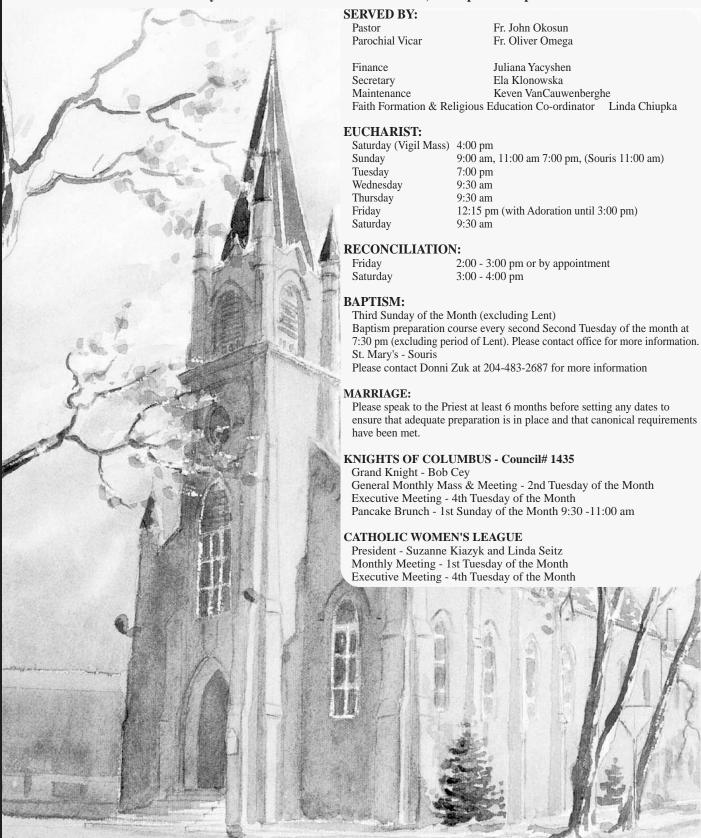
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November 2, 2025

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Wisdom 3:1–9 / Romans 5:5–11 or Romans 6:3–9 / John 6:37–40 (*These readings or any from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead*)



All Soul's Day

"Today's Gospel depicts the heartrending scene of a widowed mother weeping over the body of her son. Even the supportive presence of her community cannot lighten her solitary grief.

This picture is tragically familiar to our modern eyes. The daily news repeatedly confronts us with photos of bereaved mothers and lifeless children around the globe – young lives cut short by war, climate disasters, disease, violence or addictions. These scenes seem to symbolize all that is broken in our world. It is easy to feel overwhelmed and to look away. Ever compassionate, Jesus never looked away from suffering people. Not only does he comfort the woman, he restores her son to her, and her anguish is transformed into tears of joy.

The God of whom Jesus is the incarnation is characterized in today's other readings as a God who listens, who shows mercy, who protects and saves – culminating in the vision in Revelation of a new creation where death is no more.

Today as we remember those who have gone before us, we reflect on the many tragedies afflicting our world. May our loving God deepen our trust and sustain our hope that a new and better world is possible and guide us in working together to realize that vision."

Krystyna Higgins, Guelph, ON (Living with Christ)

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. November 04 (Romans 12.5-16 ^a ; Luke 14.15-24)			
7:00 pm	Denis Foerster	Sieklicki Family	
WED. November 05 (Romans 13.8-10; Luke 14.25-33)			
9:30 am	†Lawrence Dubois	Garry & Lorraine Winters	
THUR. November 06 (Romans 14.7-12; Luke 15.1-10)			
9:30 am	[†] Robert Jackson	Marlene & Barbara Mackalski	
	Sally Scaletta	Annette Fifi	
	†Victor Hercun	Bea Gross	
10:30 am /FVH	†Deceased Legion of Mary Members	Legion of Mary Members	
FRI. November 07 (Romans 15.14-21; Luke 16.1-8)			
12:15 pm	∜William Linster	David & Judy Bryant	
	[†] Deceased CWL Members	CWL	
	†Felicien Boulet	Eveline & Family	
	† Kathy Lynn DeRoo	St. Augustine's Office	
SAT. November 08 (Romans 16.3-9, 16, 22-27; Luke 16.9-15)			
9:30 am	†Manuel Chu	Carreon Family	
4:00 pm	†Deceased Members of Scaletta Family	Sally & Family	
SUN. November 09 – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica			
9:00 am	†Colin Hardy	Brenda Hardy	
11:00 am	Thanksgiving	Lizada Family	
7:00 pm	†Laurent Archer	Claude & Marian Archer	
11:00 am/Souris	Missa Pro Popula (Mass for All Parishioners)		

In Our Prayers Are: Gresnor Acquisio, Hermann Aquin, Jamie Ashley, Myron Blocka, Angel Eranio Cabrera, Thomas Egan, Colette Garlinski, Pat Golding, Jenny Hamill, Vera Lafreniere, Angela Lau, Paul Malabar, Susan Richardson, Marilyn Ross, Bonnie Schellenberg, Joan Tweedie, Anne West, Pat Chambers, Rhea Chudy, Leon Sanders, and the homebound.

Retreat with Fr. David Bellusci O.P.

Fr. David Bellusci O.P. will give a talk on the Truth and Meaning of Human Sexuality followed by a second talk (after a short lunch break) on the Dominican saint, St. Pier Giorgio Frassati - the man of the 8 beatitudes. This will be on **November 8, Saturday** from 10 - 2 pm in the Church. Adoration will be from 11 - 12 noon with Confession available. Snacks and Refreshments will be served. We invite you to bring a bag lunch.

Adult Sacrament Preparation Classes will begin on **November 19th** at 6:30 pm in room 108. The classes will take place every 3rd Wednesday of the month for the period of 7 months. The classes are intended for baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacrament of Holy Communion or Confirmation. If you are interested, please leave your contact information at the Parish office.

Saint Vincent de Paul is accepting donations of Winter Coats and other Winter apparel that can be handed out to those in need. If you have any extra winter clothing, please drop them off in the SVdP bins located at both entrances of the Church.

Bible Study will take place on Thursday **November 6**th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Museum.

November 2nd – November 8th Vocation Awareness Week

Please pray for young people to listen to what God is calling them to be: married, single, priest or consecrate life.

We pray a **Rosary for Vocations** every **Saturday @ 9:00 am** (before the morning Mass). Everyone is welcome.

Dear Padre,

Do we pray for the dead on All Souls' Day for what we can do for them, or for what they can do for us?

On All Souls' Day, the Church celebrates the one body in Christ that unites its members on earth, in purgatory, and in heaven. For more than a thousand years, we've commemorated this transcendent bond on the second day of November, whether at Mass, in a cemetery, or on a home altar to the faithful departed. This bond of companionship between the living and deceased is



so vital to our spiritual well-being that All Souls' Day is celebrated even when November 2 falls on a Sunday. Because Catholics are in communion with one another through an active relationship that transcends death, our prayers, Masses, sacrifices, and works of charity can be offered up on behalf of the deceased. (See 2 Maccabees 12:38–46.) Souls that get to heaven, in turn, offer their prayers on behalf of the living. Thus, our assistance to the deceased, and their intercession for us, is mutually beneficial! "A perennial link of charity exists between the faithful who have already reached their heavenly home, those who are expiating their sins in purgatory, and those who are still pilgrims on earth. Between them there is, too, an abundant exchange of all good things" (Indulgentiarum Doctrina, 5; Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1475, 954-955, 962). May perpetual light shine upon the souls of the faithful departed. •

Financial Report for: October 26, 2025			
Weekly collection	\$	8,793.	
Children collection	\$. 203.	
Sharing God's Gifts 2025	\$	32,119.	
Sharing God's Gifts 2025 Target	\$	64,959.	
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. <u>Please Do Not use Old Envelopes.</u> Thank you and God bless.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights are looking for good Catholic men, 18 and older who would like to join their **local council**. For more information, please contact Bob Cey (<u>bskc@mymts.net</u>).

The Knights are holding an **exemplification for new members** after 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday **November 16**th in the Church. For more information, please contact John at tel. 204-7243322.

FALL SUPPER

Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone that supported the 2025 Fall Supper. The Fall Supper could not have been a success without the generous donations and all of the volunteers from St. Augustine's Parish.

Every year we have several ladies that volunteer and we want to acknowledge them. A special heart-felt thank-you to these ladies. Approximately 200 meals were served in 2025.

Proceeds from the Fall Supper assist with donations to St. Vincent de Paul and various other charities within Brandon. Thank-you!!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service. Members are involved in many of the parish ministries as lectors, as ecumenical ministers, providing funeral lunches, and St. Vincent do Paul and more. They raise funds to support many local, national and international charities.

- CWL is accepting memberships (\$40) for the year 2026. New members are welcome. You may contact Suzanne Kiazyk @ 204-4418540 or Linda Seitz @ 204-7250469 for more information.
- Next CWL meeting is scheduled on **November 4**th at 1:30 pm.
- ➤ **Prayer Partner envelopes** for CWL members are available in the east vestibule of the Church.

St. Augustine's Catholic Women's League

ANNUAL ADVENT CELEBRATION

Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025

Mass at 11:00 AM

Followed by Dinner in the Square at 12:30 pm Tickets: \$25.00/Person

Available from Ann Kamann @ tel. 204-7288205 Or Leona Smithson @ tel. 204-7278398 Admission by Advance Tickets Only

Deadline to purchase Tickets: November 20th, 2025

There will be no reserving of tickets and tickets will not be sold in the Parish office.

Donations accepted for Esk-Omi Mission and St. Vincent de Paul

Sharing God's Gifts

It is that time of the year again when we are invited to support our Archbishop in his various projects throughout our Archdiocese by Sharing God's Gifts. The new brochure is now available. We encourage all parishioners to donate to support Sharing God's Gift and help us to reach **our 2025 target of \$64,959.**



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