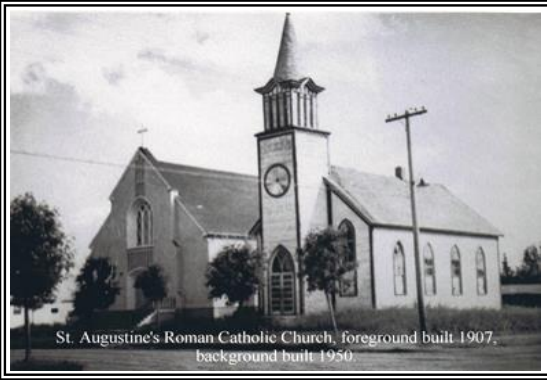

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Office Hours: 9 AM – 1 PM Tuesday to Friday

June 8, 2025—
PENTECOST SUNDAY— Year C

Acts 2.1-11 Psalm 104
1 Corinthians 12.3b.12-13
John 20.19-23 or John 14.15-16, 23b-26

I RUSHED HOME in tears. Today, I can't remember the exact reason why I left work early. All I know is I didn't want others to see me upset. There was a period in my life when depression and anxiety seemed so powerful that I felt I couldn't handle then.

That incident was a catalyst in reinforcing my resolve to get help and be healthier in mind, body and spirt. When checking to see the severity of my illness, I remember one counsellor asking what stopped me from giving up on life. I told her it was because I was Catholic.

Today's readings help us realize the often-overlooked role of the Holy Spirit. Although I fe;t hopeless at times. I knew I wasn't alone. Shortly after his resurrection, Jesus sent a powerful advocate who will be with us forever. The Holy Spirit empowers us, as children of God, with the gifts we need to have the strength and courage to take up our cross.

On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the arrival of the Holy Spirit who gave the fearful disciples the ability to spread the Good New. We give thanks for God's gift of the Holy Spirit who will guide us in our mission to bravely persevere and live according to God's will.

Christl Dabu, Ajax, ON livingwithChrist.ca

Masses this week:

Sat. June 7 @ 9 AM

Wed. June 11 & Thur. June 12 @ 12 NOON

See the Mass Intention calendar inside

The **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION** for June— **that the world might grow in compassion.** Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

STAMPEDE FOOD BOOTH

Meeting Monday, **June 9th at 7 pm** in the church basement.

ONLY 2 WEEKS away from the Ponoka Stampede. WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS! The schedules are in the front entrance. See the next page for the positions & shift times. Thank you!

Joanne (403) 396-1802
Sheila (403) 963-0476

Mass Times: **Saturday - 7:00 p.m.** **Sunday - 9:00 a.m.** **Wednesday & Thursday —12 noon**

Hand sanitizer is provided at all the entrances. Please stay home if you feel sick.

Adoration: 5 minutes after Saturday mass & Wednesday (at 11:15 AM)
Rosary: 30 minutes before weekend masses
Confession: 30 minutes before mass or by appointment
Sacrament/Anointing of the Sick: in case of emergency call **Fr. Liju (780.935-1589)**
The Pastoral Team visits hospitals/long term care & senior residences on Tuesdays.

If you know someone who needs prayers, call our **Prayer Line Co-ordinators**

Judy @ 403.783-4347 Gail @ 403.783-8123

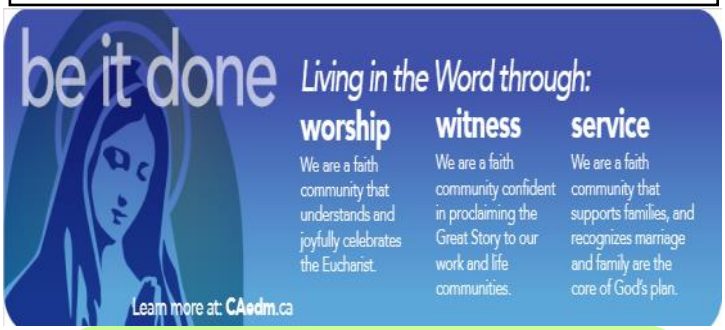
ADORATION
Wednesdays @ 11:30 AM
Saturdays— 5 minutes after mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday	June 7	9:00 AM	+ William Saunders (First Saturday Devotion)
	June 7	7:00 PM	St. Augustine School Graduation Class of 2025
Sunday	June 8	9:00 AM	+ Deceased members of the Abel & Koleyak Families
Wednesday	June 11	12 NOON	+ Garry Farwell
Thursday	June 12	12 NOON	Intentions of the Vogel Family
Saturday	June 14	7:00 PM	+ Maurice & Helen Hemmingson
Sunday	June 15	9:00 AM	+ Brigida Evangelista

Blessings to **Amelito Perez** as he prepares to complete his Diaconate Training. Happy 90th birthday to **Jeannette Vandenbroek** on June 16! Pray for a **successful Stampede Food Booth** as we work together to *build for tomorrow*! **Imagine** Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation and weddings in **a new church...**

Bring your refundable cans & bottles
JUNE 17 to 22
We CAN BUILD for the Building Fund!
We received $64.25 in May



A Catholic response to Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide

Euthanasia Prevention Coalition Petition: Demand a complete review of Canada's euthanasia law

We call on the federal and provincial governments to provide a complete review of Canada's MAID law.

The review must examine the actual practise of MAID by individual physicians and by provincial MAID services while considering the actual experiences of people with disabilities, people living in poverty, people requiring treatment for mental health issues, and more.

How many people are pressured to "choose" MAID and then die by it?

Link to petition: https://citizengo.org/en-ca/lfe/15473

e-Transfer

We accept e-transfers!
No service fees
Include your **name, address & phone number**.

For **OPERATIONS** (mass supplies, utilities, Together We Serve, Children's Liturgy; Holy Thursday; Good Friday, Christmas, flowers, utilities, etc.) Send your e-transfer to:
StAugustine.Ponoka@caedm.ca.

For **BUILDING FUND** donations, Send e-transfer to:
staugustine.etransfer@caedm.ca

June 21 & 22 will be the Second Collection for the Building Fund (after Communion). Every donation counts! Write your name and address on the beige Building Fund envelopes (for your tax receipt) We are all called to prayer, give our time and give financially. We trust you will do what you can to help and give as your budget allows. Thank you for your generosity & sacrifice!

The Children's Donations will go the Building Fund on the Fourth Sunday.

Knights of Columbus, Council 4503

In Service for One, In Service for All

June 19—**Meeting at 7 PM**

Ponoka Stampede Set-up— tba

Knights of Columbus Outstanding Student Award: *Awarded to graduating student(s) who demonstrate all round student achievement rather than for strictly academic performance throughout the course of their high school years. Successful candidate(s) will receive a certificate and up to $1000 which will be divided among those selected. Deadline for application: June 30*

Council 4503 scholarship for $1,000 (*which may be shared by eligible candidates) for those who have a father or grandfather that is a member of the Knights. Deadline for application:* June 30

https://staug.starcatholic.ab.ca/students/awards-and-scholarships

FOOD BOOTH positions to fill:

Cashier; Runner; Grill/Burger; Fryer – Fries; Fries Assist; Gravy/Poutine; Taco in a Bag; Wrapper; Pie/Ice Cream; General duties. 12 year olds can help

Wednesday, June 25th
4:30 pm – 8:30 pm
8:00 pm – 12:30 am

Thursday, June 26th
10:30 am – 4:00 pm
3:30 pm – 9:00 pm
8:30 pm – 1:30 am

Friday, June 27th
10:30 am – 4:30 pm
4:00 pm – 9:30 pm
9:00 pm – 2:00 am

Saturday June 28th
10:30 am – 4:30 pm
4:00 pm – 9:30 pm
9:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Sunday, June 29th
10:30 am – 4:30 pm
4:00 pm – 9:30 pm
9:00 pm – 2:00 am

Monday, June 30th
10:30 am – 4:30 pm
4:00 pm – 9:30 pm
9:00 pm – 2:00 am

Tuesday, July 1st
10:30 am – 3:00 pm
2:30 pm – 7:00 pm
6:30 pm – 11:00 pm

Parish Family Campout—
July 18, 19 & 20 at Pofianga Lake
Gjex Escudero: 403. 785-6684
Gary Lim: 403. 505-4279

First Saturdays Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Rosary @ 8:30 am **Mass @ 9 am**
JUNE 7

Catholic Women's League
Faith, Service and Social Justice

The CWL invites everyone to a delicious **Father's Day Brunch on Sunday, June 15 after mass.** Proceeds support Our Lady of Victory Camp at Gull Lake.

Deadline for application to the **Archbishop Collins Stewardship Award is June 10**. *God gives each of us gifts and talents. When we share with others, we make the world a better place and we give glory to God.*

The **Month of the Sacred Heart** refers to the Catholic devotion of dedicating the month of June to the devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. June 24 is the **Nativity of John the Baptist.**

Dear Parishioners,

After much prayer and reflection, I have decided not to seek re-election as Catholic School Trustee for the upcoming term. It has been an honour to serve our community and I am deeply grateful for the trust and support you have shown me during my time in this role.

As we look ahead, the position of Catholic School Trustee remains a vital one for guiding and supporting our schools in faith and education. If you feel called to serve in this capacity or would like more information about what the role entails, I encourage you to consider running. Serving as a trustee is a wonderful opportunity to contribute to the future of our Catholic Education system.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, feel free to reach out to me directly at 403.783-0684.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers!

In Christ, **Marilyn Burke** Star Catholic School Trustee

Chalice

Our Chalice child, Peace will be 13 years old on August 19. Thanks to the Children's Donations.

Welcome to St. Augustine Parish. We encourage all our parishioners who worship with us to register. Please call the office, 403-783-4048, or return this form to the office via the collection basket, mail, or in person. Thank you.

NAME: (please print)_____

Names & ages of any Children: _____

Tel. # _____ Email::_____