

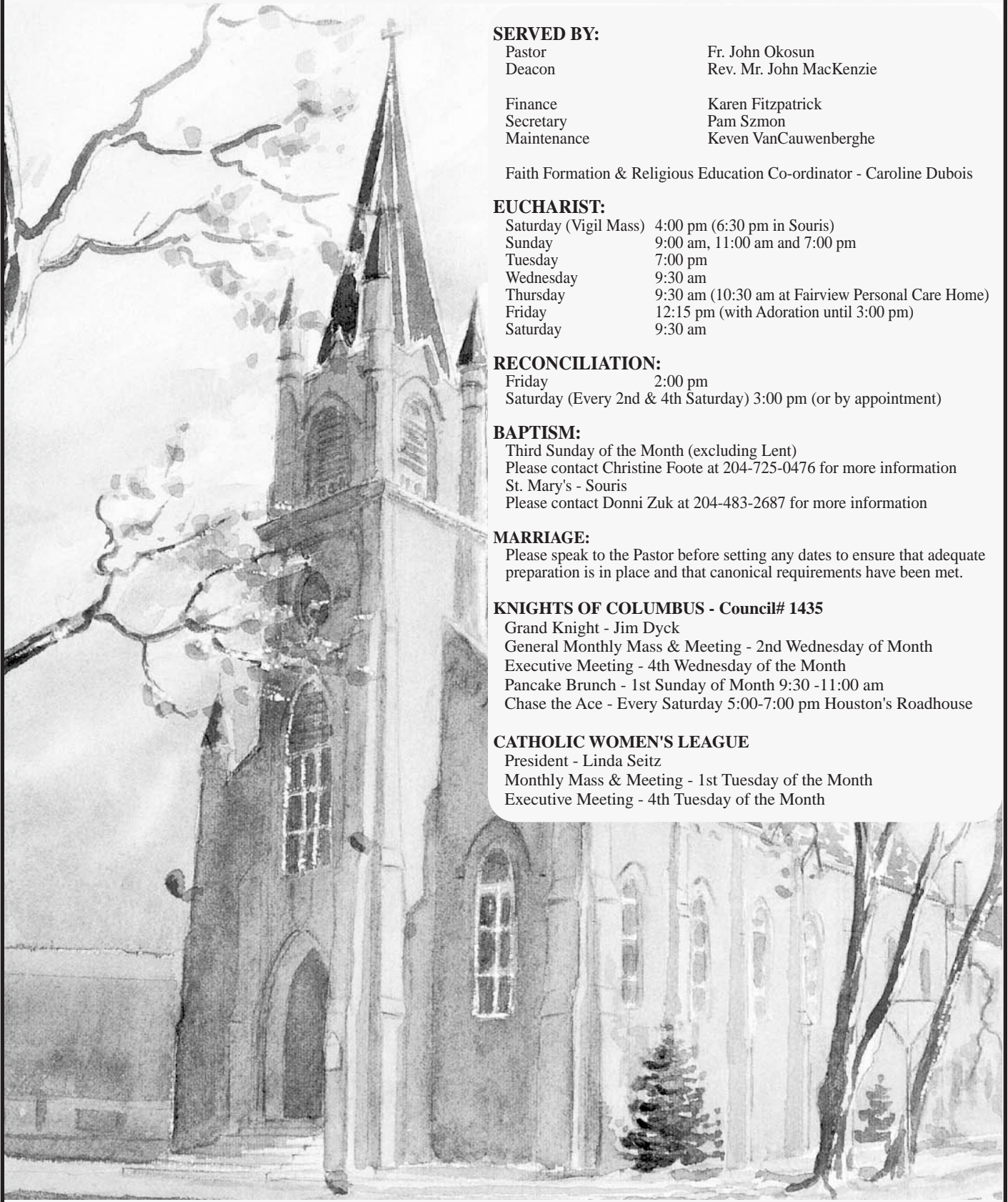
# Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

Also serving Saint Mary's Church in Souris, MB (Sundays at 11:00 am)

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## SERVED BY:

Pastor	Fr. John Okosun
Deacon	Rev. Mr. John MacKenzie
Finance	Karen Fitzpatrick
Secretary	Pam Szmon
Maintenance	Keven VanCauwenberghe

Faith Formation & Religious Education Co-ordinator - Caroline Dubois

## EUCHARIST:

Saturday (Vigil Mass)	4:00 pm (6:30 pm in Souris)
Sunday	9:00 am, 11:00 am and 7:00 pm
Tuesday	7:00 pm
Wednesday	9:30 am
Thursday	9:30 am (10:30 am at Fairview Personal Care Home)
Friday	12:15 pm (with Adoration until 3:00 pm)
Saturday	9:30 am

## RECONCILIATION:

Friday	2:00 pm
Saturday (Every 2nd & 4th Saturday)	3:00 pm (or by appointment)

## BAPTISM:

Third Sunday of the Month (excluding Lent)  
Please contact Christine Foote at 204-725-0476 for more information  
St. Mary's - Souris  
Please contact Donni Zuk at 204-483-2687 for more information

## MARRIAGE:

Please speak to the Pastor 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 - Jim Dyck  
General Monthly Mass & Meeting - 2nd Wednesday of Month  
Executive Meeting - 4th Wednesday of the Month  
Pancake Brunch - 1st Sunday of Month 9:30 - 11:00 am  
Chase the Ace - Every Saturday 5:00-7:00 pm Houston's Roadhouse

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

President - Linda Seitz  
Monthly Mass & Meeting - 1st Tuesday of the Month  
Executive Meeting - 4th Tuesday of the Month

## Christ the King

The prominent image for God in today's readings is the shepherd. This might be an unfamiliar image for city dwellers, but it is a very rich religious image. The Bible tells us that early Israelites were herders, so they know a lot about shepherds. They knew that shepherds follow the wandering of their sheep and attended to their needs—not the other way around. They knew that shepherds lived with their sheep in the hills for long periods, away from family, friends, and the comforts of life. They knew that shepherds helped birthing and dying. They knew that all of this is a messy, smelly business, and no job for the fastidious. Many nations of the ancient world, Israel included, thought of their kings as shepherds of the people—leaders who should be willing to do for their people what the shepherd does for the sheep. This explains why, on the feast of Christ the King, we represent our king as a shepherd rather than a victorious military commander, as many kings are. But more than this, throughout his life—at his passion and death, and now in his risen glory—Christ cares for us and leads us as a shepherd does. He embraces the messy, smelly reality of life. He is a shepherd-king, intent on our needs, searching for us when we seem to be lost. How comforting it is to know he carries us on his shoulders. —*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### MASS INTENTIONS - Please note that we will not be having weekday or weekend Masses for the next 4 weeks or until further notice, starting November 12, 2020.

Tue.	Nov. 24	†Ed Burgess	Jeannie & Family
Wed.	Nov. 25	Rita Bourassa	Ray
Thu.	Nov. 26	†Colin Hardy	Ken & Josie Bessant
		†Buccini Family	Rick & Jocelyn Kehler
Fri.	Nov. 27	Bill Dinsdale	Mom
Sat.	Nov. 28	†Margaret Leary	Sieklicki Family
		†Gerry Martens	Antoinette & Family
Souris		For All Parishioners	Fr. John
Sun.	Nov. 29	Frank & Linda Seitz	Dubois Family
		Joanne Malkowich	Secret Prayer Partner
		For All Parishioners	Fr. John

### Prayer Intention from Archbishop Gagnon

We pray to the Lord Jesus, Who went about doing good and healing the sick. We ask for strength in body, mind and spirit for all those who are sick with the coronavirus. We pray especially for those who are greatly weakened by this virus; enable them to regain their health. We remember also those who have died due to its effects. Assist all those in the medical field who treat people with this malady and those doing research to find a cure. We ask, Lord, that through your grace, the spread of this virus within communities in Canada and throughout the world will be restricted and eliminated and that our Christian communities may joyfully proclaim the Good News you have entrusted to them.

**Life Vision** Brandon is selling religious-themed Christmas cards and ornaments. There are 5 designs of cards, cost \$10.00 for a package of 10. The Madonna and Child Christmas ornament is \$5.00. Call Carol at 204-729-0852 to purchase these beautiful items which remind us that the birth of Jesus our Saviour is the reason we celebrate Christmas. All funds will go toward sponsoring Life's Vision events. Thank you in advance.

### This event was postponed and will be shown at a later date due to Covid 19 restrictions:

**Movies at the church - RESTLESS HEART** will be shown on Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Please join us in the Parish Square. Due to seating limitations, we can only accommodate 30 people on a first come, first serve basis.

**CWL Memberships are now DUE!** Without meetings, we remind our members that your memberships of \$30.00 are now due. Please use the envelope in your donation boxes, send a cheque by mail to St. Augustine Parish c/o CWL or drop it in the collection plate identified as CWL Membership. Thank you all for your prompt attention to this matter.

### Parishioners - Covid 19 Update:

- All Weekday & Weekend Masses have been cancelled for the next 4 weeks or until further notice, starting November 12, 2020.
- We will try to keep you up to date, as we find out the changes with Covid 19 restrictions we receive from the Archdiocese.
- Please call church at 204-727-4728 or email [office@staug.ca](mailto:office@staug.ca) if you have any enquiries.

### Donations to the Church:

- We would be very appreciative and grateful to everyone if they still helped us pay our bills by dropping off their collection in the collection boxes at all entrances of the church between 8:30 am-11 am. Your donations can also be sent by mail to the Church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**The Knights of Columbus** are reaching out to the parish for assistance in helping us raise funds for the less fortunate in our parish and community. During this pandemic, the need has in fact become greater. We support Samaritan House, Helping Hands, SVP, our seminarians, Catholic Missions to name a few. In normal times we were able to sell the ICCD tickets in many locations and now that is not the case. We are therefore, asking your support so we can continue our donations. If you would like to purchase a book or books of tickets, please email Bob Cey at [robert.cey@ig.ca](mailto:robert.cey@ig.ca). Please include your address as Bob will deliver the books to your place. The price is \$40 per book and there are **tan** books which are 3 for \$10 and a total of 12 tickets per book or **green** books which are \$5 per ticket and have 8 tickets per book. Together we can help many.

O my God, teach me to be generous, to serve you as you deserve to be served, to give without counting the cost, to fight without fear of being wounded, to work without seeking rest, and to spend myself without expecting any reward but the knowledge that I am doing your holy will.  
St. Ignatius of Loyola

**Dear Padre:** Today we celebrate Christ the King. Why isn't this changed to "Christ the Lord"? The notion of "king" seems outdated. Christ the King is not the easiest concept to get close to and celebrate. Kings, queens, and monarchies aren't part of our cultural heritage. With the current penchant for cutting celebrities and politicians down to size, a king or queen wouldn't fare well. With the turmoil of England's royal family, we frequently witness the demythologizing of the world's monarchies. Christ's kingship obviously cannot fall into any of these woeful categories. Christ came to establish a different kind of kingdom, the kingdom of God, and that in itself puts Jesus on a different plane than all other concepts of earthly monarchies. Jesus came to proclaim God's reign, God's rule, in the manner in which God the Creator and Maker of all wants things to be. We, however, are fiercely independent and freedom-conscious people. We don't want anyone telling us what to do. We want to participate in all decisions. We resent being pushed around by anyone. And that's fine. But in this case of God's kingdom, we have nothing to fear. God's power is to serve and give life, not to exploit or corrupt. God's kingdom is the redemptive presence of God. Whenever people love one another, forgive one another, bear one another's burdens, and work to build a just and peaceful community, God's redemptive and liberating presence is being manifested. That is the kingdom and kinship we celebrate. —Fr. Joseph Morin, CSSR

### Financial Report - Thank You!

Weekend Collection for Nov. 15 - \$8,406.31  
Weekly Expenses are approximately \$11,000.  
Weekly shortage was \$2,593.69

### Sharing God's Gifts

Target for 2020 - \$45,720  
Amount collected for 2020 = \$51,149.80  
Amount to be refunded = \$5,429.80

### Second Collection

There will be a second collection for Christmas flowers on the weekend of November 21 and 22. Thank you for your generosity.

### Options for Donating Money to the Church

#### 1. E-Transfers NEW

We can accept donations by e-transfer from most financial institutions. Please use the email address "finance@staug.ca" and in the message line indicate who the donation receipt should go to (or your envelope #) and which fund you are donating to. For example, regular offering, building fund, St. Vincent de Paul, Life's Vision Brandon, flowers, etc.

#### 2. Pre-Authorized Payments (PAP)

Simplify your weekly giving by filling out the purple PAP forms found at all entrances of the church or on the staug.ca website. You may give monthly, biweekly, or weekly. This automatic debit provides regular donations to the Parish even if you are unable to attend Mass; especially at this time of COVID-19. Please note that a void cheque or a bank deposit form are mandatory for signing up. Completed forms may be dropped off at (or mailed to) the Parish Office, or emailed to "finance@staug.ca", or dropped in the collection basket at Mass.

#### 3. Donation Envelopes

If you are not registered as a member of St. Augustine's and you would like to use envelopes, please fill out the orange Parish Registration forms found at all entrances of the church or **on the website** and check off Yes for envelopes. Drop off (or mail) completed forms at the Parish Office or email to "finance@staug.ca", or drop in the collection baskets at Mass.

We must practice modesty, not only in our looks, but also in our dress, our walk, our conversation and all similar actions. St. Alphonsus Liguori

### Parent's Meetings for First Reconciliation

There will be two more parent's meetings this fall held on the following Thursdays at 6:30 PM for students receiving their First Reconciliation/Holy Communion: November 12 & 26.

### Confirmation Classes 2020-2021

Classes for Confirmation will begin in November for those registered. Full information will be made available online this fall: [staugfaithformation.com/owc-confirmation](http://staugfaithformation.com/owc-confirmation).

### Young Adult Volunteers Needed

Is God calling you to assist with a ministry in the Church? Contact Caroline to see where help is needed ([faithformation@staug.ca](mailto:faithformation@staug.ca)). Training to be provided.

### November: Faith Formation

See the bulletin board in the East Vestibule for virtual Faith Formation events and opportunities.

### Request

Compared to 2019, we have a huge shortfall in our special collections due to Covid-19.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>Shortage</u>
Development & Peace	\$5,423	\$3,159	\$2,264
Good Friday/Holy Land	5,414	1,800	3,614
Papal Charities	1,821	1,061	760
World Mission Sunday	3,051	2,026	825

If you haven't already given to these causes, would you please kindly donate to make up this difference. Make all cheques payable to St. Augustine Church and in the memo indicate the fund you are donating to. Thank you.

### Praying with Pope Francis - November

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Make yourself familiar with the angels, and behold them frequently in spirit. Without being seen, they are present with you. St. Francis de Sales

Let us throw ourselves into the ocean of God's goodness, where every failing will be cancelled and anxiety turned to love. St. Paul of the Cross



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