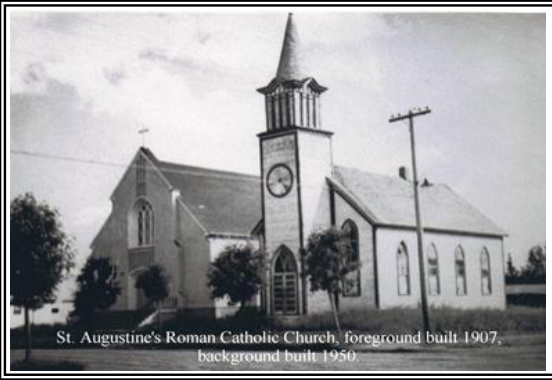
St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church, foreground built 1907, background built 1950

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

6th Sunday of Easter

May 10,2026

Acts 8.5-8, 14-17 Psalm 66

1 Peter 3.15-18 John 14.15-21

TODAY'S READINGS RESONATE with our current conversations about our identity and presence as Church, as witness of the power of resurrection. The reading from Acts captures the joy, healing, and growth of a dynamic community as Jesus' disciples "proclaim the Christ" in their time and place. John's Gospel emphasizes the intimate relationship between humanity and divinity that emerges through the resurrection and the coming of the Spirit. All are one in love.

Immersed in divine presence, we are nutured, affirmed and blessed. Living in love, and transformed by that love, we are empowered to " proclaim the Christ." The love modelled by Jesus directs and informs our practice as disciples. It is a generous love that recognizes and welcones all despite differences in gender, status, race, culture, and it refuses to demean or to diminish.

So, we ask from within our struggle: how do we translate this love institutionally, shape the corporate Body of Christ so that resurrection energy informs internal structures and radiates from external presence? How do we listen for and obey the Spirit who calls the Church to include, value and empower everyone who is baptized into the Body of Christ? How do we as Church see Jesus' lens of love, see beyond our many differences, and open ourselves to the Spirit calling all to live Love? Ella Allen (Living with Christ)

There is NO Mass on May 13 & 14

Fr. Liju will be away from May 11 to 15 for the Priests' Assembly

Confirmation Candidates

All Confirmants should take advantage of the sacrament of Reconciliation prior to June 7, Confirmation date.

Dates and tiems for the Confirmation candidates -

May 20 and June 3 both Wednesday from 3:15 to 4:00 pm

In the Catholic Church, May is traditionally known as the Month of Mary, a time dedicated to honoring and venerating the Blessed Virgin Mary. This tradition began in the 13th century and has grown in popularity, with many Catholics observing special devotions and prayers throughout the month to Mary. The month of May is seen as a time to express devotion and love for the M other of God. (AI generated)

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**

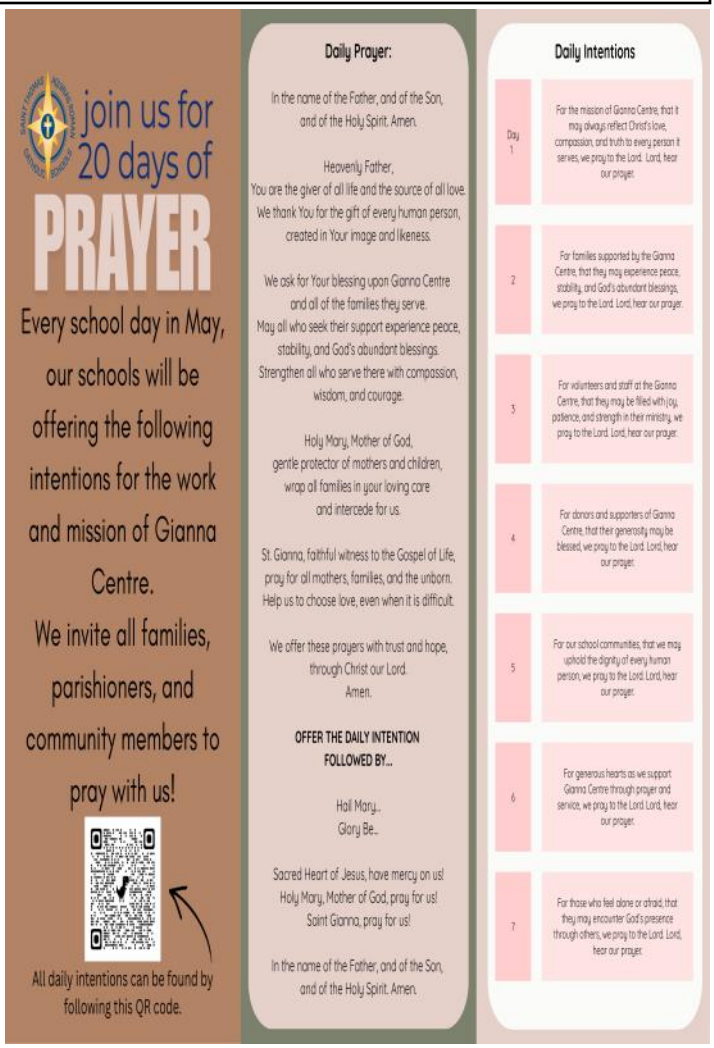
Judy @ 403.783-4347 Gail @ 403.783-8123

ADORATION
Wednesdays @ 11:15 AM
Saturdays— @ 6:20 PM

Mass Intentions

Saturday	May 9	@ 7:00 pm	Intentions of Maxine and Gilles
Sunday	May 10	@ 9:00 am	Deceased Members of the Oppel Family
Saturday	May 16	@ 7:00 pm	+ Roy Fairclough
Sunday	May 17	@ 9:00 am	+ John Gillespie
Wednesday	May 20	@ 12 Noon	For the Deceased members of the Caouette Family
Thursday	May 21	@ 9:00 am	+Roy Fairclough
Saturday	May 23	@ 7:00 pm	Intentions of the Ma-Hemingson Family
Sunday	May 24	@ 9:00 am	+ Rolando Escaro

Please contact **Franziska at 403-872-7734** to purchase tickets Or you can purchase a ticket at the Parish office during business hours.



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In Service for One,
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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 May 10th after 9:00 am mass.

Captain: John Dela Cruz Assistant Chef: Russ Lilja, Mark &Edzel Quiambao, Conrad Van Staten, Joe Henderson and Ignacio Castro

June 9—taco meat preparation at stampede grounds.

Grand Knight, **Joe Henderson**
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May 23 & 24 is the Second Collection for the Building Fund (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

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**

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Catholic Women's League
Faith, Service & Social Justice

Blessing to All Mother's this weekend.

All CWL 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 of your favorite Tea cups if you'd like.

Co-presidents: Carol (403) 783-2148
Maria P (403) 783-8912

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To the church
We CAN BUILD for the Building
$127.85 Collected in April

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

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

If you have **changed** your **phone number or address** please inform the parish office @ 403-783-4048 so you information can be updated.

The Food Bank is very low on food and is asking all Churches in Ponoka to please help with donations of food if you are able to. Collection baskets are at the entrance of our church.

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SACRAMENTS & RITES

ANOINTING OF THE SICK—in case of an emergency, please call **Fr. Liju Jose @ 780-935-1589**

BAPTISM– Baptism Preparation is compulsory for parents prior to the Baptism of their child. Please contact the Parish Office to register with your child's birth certificate.

CONFESSION/RECONCILATION— 30 minutes before mass or by appointment with Father Liju on Wednesday or Thursday.

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.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

As we continue to celebrate the Easter season, a time of renewal and resurrection, parishioners are invited to have their homes blessed as a way of welcoming God's grace, peace, and presence into their lives.

Home blessings are a meaningful tradition that help us recognize our living spaces as sacred places where faith is lived, love is shared, and families grow together in God's care.

If you would like your home blessed during this season or at a later time, please fill out the enclosed form and return it to the suggestion box or email it to the parish office.

Thank you,

Fr Liju Jose

The Pictorial Directories are ready to be picked up

Please contact the Parish Office @ 403-783– 4048 if you have not received your Pictorial Directory.

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