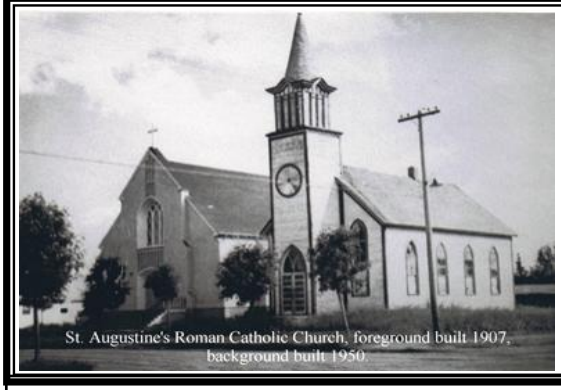

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Office Hours: 9 AM – 1:30 PM Tuesday to Friday

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 14, 2026

Exodus 19.1-6a Psalm 100

Romans 5.6-11 Matthew 9.36-10.8

TODAY THE GOSPEL opens by telling the reader that Jesus was filled with compassion. The passage ends with Jesus instructing his newly appointed Apostles to perform miraculous feats including curing those with incurable ailments and even raising the dead. Jesus is acutely aware that humans are constantly engaged in dreadful conflicts that we are powerless to resolve on our own.

There are times when we suffer and feel powerless to improve the situation we are in. Watching a loved one deteriorate in health, being unable to lift a friend's anxieties over their predicament, or finding our own selves as victims of mental and physical anguish can all be debilitating. What are we to do when we find ourselves in the midst of suffering and feel powerless to diminish that suffering?

Christ is the answer to our powerlessness. Today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus walks with us in those moments when we feel most vulnerable. When we feel alone and weak, we need only reach out and prayer. Furthermore, Christ has given us the Church (descending from the Apostles whom he originally sent out). The Church provides us with are companionship and support. Difficulties are part of life, but we need not face life's difficulties alone.

Andrew Hume (Living with Christ)

Everyone is invited to our **special CWL Father's Day Brunch** on **Sunday June 21.** Proceeds from our brunch go to support

Our Lady of Victory Camp at Gull Lake.

Thank you to everyone who helped cook Taco meat last Tuesday. It was a great turnout and we cooked over 1000 lbs of burger for Stampede and finished by 4:15

Fr. Liju will be away from Monday June 15 until Friday June 19

Deacon Rollie will have Litergy of the Word on Wednesday June 17 at 12 noon. Begin with Adoration 11:15 am

No mass Wednesday or Thursday the June 17th & 18th.

Mass Times: ***Saturday @ 7 PM Sunday @ 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	June 13	@ 7:00 pm	+ Roy Fairclough and + George Serkasvich
Sunday	June 14	@ 9:00 am	+ Terri Taylor
Saturday	June 20	@ 7:00 pm	+ Roland Caron
Sunday	June 21	@ 9:00 am	+ Barbara Wilson
Wednesday	June 24	@ 12 Noon	+ Roy Fairclough
Thursday	June 25	@ 9:00 am	+ Herta Hellfritz
Saturday	June 27	@ 7:00 pm	+ Barbara Wilson
Sunday	June 28	@ 9:00 am	+ Barbara Wilson

Knights of Columbus,
Council 4503
In Service for One,
In Service for all

The next K of C meeting is Thursday June 18 @ 7:00 pm

Volunteer appreciation for all parishioners is **Sunday July 5 @3:00 pm** @ St. Augustine Church . Food and drinks will be provided. Parishioners are invite to bring along a dessert.

K of C pancake breakfast, Sunday June 14 after Mass.

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

Please **Pray for George Serkasavich**—91, who passed away on Monday June 8th.

George was a long time member of our parish along with his wife Margo.

Funeral arrangemaents to be announced.

World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests June 12

Catholics worldwide are urged to pray for Priests today on the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests. The day was begun by Saint John Paul II in 2022 with the objective of having all Catholic faithful join in prayer for the sanctification of Priests. The World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests coincides with the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Volunteer sign up for the Food Booth is looking better each week.

We still have around **25 positions open** and are hoping that some of you who have not had a chance to signup would do so.

Sign up sheets are at the front entrance of the church and

QR Code Sign Up.

Contact # Sheila (403) 963-0476 Keith # (587) 729-0255

St. Augustine Food Booth Shift Request Form

How to use a a QR Code.

Hover your camera over the QR code and click on the banner that appears on your phone to access the form.

Responding to this form is not a confirmation of your shift selection. You will receive an email confirmation in the upcoming day or two. Any shift requests received over a weekend via this form will be addressed after the paper sign up schedule at the back of the church has been collected back each Sunday.

Catholic Women's League

Faith, Service & Social Justice

The CWL will again be serving their special Father's Day Brunch on Sunday, June 21th. After mass.

Co-presidents: Carol (403) 783-214 / Maria P (403) 783-8912

Holy Baptism

Conngratulations to Caleb Coronel, son of Ronaldo and Angelo Coronel, who will be baptized this week end.

Make him a faithful disciple and witness to God's gospel through Baptism and Confirmation.

Believe or not we are planning for next years's pie making and are looking for rhubarb from this summer's growing season. If you have rhubarb and can donate some, we need it cut into pie making size– half inch or smaller pieces and put into large freezer bags (say 12 cups size) We will have freezer space after Stampede if you can store it until then.

We will continue **to sell Apple Pies** after weekend massses with the proceeds going to our **building fund.** Cost is $15.00, **cash only please**. (Funds raised as at May 27 $685.00)

Pope's Prayer Intention:

For June

For the Values of sports—Let us pray that sport be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

Congratulations to the 13 young people who will be confirmed at St. Stephen, Lacombe on June 13. May they have the courage to defend their faith and be witnesses of God's love in the world.

Bring your refundable cans & bottles
To the church
$59.80 Collected in May
We can Build for the Building Fund.

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

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June: The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus!

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. You may have heard the phrase "the Sacred Heart of Jesus", but what does it refer to and why is it important?

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a devotion to the humanness of Jesus Christ. This month, we take time to remember his love and real suffering for us. The Sacred Heart is a symbol of **mercy** and an invitation to **trust** in Christ's mercy.

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