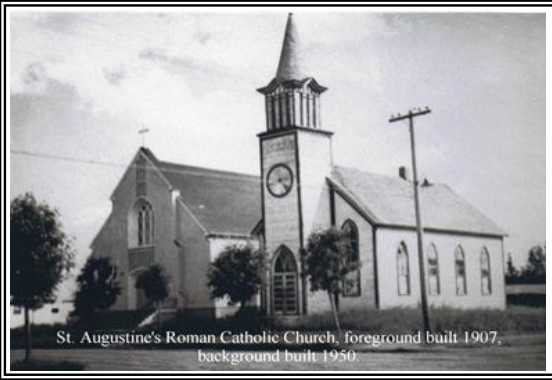
St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church, foreground built 1907, background built 1950

St. Augustine Parish

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Office Hours: 9 AM – 1:30 PM Tuesday to Friday

Pentecost Sunday

May 24, 2026

Acts 2.1-11 Psalm 104

1 Corinthians 12.3b, 12-13 John 20.19-23

AS DISCIPLES OF Christ, we have received the Holy Spirit, just as the disciples did on the day of Pentecost. In common with the early Church, we all have moments of darkness that threaten to overcome us. There is a coldness in the darkness that can only be held at bay by the flames of faith.

These flames are a gentle light for others. When we listen to the troubles of others, we can be a gentle light. Through our acts of charity, mercy and kindness, we can bring the flame of faith to others. Likewise, when we can offer our prayers to dispel the darkness.

With darkness often comes cold. The flames we carry are not harsh or scorching, but sources of warmth and welcome to those in need of love and belonging. When we are merciful and accepting, when we forgive and seek forgiveness, when we offer a kind work or gesture, the warmth of the Holy Spirit can bring comfort to those who need it most.

May we also, in our own times of darkness and cold, seek and welcome the light and warmth offered by others in our faith community. We are guided by the light and surrounded by the warmth of a God who loves us.

Michael Way Skinner

(Living with Christ)

PRAYER FOR BUILDING A NEW CHURCH

Heavenly Father,

Send Your Holy Spirit upon us that we may seek Your truth and follow Your will with courage and love. Guide our hearts and minds, especially the members of our Building Committee as they discern your right path in creating a sacred place of worship.

May the decisions we make honor You and ensure that Your presence dwells amoung us. Help us to creat a community rooted in love, compassion, and unity. Bless our work today, tomorrow and for generations to come. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son.

Amen

Sacrement of Reconciliation

Father Liju will have the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Wednesday June 3rd.** from 3:15 to 4:00 pm

Mass Times: ***Saturday @ 7 PM Sunday @ 9 AM Wednesday @ 12 NOON Thursday @ 9 AM***

Adoration: Saturday (at 6:20 PM)

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 @ 11:15 AM
Saturdays— @ 6:20 PM

Mass Intentions

Saturday	May 23	@ 7:00 pm	Intentions of the Ma-Hemingson Family
Sunday	May 24	@ 9:00 am	+ Rolando Escaro
Wednesday	May 27	@ 12 Noon	+ Garry Farwell
Thursday	May 28	@ 9:00 am	+ Roy Fairclough
Saturday	May 30	@ 7:00 pm	Intenetions of Kelly Shimp
Sunday	May 31	@ 9:00 am	+ Hilaria Moreno
Wednesday	June 3	@ 12 Noon	+ Barbara Wilson
Thursday	June 4	@ 9:00 am	+ William Saunders

STAMPEDE FOOD BOOTH SCHEDULE are prepared & located at the church entrance for **everyone to sign up.** Save the dates June 24 to July 1 . **Count Down**

just **4 weeks u**ntil set up.

We will continue **to sell Apple Pies** after weekend massses with the proceeds going to our **building fund.** Cost is $15.00, **cash only**

Congratulations

Congratulations to our 8 young people who will make their First Communion this Sunday May 24.

As you celebrate your First Communion, remember that God's love will always be there to comfort you, guide you, and bless you".

Many thanks to Deacon Rollie Comeau and Rona Mateo.

Thank you for the love, patience, and dedication you put into preparing children. You truly went above and beyond.

GOD CHOSE YOU FOR ME – SOMETHING NEW – JUNE 14, 2026

A new way to pray, A new way to connect, A new way to encounter God's love.

Your marriage is not just a relationship- it is a holy commitment. Your sacrament is a living sign of Christ's presence in the world.

Reserve your spot now. Scan QR code to Register

World Day of Prayer for the Church in China
May 24

In May 2007, Pope Benedict XVI asked that May 24 be observed as a Day of Prayer of the Church In China. He chose this day since it is the traditional Feast of Our Lady of Help of Christians, venerated at the Shrine of Sheshan in Shanghai.

Prayer Shawl Meeting
Last Monday of the Month
May 25 @ 7 PM at Lynne's 403.783-8736

Knights of Columbus,
Council 4503

In Service for One,
In Service for all

The 1st Sunday of the month is K of C Ministries and the 2nd week of the month is Pancake Breakfast.

The next Pancake Breakfast is June 14th after 9:00 am mass.

June 9—taco meat preparation at stampede grounds.

Grand Knight, **Joe Henderson**
(403)358–4845
Financial Secretary, **Henry Hollman**
(403) 801-7948

Catholic Women's League

Faith, Service & Social Justice

All members are cordially invited to our Strawberry Shortcake Tea on Saturday May 30 from 1:30-3:30. Wear a Spring Hat & have a chance to win a prize, bring one of your favorite Tea cups if you'd like.

Co-presidents: Carol (403) 783-2148

Maria P (403) 783-8912

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ST Augustine Parish
Interim Financial Report
January 1st to March 31st

	First Quarter
REVENUES:	
Donations and Collections	31,468.00
Other Income	5,336.00
TOTAL	36,804.00
EXPENSES:	
Cathedracticum	6,000.00
Facilities,Equipment Operation and Maintenance	10,051.00
Salaries, Benefits and Milage	11,887.00
Office and Communications	1,272.00
Liturgy,Pastoral,Programs and Education	21.00
TOTAL	29,231.00
BUILDING FUND:	
Donations	23,785.00
Fundraising	1,248.00
Interest	67,466.00
TOTAL REVENUE	90,003.00
EXPENSE: New Church Costs	

May 23 & 24 is the <u>Second Collection for the Building Fund</u> (after Communion). Every donation helps!

Write your name & address on the **beige Building Fund envelopes** (for your tax receipt) Thank you for your generosity & sacrifice!

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

Thank you all for your monetary donations and volunteer support throughout the year

As we gather in our church, remember that we in are in a **dwelling place of prayer, peace and the presence of Christ.** To be present with one another and with the Lord– let us set aside distractions as we come to worship.

Please refrain from bringing food and drinks into the sanctuary.

Kindly silence or turn off cell phones to maintain a prayerful atmosphere.

Thank you for your reverance and for helping to create a welcoming and holy space.

Congratulations to Rose Viens, daugther of Hannah and Maxime Viens.

Rose received the Sacrament of Baptims on Sunday May 16.

Make her a faithful disciple and witness to your Gospel through Baptism and Confirmation.