

Saint Augustine of Canterbury Church

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

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As the leaves turn gold and yellow...

The air turns crisp...

Thanksgiving comes, a time to remember...

**Our blessings and make good cheer
with all those who are so dear.**

**Wishing you a Thanksgiving
as special as you are.**



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

On the Sistine Chapel's ceiling, inspired by today's passage from the first reading, Michelangelo painted the amazing moment when God creates woman out of the side of man. He depicts her standing beside the slumbering Adam, almost arguing with God. Perhaps it represents the eternal discussion about the relationship of man and woman. Or perhaps it recalls the perpetual scene of a man asleep on the couch while the woman wonders, "What's wrong with him?" The good thing is that Eve asks the only one who has the answer: God himself.

In fact, Jesus does the same thing in Mark's Gospel. When the Pharisees question him on divorce, Jesus refers them to God's original plan, "But from the beginning of creation..." (10:6). Jesus finds the answer to this challenging question by looking back at God's creative plan for humanity. God has given man and woman to one another as a mutual gift. It is not good that man should be alone, but only God in eternity definitively satisfies the original loneliness found in everyone's heart.

When spousal love breaks down, we would be wise to follow Jesus' advice and refer to God's original plan. Saint John Paul II did that when, in contemplating married love, he dedicated the first years of his Wednesday audiences to reflect on the first three chapters of Genesis.

Those God has placed alongside us, especially our spouses, are meant to wonderfully (but only partially) satisfy that deep longing to be totally accompanied. Mutual self-giving and self-sacrifice in love is the solution to our inherent isolation and loneliness.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue.	Oct. 9	7:00 pm	†Doris Stevens	Lawrence & Noreen Dubois
Wed.	Oct. 10	9:30 am	Abortionists & Pro-Choicers	Life's Vision
Thu.	Oct. 11	9:30 am	Carl Cote	Ray Bourassa
	Fairview Home	10:30 am	Rolande Foster	Secret Prayer Partner
Fri.	Oct. 12	12:15 pm	St. Therma Ajoc	Sally Scaletta
Sat.	Oct. 13	9:30 am	Stephanie Caryk	Grandpa
		4:00 pm	Melina Edmundson	Jeannette Snyder
Sun.	Oct. 14	9:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Michael & Fr. Christopher
		11:00 am	Caroline Neufeld	Dad
		7:00 pm	Fr. David Kowalski	Kehler Family
Souris		11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Michael & Fr. Christopher

The Week Ahead

Mon.	08	Prayer Group	7:00 pm
Tue.	09	Holy Hour for Vocations	7:30 pm
Wed.	10	St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank	2:00 pm
		Vespers	5:00 pm
		Serra Club Appreciation Dinner	5:45 pm
		K of C Mass & Mtg. at St. Mary's	7:00 pm
Thu.	11	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	10:00 am
		Catechism Class	6:30 pm
		Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Fri.	12	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
		Confessions	2:00 pm
		Benediction	3:00 pm
Sat.	13	Choir Practice	3:00 pm
Sun.	14	Catechism Class	9:45 am

Praying with Pope Francis - October

That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalised and those who have no voice.

In Our Prayers Are ...

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

St. Augustine Faith Formation Office

Catechism Classes are ongoing Thursday at 6:30pm-7:30pm and Sunday 9:45am-10:45 am.

Confirmation Registrations are still open for Enrolment. Classes start in November.

For more details please contact Sr. Therma - stiajoc@staug.ca or call #204.727.4728

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.

Knights of Columbus - Chase The Ace

Drop by Houston's between 5 and 7 PM on Saturdays. The Chase the Ace pay out to the winner is \$2,200. Tickets are \$2 a piece and proceeds are going to our church's kitchen renovations! Please come and join us!

Chalice Catholic Sponsorship Agency

Chalice is our own Catholic Child Sponsorship agency. Deacon Gerry Turpin will be coming on October 20-21, 2018 meeting to tell us about the Developing World. Our Deacons and Priests carry a special message about our Catholic faith and what we can do to follow Christ's message of love. You may also contact Chalice at www.chalice.ca or 1-800-776-6855.

Sunday October 7, 2018

Dear Padre: My fiancée and I were hoping to be married in a park. When we mentioned this to our priest, he informed us that, in this diocese, all Catholic weddings are to take place in a Catholic church. Why is that?

It's true that Catholic weddings always take place in a church, unless the bishop grants specific permission for the ceremony to be performed elsewhere. First, there is a purely practical reason for Catholics to get married in their parish church. It is a way of recording when and where Catholics marry. Parish records serve a useful purpose in both Church and civil matters.

But a more important reason is that marriage, in the eyes of Catholics, is a sacrament—one of the seven sacred signs through which God communicates love to us. When Catholics marry, they believe God binds their union. The love of the couple for each other is a sign of God's love for both of them. This is expressed during the wedding ceremony with the words: "What God has joined together, let no one put asunder."

The union of the couple is also a continuous sign of Christ's love for the Church. Saint Paul tells us that husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church (Ephesians 5:25). So when Catholics marry, they do not view it simply as a contract between a man and woman. Rather, they see it as something in which God is deeply involved and which also involves the whole Catholic community.

The church building, which contains the presence of Christ, is thought of as the most sacred place to make this most sacred of commitments.

Financial Report

Weekend Collection for Sept.30, 2018 -\$9,103.50
Weekly Expenses are approximately \$ 11,000.
Weekly Shortage was \$1,896.50

Sharing God's Gifts

Target for 2018 - \$48,620.00
Amount collected -\$42,155.50 27.4% participation
Amount owing - \$6,464.50

"I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare. If our charities do not at all pinch or hamper us, I should say they are too small." C.S.Lewis

English Author

Come And Join Us

Pray the rosary with fellow parishioners in support of the "Pro-Life Movement" every Wednesday at 12:00 pm in the chapel at the Assiniboine Centre.

Kitchen Open House

There will be an open house to see our new Parish Kitchen on Oct. 14th after the 9 and 11 am Masses, everyone is welcome and if you are in a position to help out financially it will be much appreciated.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in December 2018 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-1637.

"When we reveal to people our belief in them, their hidden beauty rises to the surface where it may be seen more clearly by all" Jean Vanier

"The real enemies of our life are the 'oughts' and the 'ifs'. They pull us backward into the unalterable past and forward into the unpredictable future. But real life takes place in the here and now." Henri Nouwen

ST. AUGUSTINE'S FALL SUPPER

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their annual Fall Supper on October. 28th, 2018, 4-7 pm. The cost for adults will be \$16, \$7 for ages 7-12, 6 and under will be free. Sign-up sheets will be located at the East entrance to the rear vestibule of the church. Your assistance in donations or working a shift is deeply appreciated. If you have any questions please call Jim Dyck at 725-2795. Meals are also available for delivery and delivery can be arranged by calling Bruce Ray at 726-0013

Life Chain

Come join the Life Chain in support of the Culture of Life (promoted by the Knights of Columbus, Campaign Life Coalition and Life's Vision Brandon). One hour of silent prayerful support for the sanctity of life is happening at the same hour across Canada on Sunday October 7, 2018 at 2:00 pm to 3 pm on the sidewalk at 1st St. and Victoria Ave. Please arrive by 1:45 pm.

For Better and 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.

Oct. 11/18 - Nov.22/18 Jan. 10/19 - Feb. 21/19
Mar. 14/19 - Apr.25/19 May. 16/19 - Jun.27/19

for more information contact Bob & Annette Boucher @ 204-727-6035 or the parish office.

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