



**Bulletin for August 23rd, 2026
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

That GOD may be glorified in all things



As of August 31st, Liz and Dorene will be saying goodbye as the Bulletin Team. The bulletin will be in the very capable hands of Shelby and Nathan Wazney. Deadline for submission and contact email remains unchanged. Thank you Shelby and Nathan for taking this on.



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31. Why are the formulas of faith important?

The formulas of faith are important because they permit one to express, assimilate, celebrate, and share together with others the truths of the faith through a common language.

32. In what way is the faith of the Church one faith alone?

The Church, although made up of persons who have diverse languages, cultures, and rites, nonetheless professes with a united voice the one faith that was received from the one Lord and that was passed on by the one Apostolic Tradition. She confesses one God alone, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and points to one way of salvation. Therefore we believe with one heart and one soul all that is contained in the Word of God, handed down or written, and which is proposed by the Church as divinely revealed.

33. What are the symbols of faith?

The symbols of faith are composite formulas, also called “professions of faith” or “Creeds”, with which the Church from her very beginning has set forth synthetically and handed on her own faith in a language that is normative and common to all the faithful.

34. What are the most ancient symbols (professions) of faith?

The most ancient symbols of faith are the *baptismal* creeds. Because Baptism is conferred “in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” (*Matthew 28:19*), the truths of faith professed at Baptism are articulated in reference to the three Persons of the Most Holy Trinity.

35. What are the most important symbols of the faith?

They are the *Apostles' Creed* which is the ancient baptismal symbol of the Church of Rome and the *Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed* which stems from the first two ecumenical Councils, that of Nicea (325 A.D.) and that of Constantinople (381 A.D.) and which even to this day are common to all the great Churches of the East and the West.

August Prayer Intention of Pope Leo XIV

For evangelization in the city: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Mass Schedule & Mass Intentions

Thursday	August 20 th	10am	Cooks Creek	
Friday	August 21 st	9am	Garson	
Saturday	August 22 nd	5pm	Oakbank	
Sunday	August 23 rd	9am	Garson	
		11am	Cooks Creek	
Tuesday	August 25 th	10am	Garson	
Wednesday	August 26 th	9am	Garson	
Thursday	August 27 th	10am	Cooks Creek	
Friday	August 28 th	9am	Garson	
Saturday	August 29 th	5pm	Oakbank	
Sunday	August 30 th	9am	Garson	Christine, Doug Alexander & Family – For the Repose of the Soul of Cynthia Alexander
		11am	Cooks Creek	Catholic Women's League - For the Healing and Comfort of all the Recipients of Prayer Shawls

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Say a Prayer for members of our parish communities and others who are in need of our prayers. Please forward their names to our bulletin email address. The one important request is that permission to print in the bulletin **must** be received from the person(s) being named. This will be the responsibility of the person submitting the information. What better way to support our parish family than to **Say a Prayer!**

- ❖ For the repose of the soul of **Dorothy Wazney**. May she rest in peace.
- ❖ For **our children and other students** who will be returning to school that they will experience intellectual and social growth.
- ❖ For **the people of Nelson House** in regard to the state of Emergency declared in response to the devastating mental health crisis related to the high number of suicides.
- ❖ For our **education providers** at all levels who provide intellectual growth and a framework for educational studies.
- ❖ For the **people of the Ukraine** for their safety and well being
- ❖ We continue to pray for **Trudy Simard, Frank Kotello, Bertha Black, Tamara Simard Pozeluzney, Dorothy and Sheldon Oberik** for healing, strength and returning health.
- ❖ Members of **our parish communities** who are experiencing difficulties
- ❖ For **vocations** to the priesthood and religious life. Please pray the Hail Mary
- ❖ For all our **health care workers** we are truly thankful to these wonderful people
- ❖ For the **people of Nigeria** in the midst of civil unrest
- ❖ For those **fleeing their own countries** – Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries

The Diocese of St Boniface

The Diocese issues a weekly bulletin with information on events and happenings in the Diocese Please use the following link to access that bulletin [The Saint-Boniface Diocesan weekly bulletin is available here:](#)



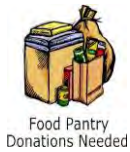
St. Michael's Parish

Church Hall: 204-444-6044

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Heritage Days – Volunteers are needed! It's a great way to help our church community and visit with our parishioners while tasks are completed. For more information check out the CWL section of this bulletin.



Food Bank Saturdays – Our volunteer days at the Food Bank are the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of the month from 9:30 am to noon at the Anola United Church.

A reminder to please let Greg Ward (204-793-1502) know if you are able to volunteer. The food box needs to be filled! All non-perishable items greatly accepted. Please ensure that the donations still have a shelf life. Past date items cannot be used.

It is in giving that we receive!

St. Michael's Administration

Red River Co Op number is 238086. Please consider using it when making purchases at participating Co Op Stores

St. Michael's Parish Pastoral Council

Downloaded music is provided for the summer months. Much of the hymns chosen will be familiar to you as they will be taken from Today's Missal or CBW II. All are encouraged to sing along.



Come join us for Mass on Sundays at 9:00 am.

We welcome all new members, and appreciate all our regulars, especially those who have fallen out of practice.

We provide sanitizer for your comfort.

Let us remember in our prayers everyone who cannot attend Mass.

We will be having a **meatball prep meeting** at the Garson Hall approved kitchen on August 24th at 10:00 am. All volunteers please attend.



Sacred Heart Parish Fundraiser - Pig Roast Dinner - Sunday, September 20, 2026

Garson Community Centre

Doors Open: 4:30 pm - Dinner: 5:30 pm

Cash Bar / Goat Raffle

\$27.50 per person

Children (6-10) \$13.75 per child

Children (5& under) Free

Silent Auction 50/50 Draw

Goat Ticket Raffle \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 Prize: Goat delivered or value of a goat (\$250.00)

Draw Date: September 20, 2026

Addendum to Bulletin: Tickets for the raffle and dinner are available at Tyndall Power Products, Garson Store, or Garson Post Office. Also call Richard at 204-268-3220 or any church parishioner.

The next **Altar Society Ladies meeting** will be a potluck dinner meeting at 5:30 September 9th hosted at Joanne McDermot's home.

The next **Administrative Board meeting** will be September 10th at 6:30 at the rectory.

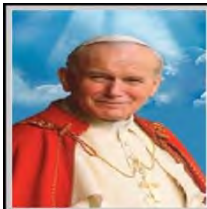
Gerard Lannoo continues to collect all scrap metals, large and small implements and vehicles for fund raising. He can be reached at 204-268-3224 or cell 204-268-5458.

The email address for contacting the Board is adminboard@sacredheartgarson.com

The email address for contacting the cemetery is cemetery@sacredheartgarson.com

Our website is www@sacredheartgarson.com

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 70, Garson, Manitoba R0E 0R0



St. John Paul II Church

www.stjohn-paulii.org



We extend a warm welcome to all visitors in our church community and invite you to register and join our parish. To register, please complete the form that is available at the back of the church and is also on our website at <https://stjohn-paulii.org>. Completed forms can be placed in the offertory basket. We invite you to be a part of our church community and to share our spiritual journey together.

The **Rosary** is said every Saturday before Mass at 4:30

We offer **Catechism** at 4:30 pm before Mass. Please contact Michelle at 204-444-4313 to register.

Sunday Church Missals are now available for 2025/2026. Thanks to an anonymous donor, there is no cost for the Missals this year.

St. John Paul II has a membership number with the Red River Co-op. If you would like to donate your fuel purchases, our number is 500286.

CWL

Mark your calendars! **Heritage Days** is August 30th. Volunteers are needed for prep days (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) and on Sunday. Shifts are 2 ½ hours on the Sunday. A sign up sheet is at the back of the church.

Perogies are available for sale. Please see Alice or other members of the CWL - \$7 a dozen.

CWL Sunday is the last Sunday of the month. Members serve as greeters and gift bearers.

Pill bottles are also being collected for donation to Agape Table. Please remove the labels before donating. The bottles can be left at the back of the church.

Cooks Creek Heritage Museum

The Cooks Creek Heritage Museum will be hosting Heritage Day on Sunday August 30th from noon to 5 PM.

This is a fun filled day of entertainment, children's activities, vendors, fresh Cinnamon Buns, BBQ and Corn on the Cob as well as the delicious Polish meals served in the church hall.

You will have an opportunity to see the changes we have made to our exhibits in the main museum building. We hope you will join us and bring your friends and neighbors.

If you are interested in helping us out by volunteering that day, please call the museum staff at 204-444-4448. The museum is open for tours daily from 10AM to 5PM. It's a wonderful place to bring your family and visitors.

Museum Fundraising Raffle - "Sontag" Pagoda Bird Feeder and Stand - Valued at \$300

Tickets \$5 each or 3 for \$10.

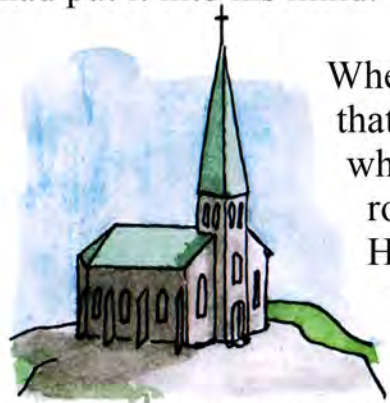
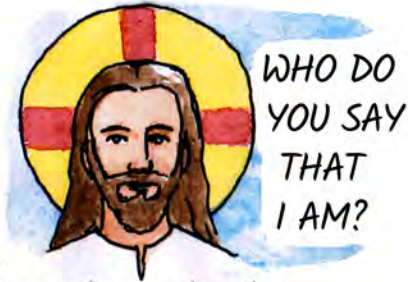
Draw will be made at Heritage Day Sunday August 30, 2026

Tickets available from: Museum staff, Jill Aggelopoulos, Laurel Clement, Janice Farion or Liz Hogue

"You Are Peter."

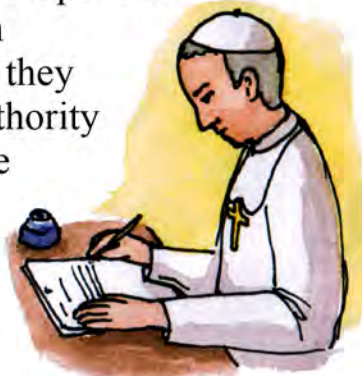
Today in the Gospel reading, Jesus asked His disciples who people thought that He was. Everybody seemed to think He was someone special, but none of them knew who He really was.

When Jesus asked the disciples themselves who they thought He was, Simon said that He was "the Christ, the Son of the living God!" Simon only knew this because God had put it into his mind.



When Simon had said this, Jesus said that his name would now be Peter, which means rock, and that on this rock He would build His Church. He made Simon Peter the first pope. He also said that the gates of Hell would not prevail against the Church. Jesus was assuring us that He would always protect the Church from error.

Now whenever the pope, or the bishops who are agreeing with the pope, proclaim something about God, we know that they are right. Jesus gave the teaching authority to Peter, and he passed it down to the bishops through all the centuries until now. Isn't that amazing?



Answers to Crossword: ACROSS: 5. Neitherworld 7. on 9. be 10. give 11. rock 13. head 14. in 17. flesh 19. Jesus 21. set (or put) 22. name 23. have 24. son DOWN: 1. Peter 2. Church 3. are 4. prevail 6. do 8. not 10. God 12. keys 15. never 16. we 17. Father 18. Heaven 19. Jonah 20. Simon 23. he

The Kids' Bulletin

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Who do you say that I am?



You are
the Christ
the Son of
the living
God.

Blessed are you,
Simon son of Jonah,
For flesh and blood
have not revealed
this to you, but my
heavenly Father.

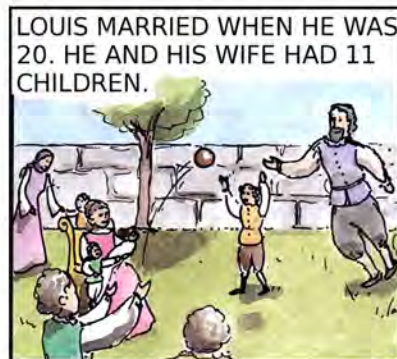
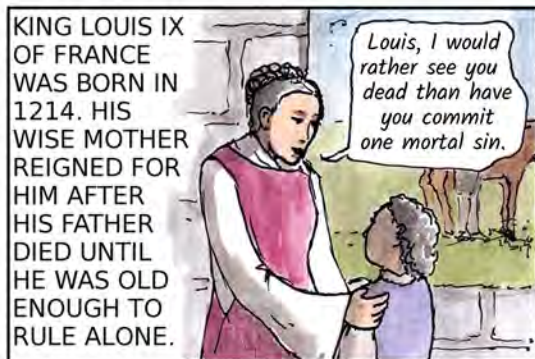
What were Peter and
Jesus saying in today's
Gospel reading?

Look in the mirror
to find out!



Saint Louis of France

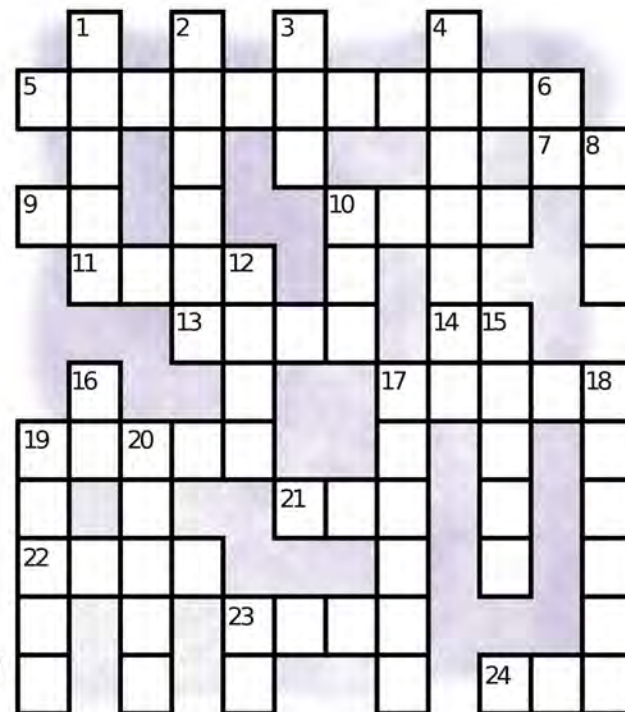
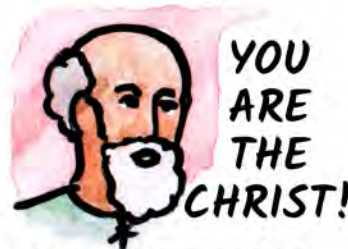
August 25



KING SAINT LOUIS SAID THAT LOVING GOD WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN LIFE. IT WAS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT THAN RULING WELL! BECAUSE HE PRAYED AND ATTENDED MASS SO OFTEN AND SO WELL HE WAS GIVEN THE GRACE TO RULE HIS PEOPLE JUSTLY AND KINDLY.

"Who do you say that I am?" CROSSWORD

See how well you know what happened in today's Gospel story!



- ACROSS**
5. "...the gates of the _____ will not prevail..."
 7. "..._____ this rock I will build my Church..."
 9. "Whatever you bind on earth shall _____ bound in Heaven."
 10. "I will _____ you the keys of the kingdom..."
 11. "On this _____ I will build my Church."
 13. Jesus made Peter the _____ of the Church on earth.
 14. "Whatever you loose on earth will be loosed _____ Heaven."
 17. "_____ and blood have not revealed this to you..."
 19. _____ asked them, "Who do you say that I am?"
 21. God _____ Peter in charge of His Church on earth.
 22. Jesus changed Simon's _____ to Peter.
 23. "Flesh and blood _____ not revealed this to you..."
 24. "...You are the Christ, the _____ of the living God!"
- DOWN**
1. _____ said, "You are the Christ..."
 2. "On this rock I will build my _____."
 3. "Blessed _____ you, Simon..."
 4. "...the gates of the netherworld shall not _____..."
 6. "Who _____ people say that the Son of Man is?"
 8. "Flesh and blood have _____ revealed this..."
 10. "You are the Christ, the Son of the living _____!"
 12. "I will give you the _____ to the kingdom of Heaven."
 15. When will the gates of the netherworld prevail against the Church?
 16. _____ belong to the Church that Jesus started.
 17. The Heavenly _____ revealed to Simon who Jesus was.
 18. "...the keys to the kingdom of _____..."
 19. "Blessed are you, Simon, son of _____..."
 20. Peter's name before Jesus changed it.
 23. Jesus ordered the disciples to tell no one that _____ was the Christ.