

Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

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

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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:

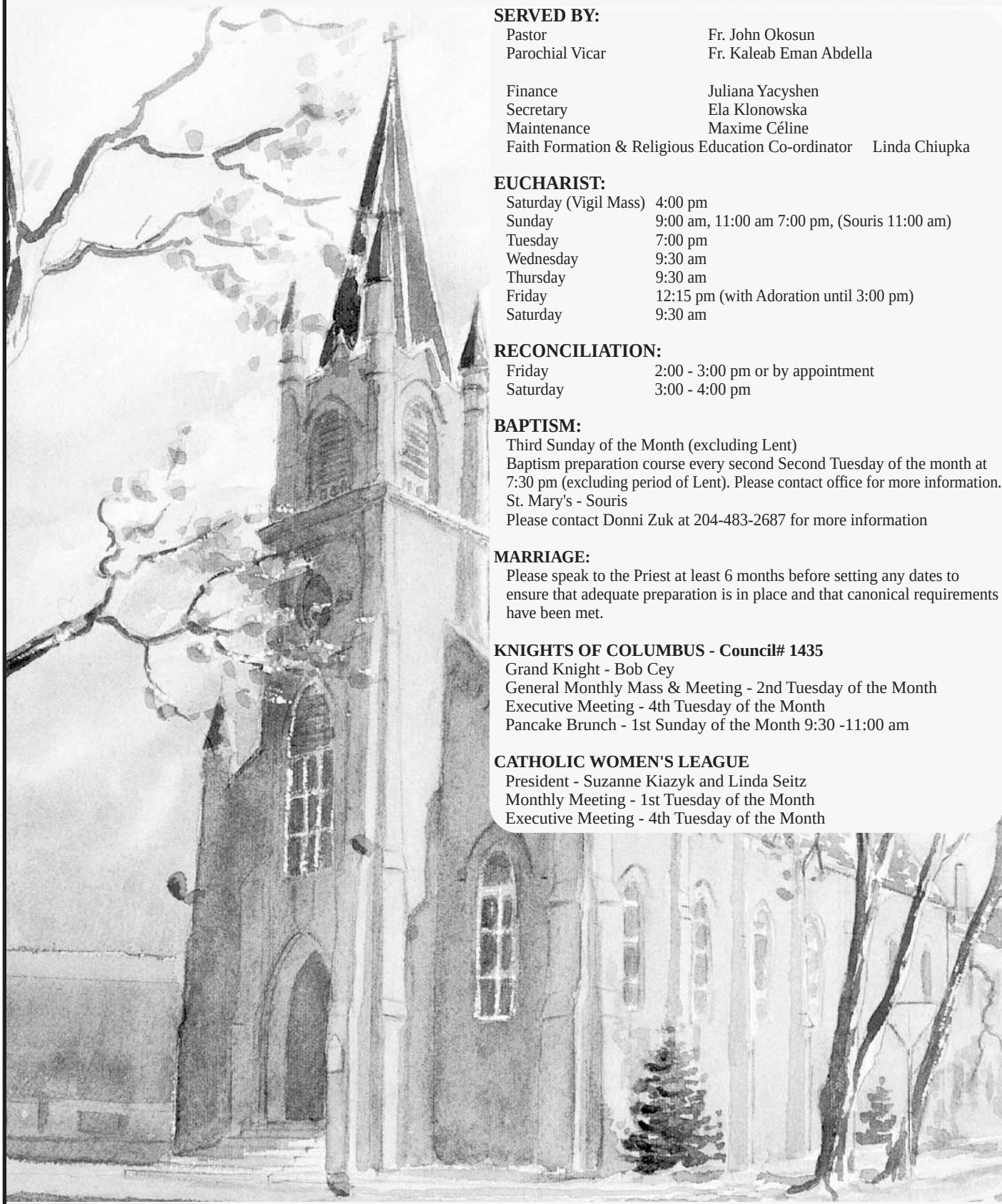
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

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





Love Is a Verb

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSsR

"Love makes the world go 'round." Or another saying: "Love is all you need." Love, so necessary, so welcome, and seemingly so elusive. How can something be so needed, so valued, and so treasured and at the same time be so rare and even, at times, so difficult? Philosophers, poets, and scribes all provide different insights, each capturing something of the truth yet remaining somehow incomplete.

Jesus changes the context: love understood not as a feeling or as an emotion, but as a commandment. In God's kingdom, love is not something you pursue or something you hope to find. Living in God's kingdom, love is something you *do*. It is core; it is essential. It is how you live. It is how you form your judgments and perceptions. It is what energizes your choices and your decisions.

We come closer and closer each day to loving God fully when we understand the need to embrace the "unspoken" commandment: "[Jesus said,] 'For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it'" (Matthew 16:25). ●



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Reflect

Do I think of love as a feeling or as an action—as a noun or a verb?

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. October 27 (Ephesians 5.21-33; Luke 13.18-21)		
7:00 pm	† Penelope Mwanje	Josie Scaletta
WED. October 28 (Ephesians 2.19-22; Luke 6.12-19)		
9:30 am	† Carmela Warwaruk	Julian & Jean Warwaruk & Family
11:00 am	† Grant McDonald	Cole Walters
THUR. October 29 (Ephesians 6.10-20; Luke 13.31-35)		
9:30 am	Catholic Women's League	St. Vincent de Paul
	Sally Scaletta	Annette Fifi
	† Awtena & Lemlem & Family	Hiwet Tekie
	Richard Dubois	Noreen Dubois
10:30 am/FVH	† Curtis Cayer	Josie Scaletta
FRI. October 30 (Philippians 1.1-11; Luke 14.1-6)		
12:15 pm	† Melinda Sonza	Pasaporte Family
	† Marie Gagnon	Lori & Melina
	† Leon Sanders	Mary Anne & Brian Schoonbaert
	† Stella Pedersen	Barbara & Elizabeth
	† Halina Tarwid	Krystyna Tarwid
SAT. October 31 (Philippians 1.18b-26; Luke 14.1-7-11)		
9:30 am	† Penelope Mwanje	Theresa Gross
4:00 pm	† Bea Gross	Keven & Colleen Vancauwenberghe
SUN. November 01 – All Saints		
9:00 am	Tree of Memories	All Parishioners
11:00 am		Missa Pro Populo
7:00 pm	Marie & John Vajdik	Laura & Adam Gurr
11:00 am Souris		

*** Reflection of the Week ***

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22.34-40

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, 3 & 7 is on Wednesday **October 28th** at 11:00 a.m.

Our **Children Mass** will be celebrated on **November 1st at 12:30 a.m. All Saints Day Party** will follow at the school gymnasium. For sign up please contact Grace (204-572-4344) or Dulce (204-740-8664).

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, Stepan Lukivskyi, and the homebound.

Welcome to Our Christian Community:

Theophilus Subec Kanikasu and Henos Zemchel

Dear Padre,

I occasionally need to be reminded why I should remain Catholic. Can you help?

Whether our faith was inherited at birth or adopted later, it's healthy to periodically reexamine our beliefs and practices with the intent to grow closer to God. Saint Paul uses the metaphor of moving beyond milk to solid food to explain our maturing faith. (See Hebrews 5:12-14).

Questions or doubts are not necessarily signs of crisis or disloyalty to God or the Church. Indeed, it's often when we challenge pat answers that God moves us to a deeper meaning and stronger relationship—that is, if we're steadfast on the path to holiness. People remain Catholic for numerous reasons, including:

- the Church's belief in God's goodness to us through the sacraments;
- a 2,000-year tradition of living the gospel in a universal, multicultural community of faith;
- a proven track record as an agent for personal and spiritual growth and social transformation.

When Church members' behavior is contrary to Christ's mission, and our confidence to remain is tested, it's good to recall that the Church is divinely fortified and humanly composed. People remain Catholic because the Church exists to bring us into full communion with God, through Christ, by working toward the fullness of the kingdom. "The Church 'is the visible plan of God's love for humanity,' because God desires 'that the whole human race may become one people of God, form one body of Christ, and be built into one temple of the Holy Spirit'" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 776). ●



Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Financial Report for: October 18, 2026		
Weekly collection	\$	9,293.
Children collection	\$	170.
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 about **\$25,145 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.

Advertising in the Bulletin

Please consider supporting our Bulletin by advertising your business. If interested, please call 1-800-268-2637.

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 presented by St. Augustine's Parish— **Choir Rehearsal Call**

Preparations of our annual Nine Lessons and Carols are officially underway. All are welcome to join the choir. You do not need to be a member of the parish to sing with us so please spread the word and invite friends, family, and neighbors who love to sing.

Weekly rehearsals are held on **Mondays @ 7:00 p.m.** in the main body of the Church.

Performance day is scheduled on Sunday December 20 at 2:00 p.m. in our Church.

For more information, please contact Linda at faithformation@staug.ca.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights are hosting a Roast Beef **Fall Supper** on Sunday **November 01 at 5:00 p.m.** in the Parish Square. This year we will have seating for 192. Another 50 tickets will be sold for take-out meals. Take-out meals must be picked up at 4:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$10 for children ages 7-12, 6 and under are free. As seating will be limited, please purchase your tickets as soon as possible. Tickets will be on sale after the weekend Masses on October 24-25. Tickets can also be purchased at the Parish office. Thank you for your support.



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