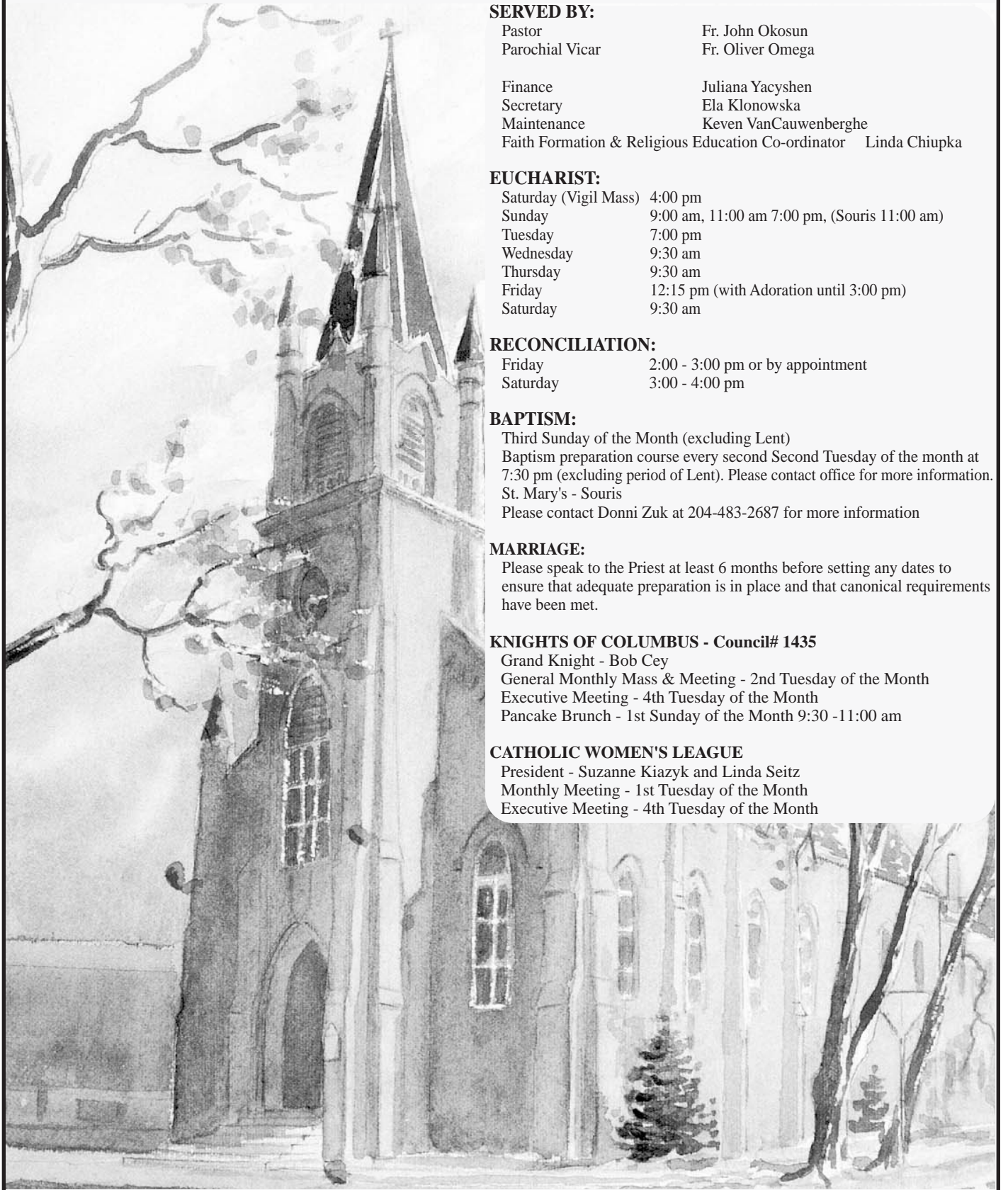
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

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





Embracing the Mystery

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSsR

The Christian confession of a triune God cannot be explained, it can only be believed. It is not a cop-out to proclaim that this belief is rooted in mystery. Mystery is the essential language and experience of belief. We lose something when we try to explain a mystery instead of embracing it. It may make us uncomfortable; it may provoke more questions than answers. Regardless, it does not suggest the weakness of mystery but rather the beauty, the wonder, and the awe.

Embracing belief and living as a person of faith is a singular journey. You cannot believe for someone else, and that person, even one you dearly love, cannot believe for you. It is also important to understand that as singular as the journey of faith may be, it ultimately ends in community. Belief does not isolate a person, but rather invites a person to connect with others who also walk in faith.

The community/communion of the triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—is the perfect witness to the truth that mystery creates. One God, three divine persons. The Eucharist that we celebrate on this day proclaims the unity of our belief—to the Father, through the Son, by the power of the Holy Spirit. ●



LEARN ABOUT
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COMMUNITY

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. June 02 (2 Peter 3.12-15a, 17-18; Mark 12.13-17)		
7:00 pm	†Peter Kiazzyk	Andrew & Margo Kiazzyk
WED. June 03 (2 Timothy 1.1-3, 6-12; Mark 12.18-27)		
9:30 am	Grandchildren	Grandma Sally
11:15 am		
THUR. June 04 (2 Timoth 2.8-15; Mark 12.28-34)		
9:30 am	Fathers	CWL
	†Deceased Family Members	Peter & Norah Pieroni
	Lorraine Williams	Secret Prayer Partner
	Carmen Stewart	Gilberte Andruski
	Stella Boyko	Pat Dinsdale
10:30 am/FVH	Fr. Charles Fillion (25 th Anniversary)	Carol Mackenzie
FRI. June 05 (12 Timothy 3.10-17; Mark 12.35-37)		
12:15 pm	†Michael & George Dinsdale	Pat Dinsdale
	†Jeanette Trip	Jean Exley
	†Joanne Wytinck	Velma & Ken Scott
	†Dan Robleski	Dr. Mary Egan
	†Godofreda Delmo	Kareen Partosa
	†Sam Scaletta	Sally Scaletta & Family
SAT. June 06 (2 Timothy 4.1-8; Mark 12.38-44)		
9:30 am	†Bea Gross	Jim & Brenda Tryhuba
4:00 pm	†Mariano Pasaporte Sr.	Pasaporte Family
SUN. June 07 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ		
9:00 am	†Colin Hardy	Brenda Hardy
11:00 am	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for All Parishioners)	
7:00 pm	†Marcelino Lizada	Dulce & Rey Lizada & Family
11:00 am/Souris		

On **Sunday June 7th** we will have our **2026 Corpus Christi** procession to celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Please join us after the 11:00 AM Mass. Children who have received their 1st Holy Communion this year are encouraged to join the procession dressed in their 1st Communion outfits.

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

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, and the homebound.

Reminder to All Parishioners - As a sign of respect for the Blessed Sacrament and for parishioners who are praying, please kindly avoid talking inside the Church before and after the Mass.

Dear Padre,

During Mass, is it proper for the faithful to raise our hands when pronouncing the words, “For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever”?

When the priest and people offer the Our Father together to God, the presider assumes an ancient posture of prayer, known as the *orans*—with arms extended and palms opened upward. After the

Lord’s Prayer, the priest keeps his hands extended and says alone the embolism (“Deliver us, Lord...”). At the end, he joins his hands, and the people acclaim, “For the kingdom....” This acclamation is meant to be the people’s response to the embolism, and the priest remains silent for it. It would appear unnecessary for the faithful to now extend their hands during this acclamation—especially when it’s a response to an embolism prayer that just called for the presider to have extended his own hands and now has them joined together.

Although the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* doesn’t mention a specific congregational hand posture during this acclamation, it speaks in favor of “what serves the common spiritual good of the People of God, rather than private inclination or arbitrary choice,” stating that a common bodily posture “is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered together for the sacred Liturgy: it both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants” (*GIRM* 42). ●



THOMAS J. JORDAN / SHUTTERSTOCK

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Financial Report for: May 24, 2026		
Weekly collection	\$	8,051.
Children collection	\$	210.
Sharing God’s Gifts 2026 (Appeal)	\$	13,437.
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.

Donation Envelopes – if you still wish to receive the 2026 box of donation envelopes, please contact the Parish office or email your request to finance@staug.ca.

IMPORTANT

During our last pest control inspection, there was rodent activity reported inside the Church. In order to keep our Church safe and free of any rodents, please **do not bring any food** to the Church (with the exemption of milk formula for babies). Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE

This year’s Clergy and Religious Appreciation Dinner is planned for Wednesday October 14th, 2026, at the Parish square.

Welcome to our Christian Community: Dina Goitom and Uzochi Daniel Okeke.

The Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Applications for the **2026 Knights of Columbus Scholarship** will be accepted now. This \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a male student who is graduating from grade 12 (senior 4) in the current year and is a practicing member of the Catholic Parish within Brandon, Souris or Shilo. Please check the poster on our bulletin boards for details and requirements. Application deadline is **June 15th, 2026**.

St. Augustine’s **Catholic Women’s League** is having the **Annual June Wind-Up** on **Tuesday June 2nd** with Mass at 4:00 p.m. and Dinner at 5:30 p.m. at the Parish square. Hats are optional: fascinator, vintage, sun – your choice.

Dinner ticket price is \$25/per person. For tickets availability please contact: Leona Smithson (tel. 204-727-8398) or Ann Kamann (tel. 204-728-8205).

St Augustine of Canterbury church will be part of the **Doors Open Tours of Brandon** once again this year. to be held on the weekend of August 15th and 16th. We will need 8 -10 volunteers to provide tours of our beautiful church. Fact sheets will be provided. What we ask is 2-3 hours of your time. If you are interested, please leave your contact information at the parish office **by Monday June 1st**.

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.



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