

# Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

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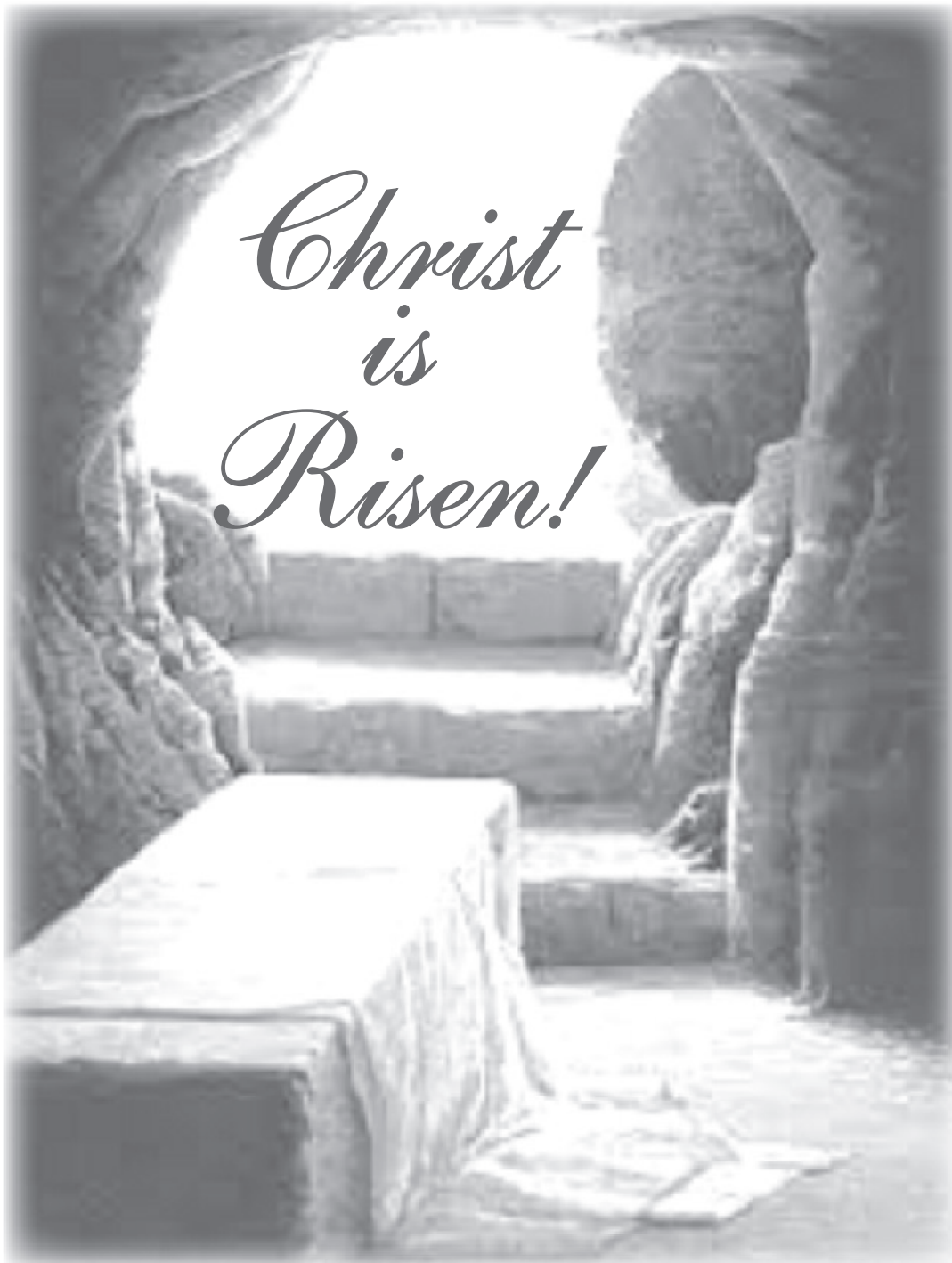
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**Pastor: Fr. Michael Raj Savarimuthu**

**Parochial Vicar: Fr. Christopher Dubois**

**Deacon: Rev. Mr. John MacKenzie**



*Christ  
is  
Risen!*

## Easter Sunday

When the Word is proclaimed, it is real and active – the Lord is present, and what is described is, in a sense, happening now. On certain days this is made more obvious by the selection of scripture that refers to a particular time or day. Such a selection occurs this morning, when we go with Mary Magdalene to visit the tomb, only to make – with her – a momentous discovery: the tomb is empty, he is risen!

### MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. Apr. 23		NO MASS	
Wed. Apr. 24	9:30 am	Marycia & Grandchildren	Sieklicki Family
		Bev Struch	Carol MacKenzie
Thu. Apr. 25	9:30 am	Respect & Protection of Human Life	Life's Vision
Fairview Home	10:30 am	†Jean Boulet	Mom & Dad
Fri. Apr. 26	12:15 pm	Michelle McPike	Mom & Dad
Sat. Apr. 27	9:30 am	Darcy Cote	Grandpa
	4:00 pm	For All Parishioners	Fr. Michael & Fr. Christopher
Sun. Apr. 28	9:00 am	†Lorraine Lariviere	A Friend
	11:00 am	†Connie Gudz	The Family
	7:00 pm	Rainey Delaurier	Memere
Souris	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Michael & Fr. Christopher

### The Week Ahead

Mon. 22	Church and Office are closed	
	Prayer Group	7:00 pm
Tue. 23	Finance Meeting	5:00 pm
	Confirmation Class	7:00 pm
	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	7:30 pm
	RCIA	7:30 pm
Wed. 24	Serra Meeting	10:00 am
	St. Vincent de Paul Hampers	2:00 pm
	K of C Executive Meeting	7:00 pm
	First Communion Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thu. 25	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	10:00 am
	Catechism	6:30 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Fri. 26	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	Confessions	2:00 pm
	Benediction	3:00 pm
Sat. 27	First Communion Mass	10:00 am
	Choir Practice	3:00 pm
	Youth Group	5:00 pm
Sun. 28	Catechism	9:45 am

### National Week for Life and the Family Prayer: May 12-19

God our Loving Father, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, grant that we may encounter your Son Jesus, the Eternal Word, as we contemplate your saving Gospel message. Help us to live in a manner worthy of the Gospel of Christ. Transform our families through the same Gospel so that we may radiate with joy your saving truth and be a sign of your loving presence to a world that is in need of the Good News. Amen.

### In Our Prayers Are ...

Amelia Adamski, Marie Bomek, Jean Boutillier, Steve Bradley, Judy Bryant, Justin Enns, Rosaline Fedorkie, Eugene & Margaret Fitzpatrick, Colette Garlinski, Mildred Gareau, Jenny Hamill, Colin Hardy, Anthony Horn, Frederick Jaggard, Ralph & Margaret Jonasson, Angela Lau, Diane Lomas, Paul Malabar, Millicent Mychasiw, Paul Omilanow, Katherine Pouch, Susan Richardson, Bonnie Schellenberg, Josephine Tarr, Alice Young and the homebound.

### Knights of Columbus - Chase The Ace

Chase the Ace jackpot of \$8,572.80 was won, this last weekend. We are starting a new game on Saturday April 20, 2019 – Jackpot starts at \$1,000. Drop by Houston's between 5 and 7 PM on Saturday

### St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul are collecting furniture, household items, dishes, pot and pans, & cutlery. Please call the Parish Office at 204-727-4728. This is a very worthwhile ministry helping people in need and those who are newcomers to Canada.

### Praying with Pope Francis - April

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

### Join in Praying for Life

Each Wednesday the rosary will be prayed at 12:00 PM in the chapel of the Assiniboine Centre at the BRHC. The intention of these prayers surrounds the respect and dignity owed to all human life.

### 2019 March for Life

Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 starting with Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral at 10:30 am  
11:45 am gather on the Manitoba Legislative Grounds - North Entrance.  
12:00 pm March for Life - Procession.

### Youth Group

The youth group will be gathering next Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Our topic for the month will be "He Says/She Says".

### Theology on Tap

Young adults in their 20s & 30s are invited to Theology on Tap. Fr. Kelly Wilson will be talking about the Still-Relevant Ignatius of Loyola. We will be gathering at 7pm this Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, at the Double Decker Tavern.

**Dear Padre: Is there any significance to the fact that the first witnesses to Jesus' resurrection were women?**

The first people to encounter the risen Jesus were Mary Magdalene and the women who came to anoint his body on Easter. Jesus had been killed the day before the Sabbath. His body was buried in haste, so there was no time to do the proper anointing. Jesus appeared first to these women, who became the first witnesses to Christ's resurrection.

According to Jewish law, women were not allowed to be witnesses. They were not allowed to testify or bear witness. The fact that Jesus first appeared to women, and specifically used women as the first to witness his resurrection, is testimony that in Christ we discard the distinctions that separate and divide us as human beings. Other categories of people were also not allowed to testify in Jewish law—children, slaves, and shepherds were also excluded. In Luke's gospel, the first witnesses to the birth of Jesus were the shepherds on the hillside. Jesus came into this world and left it while giving a voice to those usually silenced.

This Easter, let us be like the Lord as we recommit ourselves to giving voice to those in our world who are unprotected, silenced, and cast aside. —Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR

**Financial Report**

Weekend Collection for April 14, 2019 - \$9,246.36

Weekly Expenses are approximately \$ 11,000.

Weekly Shortage was \$1,753.64

With every gift show a cheerful face, and dedicate your tithe with gladness. Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford. For the Lord is the one who repays, and he will repay you sevenfold. Sirach 35

**Sharing God's Gifts**

Target for 2019 -\$46,000

Amount collected for 2019 = \$19,409.35

Owing = \$26,590.65

"Reminder to start the Divine Mercy Novena on Good Friday"

**Pilgrimage** - St. Augustine R.C. Church presents **Israel: Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** with Optional 4-Night Jordan Post Tour Extension on October 27-November 4, 2019 hosted by Fr. Michael Savarimuthu. For more information/brochure contact the parish office or visit [info@mcphailtravel.net](mailto:info@mcphailtravel.net) or call(204)727-2305.

**Catholic Women's League Scholarship**

Applications for the St. Augustine's Catholic Women's League Scholarship are now available at [www.staugustinecwl.ca](http://www.staugustinecwl.ca) or at your high school. This \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to a female student who is graduating from Grade 12 (Senior 4) in the current year and is an active member of St. Augustine's Parish, Brandon or missions served by St. Augustine's Parish. Deadline for applications is 3:00 p.m., Friday, May 17, 2019.

**Easter Message**

'Christ is Risen', is not just a slogan of a blind faith but it is an affirmation that comes from true experience of Mary Magdalen and the Apostles who knew Jesus in a real relationship. This is the proof! The Resurrection is revealed in Jesus' humanity, the same Jesus who shared the goodness of God during his earthly life. Jesus does not present himself with his divinity only but also with his entire humanity. He lived among us, totally immersed in our human nature by fully participating in it, incarnated in it, lived in it, and loved it and saved it for all humanity through his Suffering, and Death and Resurrection. If we believe in this wonderful mystery that we share with all who believe in Christ then it truly becomes an experience. Jesus meets with us on our journey as he joined with the disciples of Emmaus. Happy Easter! *Fr. Michael*

**56<sup>th</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocation**

On May 12, 2019 we are celebrating 4th Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday) – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We would like to unite our prayers to those of the Universal Church in asking the Lord to "send laborers into His harvest" (cf. Lk 10:2) - that He would raise up from our midst many priests, religious and deacons who would serve God and His people with their whole hearts. Let us come together as local Church in Winnipeg and pray for this in **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** on **May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral** (353 St. Mary's Ave, Winnipeg). The Presider is going to be our **Archbishop Richard Gagnon**. For further information please contact the vocations director - Fr. Peter Nemcek – (204) 947-0294 or [vocations@archwinnipeg.ca](mailto:vocations@archwinnipeg.ca)

**For Better & Forever Marriage Preparation Schedule**

A course for couples who are preparing for marriage at St. Augustine Church. Preparation courses consist of one evening session per week over a span of six weeks. Call Bob & Annette Boucher at 727-6035 to register. The last class until fall is May 16/19 - Jun. 27/19.



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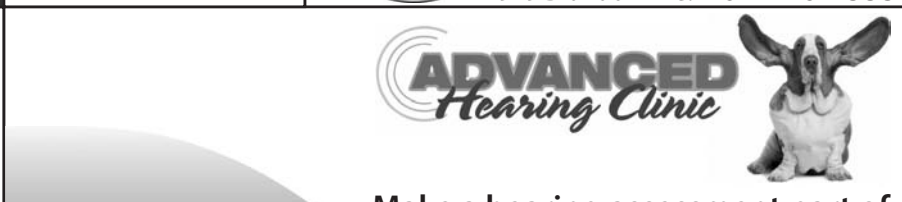


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