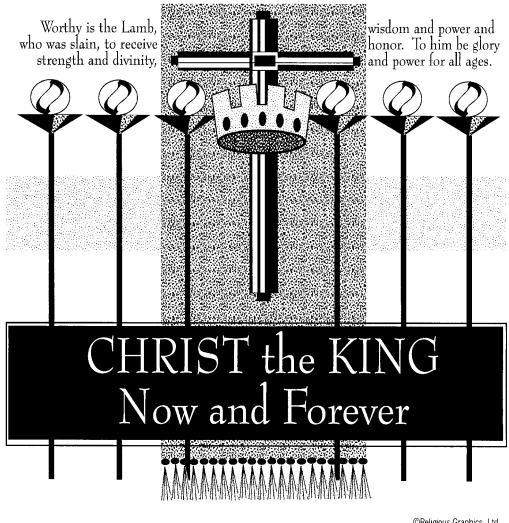


Dignus est Agnus, qui occisus est, accipere virtutem et divinitatem et sapientiam et fortitudinem et honorem. Ipsi gloria et imperium in saecula saeculorum.



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Ruling By Love

Today is the Feast of Christ the King, but Jesus does not need to act like a human king in any way. Human rulers emerged because of the evil and chaos in our world, and good rulers are effective at meeting needs and controlling the violence in their countries. But Jesus doesn't have to use brute force over the world: he has complete inner command of all that is, because Jesus Himself already is peace. St. Paul says Jesus is the great and complete unifier or "reconciler" of all things into Himself. Because of his life and Crucifixion, Jesus actually experienced the sufferings of all creatures in his own Body. And so his response is simply to be the One, the only One, who has true compassion for the world. The word "compassion" means "to suffer with"--to feel the suffering of the other--and this is what Jesus felt for us. While the soldiers were mocking his "Kingship," Jesus was deeply feeling all the pain and heartbreak that every created being would ever feel. And by taking all of our suffering into Himself in this way, he was able to know our suffering at the deepest level. So Jesus now knows us as no one else ever will. His complete unity with us gives him a different kind of power--the power of love. And no worldly king, no amount of brute force, can ever command love. Jesus is the "Head" of our body, the church. The concept of "king" was invented by this world, but that is not the kingship of Jesus. There will always be evil and chaos in our world, and rulers emerge in history as a way of controlling others and keeping the peace. But Jesus simultaneously "rules" in our world by leading us out of inner darkness, into the light of freedom and eternal life. Peace, Fr. John Vella (November 25, 2007)

MASSSES FOR THIS WEEK

Tues. Nov. 27	9:00 am	RIP Jeannette Arpin	Marie Roy
	9:00 am	First Nations People	Faith Sharing Group
Wed. Nov. 28	9:00 am	RIP Maurice Chicoine	Last Will
	9:00 am	RIP Harris Fortin	Bryan & Nora Mulroney
Thurs. Nov. 29	9:00 am	Michael, Lindsay & Tyson	Dave & Joanne
Fairview Home	10:30 am	Irene Toma	Elfriede & Hermann Schick
Fri. Nov. 30	9:00 am	Jeannine & Family	Lawrence & Noreen
	12:15 pm	Pete & Jan Eckersley	Karen
Sat. Dec. 01	10:00 am	Joe & Flo Witzaney	Dora & Family
	5:00 pm	For all Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. Raju
		Rene	Caroline Dubois
	7:30 pm	RIP Valentine Kambeitz	Loretta Dawe
Sun. Dec. 02	9:00 am	Pam Szmon	Joan
	10:30 am	RIP Philip Veitch	Simms Family
	12:30 pm	Lisa & Sharon	A Friend
Rivers	Dec. 02	11:00 am	For All Parishioners
	Dec. 09	11:00 am	For All Parishioners

Catechism of the Catholic Church

2729-2733: Humble watchfulness of heart

Mon.	(Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20) (Luke 21:1-4)
Tues.	(Daniel 2:3, 9, 10, 27, 31-45) (Luke 21:5-11)
Wed.	(Daniel 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28) (Luke 21:12-19)
Thurs.	(Daniel 6:11-28) (Luke 21:20-28)
Fri.	St. Andrew (Romans 10:9-18) (Matthew 4:18-22)
Sat.	Our Lady's Saturday (Daniel 7:15-27) (Luke 21:34-36)
Sun.	1st Sunday of Advent (Isaiah 2:1-5) (Romans 13:11-14) (Matthew 24:37-44)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Ann Babiak, Marguerite Bicknell, Jeanne Boutilier, Margaret Buckmire, Irene Copet, Ann Dalgaty, Pauline Demery, Noah Dheilily, Jared Dryden, Justin Enns, George Feledchuk, Mervin Fleury, Nora Fleury, Mary Gaab, Megan Gardham, Marcelle Granger-Gentes, Kay Gray, Pauline Hayde, Patricia Kallusky, Brett Lawrence, Tess McLaren, Kathleen MacDougall, Derek Manshanden, Alisa Moran, Joan Napper, Moses Peech, Tony Petrucci, Hazel Philipott, Minnie Plaseski, Vanessa Sanko, Rena Schwalm, Monica Seitz, Coralie Serle, Gary Sproule, Isabelle Sproule, Jean Tarnowski, Doreen Thompson, Rosa Weiss, and all our shut-ins.

The **Kateri** group would like to THANK all those who participated in the Aboriginal Mass. The evaluation provided excellent suggestions which the committee will take, so that changes to the smudging in particular can make it more comfortable for all. The next Mass will be on Saturday, December 15 at 7:30 p.m. All parishioners are welcome to the lunch that will follow.

YASA - The Young Adults of Saint Augustine's will be hosting a movie night on Friday, December 7th in the square. All young adults ages 18-35 are welcome to join us. Please let us know if your coming by contacting us at yasainfo@gmail.com or call Nicole at 573-0734. Please join us for a great night of fun and fellowship!
Christ the King

I am a Catholic: The CWL have most graciously purchased some yellow colored, wallet-sized cards which read "I am a Catholic". These cards, when signed, give permission to the health professionals to contact a priest during times of emergency, urgency, hospitalization. They are located on the tables at each entrance. Please take one & pray for our CWL members.

CWL executive meeting at Dianne Fox's residence on November 26.

VOCATION VIEW: You know that at the end of earth-time, every thing will be stubble. Be sure there is a monument to your earth-love in heaven. Listen to Jesus.



THE WEEK AHEAD.....

Mon.	26	Charismatic Prayer Group	7:00 pm
	26	Confirmation	7:00 pm
Tues.	27	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	9:30 am
	27	Finance Meeting	12 Noon
	27	Legion of Mary Meeting	6:30 pm
	27	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	7:00 pm
Wed.	28	Quest for Christ	4:00 pm
	28	RCIA	7:00 pm
Thurs.	29	Bible Study	1:15 pm
	29	Quest for Christ	6:30 pm
	29	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Fri.	30	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	30	Holy Hour	4:00 pm
	30	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
	30	Benediction	5:00 pm
Sat.	01	Once Weekly Reconciliation	11:00 am
Sun.	02	Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast after 9:00 and 10:30 am Masses	
	02	Spanish Community of St. Augustine's	1:00 pm

Knights of Columbus and encourages all Pre-school children and students to participate by submitting a free hand drawing or collage on 8.5 x 14 paper to the Knights of Columbus Youth Program Director, Nolan Adam. The obvious theme is : **Keep Christ in Christmas**. There are three prizes per category. Submit entries to the parish office by 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13, 2007. Full details on bulletin boards in the east entrance to the church and outside the parish office.

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a come and go Christmas Party on Saturday December 15, 2007 from 1:00 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the St. Augustine Square. Santa appears at 3:00 p.m. Activities will be catered to kids between 3 and 12 years but all are welcome. Children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, etc, are all invited. Please R.S.V.P. with how many children no later then December 7, 2007 at nolanadam@mts.net or 1.204.745.8933.

St. Augustine's Development & Peace Social Justice Group will be selling "Fair Trade" products in support of 3rd World producers (coffee, tea, lotions, crafts, etc.) before and after all Masses on Dec. 1 & 2 in the church foyer. Why not buy a Christmas gift that gives twice: once to the gift receiver and once to the "Fair Trade" producer?

Confirmation: We are in need of an adult male (18 years or older) to be part of the leadership team for confirmation. Please call the office and leave your name and phone number or ask for Linda or Sister Marlene.

The **Knights of Columbus** are asking their members for help with the following: delivering Meals on Wheels on Fridays please call Jim Dyck at 725-2795 and working at the Salvation Army Kettles call Terry Szmon at 726-4280. If any of the Knights are available for either of these worthwhile ministries please call Jim or Terry.

Parish of Immaculate Conception of Rivers are having a St. Nicholas Tea and Bake Sale on Dec. 1, 2007 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. in the Ave Maria Hall in the church's basement. Everyone most welcome.

Refrigerator: The refrigerator in Room 108 "gave up the ghost". If anyone has a gently used refrigerator that they wish to donate to the parish, please contact the parish office.

Thank you to Raymond Cancade, Bud Bercier and Felicien Boulet for their use of time & talent repairing things in the church. Thank you also to Jessica Twerdochlib for taking all the Life Teen stickers off of the song books.

125th Anniversary of our parish and the 50th of the oldest portion of the school building will be celebrated on Saturday, May 31, 2008. The Archbishop has confirmed his attendance at this milestone of our parish and the Manitoba Room in the Keystone is already booked. The steering committee under the leadership of Perry Roque have met several times already and a decided strategy is already in place.

Maintenance, Renovations, Capital Campaign: Immediately following Easter we plan to begin the long awaited shingling of the church roof. The vaulted church ceilings, damaged by water from the leaky roof need to be re-plastered in several places. Paint will be applied, new flooring installed and perhaps the pews revarnished. We have a committee looking after the church roof and a steering committee under the direction of Tom Keep exploring and strategizing how best to finance the cost of the aforementioned.

Parish Vitality: Thank you to the 106 individuals who completed the parish vitality analysis sheets. The results are posted at both entrances for those interested in the results.

FINANCES: RECEIPTS:

Collection for the Weekend for Sunday Nov. 25, 2007	
Offertory Collection (Brandon)	\$9765.16
School Fund Collection	\$ 15.00
Rivers Collection	\$ 271.00

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

Today we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded that, 'all things have been created through Him and for Him'. Stewardship is about living a life that is Christ-centered, not self-centered. Does your stewardship of the blessings entrusted to you give evidence that **Christ is King** of your life? When stewardship becomes a way of life Christ is at the heart of all our daily decisions. How do you spend your leisure time? How do you nurture relationships with family, friends, co-workers, and neighbours? How do you make use of, and share, the financial blessings you have been given?

Vigil Lamp

The light burns in memory of
 Tillie Werbiski

C.W.L. Advent/Christmas Party: Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2007. Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner. Tickets are \$15.00 and can be purchased at the church office or call Marlene at 727-7902. Deadline for tickets is Nov. 28, 2007. Non perishable items for Samaritan House & St. Vincent de Paul will be collected. All ladies are welcome. \$5.00 wrapped gift exchange.

Welcome to Our Christian Community: Macy Bree Snyder-Kowbel, Aquariah Nykole Scholz, Julia Rhonda Kopitz, Denzel Herbie Norbert Hobson

Keep Christ in Christmas Coloring Contest is sponsored by the