

# St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## WEEKDAY LITURGY:

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

## SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Thursday: 7:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.  
 (Confessions are available during this time)

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to new parishioners. Please call the parish office to register.

<b>PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:</b>	Ray Gervais	613-228-6848
<b>PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:</b>	Joe Cousineau	613-422-4387

<b>BAPTISMS:</b>	Julia Moffat	613-697-7966
<b>CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:</b> (Mondays – 7:30 pm – Church Hall)	Antonella Couse	613-668-2400 <a href="http://www.peopleofjoy.ca">www.peopleofjoy.ca</a>
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</b>	Denis Therrien	613-228-7646
<b>FINANCE COUNCIL:</b>	Ray Gervais	613-228-6848
<b>HEALING MASS:</b> (1st Friday of the Month – 7 pm - Church)	Edna Dubroy	819-592-6377
<b>HOLY SPIRIT HEALING CLINIC:</b> (Mondays – 1 pm to 4 pm – Church Hall)	Antonella Couse	613-668-2400 <a href="http://www.holyspirithealingclinic.com">www.holyspirithealingclinic.com</a>
<b>HOSPITALITY (Coffee Sunday):</b>	Michael Crane	613-834-5031
<b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #16714:</b>	Anna Robotham	613-225-8523
<b>MARRIAGE:</b>	Margaret Heaslip	613-727-2769
	Parish Office	613-729-4071
		At least 9 months prior to marriage date
<b>ORGANIST:</b>	James Fraser	613-224-1382
<b>PASTORAL CARE:</b>	Parish Office	613-225-7388
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<b>PRO-LIFE:</b>	Dolly Moyse	613-221-9178
<b>SOCIAL ACTION:</b>	Pat & Inez Gignac	613-526-0172

## PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Augustine Elementary	1009 Arnot Road	613-225-8020
St. Rita Elementary	1 Inverness Ave.	613-224-6341
Frank Ryan Senior Elementary	128 Chesterton Ave.	613-224-8833
St. Piux X High School	1481 Fisher Ave.	613-225-8105

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*"You have made us  
 for yourself Lord,  
 and our hearts are restless  
 until they rest in you."*

~~ St. Augustine of Hippo ~~

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**PASTOR'S DESK**

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**JANUARY 14, 2024 – THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Stewards Search:** “*Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’- JOHN 1:38*”

When we recognize ourselves as Christian Stewards, it’s easier to find what we are looking for. Once we see ourselves, and others, as children of God, we spend less time looking for the material comforts of the world. Instead, our hearts long for something deeper that can only be filled by God. Ask God daily how He wants you to live the life He intended for you.

**Have a good read:**

Same-sex blessings are about welcoming, not changing Church teaching, Canadian bishops say. Please refer to the Dec. 27, 2023 article in the Catholic register:

<https://www.catholicregister.org/item/36289-same-sex-blessings-are-about-welcoming-not-changing-church-teaching-canadian-bishops-say>.

There is an interesting article/teaching that gives a clear understanding of this topic from the Vatican. The Vatican declaration also quotes from the “beautiful collect from the Roman Missal” for the 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time, which says, “Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.”

**Statement of CCCB on Vatican’s Document Addressing Pastoral Blessings**

***Tuesday, December 19, 2023***

With respect to the Declaration “***Fiducia supplicans***”

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/it/bollettino/pubblico/2023/12/18/0901/01963.html#en>

issued by the Holy See’s Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, the CCCB offered the following statement from Bishop William McGrattan, president of the CCCB.

“On 18 December 2023 the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith released the Declaration *Fiducia Supplicans*, which responds to questions that had been raised regarding the possibility of offering blessings to persons living in irregular unions, including same-sex relationships. While explicitly affirming the Church’s traditional understanding of marriage, *Fiducia Supplicans* allows pastors to bless people who freely request a blessing, seeking divine help to live in fidelity to God’s will. The Declaration makes clear that such blessings must be directed to the persons themselves rather than their situation and that they must be spontaneously requested and are not ritual or liturgical actions.

The guiding principle in the Declaration is the fact that the very request for a blessing represents an openness to God’s mercy and can be an occasion for greater trust in God.”

**Special thanks** to all those involved in ministry on the Christmas weekend. We would especially like to thank our music ministry folks, our readers and commentators, and all those who "set up" the decorations, trees and lights. Special mention to Mike, our custodian for all his hard work. We have had a short season of Advent/Christmas this year. **Note:** Christmas is on a Wednesday in 2024!

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**SCRIPTURE READINGS – JAN. 14<sup>TH</sup>**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** 1 Samuel 3.3b-10, 19  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a,  
 17-20  
**Gospel:** John 1.35-42

**VIGIL LIGHT INTENTIONS**  
**FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 14**

The vigil light in front of the Blessed Sacrament is reserved for:

**~~ the Brule Family ~~**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF**  
**OUR PARISH COMMUNITY**

Maureen Funai, Maxine Kelly, Lillian Bradley, Barbara Minhall, Paulette Channette, Joan Hazel, Marie Springall, Edith Pakenham, Paul O’Grady, John Leman, Cydney Massine, Maureen Clulee, Ava Marrongelli, Ann Brownrigg, Pat O’Neill, Deacon Chris Moffat, the seniors at the Ravines and at Sterling Park, those who are isolated, or suffering from mental health issues, Covid, or RSV.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS - JAN. 14**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

That all will actively seek out their calling in Christ and work to strengthen his kingdom, especially those chosen to lead as priests or consecrated brothers and sisters.

**POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION**  
**JANUARY 2024**

**~ For the gift of diversity in the Church ~**

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

**FIRST COMMUNION**  
**ENROLMENT MASS**

The children receiving the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion in our parish this year will be presented to the parish community for blessing and prayer during all of our weekend Masses, next weekend (4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20th, 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>).

**Please keep these children  
 in your prayers.**



**JAN. 14<sup>TH</sup> TO JAN. 20<sup>TH</sup>**

***SECOND SUNDAY***  
***IN ORDINARY TIME***

<b>Sun. Jan. 14</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	For <i>the repose of the soul of Gail Caron</i> by Linda & Dave Videchak.
<b>Sun. Jan. 14</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>
<b>Mon. Jan. 15</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	For <i>the sick and suffering of our parish community.</i>
<b>Tues. Jan. 16</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	For <i>the Kennedy family</i> by Ron & Diane Brule.
<b>Wed. Jan. 17</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	For <i>the lonely, those who suffer from mental health issues and for those with no one to pray for them.</i>
<b>Thurs. Jan. 18</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	For <i>the souls in Purgatory.</i>
<b>Fri. Jan. 19</b>	<b>NO MASS ON FRIDAYS</b>	
<b>Sat. Jan. 20</b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>

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