

Church Report on the Synodal Process

It was with gratitude to Pope Francis that the Diocese of Grand Falls began its Synodal Journey on the Solemnity of our Diocesan Patroness – Mary, the Immaculate Conception.

The committee began by familiarizing itself with he concept of SYNOD, the history of synods in the Church, the Holy Father's vision of a Synodal Church and the documents produced as guides.

Once familiar with the process, the committee set out on its journey.

48 listening sessions were held throughout the diocese with almost 700 persons participating. Bases on responses heard and recorded, it was decided to create two reports: one to be forwarded to the Atlantic Region and a second to be used at our own diocesan and parish levels.

The following is a condensed of the parish responses to our synod meetings that were forwarded to the Atlantic Region.

In the coming weeks, you will be provided with the report of our own diocese and parishes in your weekly Sunday Bulletins.

Sacramental Life, Rituals and Devotions

- Sacramental life is very important
- Promotion of the importance of the sacraments is required
- Comfort is found in celebrations like the Easter Vigil
- Church traditions and culture as well as the use of signs and symbols such as rosary beads is valued.
- Some come to church to receive the sacraments only
- The Sacrament of Ordination and the need for a non-discriminatory priesthood that permits the ordination of male, female, non-binary, single, married persons was mentioned in almost every session
- The need for more attention to increasing vocations: priests, deacons, religious was a common thread
- It was suggested that anyone who wishes should be permitted to receive the Eucharist, not just Catholics. Catholics should be aware of circumstances permitting non-Catholics to receive Eucharist

Social Justice

 We need to acknowledge scandals such as indigenous issues, atrocities of residential schools, sexual abuse, and the need for associated settlement agreements





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SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Today we focus on the Lord's return at the end of time. In the apocalyptic discourse in Saint Luke's Gospel, Jesus describes the troubles that will happen before he comes again in glory: countries will fight other countries, earthquakes will destroy cities, people will starve, and sicknesses will cause many people to die. If we were to predict the end times by the number of such disasters in our world today, we would think the end is already here. But we never really know only God knows for sure. Meanwhile, we are asked to live our lives following the imperatives of Jesus in the Gospel: do not be led astray, do not be afraid; rather give Christian witness and endure. As we await the Lord's return, let us open our eyes to the tragedies of our time, not to be prophets of misfortune, but courageous prophets of a new order based on justice and peace.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily Masses Mon November 21- Fri November 25

Mon - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Dr. Ragaie Diebes

Tues - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel------Gerald Organ

Wed - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Felix Hoskins & Shelly Taylor

Thurs- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Ross Willcott & Larry Hudson

Fri ----11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel--George & Laura O' Keefe and Ben Cornick

Weekend Liturgy: Sat – November 26 and Sun – November 27

 $St. Alban's-Saturday 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church--- Alfred \&\ Marie\ Collier,$

Theresa Pittman & Betty Hoskins, and Joclyn Crant

St.Alban's-Sunday 10:30 a.m. St. Ignatius Church—*Parish Family* Conne River-Sunday 2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church—Samuel & Florailda

Collier

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Music
Nov 19	Patsy M	Pat P	Father Patrick	
Nov 13	Patsy M	Mark W	Father Patrick	
Nov 26	Edith O	Gerry C	Father Patrick	
Nov 27	Edith O	Lydia W	Father Patrick	

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$619.00
St. Anne's Church	65.00
Mass Stipends	75.00
Milltown-Head of Bay D'Espoir Thrift Store Fundraiser	358.20
Candles	50.00

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

<u>Thank you:</u> St. Ignatius Parish would like to extend its sincere thanks to the <u>Milltown-Head of Bay D'Espoir Thrift Store</u> and its patrons for their fundraising effort on November 6. A total of \$358.20 was raised in support of the Parish.

2023 Living with Christ Sunday Missals

Available at back of church. Price is \$7.00 per missal.

2023 Parish Envelopes will be available during the next few weeks for anyone who contributed to the parish using 2022 Envelopes. Please make sure that the box you take has your name on it. If you did not use envelopes during 2022 but would like a box for 2023, extra unlabelled boxes will be available in December. If you take an unnamed box, please print your name on the recording sheet opposite the box number you take. PLEASE DO NOT USE THE NEW ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY, 2023.

<u>WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS PARISH: ST. IGNATIUS</u> <u>CHURCH AND ST. ANNE'S CHURCH:</u>

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

Christmas Food Basket For Those In Need

Registration has now started and closes on Friday, November 25, 2022. To register please call: Audrey (709) 572-5609

Brenda (709) 538-6504 Jan (709) 690-0814

Please call on Tuesdays or Fridays – 10:00 am until 12:00 pm.

The Bay D'Espoir Foodbank is preparing for Christmas Baskets and the Christmas season. Please help ensure all our community members have access to the necessities they will need over the holiday season. Some of the main items which we need to build on include:

Sugar Tea Can Vegetables
Milk Coffee Dish Detergent
Flour Butter Can Fruit
Toilet Paper

Your generosity over the year has been greatly appreciated. Thank you for your kindness.

Condolences

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

