

Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

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

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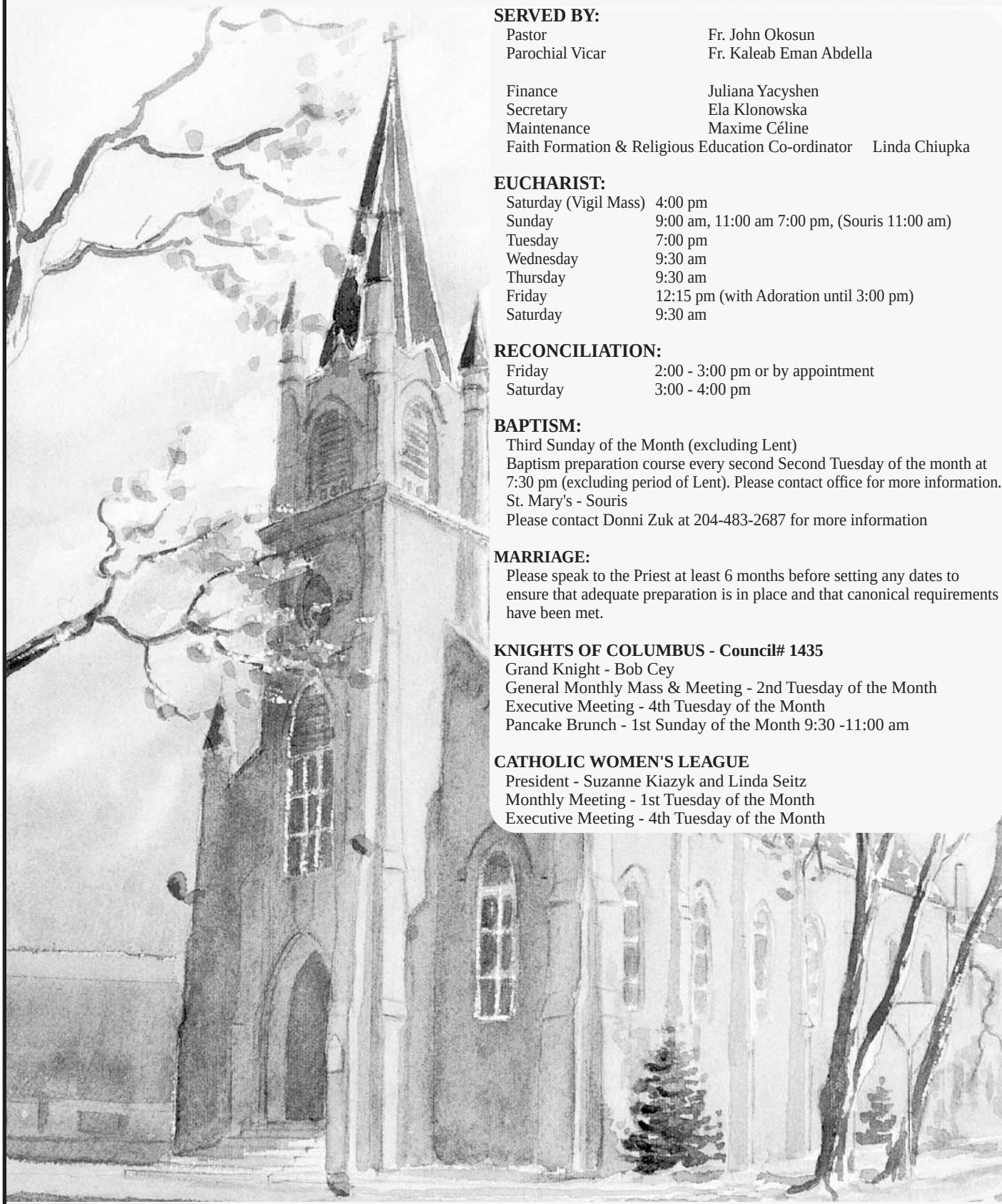
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

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





Come and Get It!

MIGUEL DULICK

What a lovely feast when we hear again the familiar beatitudes. Blessed! Blessed! Blessed! Are you poor in spirit? Come on down—you get the kingdom of heaven! Are you mourning? Comfort on call! Meek? This land is your land! Hungering for righteousness? Your marching days are done! Are you merciful? You ain't seen nothin' yet! What about clean of heart? That's hard to live up to, but the reward is that you get to see God! Peacemaker? "Why, you're one of my own children!" says God. And, finally...insulted and persecuted? Crowned in heaven; that is your reward!

How many saints are there? According to the Book of Revelation, "A great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue" (Revelation 7:9). Pope John Paul II took that as a mandate, multiplying saints beyond the capacity of the calendar to accommodate them; he wanted every community to have a patron saint. Pope Benedict kept up the "multitude-ing," and, in 2015, Pope Francis declared Archbishop Oscar Romero—long called "*San Romero de las Americas*" by the faithful of El Salvador since his assassination in 1980—a martyr *in odium fidei*, that is, he had been murdered out of hatred of his faith. This led to his beatification in the same year and his canonization by Pope Francis in 2018. I visited his tomb in 1985, and there were already hundreds of notes stuck on the wall, all grateful for *el milagro*—the miracle. Saints of God, pray for us. ●



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Reflect

Who are my special saints? Why?

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. November 03 (Philippians 2.5-11; Luke 14.15-24)		
7:00 pm	Special Intention	Rick & Jocelyn Kehler
WED. November 04 (Philippians 2.12-18; Luke 14.25-33)		
9:30 am	†Deceased Family Members	Sally Scaletta
11:00 am	†Grant McDonald	Cole Walters
THUR. November 05 (Philippians 3.3-8a; Luke 15.1-10)		
9:30 am	†Mary Kennedy	Ray & Anne West
	Health of Family Members	Leona & Family
	†Joanne Malkowich	Judy Cancade
	†Lawrence Dubois	Noreen Dubois
10:30 am/FVH	†Mykon Blocka	Carol Mackenzie
FRI. November 06 (Philippians 3.17-21; 4.1; Luke 16.1-8)		
12:15 pm	All Souls	Eileen Suski & Family
	†Mathew Perry	Ann Treasa Wilson
	†Susanne Zintel	Theresa
	Kristen Zegers & Family	Gurr Family
	†Halina Tarwid	Krystyna Tarwid
SAT. November 07 (Philippians 4.10-19; Luke 16.9-15)		
9:30 am	†Felicien Boulet	Eveline & Family
4:00 pm	†Deceased Family Members	Peter & Norah Pieroni
SUN. November 08 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
9:00 am	†Colin Hardy	Brenda Hardy
11:00 am	Missa Pro Populo	
7:00 pm	†Connie Gudz	Family
11:00 am Souris		

[Jesus said,] "Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you [falsely] because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." MATTHEW 5:11-12

St. Cecilia's Girls Choir is inviting girls ages 6 to 17 years old to join. Practices are every Sunday from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. For more information please contact: nguyentk184@gmail.com.

St. Augustine Class Mass for grades 1 K/R, 5 & 6 is on Wednesday **November 4th** at 11:00 a.m.

Next **School Mass** will be on **Wednesday November 18th** at 11:00 a.m.

ADVENT CONFESSION

Thursday, December 03

1:00 p.m. (School) & 5:00 p.m. (General)

In Our Prayers Are: Gresnor Acquisio, Hermann Aquin, Jamie Ashley, 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, Jason Pascal, Arlene Spence, Albertine Moran, Angel Eranio Cabrera, Ladesma Cabrera, Emery Fouillard, Marie Bialkoski, Lorraine Williams, Rohan and Baby, Dave, Kerry Fast, Adrian Villafana, Patricia Greene, Harvey Ostroski, and the homebound.

Dear Padre,

Growing up, I was never taught how to pray, just how to recite prayers. After a lot of reading about prayer, I find myself conflicted about to whom I pray. At church, we pray to Jesus. But, on the other hand, God is the Almighty One who gave me life. And to make it even harder, there are Mary and the saints. So, to whom do I pray?



A person can end up reciting long formulas of prayers or decades of the rosary without being mentally present. Distraction in prayer is a major problem. Real prayer is conversation with God. God appreciates having our full attention.

If you really look at the prayers of the Mass, you'll see they are all directed to God the Father, with the exception of a prayer that is said to Jesus before Communion. We pray *through* Christ *in* the Holy Spirit to God the Father in all the other prayers. However, the Persons of the Blessed Trinity are not jealous of one another. To honor the Father brings immense pleasure to the Son, and vice-versa.

And praying to Mary and the saints is better understood as asking them to pray *with* us. Jesus said that when two are in agreement about anything they pray for, God will grant that prayer. (See Matthew 18:19.) We exercise the option of praying with others when we invoke the saints.

The great thing is that any genuine prayer is a tremendous help to one's spiritual life. ●

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Financial Report for: October 25, 2026		
Weekly collection	\$	8,134.
Children collection	\$	210.
Together in Mission Appeal	\$	7,687.
Together in Mission Amount Needed	\$	32,832.
2026 Appeal Target	\$	62,365.
Weekly average spending	\$	11,000.

Options for Donating Money:

For your convenience we accept donation envelopes, e-transfers (finance@staug.ca), pre-authorized payments and cash. E-transfers are only funds to St. Augustine.

Please Do Not Use 2025 or Older Envelopes.

All donations are gratefully accepted in Canadian currency. Unfortunately, we are not in a position to accept foreign currency. Thank you and God bless.

Together in Mission has replaced the Sharing God's Gift Appeal effective September 1st. **It means all cheque donations need to be made out to Together in Mission.**

Also, please note, our Parish still needs to collect over **\$20,000 by December this year**. If we do not make our 2026 total target we would need to transfer to Archdiocese the missing amount from our donations. We would appreciate your support!

Barbeque

If you have a spare barbeque and wish to donate to our Church, we would gladly appreciate it. Our Parish is currently looking for 2 barbeques to be used at our Parish and the Rectory.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL would gratefully accept **winter coats** and other **winter outerwear** so they can be given to those in need this winter. If you have any extra coats or other winter outerwear, please drop them off in the St. Vincent de Paul bins located by both Church entrances. Accepting **ONLY WINTER OUTERWEAR, NO OTHER CLOTHING**. Thank you.

Nine Lessons and Carols will be presented by St. Augustine's Parish during this holiday season **on Sunday December 20 at 2:00 p.m. in the Church**. For more information, please contact Linda at faithformation@staug.ca.

St. Augustine's CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE is inviting to the **Annual Advent Celebration** on **Tuesday, December 1st** with Mass at 11:00 a.m. and Dinner at 12:30 p.m. at the Parish square.
Dinner tickets: \$25/person.

For tickets please contact: Leona Smithson (tel. 204-727-8398) or Ann Kamann (tel. 204-728-8205).

Deadline to purchase tickets is **November 23rd**.

There will be a monetary collection for Esk-Omi Missions. Donations of food items/cash for St. Vincent de Paul will also be accepted.

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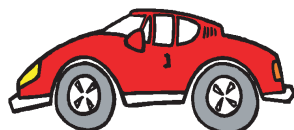
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