

NOVEMBER 30 - FEAST OF SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE: Andrew came from Bethsaida in Galilee and, like his father and his brother Simon, he was a fisherman. A disciple of John the Baptist, Andrew was present at Jesus' baptism. When John stated, "Behold the Lamb of God", Andrew understood and followed Jesus. Going to his brother Simon Peter, Andrew told him that he had found the Messiah. Thus Andrew is known as the first disciple of Jesus. Later, when Jesus chose his apostles, Andrew was among the Twelve. He is a patron saint of Scotland and Russia, of the Greek Church, and of the fishing industry. The cross of Saint Andrew, which represents Scotland on the Union Jack, was first associated with Andrew in the tenth century.



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DIOCESAN REFUGEE PROGRAM

Because of the generosity of the People of the Diocese, a second refugee family has arrived in Newfoundland. Salah, Amina, and their two children, Ahmed and Madlin have reached Clarenville as refugees from Syria. The new family is currently setting up a home, getting organized for English language instruction, meeting different organizations and groups, preparing for winter in Newfoundland, etc. The new family is grateful for our sponsorship and have already met the congregation of Our Lady of Fatima, Clarenville. Thank you to all who have assisted in their sponsorship and are helping with their resettlement into Clarenville. More information will be provided later.

Family Prayer: In the family, through the faith and love of parents, children first experience the love of Jesus in their lives. Through their parents, especially through prayer, children learn to know and love God. Parents can pray with little ones, and read Bible stories to them, and teach little ones to bless themselves. The parents can also teach their children prayers like the 'Our Father' and the "Hail Mary". Meal time is also an important time to ask God's blessing and to give thanks. It would be a beautiful blessing for families to spend some time each day, or each evening, praying together and asking God's help.

Gluten Free Hosts: Some people have an allergy which can be triggered by wheat. As you know, the Sacred Hosts which we receive in Holy Communion are made from wheat. Recently, we have purchased a small number of gluten free hosts. If you would like to receive Holy Communion with a gluten free host, we ask you to please phone the parish office at 538-3106, so we can be prepared beforehand.

2018 Parish Envelopes will be available during December. Please make sure that the box you take has your name on it. If you did not use envelopes this year but would like a box for 2018, just record your name on the request form at the back of the church and a box will be issued to you the following week. PLEASE DO NOT USE THE ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY, 2018

Christmas Tickets: *St. Ignatius Christmas tickets are on sale now at St. Alban's Clover Farms. All the prizes were donated by St. Alban's Clover Farms. Hurry and get your tickets for a chance to win some beautiful prizes for Christmas.*

CHRIST THE KING

Today, on the last Sunday of this liturgical year (Year A), we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Today's focus is the end-times when Christ the King will "sit on the throne of his glory". Christ, the King, in separating people one from another, is likened to a shepherd who "separates the sheep from the goats". The image of shepherd reminds us that the mission of Jesus was not one of power but of service, and we who are involved in carrying on Christ's mission are, as the Gospel suggests, to put ourselves at the service of others – feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, caring for the sick, and visiting the imprisoned. As we await the beginning of the Advent Season next Sunday, and as we anticipate the birth of Jesus, our 'Shepherd-King' at Christmas, today is a good time to commit to living like the Lord Jesus who came to serve, and not be served, thus building up the Kingdom of God until we are called to eternal life. Then, "freed from the corruption of sin and death", the risen people of God will rejoice in a new heaven and a new earth and shall sing God's glory with every creature (Eucharistic Prayer IV).

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass Schedule: Nov. 27th – Dec 1st

Monday----- 3:00 pm ----- St. Ignatius Church----- Funeral Mass for Johnny Skinner
Tuesday----- -----No Mass
Wed. ----- 10:00 a.m.----- Parish Chapel----- William Cox (Frances)
Thurs----- 10:00 a.m.----- Parish Chapel ----- John & Nora Howse
Friday ----- 10:00 a.m.----- Parish Chapel ----- Cecil Cox

Weekend Liturgy: Saturday Dec 2nd and Sunday, Dec. 3rd

St. Alban's----- Sat. --- 7:00 p.m.—St. Ignatius Church----- John, Winnie, Margurite Willcott
St. Alban's----- Sun.---10:30 a.m.--St. Ignatius Church----- **Parish Family**
Conne River---- Sun. ---2:00 p.m.—St. Anne's Church-----Broderick Drew & Mary K. John

Parish Help at time of Death: The death of a loved one leads to all sorts of new and difficult decisions. One of the ladies in our parish, Edith Organ, has offered to help any family at the time of the death of a loved one. She could help with readings and songs, Eucharistic minister, readers, altar servers', etc. I am so grateful to Edith for her continued help and support, and she will be a comfort to families at the time of the death of a loved one. Please feel free to phone Edith at 538-3813.

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristans	Readers	Collectors	Communion Minister	Altar Servers	Music
Nov. 25	Mary Strickland Patsy MacDonald	Monica Willcott	Elizabeth Murphy Gerard Smith Finton Organ	Christine Howse	Margaret Ellen	Julie Ann Willcott Chrissy Farrell
Nov. 26	Mary Organ	Valerie Hoskins	Mike Snook Perry Cox Helena Thornhill	Mary Strickland	Anthony Kevin	Jessica Willcott
Dec. 2	Mary Organ	Brenda Jeddore	Pat Pittman Willie MacDonald Iris Greenham	Jessica Savoury	Edith Juanita	Lenora Lambert
Dec. 3	Jenny Maggie	Amber Willcott	Necia Dollimont Mary Organ George Davis	Mary Organ	Jenny Brenda D.	Tiffany Hoskins

Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church – offertory -----	\$1082.00	St. Anne’s Church – offertory -----	\$197.65
St. Anne’s Church – offertory -----	\$119.00	Parish Dues: -----	\$50.00
Candles : -----	\$173.25	All Souls Day: -----	\$20.00
Funeral Stipends: -----	\$200.00	Baptism Stipend: -----	\$25.00
Donations: -----	\$200.00	Missals: -----	\$300.00

Gratefully acknowledged donation *In Loving Memory of Hubert, Susie and Linus Collier*, by Joseph Collier.

Sunday Missals: New 2017-2018 Sunday Missals will be needed for the new liturgical year which begins on December 3rd (First Week of Advent). These missals will be sold at the weekend masses for the next several weekends. The cost per missal is **\$6.00**. *Please try to have the correct amount with you when making your purchase.* Thank you.

Baptismal Congratulations: We welcome into the parish community, *Daylin Kevin Jeddore* who was baptized at St. Anne’s Church. We wish Daylin and his family all God’s blessings.

Baptismal Congratulations: We welcome into the parish community, *Avery Jade Drew* who was baptized at St. Anne’s Church. We wish Avery and her family all God’s blessings.

Condolences: The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Johnny Skinner their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved ones. May God Bless you and console you.

ST. IGNATIUS PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

IMPORTANT DATES

Sun... Dec. 3...	Family Mass
Wed... Dec. 6...	50 th Anniversary of Legion Ladies Auxiliary
Sat... Dec. 9...	Church Tree Lighting
Thurs... Dec. 14...	School Concert
Sun... Dec. 17...	Christmas Pageant
Sun... Dec. 17...	Advent Penitential Service

A New Liturgy group: We have formed a new Liturgy Committee in our parish. The group is made up of the following people: Connie Willcott is the chairperson. The other three members are Edith Organ, Mary Organ and Valerie Hoskins. Father Brophy is also a part of this group. It will be our aim, our wish, to make our Masses and celebrations as beautiful as possible, so that we will give glory to God while His holy people are filled with joy and grace and His blessing. *“ I rejoiced when I heard them say: ‘Let us go to the House of the Lord.’ ”*

Collection of Food: The collection of food which was taken up at our Masses last weekend was quite overwhelming. A very large amount of groceries was collected for the Food Bank, and it will most certainly be appreciated by those who receive food hampers. It is wonderful that we can share from our abundance to help those who are in need. God bless you and thank you.

A change of date for our Penitential Service: One of the most important events of our Advent celebrations is our Penitential service. But this is a very busy time of year with many, many gatherings leading up to Christmas. We have changed the date of our Penitential Service to Sunday night, December 17th at 6:00 pm. We have changed the date of the Penitential service as the school children’s Christmas Concert was scheduled for the same date, and many people would like to attend both celebrations. Father Joy will join us for this Sunday evening time of penance and forgiveness. *“If your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow.”*

Children’s Christmas Pageant: *I wish to thank sincerely Cindy Benoit and Valerie Hoskins who have volunteered to be in charge of the Children’s Christmas Pageant.*

MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS

Sat. - Dec. 23---7:00 pm---	St. Ignatius Church
Sun. -Dec. 24---	The 10:30 am mass will be cancelled in St. Alban’s
Sun. -Dec. 24---	The 2:00 pm mass will be cancelled in Conne River
Sun. -Dec. 24---6:00 pm---	St. Anne’s Church- Christmas Eve Mass
Sun. -Dec. 24---8:30 pm---	St. Ignatius Church- Christmas Eve Mass
No Mass on Christmas Day	

PLEASE NOTE: Several Masses will be cancelled

Army Cadet Christmas Bonanza: Number 2922 Vimy Ridge Army Cadet Corp. will be holding a Christmas Concert Bonanza. This night of entertainment will take place on Thursday night, Dec. 7, starting at 6:30 pm. This will be a night of songs and skits and maybe even line dancers. At the gathering, soup and tea and coffee and cookies and cheesecake will be served. This special Christmas event will take place at the Royal Canadian Legion. And you may be lucky in the ticket draw. We wish the Cadets every success, and we promise a happy night for all.

Website Update

The St. Ignatius Parish website is up and running and updates are done on a regular basis. The bulletin is posted there each week. Please help share the word, especially to friends and family who are living away. You can visit the website at www.stignatiusparish.net

What They say about our church: The most beautiful treasure of the South Coast of Newfoundland is our Church here in St. Alban's. It is breathtaking. It is a joy to bring visitors to our Church, as they are overwhelmed at the workmanship and its gracious dignity. Sometimes a stranger helps us to appreciate something we overlook or take for granted. Here are a few comments from our visitor's book which is at the back of the Church:

"A beautiful Masterpiece" "Awesome, His Holy Presence is Here" "The most beautiful Church." "Absolutely amazing Work." "Glad to be home, I love my church."

Isn't it a wonder that all this work was done with hand tools only, as there were no power saws or electricity when this church was built. Each morning when I go to open the Church, the same thought comes to me: *'Oh, Lord, I love the beauty of your house, and the place where your glory dwells.'*

When we find fault: There is a famous billboard on a very crowded highway which reads: "You aren't stuck in traffic, you are traffic!!" How easily we distance ourselves from problems, in our politics, in our churches, in our world. We feel we are stuck in a political or religious situation where we find it difficult to talk to the other person. But we may have become too rigid, too self-righteous, too stuck in our own ways to even try to understand the point of view of another person. We see things like injustice, bigotry, racism, greed, violence, murder and war, but we may be part of the problem ourselves. Like the man said **"Nobody is shot by a gun that wasn't shot before with a word."**

O Glorious St. Joseph you have power to render possible things which are impossible, come to our aid in our present trouble and distress. Take these important and difficult affairs under your particular protection, that it may end happily.

O dear St. Joseph all our confidence is in you, let it not be said that we have invoked you in vain, and since you are so powerful with Jesus and Mary show that your goodness equals your power, amen.

Divine providence can provide, Divine providence did provide, Divine providence will provide.
Amen.

Children's Sunday Liturgy: The children's liturgy takes place each Sunday morning, during Mass. Appropriate ages are 4+ years.

Baptism Registration Form: This form can now be downloaded from the parish website at www.stignatius.net Just click on SACRAMENTS and select BAPTISM. You can also call – 538-3106 or email st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca the parish office to have a registration form emailed to you. **Please contact the parish office during the months of pregnancy (if possible) to arrange for Baptism Preparation.** Baptisms are celebrated upon request after Baptism Preparation has been completed.

STIPENDS: (as recommended by the Diocese)

FUNERAL: \$200.00
Wedding: \$200.00
Baptism: \$25.00

Once again, to lead me Home.

Readers at Funeral Masses: One of the most sacred parts of a Funeral Mass is the reading of the Word of God. Family members and friends of the deceased person look for comfort and hope in sacred scripture. If the proclaiming of the Word of God is not done well, those listening feel they have lost something precious. At our Funeral Masses, the proclaiming of God's Word should be done by our regular readers. These people have been formed over time by the Word of God, and in many cases, they are better suited to proclaim the Word and the intercessions. Both funeral directors have received a letter from the parish asking their assistance in this matter. Thank you and God bless you.