

Mass Intentions:

- Sunday, Oct 3rd** For the repose of the soul of Rachel Malone requested by Mike Malone
- Thursday, Oct 7th** For the deceased classmates requested by Michel de Grandpre
- Sunday, Oct 10th** For the intentions of Imre Glaser requested by Heidi Glaser-Hille
- Thursday, Oct 14th** For special intentions requested by Isabelle Górska
- Sunday, Oct 17th** For the repose of the soul of Helen and Frank Gallant requested by Ann & Jim Gallant
- Thursday, Oct 21st** still available
- Sunday, Oct 24th** For the repose of the soul of Marie McNeil Leclair requested by her daughter Susan Leclair
- Thursday, Oct 28th** still available
- Sunday, Oct 31st** For repose of the soul of Carol Caramelli requested by the de Grandpre Family

If you would like to request a Mass intention please contact Helen Jaroslawski before or after Mass or by leaving a message at the church 450-653-4402

Collections for September: \$4,468.40

Parish Dues: \$19,696.00 (to date)

Heritage Fund: \$43775.89 (to date)

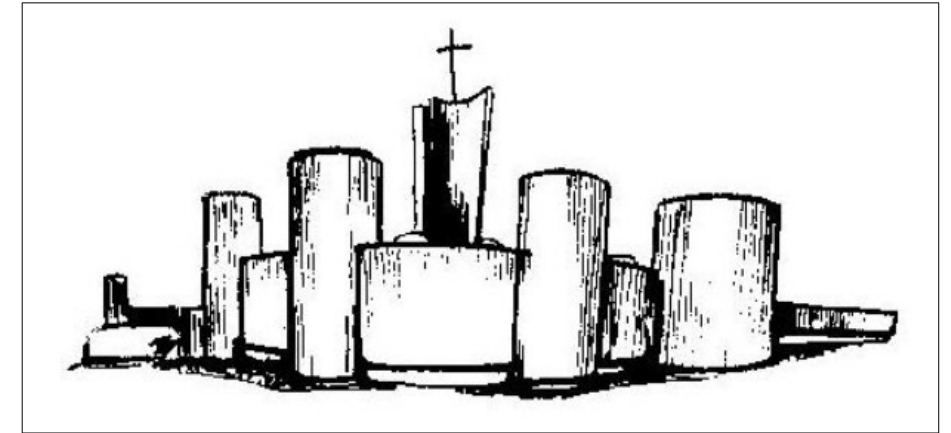
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Schedule of Masses:

Sundays: 9:15 am
Thursdays: 9:15 am
Adoration: First Thursday of the month

Pre-registration is no longer required for Sunday Mass. All participants will be registered at the door and the church will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for October

Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

Update on the Heritage Project

Work on our roof was completed this past week! We are pleased that phase 1 is completed. Thank you for your generous donations!



The Thread

Weaving Together the Eight Parishes of the John-Paul II Pastoral Unit



What's with the name? We have renamed the newsletter to The Thread, using the Microsoft Sway platform that you have come to know, to better represent the objective of the communication. The Thread will bring together the news from the eight Parishes, our Diocese as well as that which is happening in our common world.

Heritage Open House – Sept. 11th

On Saturday September 11th, we held our 2nd Heritage Day Open House. This year over 50 visitors toured our church, mostly from outside our local community. We welcomed architects, musicians and professional photographers. Thank you to our parishioners who dropped in and deepened their knowledge of our church.

At the end of the tour, visitors were directed to our beautiful courtyard and enjoyed home-made refreshments.

Feedback was extremely positive as they learned the history of our church and gained appreciation for the simplicity of our Franciscan sacred space. A UQAM professor of modern architecture shared that one of her student's thesis will be on St. Augustine Church.

Special thanks to all our volunteers who made this day a great success.

Update on FOCUS 2021

1) Family Ministry

In case you haven't noticed, we have had a significant increase in children attending our Masses in recent months. Nothing could please us more! Just in time for this influx of children is our new family welcome board and our children's play corner. As soon as health measures allow, keep your eyes out for these welcome additions to our parish.

We will also be implementing new ways to include children in the Mass. If you or your children have ideas on how you would like to be included, please feel free to share them with us by email: staugustine.bulletin@yahoo.com

Michelle Gaudreault

2) Welcome Ministry

As part of the Focus 2021 initiatives, the Welcoming Committee has prioritized two main activities in order to welcome and help new parishioners. With the collaboration and input of the Welcome Committee members, Ellen de Grandpré and Rick Clermont, a pamphlet was created containing pertinent information about our community, the faith education program, sacrament coordinators, our pastoral unit and a short history of St. Augustine Parish. Susan Leclair designed and printed the pamphlet and Father Manus Bradley added up-to-date contact information. We hope this pamphlet will serve as a reference for new parishioners.

To help parishioners identify who does what at St. Augustine's, church wardens and heads of ministries and services will wear a name tag clearly identifying their function within our parish during coffee time after Mass.

Vivien Summers-Lepine

3) Increase Church Rental Potential

To date, we have completed the painting of the hall, the kitchen, the hall bathrooms, and the garage. We have also repaired the astragal on the Roberval entrance door, changed door hardware in both of the main doors, and replaced the glass panes on the courtyard side. The microwave has been replaced in the kitchen, and major cleanup has been done in all areas.

Looking ahead, the following are our list of projects that we plan to address:

1. Replace the hot water heater in the mechanical room.
2. Lighting and electrical upgrades in the meeting hall
3. Install new security system
4. Repair areas where we have air and water intrusion on windows
5. Clean and stain exterior doors; including the garage doors
6. Refurbish the bathrooms in the meeting hall to allow for handicap accessibility
7. Inspect and replace fire extinguishers, as required
8. Review upgrades to appliances in the kitchen
9. Replace the folding doors in the meeting hall

Jose Suarez

4) Reaching out to our Most Vulnerable Parishioners

This year Ellen and Michel de Grandpré, Helen Jaroslowski, Julia Scanlon and Heidi Glaser-Hille joined forces to call over 30 parishioners during the worst pandemic months. Feelings of isolation can be difficult for our mental health so we appreciate your efforts! Thank you!

News from the Women's Guild

The St. Augustine's Women's Guild, which encompasses all the women of the parish, was started over 60 years ago and was one of the main fundraising bodies to furnish the church complex. Over the years, their responsibilities changed and varied.

In more recent years, the Guild also supports charities and institutions which help the less fortunate through various activities such as garage sales, bake sales, re-gifting, plant & book sales, pie sales, turkey suppers, etc.

We have approximately 6 to 8 meetings per year which usually last about an hour and a half. Our next meeting will be on October 26th at 10 a.m. and is open to everyone who would like to attend. Come and join in, we'd love to get to know you!

Mary Fiset

Coffee Time after Mass has Returned

Many thanks to the newly arrived Elliott family for stepping up to lead the coffee team. They kicked off our first coffee time after Mass on Sunday September 25th. Coffee, tea, juice and delicious cookies were available for the parishioners. It was great to see this long standing tradition back up and running.

In Memoriam

If you know of the passing of parishioners or former parishioners please let us know at staugustine.bulletin@yahoo.com and Heidi Glaser for Sunday prayers.