

WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH

“I was glad when they said unto me; let us go into the house of the Lord”
(Psalm 122:1)

The Psalmist reminds us of the joy and anticipation to go back to the Church the house of God.

Since the Covid-19 pandemic, our days have been filled with fear, panic, sorrow, anxiety and uncertainty.

Our health systems, social centers and religious houses closed down, not by choice but by circumstances beyond our control and we were forced to adjust.

As a result, we have missed the sounds of our praise to God; we have missed the voice of our youths and adults, as well as our fellowship and worship of God as a family and community.

However, I celebrate mass every day praying for families, health care workers, first responders, essential workers, the sick and those who may have died since the lockdown in our community and the world.

So, my beloved people of God, welcome back to Church. Unlike the Psalmist, there is something quite amazing and powerful about meeting together in the Church to worship as a family, community of God’s people, sharing in one communion, enjoying the sounds of our beautiful voices and beholding our beautiful and smiling faces once again.

The Christian faith is tested during storms. But every storm is a wake-up call to re-discovering God’s presence and deepening our relationship with him, in the faith that “He is before all things, and in Him all things holds together” (Colossians, 1:17)

This is a period we are invited to return to God in faith and prayer. God will not abandon nor will He disown us. He will surely come to the rescue of the world.

Welcome back to the House of God. Blessings.

Father Patrick

Sacristans Volunteers Needed!

The parish is looking for volunteers that are willing to help prepare and clean the vessels for Communion. It would be for weekend masses for now. Our goal is to have enough sacristans so the two people would be on only once a month. Your time would be greatly appreciated!

If you are interested, please call the office at 538-3106 Wed – Fri 9am – 2pm.



St. Ignatius Parish



St. Ignatius Church-St. Alban's

St. Anne's Church- Conne River

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today’s Gospel, Jesus uses three parables to teach us about the Kingdom of God. The Parable of the Weeds among the Wheat helps us to realize that only the Lord of the harvest – whose grace is at work in a hidden way in every human heart – can sort out the good from the bad when all is gathered at the end. We who are blessed with the gift of faith are challenged to prepare for the final harvest by becoming an exemplary crop ourselves. The Parable of the Mustard Seed demonstrates the importance of faith in believing that God’s Kingdom, with its humble beginnings within the boundaries of Palestine some 2000 years ago, continues to grow worldwide..The Parable of the Yeast tells of the hidden designs of God being worked out in history, resulting in good fruit as a result of God working in many people. All three parables have a clear message for the Church of today, helping us to understand truths about the Kingdom of God and what the coming of God’s life-giving reign should mean to us.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily Masses will remain private (Fr. Patrick Only) July 20-24

Mon – 11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel----- Thomas Farrell

Tues – 11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel-----Alfred & Marie Collier

Wed – 11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel-----Ann Collier (Michael)

Thurs –11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel----- Bernadette Sutton

Fri – 11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel----- George & Pearl Collier

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. July 25th and Sun. July 26th

St. Alban's---Sat---7:00 p.m. – St. Ignatius Church----- Theresa Pittman & Betty Hoskins

St. Alban's---Sun--- 10:30 a.m. -St. Ignatius Church ---- Parish Family

Conne River---Sun---2:00 p.m.-St. Anne's Church----- Leonard John

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

We are glad that you are here with us this evening. It is our hope that you experience the love of Christ this morning and His presence during our worship.

<i>DATE</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Music</i>
July 18th	Mary Patsy	Edith O	Father Patrick	
July 19th	Mary Patsy	Lydia W	Father Patrick	
July 25th	Teresa Ann	Pat P	Father Patrick	
July 26th	Mary Patsy	Valerie H	Father Patrick	

St. Ignatius Parish Income March 22-July 1, 2020

Sunday Offerings (dropped off/mailed-in)	470.00
Candles	60.25
Funeral Stipends	1,000.00
Mass Stipends	185.00
Parish Dues	120.00
Insurance	45.00
Lenten Folder	13.50
Baptism Certificated (5)	25.00
Religious Articles	64.00
CEWS-Covid-19 (Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy)	4,347.17

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	2,858.00
Easter Offering	15.00
Insurance	135.00
Lenten Folder	75.00
Donation	1,000.00
Diocesan Collection	40.00
Mass Stipend	60.00
Baptism Certificate	5.00

Thank you!!

Gratefully Acknowledged Donation In Loving Memory of Chesley Willcott, from Ivan MacDonald. \$1000.00

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

St. Ignatius Re-opening-some important reminders to keep us all safe:

PARISHIONERS MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND MASS:

Call 538-3106 between 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Wed-Fri. You **MUST** register **EVERY** week if you are attending.

Capacity is limited to adhere to Government Directives. Only those who register for Mass can be permitted in.

Mass Attendance Screening Questionnaire:

Copy will be attached to the bulletin. If you are registered to attend mass that day, you will answer questions at home, prior to attending mass. You will **not need** to hand a copy in to the parish.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE:

Please check with ushers at the church entrance to have names checked on the registration list, use hand sanitizers that are placed near the church entrances and be escorted to designated pews to ensure proper physical distancing.

Please adhere to the markers in the aisle and pews and maintain green lines on the floor to ensure safe distancing during Communion.

Collection basket will be placed at the back of the church for parishioners' offerings.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION:

Those who desire to receive Holy Communion, may do so at the appropriate moment, but those who wish to remain in their places may do so.

Holy Communion may not be received on the tongue, nor may it be received in the hand if a member of the faithful is wearing gloves.

People come forward and receive communion in the hand. Communion on the tongue is not permitted at this time.

