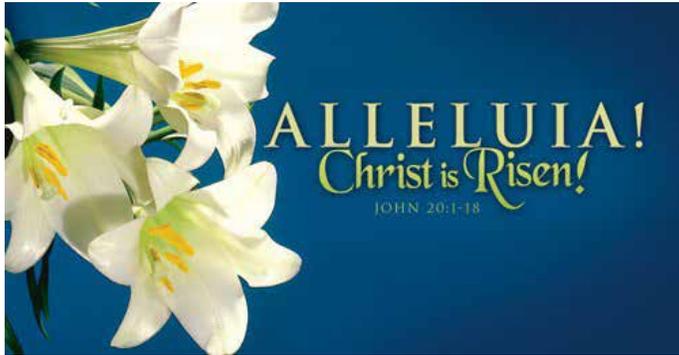




April 12th 2020

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



.Christ is Risen!

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles is part of an early sermon of Peter. In it he summarizes the ministry of Jesus, which culminated in his death. But it didn't end there – God raised him to life, allowing him to be seen by certain witnesses. Peter is one of those witnesses. He goes on to declare that Jesus is the one all the prophets spoke about, namely, the Messiah. All who believe in him will have their sins forgiven.

The Gospel tells about the discovery of the empty tomb. The empty tomb (with the discarded linen cloths) in itself is not a direct proof of the resurrection. Nevertheless, it was the first step towards establishing the truth that Jesus had escaped the bonds of death, and it prepared the disciples to encounter the risen Lord.

Many of the readings of the Easter cycle were meant to instruct the newly baptised on the Christian way of life. Today's second reading and its alternative are good examples. Thus the Easter season provides us with an opportunity to reflect on what it means to be baptised members of Christ's Body.

This Week

Monday, April 13

10:00am Mass +Peggy & Ibrahim Alashhab

Tuesday, April 14

8:00am Mass
7:00pm Mass

Wednesday, April 15

8:00am Mass
7:00pm Mass

Thursday, April 16

8:00am Mass
7:00pm Mass

Friday, April 17

8:00am Mass
7:00pm Mass +Mary & Leo Sweeney

Saturday, April 18

8:00am Mass
5:00pm Mass

Sunday, April 19

9:00am Mass
11:00am Mass
5:00pm Mass

Popes Prayer Intention for April

Universal: *Freedom from Addiction*—We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

ALL MASSES HELD WITHOUT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION





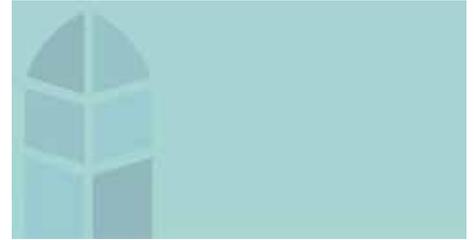
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Did you know...

How Is the Date of Easter Calculated?

Why is Easter on a different day each year? Many Christians think that the date of Easter depends on the date of Passover, and so they get confused in those years when Easter (calculated according to the Gregorian calendar) falls before Passover (calculated according to the Hebrew calendar, which does not correspond to the Gregorian one). While there is an historical connection—the first Holy Thursday was the day of the Passover feast—the Council of Nicaea (325), one of the seven ecumenical councils acknowledged by both Catholics and Orthodox Christians, established a formula for calculating the date of Easter independent of the Jewish calculation of Passover.

Easter Sunday is always celebrated on the Sunday following the first full moon after the spring Equinox.

The Easter Season

Just as Easter is the most important Christian holiday, so, too, the Easter season is the longest of the special liturgical seasons of the Church. It extends all the way to Pentecost Sunday, the 50th day after Easter, and encompasses such major feasts as Divine Mercy Sunday and Ascension.

In fact, Easter sends ripples out through the liturgical calendar even after the Easter season ends. Trinity Sunday and the feast of Corpus Christi, which both fall after Pentecost, are "moveable feasts," which means that their date in any given year depends on the date of Easter



WELCOME TO ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH

St. Augustine's Oblate Parish is a Catholic community centered in Christ and the Eucharist that has a shared mission to welcome and invite all to participate celebrate in Word and Sacrament foster evangelization and spiritual formation advocate for social justice care for our common home.

Virtual Faith Study - Discover the Holy Spirit



Join us online Tuesday evenings at 7:30 starting April 7th for a weekly virtual gathering to learn more about the Holy Spirit and build community so we can become better disciples of Christ. We will be watching and discussing videos of The Wild Goose

series by Fr. Dave Pivonka. For more information or to register e-mail: biblestudies@staugustineschurch.ca

Weekly Sunday Donations

Weekly offering envelopes can be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular office hours.

If you wish, you can make your Sunday and Special donations using Mastercard, Visa or Preauthorized Debit. Please complete the authorization form which can be picked up at the Parish Office or complete online at www.staugustineschurch.ca

The amount you authorize will be processed on the 20th of each month.

Thank you for your generous financial support.

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Message for our Senior Lunch Community

Due to the current health challenges we all face, the previously listed dates (**April 20th and June 8th**) for our much loved **School Hosted Seniors' Lunches** are being cancelled. You are in our prayers as we do all we can to keep everyone safe. We will also be communicating with your Grade 7 prayer partners to seek their prayers for your intentions, and ask that you do the same for our young people.



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and ebooks for adults and children! Find comprehensive and inspiring content. Share with your friends and family! Simply sign up for FREE by visiting formed.org and entering our Parish access code **4FX3T6**. You may then create your personal account.

"Do not be afraid. Open wide the doors for Christ."
— Pope Saint John Paul II

Now more than ever, we must hold fast to the great virtue of Hope. Please go to formed.org for many resources on Holy Week, Catholic faith formation, prayer, Catholic movies and many other resources. If you are a parent with children home from school, there are many original resources available.



St. Augustine's Door Is Open Support Goes Virtual during COVID 19



St. Augustine's parishioners have been supporting the Door Is Open ministry in the downtown eastside for many years with donations to their foodbank. Twice a month volunteers from the parish have collected food donations and taken them down to the DIO. With this ministry unable to continue in the same way, the Social Justice Committee is asking parishioners who would normally bring food, and anyone else who can, to consider either sending a cheque or making an online donation to the Door Is Open. This ministry helps feed hundreds of vulnerable people many of whom are at great risk for Covid 19. Online donations can be made at:

<https://rcav.org/donate-the-door-is-open/>

or send a cheque made out to "The Door Is Open" and marked "Daily Meal Provision" care of:

The Door Is Open
c/o Catholic Charities
4885 Saint John Paul II Way
Vancouver BC V5Z 0G3

Share Lent—2020



As the global human family faces the COVID-19 pandemic, Development and Peace—Caritas Canada wishes its members, donors and partner organizations the best of health and resilience. Our thoughts are especially with communities of the Global South whose hardships are compounded by this crisis.

Share Lent 2020: In-person activities on hold

Following the advice of public health authorities, we at Development and Peace have made the decision to cancel or postpone all our in-person meetings and events across Canada. Each year, our dedicated members bring our Share Lent campaign to life by organizing workshops, fundraising activities, speaking events and more in parishes and schools to highlight our campaign and to raise the funds needed to help millions of people around the world. Even though this is an important time for fundraising and building our movement at Development and Peace, we must put health, safety and the common good first.

A virtual campaign



During this difficult time, the need to support one another is more present than ever, particularly for our sisters and brothers in the Global South, whose struggles will be multiplied by this pandemic. As such, we will continue our Share Lent journey of solidarity virtually. We will remain in close contact by providing content and resources so that you can experience the spiritual renewal of Lent online and show your solidarity with those who need it most.

Your support is vital

As Church closures are already impacting collections in parishes across Canada, we are asking for donations by mail, phone or online:

Send a cheque to:

Development and Peace,
1425 René-Lévesque Blvd. West, 3rd Floor, Montreal (Quebec) H3G 1T7

Call to donate:

1-888 664-3387

Oblate Corner

Motjeka, child of God



Father Jean-Baptiste Rousseau, O.M.I. experienced extraordinary supernatural joys during his apostolate of fiftyfour years in Lesotho, Africa. One of the most consoling ones, undoubtedly, was the conversion of Motjeka, an elderly polygamist.

One Sunday, in 1937, this totally unknown fellow came to knock at the missionary's door. Without hesitation he admitted proudly: "Father, I have come to become a convert. You see, some time ago, while I was in the fields, I found a rosary. After I returned to my home, during the night I had a dream. A lovely lady, dressed in white and holding a rosary in her hand, appeared to me. She was more beautiful than anyone I had ever seen... Softly she said to me: 'Motjeka, become a Christian.' Since then this dream has pursued me day and night. I went to the village chief. He allowed me to speak about it with you." Father welcomed him favorably. On the following Sunday, to everyone's surprise, he called this man to the front and gave him a special blessing.

Serious preparation

Six long years of catechetical instruction were necessary before he could be baptized. Think of it! He was a bigamist, with two wives. The first wife had to approve, as she had accepted the second one in her home as her servant. The latter also had to give her consent and cease all cohabitation. For his part, Motjeka promised to provide for the latter and her four children. The catechumen agreed to these conditions which were solemnly expressed in the presence of the chief and many Christians. The best proof of his faithfulness was his assiduity at prayer during six years, even though he had to travel for an hour and a half by horseback, to cover the distance between his home and the Church.

A Child of God

In 1943, on the feast of Christ the King, Motjeka Ntlou became a "child of God" in the Catholic Church. This was for him a day of great joy, as well as for Father Rousseau and for the parishioners of Saint Francis. Two years after this memorable Baptism, a message reached the missionary: "Quick, Father, Mortjeka is dying and wishes to see you." The Oblate left at once to bring the Sacraments to this fervent Christian, who received him with unutterable joy. He died the next day. Surely, "the lovely lady dressed in white" must have waited at the door of heaven to receive her dear child.

André DORVAL, OMI

If you are new to our Parish Community or have an address or telephone change, please fill out the information below and submit it to the parish office or drop into the collection basket. please print in block letters.

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First Name	First Name
Spouse First Name	Spouse Last Name
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Comments	

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