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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 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:

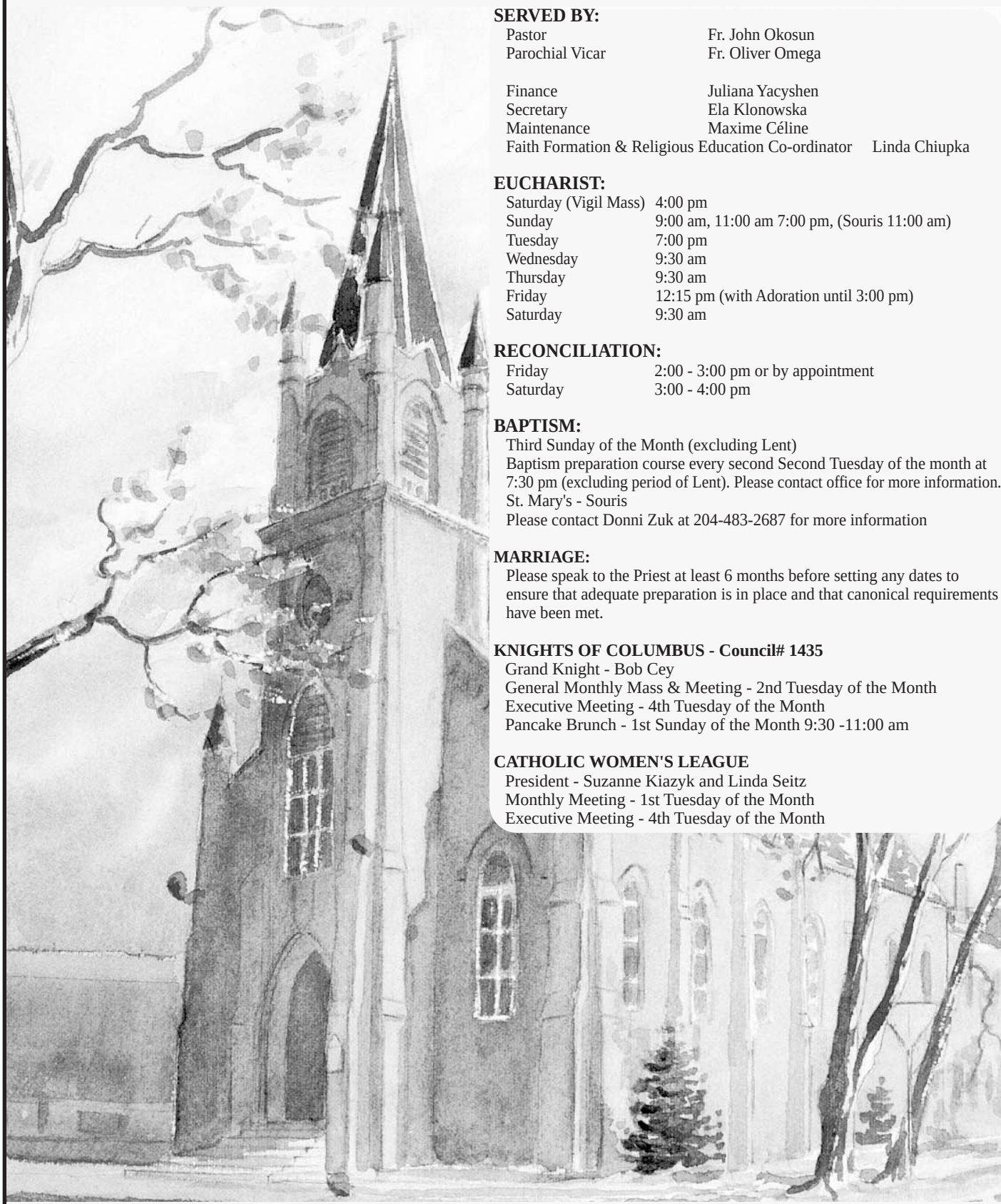
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

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





The Debt We Have in Common

THOMAS M. SANTA, CSsR

As we hear today's Gospel of the servant whose enormous debt is forgiven, yet who refuses mercy to a fellow servant owing far less, we cannot help but ask: how can this be? This is the first question that comes to mind. How could a person be forgiven so much and then, just a few minutes later, refuse to forgive something inconsequential in comparison? Selfishness doesn't really explain it. Being so full of oneself doesn't explain it. Being completely dense and obtuse is perhaps closer to the truth, but even that explanation comes up short.

The truth is that the exaggeration of the debt is secondary to the story. What is essential to the story is the invitation to reflect on what it means to be a human being. It is to acknowledge that, when all is said and done, everyone owes a huge debt. No one is exempt from gratitude. An honest acceptance of who we are—completely and totally dependent on God who created us—is the core truth. To be so disconnected from this truth as to not recognize one's own dependence and be completely unaware of the need to be grateful—that is the real challenge the story considers. ●



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY

Reflect

How am I at forgiveness—with others and with myself?

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, Rohan and Baby, Dave, Kerry Fast, Adrian Villafana, Patricia Greene, Harvey Ostroski, and the homebound.

Important Notes:

- ✓ 7:00 PM Mass on **Sept. 29/Tuesday** has been cancelled
- ✓ Morning Mass on **Sept. 30/Wednesday** has been moved to 7:00 p.m. instead.

The **Sing Aloud Mass of All Nations** sponsored by the Naija Catholic in Brandon will be celebrated on **Sunday September 20th at 12:30 am**. Everyone is welcome to join.

Welcome to our Christian community:
Dahlia Sophia Ward, Nathan Michael Tekie

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. September 15 (Hebrews 5.7-9; Luke 2.33-35)		
7:00 pm	†Fred Jaggard	Gwen Gumieny
WED. September 16 (1 Corinthians 12.31-13.13; Luke 7.31-35)		
9:30 am	Special Intention	Rick & Jocelyn Kehler
THUR. September 17 (1 Corinthians 15.1-11; Luke 7.36-50)		
9:30 am	Fr. Oliver Omega	Rick & Jocelyn Kehler
	Fr. Christopher Dubois	Rod Ferris
	†Anita Armstrong	Judy Cancade
	Joseph Igeteli	Joseph Igeteli
10:30 am/FHV	†John Chudzik	Issigonis Family
FRI. September 18 (1 Corinthians 15.12-20; Luke 8.1-3)		
12:15 pm	Marie & John Vajdik	Laura & Adam Gurr
	†Marion Antoniwi	Life Culture Brandon
	†Ray West	Bill & Brenda Pugh
	Deceased Chagnon & Hosea Families	Lorraine
	Carol Somers	Issigonis Family
	†Crispino Herrera	Herrera Family
SAT. September 19 (1 Corinthians 15.35-37, 42-50; Luke 8.4-15)		
9:30 am	†Rudy Dauk	Mackalski Family
4:00 pm	†Wade, Smith & O'Reilly	Gerard & Glenda Wade
	Family Members	
SUN. September 20 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
9:00 am	Rod Ferris	Carol MacKenzie
11:00 am		Missa Pro Populo
7:00 pm	†Natividad Yasay	Escalera Family
11:00 am	Souris	

Dear Padre,

If Catholics say the Confiteor at Mass, then why do we still need to go to confession?

Recall when Jesus told Simon and his fishing companions to lower their nets after they had caught nothing. (See Luke 5:1–11.) When their boats began to sink with so many fish, Simon fell at Jesus' feet and said, "Leave me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." Likewise, at Mass, we're so filled with awe upon entering the presence of God that we become aware of our own sinfulness.

The penitential act prepares the assembly to enter the celebration in a proper spirit of humility. The priest and the faithful observe a period of silence to acknowledge their sinfulness and confess their awe of Christ's love and mercy. This is expressed in different forms, one of which is the Confiteor, a general confession that invokes the support of the communion of saints and the specific community gathered at Mass. It includes the instruction to strike one's breast, an ancient gesture of humility and penitence. (See Luke 18:13; 23:48.) The rite concludes with the priest's absolution, but it "lacks the efficacy of the sacrament of penance" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 51). Thus, the penitential act isn't a substitute for absolution from sins confessed in the sacrament of penance, particularly serious, mortal sins. Rather, it prepares the faithful as a unified community to properly listen to God's word and celebrate the Eucharist worthily (*GIRM* 46). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



Financial Report for: September 06, 2026

Weekly collection	\$14,852.
Children collection	\$ 162.
Sharing God's Gifts 2026 (Appeal)	to come
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.

Sharing God's Gifts Appeal has transformed into **Together in Mission** effective **September 1st**. All the participants' information and all gifts will be entered as new records within the Together in Mission system. As a result, for the 2026 tax year, participants will receive two tax receipts: 1) Gifts made between Jan 1 - Aug 30, will be from Sharing God's Gifts. 2) Gifts made between Sep 1 – Dec 31, will be from Together in Mission.

Please remember – effective immediately, all cheque donations need to be made out to Together in Mission.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

There will be a Safe Environment Training for all volunteers on **Saturday September 26th**. The training session will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the square and will last about 2 hours. If you are unable to attend, please notify Linda at the Faith Formation office.



Together
IN MISSION
FOR OUR GODS AND THE
GLORY OF THE WORLD PEOPLE



This Sunday marks the official launch of our Archdiocesan Appeal, now titled Together in Mission.

This is a meaningful opportunity for each of us, as disciples, to share in the responsibility of building up the mission and ministry of the Church. Through our prayers, participation, and generosity, we express our commitment to the life and future of our parish and archdiocese.

Every gift, no matter the size, is a sign of stewardship and gratitude—an expression of our desire to support and strengthen the Church we share. Together, we are called to be active stewards of God's gifts, building a vibrant and faithful community through Together in Mission.

Please take time to view this important message from our Archbishop.

SERRA CLUB BRANDON

Serra's **Clergy and Religious Appreciation Dinner** will be held at our Parish square on **October 14th**. Vespers will be at 5:00 p.m. followed by dinner.

Seatings for the dinner will be on sale following all Masses the weekend of September 19th and 20th. Come and show your appreciation of our priests and learn about the religious sisters who have served the Westman and Parkland Deaneries.

Regular price \$45, young women 18-25 - \$25, pay to Brandon Serra via cash or cheque.

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. starting **September 13th**. For more information please contact: nguyentk184@gmail.com.



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