



Sharing Life - Bread and Word

The story of the two disciples walking back to their home in Emmaus is another one of those beautiful stories from Scripture, which seems to touch so many of us somewhere deep within. The two main elements that Jesus uses to bring life back to the disciples are Word and Bread. Jesus explains the Scriptures to them and their hearts burn. He then breaks bread with them and they come to recognize who he is. Joy and hope return to their lives. This is how the two disciples meet Jesus, and it is also how we meet Jesus. We hear the Scriptures, study them, try to discover how the Scriptures and our lives intertwine, one with the other. And we also come together to share the Eucharist, to break bread together and receive as one family the Body of Christ. Sharing the Word of God leads to sharing the Bread of Life. When Jesus was sharing words with the disciples he was revealing himself to them. Self-revelation is a genuine gift of one person to another. Through words we invite others into our lives. We open the door to friendship and love. And so just as the Word of God can bind us to God and one another, so can our human words bind us to one another, and if we use those words in our prayer, they can bind us to God also. And this new bond, these new connections call for a sharing of our lives in a physical way. It becomes a natural thing to want to take care of those whom we love. We become protective of their health, their well being. We don't want to see them suffer because they don't have what they need to live full and happy lives. And so just as we need to share words with one another, so we need to share bread with one another. Peace, Fr. John Vella (April 6th, 2008)

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Mon.	Apr. 07	9:00 am	Sr. M. Verda	Bob & Marlene Mackalski
Tues.	Apr. 08	No Mass		
		9:00 am	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	
Wed.	Apr. 09	9:00 am	RIP Fred Callaghan	Len & Yvonne Lewandoski
		9:00 am	Sean Kavanagh	Patty and Family
Thurs.	Apr. 10	9:00 am	Fr. Dominic Yuen	Legion of Mary
Fairview Home		10:30 am	RIP Suzanne Cancade	Hoa Le
Fri.	Apr. 11	9:00 am	RIP John Bertone	Dora and family
		12:15 pm	Anna Kowalchuk	Carl & Carol
Sat.	Apr. 12	10:00 am	RIP Ralph Jaffray	Geoff and Lorraine Kindle
		5:00 pm	For all Parishioners	
		7:30 pm	Kelsey Nay	Caroline Dubois
Sun.	Apr. 13	9:00 am	Peter & Mary Lamborn	Ken, Karen & Steven
		10:30 am	Gwen Gumieny	Sponsor
		12:30 pm	David Deis	Katy and Family
Rivers	Apr. 13	11:00 am	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	
	Apr. 20	11:00 am	For all Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. Raju

3rd Sunday of Easter

Catechism of the Catholic Church

1084-1109: Christ and the Holy Spirit in the liturgy

1373-1375: The presence of Jesus in the eucharist by the power of his word and the Holy Spirit

Mon. **St. John Baptist de la Salle**

(Acts 6:8-15)
(John 6:22-29)

Tues. (Acts 7:51-8:1)
(John 6:30-35)

Wed. (Acts 8:1-8)
(John 6:35-40)

Thurs. (Acts 8:26-40)
(John 6:44-51)

Fri. **St. Stanislaus**
(Acts 9:1-20)
(John 6:52-59)

Sat. (Acts 9:31-42)
(John 6:53, 60-69)

Sun. **4th Sunday of Easter**
(Acts 2:14, 36-41)
(1 Peter 2:20-25)
(John 10:1-10)

Annual Parish Meeting - All parishioners are invited to this meeting which will begin at 2 p.m. this Sunday, April 6, in the Parish Square. The various councils and committees will be represented and will give a report of what has happened in their council/committee over the last 12 months.

"River of Grace" Catholic conference on the weekend of May 23-25 with Archbishop James Weisgerber, Fr. Robert Faricy from Wisconsin, Maria Vadia from Florida and Bill Richart from Michigan at St. Norbert Community Centre. Come and join hundreds and experience lively worship, inspiring talks, healing services plus a separate track for teens on Saturday. For more information, see flyers in the church or contact CCRS at 895-7544 or ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com.

Our Parish Website now contains detailed information about our 125th Anniversary celebration & our Parish restoration project. You can watch videos showing the renovation progress to date and see all the conceptual drawings from the comfort of your computer. Visit www.staug.ca for details.

VOCATION VIEW: We can feel the Lord's call at the strangest places and times. The call can haunt us and pursue us until we say, "Lord, what will you have me do?"



THE WEEK AHEAD.....

Mon.	07	Canterbury Senior Social Club	2:00 pm
	07	Charismatic Prayer Group	7:00 pm
	07	Confirmation	7:00 pm
Tues.	08	St. Vincent de Paul	9:30 am
	08	Legion of Mary	7:00 pm
Wed.	09	Quest for Christ	4:00 pm
	09	RCIA	7:00 pm
	09	Knights of Columbus Meeting at St. Mary's	7:30 pm
Thurs.	10	Quest for Christ	6:30 pm
	10	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Fri.	11	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	11	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
	11	Benediction	5:00 pm
Sat.	12	Nathanael Weekend at St. Hedwig's	
Sun.	13	Spanish Community of St. Augustine's	1:00 pm

YOUTH NEWS

K of C supports St. Augustine's Youth Ministry. We would like to encourage our parishioners to come to the April 6 Communion Breakfast (first Sunday) sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. All proceeds will be given to St. Augustine's Youth Ministry for its youth activities, projects & plans.

Welcome to Our Christian Community: Cole Anthony Dupuis, Cashe Riley McNabb, Spence Aidan Mott, Alphonso Lucas Spence, Gauge William Clyde Spence, Sydney Eliza Wiggins

The **Knights of Columbus** are pleased to announce our second annual Charity Golf Tournament and Banquet. This event is to encourage fellowship within our parishes. It will be held at Glen Lea Golf Club on June 21, 2008. It is Texas scramble format with a shotgun start at 1:00 PM. Enter individually or as a foursome. Entry fee is \$60.00 per person and registration deadline is June 10, 2008.

Supper tickets are available for non golfers for \$20 each. For further information contact Nolan Adam at 1-204-745-8933. Entry forms available at the back of the church or the parish office.

FINANCES: RECEIPTS:

Collection for the Weekend for Sunday Mar. 30, 2008	
Offertory Collection (Brandon)	\$ 6121.25
School Fund Collection	\$ 20.00
Rivers Collection	\$

Lectors are needed for Saturday evening Mass at 7:30 pm and for Sunday Mass at 12:30 pm. If you are available for this ministry please call Carol Mackenzie at 729-0852. Lectors who are not available for the summer months please call Carol before she does her new schedules for the summer.

Stewardship Reflection of the Week

On the road to Emmaus the disciples spent the day walking and talking with Jesus but they did not recognize him. It was not until it was almost evening, when they offered their time & talents in hospitality, and Jesus blessed and broke bread with them, that they recognized him. Even today, simple acts of hospitality still reveal the presence of God in our midst.

Thank you to the RCIA, and all the people who supported me with their prayers and good wishes, during my faith journey. God Bless you all, Bob Whittington.

First Holy Communion will be on Sunday, May 4, starting at 4:00 p.m.

Vigil Lamp

The light burns in memory of
Dawna Phillips

Did you know that in 1880 the first recorded mass held in Brandon was presided over by Bishop Isidore Clut, O.M.I. who was the Vicar Apostolic of Athabaska MacKenzie. Archbishop Tache of St. Boniface asked Bishop Clut who was making a Confirmation trip through the west to stop in Brandon. The first regular masses began a year later in 1881 when Fr. T. B. Baudin O.M.I. said mass once a month in a tent on the Flats (down by St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church). The first Roman Catholic Church was built just east of the present day church in the summer of 1882 and was named St. Augustine of Canterbury. The first resident priest was Fr. Joseph Robillard who was appointed on Sept. 10, 1882. St. Augustine's was canonically recognized on Dec. 6, 1883. Unfortunately we know nothing about Fr. Robillard prior to his arrival in Brandon and nothing about him after his departure from Brandon. A year later in 1883 a convent was erected at the corner of 3rd St. and Lorne Ave. Source: By Steps, Not Leaps: Pat O'Sullivan.

Brandon Area League For Life Information Alert

Cost for Induced Abortions in Hospital

Hospital day surgery cost	\$400.00
Surgeon's fee	\$114.65
Anaesthetists's fee	\$ 78.00
TOTAL	\$592.65

<http://www.leagueforlife.mb.ca/Abortion.html>

Share Lent 2008 - For more than 40 years Canadian Catholics have participated in Share Lent, the annual fundraising campaign of Development and Peace. Many people in our Parish have contributed to helping people in the third world through Development and Peace. Share Lent is sharing God's love with others. They need your help. Thank you to all of you who have donated.

The **Spiritual Care Department of Brandon Regional Health** is offering a workshop on spiritual care on May 15 to support people in spiritual care concerns at end of life and in pain and under medication. There is no fee. Please contact Deacon John for more information and to register.

Sharing God's Gifts 2008

Last weekend the new DVD on Sharing God's Gifts for the Archdiocese of Winnipeg was viewed prior to each Mass. Letters from Archbishop Weisgerber have also been mailed to all registered parishioners. He states his hope that all will participate by supporting Sharing God's Gifts; even the priests of the Archdiocese. This is the 10th year for Sharing God's Gifts. I am so conditioned to giving my gift on Palm Sunday that I did so again this year prior to receiving the Archbishop's letter. I trust that all St. Augustine's parishioners will be generous in their financial gifts as well. *Fr. Dominic*

Southwest Manitoba Pro Life Group invited you to its Annual Banquet on Sunday, April 13, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. at Mountview Centre in Deloraine, Manitoba. Tickets are \$10.00 and available from John Preston 747-3098, Mickey Bambridge 747-2141, or Elaine Teetaert 747-2590.