



**Colombia: defence of land and territory**

Colombia is home to nearly 10 per cent of the planet’s biodiversity, yet it is also one of the most dangerous countries for people defending their land and territory against exploitation.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada’s partner, the *Asociación Campesina de Antioquia* (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia) supports peasant communities affected by armed conflict in defending their lives and territories and in building a culture of peace through filmmaking and art.

This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Raquel Soto, a participant in ACA’s documentary filmmaking school. Learn more at [devp.org/lent](http://devp.org/lent).

**March 17 - Memorial of Saint Patrick, Bishop:** At age 16, Patrick was carried off in a pirate raid and sold as a slave in Ireland. He was made a swineherd, living in solitude on a mountain. This radical change in his life forced him to rely on his Christian training, and his prayer and asceticism marked him forever. After six years, Patrick escaped and returned to his parents in Britain. Later, he returned to Gaul to study for the priesthood, eventually becoming a bishop. After some time, Patrick returned to Ireland as a missionary, and he is best known for evangelizing the Irish. By the time of his death in 492, Christianity had reached nearly all of Ireland, and churches and monasteries had been established to receive the constant stream of converts.

**March 18 - Memorial of Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor:** Cyril was born in Jerusalem about 315. He became a biblical scholar and a cleric in the Church of Jerusalem. Ordained about 342, he became Bishop of Jerusalem in 350. His famous Lenten instructions, *Catecheses*, outline his beliefs and the theological traditions of the Jerusalem community. Cyril died in Jerusalem in 387, having contributed greatly to the theological understanding of the early Church.



**ST. IGNATIUS PARISH**

**ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH-ST. ALBAN'S ST. ANNE'S CHURCH- CONNE RIVER**

**Pastor:** Father Patrick Osuji **Administrative Assistant:** Doug Lambert

P. O. Box 38, St. Alban’s, NL AOH 2E0

Parish House and Office: Phone 538-3106: Priest 280-4904

**Email:** [st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca) **Website:** [www.stignatiusparish.net](http://www.stignatiusparish.net)

Office hours: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

Today’s Gospel relates the encounter at the well between Jesus and the Samaritan woman. The intense conversation with the woman, initiated by Jesus with the words “Give me a drink”, is indicative of God’s great thirst for us – it is God who first seeks us, desiring only what is good for us. In turn, we are led to the realization that, just as in the case of the Samaritan woman, nothing can really quench our spiritual thirst except that same “living water” offered to the woman – the “life-giving water” of Baptism which gives us new birth into the divine life through the power of the Holy Spirit, and which can refresh us throughout our lives, becoming in us “a spring of water gushing up to eternal life” (*John 4.14*). As we continue our Lenten journey, let us give thanks for the gift of our Baptism and pray for all Catechumens who will receive this Sacrament at Easter.

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**Please Note:** Mass intention will be private on Monday (Mar. 13).

**Daily Masses Mon March 13 – Fri March 17**

Mon - Private-----Simon Collier

Tues - 11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel-----Patricia Froude

Wed - 11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel-----Max Davis

Thurs- 11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel-----Leo Hoskins

Fri-----11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel-----Norman Barnes

**Weekend Liturgy: Sat – March 18 and March 19**

St.Alban’s-Saturday7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch---Edmund Collier Jr.

St.Alban’s---Sunday10:30a.m.St.IgnatiusChurch—**ParishFamily**

Conne River---Sunday 2:00 p.m. St. Anne’s Church- John Augot

## MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Music
Mar 11	Patsy M	Ann B	Father Patrick	
Mar 12	Patsy M	Lydia W	Father Patrick	
Mar 18	Edith O	Pat P	Father Patrick	
Mar 19	Edith O	Valerie H	Father Patrick	

### Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$616.00
St. Anne's	65.00
Lenten Folders	20.00
Mass Stipends	10.00
EFT (February 2023)	800.00

**Thank you for your continued support to the parish.**

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the Lenten season, the Knights of Columbus will be having Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. beginning on February 24th. This year the Stations of the Cross will take place in the Parish Chapel. All are welcome!

### Condolences

The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Leo Hillier of Conne River their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.

### Condolences

The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Donald Snook their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.

### WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS PARISH: ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH AND ST. ANNE'S CHURCH:

*We are happy to have you here in our parish. It is our hope that you experience the presence of Christ during our worship.*

*"Where two or three come together in my name, there I am with them" Matt 18:20*

### Home Visits and Holy Communion

If you or someone you know who would like to receive Holy Communion in their home, you are asked to please inform Father Patrick at 709-280-4904 or call the Parish office at 709-538-3106 Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The Body of Christ is often such an important part of people's lives, so when they are sick or unable to attend Mass, I would greatly bring them Holy Communion.....Father Patrick Osuji

### Bay D'Espoir Community Food Bank

Location: St Alban's Community Centre

Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Friday 10:00 am- 12:00 pm (by appointment only)

**For more information please contact:** The Bay D'Espoir Community Food Bank now has its own telephone #: **(709) 538-7936**. Messages can be left on an answering service. Please leave your name and telephone number and someone will return your call during the hours of operation. Thank you. Please feel free to drop off donated food items at the back of the Church in the labelled Food Bank Box.

### Easter Flowers

Parish members wishing to donate towards the purchase of the Easter Flowers for the church may do so by putting an envelope marked "Easter Flowers" in the collection basket. If the flowers are being donated "In memory of" please indicate this, as well as your envelope number and/or name.

### Lenten Folders:

Available on the table at the main entrance of the Church. Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

**Diocesan Synod:** The items of the Synod that need to be examined and the responses for dialogue and action in every parish of the Diocese of Grand Falls is now available in pamphlet form. These pamphlets are now available to the public at the Church entrance. Please feel free to take one.