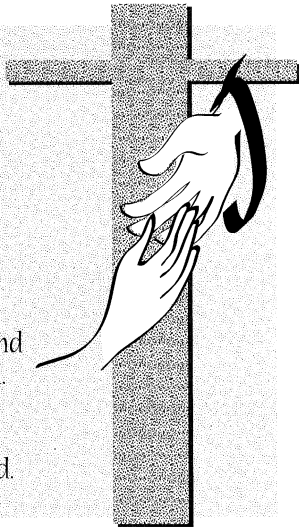


God Did Not Make Death

Talitha
koum!

Little girl,
I say to you,
arise!

The girl arose
immediately and
walked around.
At that they
were utterly
astounded.



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Have you ever heard these words at a funeral? "Well, it was just his (or her) time. God must have wanted him (or her) up in heaven." We might say this in an effort to comfort the suffering, or to make some sense out of an untimely death which simply seems unfair, inappropriate, or wrong. The reason we think this is—death is all of these things! But to comfort someone, why not proclaim boldly as the first reading does today: "God did not make death." And "God does not delight in the death of the living." Death was never part of God's perfect plan for the creation. We were made in God's own image never to die. But "...Through the devil's envy, death entered the world." So death belongs to the devil, not to God. Death is evil, and it came about through sin. Today, Jesus tries to show us the far bigger picture. Yes, the individual healings are Jesus showing us God's will and power to heal and bring new life; but that is the smaller picture, because even those Jesus heals must still die. The bigger picture is to have faith in Jesus Himself, because: *The purpose of his life, death, and rising is to reconnect the universe to God.* "Your faith has saved you!" Jesus' miracles only point to the deeper healing by which Jesus overcomes the devil's envy and the devil's puny power in the world. Jesus, and only Jesus, can reinstate the perfect will of the Creator for the eternal life and wholeness of all creatures. The Hospice Movement shows us how to grieve our losses—by witnessing to both life and death—sitting, listening, crying, laughing. And let us keep holding on to Jesus' words "Do not fear, only believe." Go in peace to love and serve our God! (Thirteenth Sunday in Ord. Time – June 28, 2009)

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Tues. June 30	9:00 am	RIP Dave Maunder	Eric & Kay DePass	
	9:00 am	RIP Ambrose & Clara Elves	Elves Family	
Wed. July 01	9:00 am	Alan and Barbara Hosegood	Terry & Pam	
		Thanksgiving for Tithing gift	Charles & Linda	
Thurs. July 02	9:00 am	Canada & Political Leaders	League for Life	
Fairview Home	10:30 am	RIP Jim Bradford	Emily Jaffray	
Fri. July 03	9:00 am	RIP Norman Overby	Bridget & Family	
	12:15 pm	RIP Theresa Daniels	Charlie & Frances Monteyne	
Sat. July 04	10:00 am	RIP Helen Vooch	Bernadette & Joe De Fazio	
	10:00 am	Thanksgiving		
		58 th Wedding Anniversary	Marie & Leo Demers	
	7:30 pm	RIP Yvonne MacTavish	Doug & Lorraine Hosea	
Sun. July 05	9:00 am	RIP Gertrude Veitch	Simms Family	
	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic	
Tues. July 07	9:00 am	RIP Iris Brabinger	Barbara A. Mackalski	
	9:00 am	RIP Jim Bradford	Ken, Karen & Steven	
Wed. July 08	9:00 am	RIP Alex Suski	Eileen & Family	
	9:00 am	RIP Drew Olson	Leech Family	
Thurs. July 09	9:00 am	Thanksgiving	Deacon John & Carol MacKenzie	
Fairview Home	10:30 am	RIP Helen Vooch	Carol, Lorraine & Families	
Fri. July 10	9:00 am	RIP Norbert Potvin	Emily Potvin	
	12:15 pm	RIP Steve & Rose Kowalchuk	Joanne Clearwater	
Sat. July 11	10:00 am	RIP Blanche Senez	Greg & Yvonne Skura	
	7:30 pm	RIP Mario Adamo	Maria & Family	
Sun. July 12	9:00 am	RIP Helen Vooch	Bernadette & Joe De Fazio	
	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic	
Souris: July 05	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic	
	July 12	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic
	July 18	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic

13th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Catechism of the Catholic Church

1113-1130: Sacraments of Christ; sacraments of faith; sacraments of salvation

Mon. **Sts. Peter and Paul**

(Acts 12.1-11)(2 Timothy 4.6-8, 17-18)
(Matthew 16.13-19)

Tues. **First Martyrs of the Church of Rome**
(Genesis 18.16-33)(Matthew 8.18-22)

Wed. (Genesis 21.5, 8-20)(Matthew 8.28-34)

Thurs. (Genesis 22.1-19)(Matthew 9.1-8)

Fri. **St. Thomas**
(Ephesians 2.19-22)(John 20.24-29)

Sat. **Our Lady's Saturday**
(Genesis 27.1-5, 9-10, 15-29) (Matthew 9.14-17)

Sun. **14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
(Ezekiel 2.2-5)(2 Corinthians 12.7-10)
(Mark 6.1-6)

Mon. **St. Maria Goretti**
(Genesis 28.10-22)(Matthew 9.18-26)

Tues. (Genesis 32.22-31)(Matthew 9.32-38)

Wed. (Gen. 41.55-57; 42.5-7, 17-24)(Matthew 10.1-7)

Thurs. **St. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions**
(Genesis 44.18-21, 23-29; 45.1-5)
(Matthew 10.7-15)

Fri. (Genesis 46.1-7, 28-30)(Matthew 10.16-23)

Sat. **St. Benedict**
(Genesis 49.29-31, 33; 50.15-26)(Matthew 10.24-33)

Sun. **15th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
(Amos 7.12-15)(Ephesians 1.3-14)
(Mark 6.7-13)



VOCATION VIEW: There is a great need today to stand up for what we believe in. The Spirit of the Lord is upon you, He has sent you to bring Good News to the poor.

THE WEEK AHEAD.....

Mon.	30	Charismatic Prayer Group	7:00 pm
Fri.	03	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	03	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
	03	Benediction	5:00 pm
Tues.	07	Legion of Mary	5:30 pm
Fri.	10	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	10	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
	10	Benediction	5:00 pm

FINANCES: RECEIPTS:

Collection for the Weekend for Sunday June 21, 2009	
Offertory Collection (Brandon)	\$6042.50
School Fund Collection	\$ 20.00
Restoration Collection May 31, 2009 -	\$ 695.00

**NEW TO OUR PARISH? CHANGING YOUR ADDRESS?
PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AND PLACE IT IN THE SUNDAY
COLLECTION BASKET**

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
POSTAL CODE: _____ **PHONE:** _____
 NEW PARISHIONER **REQUIRES ENVELOPE**
 MOVING OUT OF PARISH **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Stewardship Reflection of the Week

Our understanding of stewardship has a profound impact on our view of the world and how we live in it. St. Paul tells us today, "I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need." As we grow in our faith we grow in our understanding of what it means to be a Christian steward. It is not just about money! Generosity includes the very gift of self. Our lives can be a gift that transforms our world.

Vigil Lamp

The light burns in memory of
 Flora Mae MacDonald - Week of June 29
 Norbert Potvin - Week of July 06

The **Myriam Sisters** will be returning to St. Mary's in Souris this summer. The camp will run from Monday, July 13th to Thursday July 16th. The day will begin at 9:30 and end at 3:30. This camp is open to everyone from ages 6 - 16, and you don't have to be Catholic to attend. The cost is \$20/child for the week with a family maximum of \$40. Please contact Barb Murphy, (204) 483-2502

YOU ARE CALLED TO SHARE YOUR FAITH in September by sharing your talent and faith by being a Catechist at Weekly catechism classes. Classes are Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 pm and Thursday 6:30-7:30 pm. If you are interested please call the parish office or email Sr. Therma, M.A.C.E. stiajoc1966@yahoo.com.

CWL Post-Convention will be held Sept. 19, 2009 in Winnipeg at St. Paul the Apostle Church. Registration is \$5 and lunch is \$10. All CWL members welcome! If you are interested in attending please contact Dianne Fox. Registration deadline is Sept. 8.

Summer Mass Schedule:

Saturday Evening: 7:30 p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

From Father Dominic's desk:

Brandon Doors Open Heritage Tours: Once again this year St. Augustine's has been asked to participate in opening our beautiful church for the public to tour. This will take place on the afternoon of Saturday & Sunday, July 18 & 19. I already have a couple of parishioners who have volunteered to be tour guides. However, if there are any other parishioners who would be interested in this opportunity as a tour guide, please contact me.

Fun, games, BBQ and more - Young adults committee of St. Augustine's is organizing an afternoon/evening of fellowship on Sunday, June 28th, at Dinsdale Park. Adults, single or married, between the ages of 18 and 35 are all invited to this fun summer get together. Sign up is not necessary. A soccer/frisbee/baseball (whatever the consensus is) game will start at 3:00 p.m. followed by a hot dog roast, and bonfire at 5:00 p.m. Food and drinks will be supplied. Rides will be available on request. The contact information for the rides is located on the posters, which are on the bulletin boards at the entrances of the church. We hope to see you. Summer is here, let us make the best of it!!!!

FRESH FLOWERS: If you have a garden filled with beautiful flowers that could be placed in the church, we ask that they be brought to the church on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning all through the summer season. Wherever possible please leave the stems as long as possible. Thank you.

"A Swing & A Prayer" Golf for Vocations

MONDAY, JULY 27 Breezy Bend Golf & Country Club

You don't golf? That's ok! You can still help. You may make a donation directly to the Vocations & Seminarian Fund, or you may sponsor a golfer or team from your parish. For more information contact: Dan Potvin, Director of Stewardship & Development

Phone: 452-2227 ext. 228 or Email: danpotvin@archwinnipeg.ca

A Registration Form is Available Online www.archwinnipeg.ca

RCIA: Are you, or someone you know, thinking about becoming Catholic or being fully initiated in the Catholic Church? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process runs in stages and is intended for

-Those who have never been baptized and would like to investigate what the Catholic faith is all about. They then may choose to continue towards full membership.

-Those who have been baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition and would like to come and learn what the Catholic community believes and see if they would like to belong.

-Catholics who were baptized but never brought up in the faith and would like to get back to their roots and prepare themselves for the other sacraments of initiation: Eucharist & Confirmation.

We will be beginning the Inquiry Stage on Wednesday, Sept. 9 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 108. Please contact Deacon John for more information at 727-4728.

International Peace Gardens Field Mass - A reminder that the Peace Gardens Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, July 12, 2009. Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 1435, at St. Augustine Church, and their spouses are hopeful of traveling to the Peace Gardens by way of a rented bus. The rosary in different languages will start the proceedings at 11:30 a.m. Parishioners who would like to also attend may be accommodated. Please call Grand Knight Jim Dyck at 725-2795 or Brother Bruce Ray at 726-0013 to register for the bus ride.