

## ORDINARY TIME

(January 13 - March 4, 2025)

Ordinary Time encompasses that part of the liturgical year that does not fall within the distinctive seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. The Catholic Church celebrates two periods of the year as Ordinary Time: the first following the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and continuing until the Tuesday evening before Ash Wednesday; the second following Pentecost Sunday until the evening before Advent. There are about 33 or 34 Sundays in Ordinary Time, depending on the year. In actuality, however, there are fewer Sundays of Ordinary Time because major feasts honouring the Trinity, Corpus Christi, Christ the King, and others replace a particular Sunday of Ordinary Time. It is important to remember that Ordinary Time celebrates “the mystery of Christ in all its aspects”.

**January 13 - Memorial of Saint Hilary, Bishop, Doctor:** Hilary was born in Gaul (France) in 320. As an adult, he converted to Christianity and was chosen as Bishop about 350. He is best known for his valiant defence of Christianity against the Arian heresy. He continued his confrontation with Arianism until his death about 368. He was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church in 1851.

**JANUARY 17 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANTHONY, ABBOT:** Anthony was born into a wealthy Christian family in Egypt about 251. Both his parents died while he was a teenager and Anthony gave away his inheritance and became a hermit. After years of solitude, he emerged to gather the ascetics who had followed him into a ‘community’. This was the beginning of Christian monasticism. Anthony died on January 17, 356, well-known for his holiness, wisdom and asceticism.

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

(January 18 - 25, 2025)

This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires. The Second Vatican Council invited all Catholics to undertake the work of ecumenism and so overcome the scandal of disunity among Christians. Ecumenism means working to restore unity among all Christians; in a broader sense, it also involves working for better relations with Judaism, Islam, and other non-Christian religions. Saint John Paul II, during his Pontificate, said that working for unity is the responsibility of each of us: *“To work for unity is not simply to follow one’s own fancy, one’s personal preference; it means being faithful to and truly representative of the position of the Catholic Church”* (23 November 1979).



## ST. IGNATIUS PARISH

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

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## **FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Today, as Jesus is baptized, we have another epiphany (manifestation) or theophany (the revelation of God to humanity) when Jesus is named the Beloved Son of God. In actuality, Jesus had no need of the Sacrament of Baptism since he had no sin. However, in submitting himself humbly to his baptism by John the Baptist, Christ provided an example for all his followers. Jesus' baptism marks his initiation into public ministry. With this celebration we are called to recommit ourselves to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Initiated into the Church through our baptism, we too are commissioned to proclaim Good News to the world by the way we live.

## **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

### **Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – January 11 and Sun. – January 12**

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch-----Peter Farrell

St.Alban's-Sunday – 4:00p.m. St.Ignatius Church-----**Parish Family**

Conne River-Sunday-2:00p.m.St. Anne's Church-John N & Pauline Jeddore

### **Weekday Masses Mon. January 13 – Fri. January 17**

Mon - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Abraham (Jr) Collier

Tues - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----John & Sarah Walsh

Wed - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Wayne Hoskins

Thurs- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Benjamin & Beatrice Walsh

Fri-----11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Muriel Benoit

### **Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – January 18 and Sun. – January 19**

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch-----Angus Croft

St.Alban's-Sunday - 4:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----**Parish Family**

Conne River-Sunday-2:00p.m.St. Anne's Church-Arch, Pauline & Joan Mayo

**MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES**

<i>DATE</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Collectors</i>
<b>Jan. 11</b>	Monica K	Edith O	Father Tom Edith O	Kevin O Bill D
<b>Jan. 12</b>	Monica K	Lydia W	Father Tom Mary S	Logan B Nicolas C
<b>Jan. 18</b>	Bernie C Loretta C	Pat P	Father Tom Christine H	Finton O Gerard S
<b>Jan. 19</b>	Bernie C Loretta C	Cindy B	Father Tom Genevieve T	William M Ivan O

**Weekly Parish Income**

St. Ignatius Church	\$833.00
St. Anne's Church	No Mass
New Years Offering	714.00
Advent Offering	40.00
Initial Offering	320.00
Candles	20.00
Christmas Flowers	20.00
Certificates	5.00
EFT (December 2024)	845.00

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

**Stipends (as recommended by the Diocese)**

Funerals	\$200.00
Weddings	\$200.00
Baptism	\$25.00

**2025 Living with Christ Sunday Missals**

Are available at the back of church. Price is \$7.00 per missal.

**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 Tom at 709-674-1503 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 like to bring them Holy Communion....Father Tom Duffenais

**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.

**Sacrament Preparation**

For the **2024-2025** year, we will be offering preparations for the sacrament of Reconciliation and First Communion for anyone in Grade 2 and older.

Confirmation which is offered every second year will go ahead in 2025-26.

**Condolences**

The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish and St. Anne's Church extend to the family of the late Ralph Blake, their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.

**Christmas Flowers have been donated in Loving Memory of:**

*Everest Barnes and deceased members of the Barnes & Collier families from Melita Barnes*

*Genevieve Smith and deceased family members from Gerard Smith*

*Deceased members of Collier & Davis families from Audrey & Bill Davis*

*Deceased members of Strickland & Collier families from Bert & Mary Strickland*

*Thomas & Georgina Barnes, Jacob Benoit and Philip Cox from Kevin & Ann Benoit*

*Muriel, Tom & Gerard Benoit and all deceased members of the Benoit & Farrell families from the Benoit family*

*Almeda & Cecil Cox and Iris & Cyril Organ from Gerard J. F. Cox*

*Deceased members of the Cox & Farrell families from Robert & Margaret Farrell*

*Deceased members of the Cox & MacDonald families and Dr. Ragaie Diebes from Mary MacDonald – Diebes*

*Deceased members of the Cox & Willcott families from Richard & Sandra Willcott*

*Ross Willcott from Anita Willcott*

*Joan & Ronald Kendall from Paula & Gord*

*Ronald & Margaret Kearley from Gord & Paula*

*Dulcie, Nicodemus & Beatrice McDonald from Callistus & Brittany*

*McDonald and mother Rita, sister Norma Sutton-Rotchford and nephew*

*Owen Benoit from Sadie Sutton*

*Mike & Donna Wheeler, Margaret, Leonard, & Benny Long & Barry Cox from Margaret Long-Wheeler*

*Barry Cox from Frances & Gerald Cox*

*Benny Long from wife Frances*

*Margaret, Leonard & Benny Long from Coletta & Carl*

*Martin, Lorena & Gregory Collier, Jane Morris and Frank Organ from Madonna Collier*

*Martin, Lorena & Gregory Collier, Jane Morris and Frank Organ from Raymond Collier*

**Christmas Flowers have been donated in Loving Memory of:**

*John & Winnifred Willcott and Bob & Irene Snook from Julie Ann Willcott  
Deceased members of the Organ & McDonald families from Loretta McDonald*

*Deceased members of the Pelly & Davis families from George & Brenda Davis*

*Finton & Mona Willcott from Monica Kearley*

*Vera & Donald Skinner, Theresa & Levi John, Brittany Ann John, Judy John, Lorraine John and Claude John from Donna, Gervaise, Bradley, Nikita & Cameron*

*Jacob Benoit and John & Nora Howse from Christine & Bill Howse*

*Elizabeth & Sandy McDonald from Marion*

*Kathleen & Dennis Collier, Ches & Kathy Snook, Eileen & Bill Hartery and Donald Snook from Frances, Jennifer and Lenora*

*Owen & Allan Collier and Cecilia & Aloysius Barnes from Matilda Collier*

*Deceased members of the Willcott, Drew, Collier, Ryan and Hoskins families from Margaret & Christopher Drew*

*Marie Haggerty from husband Samuel*

*Owen Hoskins from wife Barbara and family*

*Felix Hoskins & Shelley Talyor from Agatha Hoskins*

*Robert, Irene and Pauline Snook from Joan Hanson*

*Edith & Tom Collier, Bryan & Corey Collier, Jaydon Strickland and Anne Collier-Hoskins from the Collier family*

*Deceased members of the Hull and Howse families from Theresa Howse*

*Agnes Hoskins from son Michael Hoskins*

*Raymond Barnes and Norman & Madonna Hull and John Hull by Phyllis Barnes*

*Theresa Pittman and deceased members of the Pittman & Peters families from Pat & Philomena Pittman*

*Raymond Barnes and Norman & Madonna Hull and John Hull by Phyllis Barnes*

*Deceased members of the Organ & Croft families from Edith & Finton Organ*

