



Becoming Vessels of Joy

There was once a news story about a woman who leaped out of the sunroof of her moving car on the highway. She was apparently convinced that the Second Coming or the “Rapture” was occurring when she saw 12 people floating up into the air, and a man on the side of the road whom she thought was Jesus. A 22-car pile-up resulted. The man dressed like Jesus said he was on his way to a costume party when the tarp covering the bed of his pickup truck came loose and released twelve blow-up dolls filled with helium which floated up into the air. The woman’s husband said, “She loves Jesus more than anything. But this is all just too weird for me.” Have you noticed a “weird” frenzy of interest in the end times, especially “The Rapture”? The Rapture is not Catholic tradition. It is a theory from the 1800’s that some day before the end of the world, Jesus will “disappear” the true believers away, and this will usher in a chaotic time of intense suffering, before the actual end of the world. The Church tells us not to speculate about these things—because the “hot debate” in our culture usually focuses on fear, terror, and the hideous disasters which they say God will create. Catholics should not be taken in by this “horror-fest”. Yes, the cosmos will surely come to an end eventually. But we take a true God-centered perspective: The signs of the “end times,” however and whenever they may occur, are not the big news. The Apocalypse or end of the world means one amazing thing: Love has triumphed! Our God has come! Evil is forever defeated! The end of the world will bring God’s huge mercy, love, and compassion to a magnificent fulfillment. Coming face to face with our God is something to rejoice in—not to fear. Go in peace, to love and serve our God! (Thirty-Third Sun in Ord. B – Nov. 15, 2009)

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Tues. Nov. 17	9:00 am	RIP Ignazio Scaletta	Sally & Family
	9:00 am	Elderly, Handicapped & Terminally Ill	League for Life
Wed. Nov. 18	7:30 am	RIP Sister Ephrema	Fran Machibroda
	9:00 am	Kelly Jo Boschman	Mom
	9:00 am	RIP Helen & Lewis Vooch	Carol Horesky
	9:00 am	RIP Mary de Fazio	Geoff & Lorraine Kindle
Thurs. Nov. 19	9:00 am	RIP Michael Sturko	Mom, Dad, Candy & Gary
Fairview Home	10:30 am	RIP Anthony Fillion	Fillion Family
	10:30 am	RIP Wilma Kichak	Helen Lepine
Fri. Nov. 20	9:00 am	Thanksgiving	Ken, Karen & Steven
	9:00 am	RIP Dorothy Leblanc	Leo & Family
	12:15 pm	RIP Walter Adamski	Amelia Adamski & Family
	12:15 pm	RIP Felix Commer	Julie & Family
Sat. Nov. 21	10:00 am	RIP Jim Gamble	Michelle, Kyle & Kaitlin
	10:00 am	Arnold Hipsack	Tara Milne
	7:30 pm	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. James
Sun. Nov. 22	9:00 am	RIP Werner Bruendler	Eugene & Martha Kurmann
	9:00 am	RIP Wilma Kichak	Barry & Carolyn Gurr
	10:30 am	RIP Paul Cancade	Yvette & Family
	12:30 pm	RIP Dale Holmstrom	Sherry & Family
Nov. 15	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. James
Nov. 22	11:00 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. James

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Ann Babiak, Marguerite Bicknell, Noreen Bicknell, Jean Boutellier, Irene Copet, Jules Declercq, Ann Delgaty, Diane Dougall, Ron Ediger, Justin Enns, Rosaline Fedorkie, Mervin Fleury, Nora Fleury, Megan Gardham, Matthew Hrankowski, Brett Lawrence, Tess McLaren, Kathleen MacDougall, Paul Malabar, Alisa Moran, Allison O'Brien-Moran, Tony Petrucci, Hazel Philipott, Minnie Plaseski, Emily Potvin, Linda Seitz, Monica Seitz, Coralie Serle, Gary Sproule, Jean Tarnowski, Doreen Thompson, Irene Toma, Ashely Kostecki Truax, Marian Vorspel, Rosa Weiss, Debbie Williams and all our shut-ins.

33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time Catechism of the Catholic Church 1038-1041: The Last Judgment

Mon.	St. Margaret of Scotland St. Gertrude the Great (1 Maccabees 1.10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64) (Luke 18.35-43)
Tues.	St. Elizabeth of Hungary (2 Maccabees 6.18-31) (Luke 19.1-10)
Wed.	Dedication of the Roman Basilicas of Peter and Paul (2 Maccabees 7.1, 20-31) (Luke 19.11-28)
Thurs.	(1 Maccabees 2.15-29) (Luke 19.41-44)
Fri.	(1 Maccabees 4.36-37, 52-59)(Luke 19.45-48)
Sat.	Presentation of Mary (1 Maccabees 6.1-13)(Luke 20.27-40)
Sun.	Christ the King (Daniel 7.13-14)(Revelation 1.5-8) (John 18.33-37)



VOCATION VIEW: 'As I keep the Lord ever in my sight ... my heart rejoices, my soul is glad ... You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in Your presence.' Let our Vocation be, to be one with God - forever.

Brockie Donovan Presents **Tree of Memories Community Candlelight Memorial Service** on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2009 at 7:00 pm at Central United Church. Please call 729-7074 to confirm your attendance and to order a new 2009 ornament.

THE WEEK AHEAD.....

Mon.	16	Charismatic Prayer Group(Life in the Spirit Seminar)	7:00 pm
Tues.	17	St. Vincent de Paul	9:30 am
	17	Legion of Mary	4:30 pm
	17	Confirmation Class (Sponsor & Candidate)	7:00 pm
	17	Brandon Catholic School Board Meeting	7:30 pm
Wed.	18	Weekly Catechism	4:00 pm
	18	RCIA	7:00 pm
Thurs.	19	Little Rock Bible Study	1:15 pm
	19	NO Weekly Catechism	
	19	Development and Peace Mtg.	7:00 pm
	19	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Fri.	20	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	20	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
	20	Benediction	5:00 pm
Sun.	22	Youth Band Practice	4:00-6:00 pm
	22	St. Augustine's Community Choir Practice	7:00-8:00 pm

FINANCES:	RECEIPTS:
Collection for the Weekend for Sunday Nov. 8, 2009	
Offertory Collection (Brandon)	\$8571.25
School Fund Collection	\$ 20.00
Restoration Collection Nov. 8, 2009 -	\$2173.33

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

Vigil Lamp
The light burns in memory of
Michael Sturko
week of Nov. 16, 2009

Stewardship Reflection

Soon we will be in the season of Advent, that time of waiting and preparing for the day we celebrate Christ's coming into the world. Jesus describes His second coming in the Gospel reading today. We pray that we may be good stewards of all that we have, and who Christ is calling us to be, so that we may be ready for when He comes again!

Stewardship Office, The Archdiocese of Winnipeg, www.archwinnipeg.ca

CWL FUN DAY! Bake & Perogy, Craft & Nearly New Sale (Lic. # MGCC-4819-RF) will be held Saturday November 14th and Sunday November 15th after each mass. Coffee Cafe will be held after 9 & 10:30 am masses - join us for coffee, muffins, juice and cupcakes. Your support is greatly appreciated!

CWL Advent Celebration will take place on Tuesday December 1st. Mass at 5:30 pm with supper to follow at 6:30 pm. \$5 gift exchange for those who wish to bring a gift. Please bring a healthy cereal to donate to St. Vincent de Paul. Tickets are \$17 - available from Leona Smithson or at the parish office.

From Father Dominic's Desk:

Next Tridentine Mass will be held on Sunday, November 22 at 4 p.m.

Cat Chat Thank You - Most of those who attend the Cat Chat evening would agree that, the event was successful in promoting solid Catholic values to both parents and children. The spaghetti supper prior to the event was a tasty preamble. It promoted fellowship among those who attended and a pleasant alternative to cooking at home.

As was expressed at both the supper and prior to the Cat Chat presentation, thank you to those who diligently worked to make the event a success: Al & Darlene Twerdochlib, Don Hrynkiw who prepared the spaghetti sauce and pasta, Sr. Maybelle, Adam and Laura Gurr, Jeff & Jennifer Kasprick, Melinda & Robert Parisien, Ed & Bernadetti Lopez, John & Jennifer Houlihan, Deepthy Jacob and Youthleader Team 2009 and S.A.L.T. Team 2009, youth/adult volunteers from St. Augustine's school and parish, high school youth and youth from once weekly catechism classes who served the meal and helped to clean up following. Thank you as well to Al Twerdochlib for donating a CatChat Vacation Bible School Kit for our parish.

What's going on with our parish youth ministry? To know more about events and happenings, please go to our parish website www.saintaugustines.ca (Youth Ministry Page) for our youth ministry quarterly e-newsletter. A downloadable crisis intervention pamphlet for youth & families is available too.

The Knights of Columbus Kids Christmas Party open to all children of the Parish, Dec. 5, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in Al's Hall. Games, crafts and carols with Santa. To register call John at 727-1814 or email jhouli@mts.net by Dec. 3 with number of kids and ages please.

The **parishioners of St. Mary's** would like to welcome into the Christian community **Riley Jared Remillard**. We offer our prayers and blessings to **Aimee Schmidt** who received Jesus in the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

There will be an information session for the **Columbian Squires** for young men aged 10-18 and their parents on Sunday, November 29th after 10:30 am mass in the Parish Square.

English Class: Sr. Therma requires assistance from anyone who is willing to share their time and talents in assisting her at English class on Saturday from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Please call the Parish office and leave your name if you are interested. She has students of French, Spanish, Chinese and Ukrainian descent. If you speak any of these languages it would be a great help.

St. Vincent de Paul is in dire need of good used furniture, kitchen suites, small appliances and dishes. Contact Ed or Jeannie at 728-2047. These goods are to assist new arrivals in Brandon.

Lectors who want to proclaim the word at Christmas and New Year's masses please put your name on the sign-up sheet on the cork board outside the sacristy.