

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
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Juliana Yacyshen
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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 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:

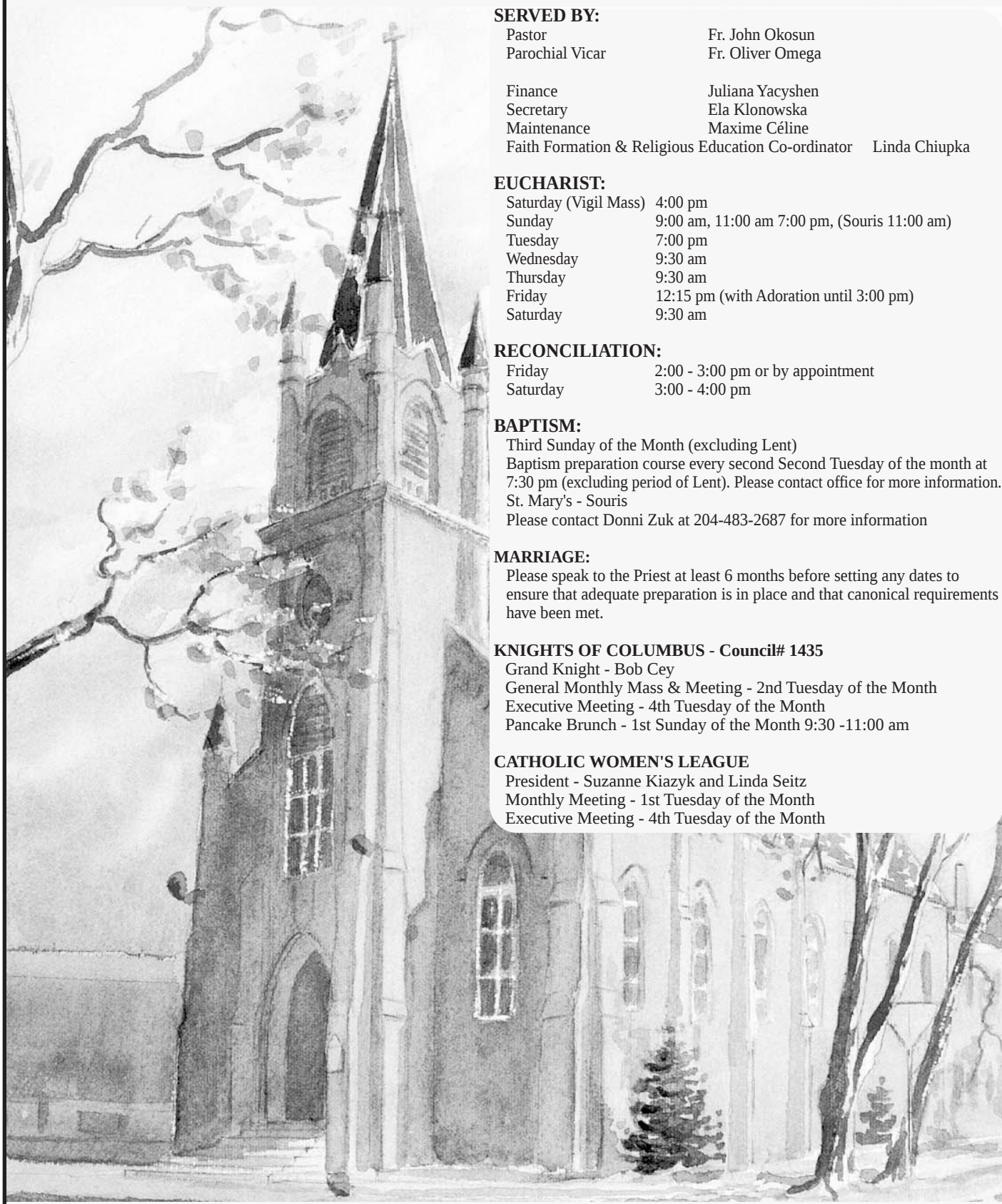
Please speak to the Priest at least 6 months before setting any dates to ensure that adequate preparation is in place and that canonical requirements have been met.

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





Like a Gentile or a Tax Collector

ANN M. GARRIDO

As someone who works in the field of conflict management, I like to think that all situations can be worked out if we go about it in a skilled manner. If we use the right words. Ask the right kinds of questions. It's embarrassing to admit that even the best "tools" in my "conflict belt" sometimes still effect little change. Today's gospel can be consoling in a strange way. It acknowledges that even when we use all the tools we have on hand to heal a relationship, it doesn't always work out. Sometimes, we may need to become strangers to one another, at least for a while—like a Jew to a Gentile or a tax collector.

Of course, when Jesus says "treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector," it is important to consider how Jesus treated Gentiles and tax collectors. He healed the centurion's servant. He ate in Zacchaeus' house. Jesus did not see Gentiles and tax collectors as enemies and did not treat them as such. Rather, Jesus understood Gentiles and tax collectors as those with whom he might start a relationship should the opportunity present itself. The past cannot be rewritten, but perhaps a different kind of future is still possible.

Is there a relationship in your life that feels beyond healing at this point and from which perhaps you need some distance? Is it still possible to treat the other person with the kindness Jesus showed toward Gentiles and tax collectors? ●



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY

Reflect

Could I improve how I handle conflict with others?

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.

Reflection of the Week

"Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Matthew 18.15-20

Welcome to our Christian Community:

Karis Ofure Macaulay, Kobimtochukwu Aidan Ijeomah, Nuftalem Esseyas Amanuel, Ryker Joachim Ayenza, Rylen Jeremiah Ayenza, and Margareth Carolina Mauricio Vigil.

MASS INTENTIONS

TUES. September 08 (Romans 8.28-30; Matthew 1.1-16, 18-23)

7:00 pm †Gertrude Veitch Ray & Mary Lou Simms

WED. September 09 (1 Corinthians 7.1, 17, 25-31; Luke 6.20-26)

9:30 am Joyce Lehman Juliana

THUR. September 10 (1 Corinthians 8.1b-7, 11-13; Luke 6.27-38)

9:30 am †Thomas, Aleykutty & Joseph Mary & Jacob
Suzanne Kiazzyk Secret Prayer Partner
Chimdi Anyamele Zeel

Thanksgiving for All Blessings Kathy Redman

10:30 am/FVH †Cyril Fox Irene & Allen

FRI. September 11 (1 Corinthians 9.16-19, 22b-27; Luke 6.39-42)

12:15 pm †Sage Gurr Family

†Leo & Stella Boyko Pat Dinsdale

†Peggy Mansoff Rod Ferris

Father Oliver Omega Garry & Lorraine Winters

†Doug Hosea Lorraine

Laurissa Sieklicki Marian & Claude Archer

SAT. September 12 (1 Corinthians 10.14-22a; Luke 6.43-49)

9:30 am †Wally Goshulak Greg & Yvonne Skura

4:00 pm Special Intention Huguette Keating

SUN. September 13 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Marion McDuffe Perry Roque

11:00 am Missa Pro Populo

7:00 pm †Lukose Mathew Kids & Grandchildren

11:00 am Souris



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 5/6, 2026

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks to his disciples about the importance of reconciliation. He emphasizes that healing broken and wounded relationships lies at the heart of our lives as his disciples and as stewards of the greatest gift he has given us - the privilege of sharing in his Kingdom. Our daily call to stewardship invites us to be ever mindful of the need to seek reconciliation and to find new ways of making things right with those around us, so that our lives may always reflect the Kingdom of God to which we belong.

Financial Report for: August 23 & August 30, 2026

	August 23	August 30
Weekly collection	\$ 7,368.	\$ 8,662.
Children collection	\$ 152.	\$ 200.
Sharing God's Gifts 2026 (Appeal)		\$23,718
Sharing God's Gifts 2026 Target		\$62,365.
Weekly average spending	\$11,000.	\$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 or Older Envelopes.** Thank you and God bless.

Sharing God's Gifts Appeal is transforming into **Together in Mission** effective **September 1st**. From that date forward, 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 – starting September 1st, 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.

ONCE-WEEKLY CATECHISM

Catechism classes will start at our Church on **Thursday September 10, 2026**. We invite all kids registered and parents to the Opening Mass which will be celebrated at 6:30 pm. We are still in need of a teacher for the 2026-27 year. If you feel God is calling you to this ministry, please contact Linda at the faith formation office.

RCIA

Rite Of Christian Initiation for Adults program for everyone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church will begin on **Tuesday September 8th at 6:30 p.m. in room 108**. If interested, please leave your contact details at the Parish office.

THE GOOD NEIGHBOUR MINISTRY

This ministry is dedicated to seniors, sick people, those with disability, and the homebound.

If you know any person who will benefit from this ministry kindly reach out to the person or persons and give their contact information to the parish office. Also, if you are interested in joining this noble ministry, please give your name to our parish secretary.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth & Young Adults Group is meeting on **Sunday September 6th at 1:00 p.m.** Topic to discuss: "How to fix basic things in the home."

CWL

Catholic Women's League Brandon is having its regular monthly meeting on **Tuesday September 8th at 1:30 p.m.** at All's Hall.

SAVE THE DATE

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. Serra Brandon is now selling tickets. Ticket prices: women 16-25: \$25 and regular: \$45 – pay to Brandon Serra via cash or cheque by September 18th.

2026 FESTIVAL OF JOY

This year festival is coming on **Saturday September 12** (1:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.) Please come and bring your family and friends for Mass (4:00 p.m.), games & activities, praise & worship, live music, testimonials, soccer tournament, and community potluck. Everything is happening on St. Augustine school grounds. We hope to see you there!

- Food donations are gratefully appreciated. Sign up sheets are available at the east door.
- All existing music ministers and all other interested parishioners are invited to join the FOJ choir that will lead music during the festival. The last rehearsal will be held on **September 10th at 7 p.m.** in Room 108.
- All willing to join the soccer tournament during the festival are invited. Please watch for sign up sheets at the east door.
- Gift donations for prizes are also gratefully appreciated. They can be dropped at the parish office.
- FOJ merchandises are available for sale at the Parish office. We accept cash only (t-shirts \$10 and tumblers \$5).



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