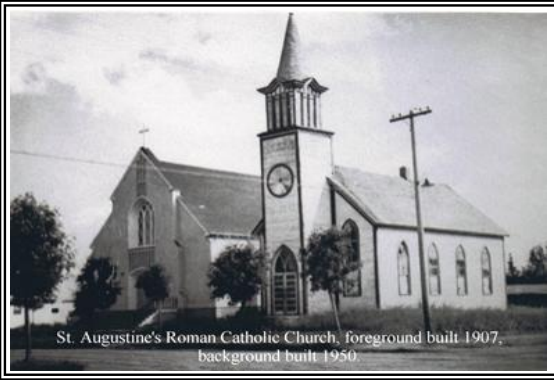
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Office Hours: 9 AM – 1:30 PM Tuesday to Friday

All Saints Day

Revelation 7.2-4, 9-14 Psalm 24

1 John 3.1-3 Matthews 11.28

POPE FRANCES REMINDED us often during his pontificate that we are called to holiness. It is constitutive to our baptism. We are made in the image and likeness of God, and there is a deep longing within us to be perfect in now we love. We strive to love as God, who is perfect, loves. The sacraments, especially the Eucharist, feed and encourage us to become what we receive.

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus offer the Beatitudes to the crowds. These statements seem paradoxical when understood as the world might understand them. Jesus is teaching his disciples, and us, how grace works for those with faith, no matter the circumstances.

Whatever path we walk, we know that God's grace is enough. We are blessed when we embrace these teachings and live as they prescribe: we become holy as God is holy. If we spend time in prayer with Beatitudes this week, we will be let by the Spirit to dwell in their meaning.

On this feast of All Saints, let us take up the challenge. Let us emulate the saints and Jesus, our brother and friend, by loving fully and completely all whom we meet. When we do not make the mark, let us ask for forgiveness and seek grace in the sacraments, in order to start again.

Sr. Pat Carter (lLiving with Chirst) Nov. 1, 2026

Mass Times:

Saturday: 7 PM Sunday: 9 AM

Adoration:

Saturday: 6:20 pm

There is No Mass on Wednesday Nov 4th or Thursday Nov 5th.

There will be

Liturgy of the Word on Wednesday Nov 4th at 12 noon Adoration at 11:00 am

Rosary: 30 minutes before Holy 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

This will be a 2 week Bulletin Oct 31 & Nov 1

And 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Nov 7 & 8

If you know someone who needs prayers,

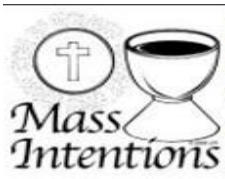
call our **Prayer Line Co-ordinators**

Judy @ 403.783-4347 Gail @ 403.783-8123

ADORATION
Wednesdays @ 11:00 AM
Saturdays— @ 6:20 PM

Mass Intentions

Saturday	October 31	@ 7:00 pm	+ Fallon Jenkins
Sunday	November 1	@ 9:00 am	+ For the Deceased Members of the Caouette Family
Saturday	November 7	@ 7:00 pm	+ Pete Narvaez
Sunday	November 8	@ 9:00 am	+ Rolando Escaro
Wednesday	Novemver 11	@12:00 noon	Intentions of the Parishioners of St.Augustine Parish
Thursday	November 12	@ 9:00 am	+ For the Deceased Members of the Saunders Family



Mass Intentions– The Archdiocese suggest a donation of $10.00 if you would like a mass for someone.

On October 31, please write the names of your Deceased Family and Friends in the

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In the black binder front of the ambo.

We will pray for them in November

Remembrance Day

November 11

Canadians pause today in silence to remember those who died in war and to pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world.

This is a day to pray for peace, to consider what we are doing as individuals, as a community and as a nation to bring God's peace into the world.

This is a day when a believing community should rededicate itself by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gives us in the Beatitudes.

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

The 1st. Sunday of the month is K of C Ministries.

The next Pancake Breakfast hosted by the K of C will be November 8.
Everyone welcome, please join us in the Church basement after 9:00 am mass.

Grand Knight, **Joe Henderson**
(403) 3589-4845
Financial Secretary,
Henry Hollman
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Pope's Prayer Intention:

For November

For the proper use of wealth—Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

A warm welcome to Fr. Wilson Thankachan

Who is leading mass while Fr. Liju is away October 31th and Nov 1st

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 6.12-16 **Psalm 63**

1 Thessalonians 4.13-18 **Matthews 25.1-13**

AS WE JOURNEY along the spiritual path, over time we gain human wisdom and experience. But divine wisdom offers us much more. Both human and divine wisdom are found in today's readings.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about wise and foolish bridesmaids, and their foresight or lack thereof. In researching why bridesmaids needed oil, I learned that, at that time, one task of the bridesmaids was to accompany the bridegroom at night, leading him through dark street to his waiting beloved. If the bridesmaids ran out of oil, their lamps were useless.

Jesus' teaching about the bridesmaids is asking more of us as believers than simple vigilance. We too are invited to be aware and to prepare, as we continue to seek a deeper union with our Beloved. The way of faith, as we follow Christ, is as winding as a forest path. It takes human effort and divine wisdom to know what is ours to do along this path.

It takes planning and awareness, patience and foresight as we journey towards the ultimate wedding banquet awaiting us.

What more am I being asked to do at this time, to be better prepared for union with my Beloved at the Eucharist? What deeper wisdom is available to me as I continue on my journey, towards everlasting divine union?

Karen S. Labaise

Living with Christ. November 8,2026

Saturday November 7
There is NO
9:00 am Mass
For the
First Saturdays Devotion of
Reparation to The Immaculate Heart of

Catholic Women's League
Faith, Service & Social Justice

CWL Meeting Monday November 2 a t 7:00 pm in the Church basement.

Please remember in your prayers Shirley Stewart who passed away October 24th. Shirley was a CWL member for almost 40 years.

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

Parents of children who have children in grade 2 and older and have not yet received their First Communion, should register their children at the parish office and receive the workbooks on Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist.

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.)
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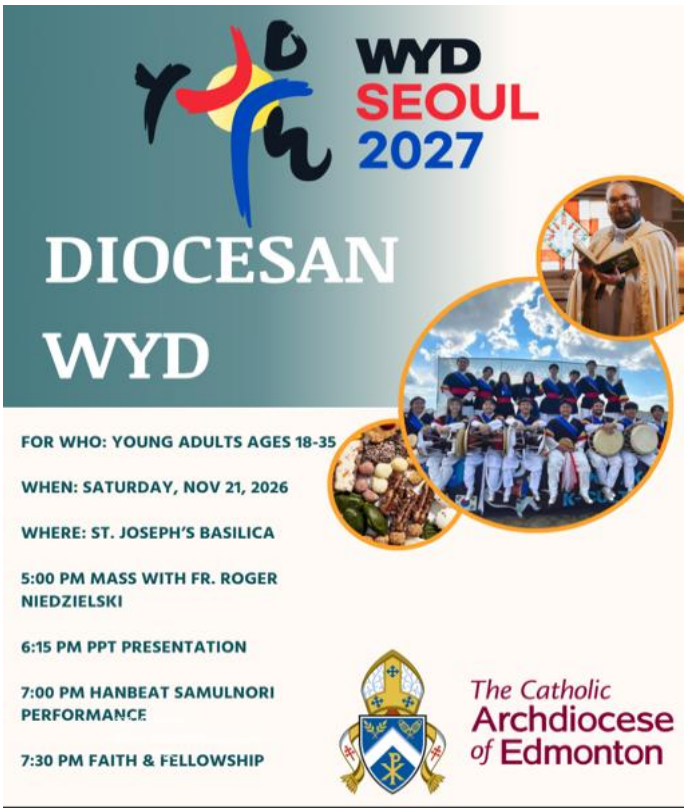

SACRAMENTS & RITES

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.

MARRIAGE—Please contact the parish office one year to six months before the proposed date of your marriage. A pre-marriage course is obligatory.

If you have **changed** your **phone number or address** please inform the parish office at StAugustine.Ponoka@caedm.ca or phone

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