#### The Sacrament of Confirmation

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples to wait in Jerusalem so that they could be baptized by the Holy Spirit (Acts of the Apostles 1:5). When about 120 of Jesus' disciples were gathered the Holy Spirit came in the form of wind and fire. Filled with the Holy Spirit, the disciples understood that God was anointing them for a special mission (Acts of the Apostles 2).

Confirmation is the sacrament that completes the grace we receive in Baptism. It seals, or confirms, this grace through the seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit that we receive as part of Confirmation. This sacrament also makes us better able to participate in the worship and apostolic life of the Church. Like Baptism, Confirmation is received only once in a person's life.

#### Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Through Jesus, we receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Wisdom helps us recognize the importance of others and the importance of keeping God central in our lives.

*Understanding* is the ability to comprehend the meaning of God's message.

**Knowledge** is the ability to think about and explore God's revelation, and also to recognize that there are mysteries of faith beyond us.

Counsel is the ability to see the best way to follow God's plan when we have choices that relate to him.

Fortitude is the courage to do what one knows is right.

**Piety** helps us pray to God in true devotion.

Fear of the Lord is the feeling of amazement before God, who is all-present, and whose friendship we do not want to lose.

#### Signs of Confirmation

The signs of Confirmation are the laying on of hands on a person's head, most often by a bishop, and the anointing with oil.

#### Father's Day

As Father's Day draws near, take a few moments to think about what it means for you, as a parent, to love your kids. Many parents get caught up in the whirlwind of after school activities, planning for fun-filled vacations, working hard to save for their future, and buying things that bring smiles to their faces. While these actions spring from a heart filled with love, there are three very simple ways to love your kids that make a difference everyday:

#### 1. Tell your kids you love them.

Tell your kids you love them by actually saying the words—all the time. One of the ways kids learn best is through repetition. Saying "I love you" to them several times a day will help them know and trust that you really do love them.

#### 2. Love your kids by listening to them.

Turn off the TV, get off the computer, and spend at least ten meaningful minutes each day listening closely to your son or daughter. Find out what made him or her feel happy or bad during the day, and what he or she is thinking about right now. Give your children the gifts of your time and your ear. It's important for children to know that you belong just to them for at least a little bit each day.

#### 3. Remind your kids that there is someone who loves them even more than you do.

Tell them how much <u>Jesus loves them</u>—and keep on telling them. It's essential that kids be reminded of this amazing love on a daily basis. Knowing that they are beloved children of God will assure them that they not only have a special place in your family, they have an even more special place in God's family.



# ST. IGNATIUS PARISH



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### 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel invites us to reflect on the same question that Jesus asked of Peter, "... who do you say that I am?" Because Peter had witnessed Jesus' words and actions, his immediate response was, "The Christ of God". Jesus is still active in our lives, and our experiences of Jesus can help us to answer who he is. The way we live our lives bears witness to who we believe Jesus to be. Through our prayer, our words, our decisions, our participation in the community of faith, and our efforts to share his Good News with others, we bear witness to who we believe Jesus to be. Discipleship means continually answering the question that Jesus asked of Peter and continues to ask of us, "Who do you say that I am?"

## **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

# Weekday Schedule: June 20th - 24th

Monday			
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Parish Chapel Joe & Marie MacNeil, Martha-White Blake	
Wednesday	10:00 am	Parish Chapel Theresa Pittman	
Thursday	10:00 am	Parish Chapel Bernard, Lorraine, Adelia & Albert Morris	
Friday	5:00 pm	St. Anne's Church <i>Graduation Mass</i>	

### Weekend Liturgy: Saturday- June 25th and Sunday, June 26th

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St. Alban's Sat 7:00 p.m	St. Ignatius Church Mary & Walter Organ
St. Alban's Sun 10:30 a.m	St. Ignatius Church Parish Family
Conne River Sun 2:00 p.m	St. Anne's Church Melvin McDonald



HAPPY FATHERS DAY!

# MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristans	Readers	Collectors	Communion	Altar	Music
				Minister	Servers	
June 18	Jenny Collier Betty Hoskins	Monica Willcott Helena Thornhill	Pat Pittman Willie MacDonald Iris Greenham	Margaret Hoskins	Brenda Maggie	Church Choir Melita Cox
June 19	Maggie Collier Mary Organ	Lydia Walsh	George Davis Clarence Davis Mike Snook	Ralph Blake	Jean Gould Mary Strickland	Church Choir Melita Cox
June 25	Maggie Collier Mary Organ	Brenda Jeddore Pat Pittman	Pat Pittman Willie MacDonald Iris Greenham	Mary Organ	Jenny Betty	Julie-Ann Chrissy Tracy Perry
June 26	Jenny Collier Betty Hoskins	Valerie Hoskins	George Davis Clarence Davis Mike Snook	Genevieve Tremblett	Anthony Kevin	Jessica Willcott Connie Willcott

#### Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church – offertory	\$1165.00	Mass Stipends:	\$65.00
St. Annes Church – offertory	\$320.00	Diocese: Peter's Pence :	\$56.00
Donation:	\$500.00	Chase The Ace proceeds:	\$2375.00
Calandars:	\$640.00		

GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGED DONATION OF \$500.00, IN LOVING MEMORY OF GEORGE DOLLIMONT

<u>Chase The Ace' Fundraiser for St. Ignatius Parish:</u> At the R.C. Legion St. Alban's, every Friday n night, from 7-9 pm. Ticket draw takes place at 9:15. Fundraiser open to all persons 19 years and older. Tickets are \$5.00 each. **Jackpot is now \$10,329.00 (plus 30% of Friday's sale of tickets)** 

<u>100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary items:</u> This year, our parish of St. Ignatius celebrates it's 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary. To commemorate this event, we will be selling local handmade crafts for \$10.00 each. All crafts have been made by Gordon Sutton. Those items will be sold after Mass on Saturday nights and Sunday mornings. They can be viewed in the cabinet at the back of the Church. Thank You.

*Calendars:* To celebrate St. Ignatius Parish's 100th Anniversary this year, special calendars have been printed to mark the occasion. Included in these calendars are beautiful pictures of our parish's history, churches, priests, etc. The calendars run from June 2016 to June 2017 and are a special keepsake for friends and family near and far. They can be purchased for \$10.00 each at the parish office, Computer shop, Hartery's, Looney Twoney Shop, Paint shop, Liane's Spa and Clover Farms.

### ST. IGNATIUS PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Canada Day Celebrations: Canada Day events will begin 2pm til 4pm at the Community Park. This event is FREE to everyone. There will be food, music, games, face painting, tattoos and much more throughout the afternoon. We will also be having our annual bicycle rodeo/walk beginning at the Government wharf at 8pm. Decorate your bikes, scooters..etc and we will walk to the Community Park for the Firework Show. Dress in your Canada Day colors to celebrate!!!!! Anyone wanting to bring along lawn chairs, blankets, musical instruments are welcome to do so.....

A holiday replacement: During the early summer, I will be taking two weeks holidays. Once again this year, my two brothers and I, and three other friends will be flying in to Northernman's Waters for a week of trouting and canoeing and happiness in the great Newfoundland outdoors. As I will be away for the first two weekends of July, Father Bill Pearce will come to our parish to celebrate the weekend liturgies. I ask you to welcome Father Bill as graciously as you have welcomed me. Thank You.

**Baptisms in Conne River**: I understand that there are a number of babies in Conne River to be baptized. During the coming days and weeks, I will do my best to help the young couples to prepare for this sacred event in their children's spiritual life. If at all possible, I will go to Conne River and meet with the couples, showing them a video and arranging a time for their baby's Baptism. Patience, Please.

A Welcome to our Bishop: This Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, is a very special moment in the lives of some of the young people in Conne River. They will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Sacrament of the Holy Spirit. For this special event, we welcome joyfully our Chief Shepherd, Bishop Anthony Daniels. Our Bishop will administer Confirmation to our young people, and we pray only that they will be filled with the Holy Spirit. As part of the young candidates' preparation, they have collected a very large amount of food for the Food Bank in Grand Falls. I wish to thank the young people over and over, and I pray that they will be filled with joy and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The Closing of St. Catherine's Renewal Center: It is with great sadness that we were informed of the closing of Saint Catherine's Renewal Center. This center has become a sanctuary of immense blessings over the past years. It has been a gathering place for Priests and Pastoral Workers for many years. I have made many retreats there, time of quiet reflection and prayer. I have performed private weddings in the beautiful chapel. Numerous groups of various religions gathered at the Renewal Center for their programs, and they were welcomed by the sisters and by the Staff as if they were welcoming Christ. Over the years, many families from St. Alban's stayed at the center as their little ones sang and performed at the Kiwanis Music Festival. Through the years, Marriage Encounter had many weekend gatherings there. In fact, the priests from the West Coast of Newfoundland called the Renewal Center their 'Holy Ground'. These are some of the events that were held at the Renewal Center, but now the building starts down a different road. The Renewal Center will now become a Palliative Care Home, where families may gather and stay with loved ones who are dying or close to death. The Renewal Center will now be called the Doctor Lionel Kelland Center, in memory of a well known physician who died of cancer in 2010. We thank God for all the blessings that came through the life of the Renewal Center. We thank the Presentation Sisters who gave such wonderful service over the years, and who generously donated this huge building as a palliative care home. And we implore God's richest blessing on this new and most valuable venture for the years to come.