OCTOBER 16 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE, RELIGIOUS: Marie-Marguerite was born in Varennes, Quebec, on October 15, 1701. She married in 1722 but her husband died eight years later, leaving her with enormous debts. When she had overcome her financial difficulties, Marguerite rented a house in Montreal in 1737 where she and three companions, the first Grey Nuns, sheltered needy women. In 1747, Marguerite was given charge of the colony's general hospital which was deep in debt. Trusting in Providence, she worked hard and saved the hospital. In 1765, fire destroyed the hospital, but Marguerite rebuilt it within four years. She died in 1771, was declared blessed in 1959, and was canonized in 1990. She is the first Canadian-born saint.

OCTOBER 17 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, BISHOP, MARTYR: Ignatius was Bishop of Antioch for 40 years. He was arrested during a time of persecution, condemned for confessing Christ, and brought in chains to Rome. While on this journey, Ignatius dictated seven letters on Church matters which are counted among the treasures of early Christianity. When he arrived in Rome in 107, he was taken directly to the amphitheatre where lions devoured him.

OCTOBER 18 - FEAST OF SAINT LUKE, EVANGELIST: Luke, a physician, is the author of the third Gospel and of the Acts of the Apostles. He was undoubtedly a Gentile Christian and he wrote for other Gentiles who did not have the background of the Old Testament in which to root their faith. His writings show him to be an educated man with considerable literary skill. Saint Luke is a patron of the medical profession.

October 19 - Memorial of Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest: Born in northern Italy in 1694, Paul experienced conversion at 15 years of age and began a lifetime devotion to prayer and austerity. Known as Paul of the Cross, he was the founder of the Passionists, an Order dedicated to the Passion of our Lord. Paul was a 'walking saint'; when he walked in public, crowds pressed in on him, hoping to get a piece of his habit as a relic or to ask for a cure or a favour. He died in 1775

October 20 - Memorial of Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin: Margaret was born in 1647 in Burgundy, France. At 14, having been cured of a lengthy illness, she decided to become a nun, but not until 1671 was she able to enter the Visitation Convent at Paray-le-Monial. Between 1673 and 1676 she experienced four visions concerning the Sacred Heart, but her revelations often earned her the resistance and rejection of her community. However, she was supported by her confessor, the brilliant Jesuit, Claude la Colombière. By 1686 the community too was honouring the Heart of Jesus, and in 1688, a chapel in the garden was consecrated to the Sacred Heart.. Margaret died in 1690, but the devotion to the Sacred Heart that she had begun at Paray was now firmly established.

#### PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

O Glorious St. Joseph you have power to render possible things which are impossible, come to our aid in our present trouble and distress. Take these important and difficult affairs under your particular protection, that it may end happily.

O dear St. Joseph all our confidence is in you, let it not be said that we have invoked you in vain, and since you are so powerful with Jesus and Mary show that your goodness equals your power, amen.

Divine providence can provide, Divine providence did provide, Divine providence will provide.

Amen.





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# 28<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today we hear The Parable of the Wedding Banquet. In this parable the wedding banquet represents the great Messianic Banquet which we all are invited to enjoy in eternal life, the king is God the Father, and the son is Jesus Christ. As is the case in the parable, God repeatedly extends an invitation to each person to participate in the Heavenly Banquet. However, many fail to believe in God's Son, thus rejecting God's gracious invitation and refusing the gift of salvation. This week let us reflect on our response to God's call. Are we clothed in the proper "wedding robe", living a life worthy of our calling? Are we wearing the white robe of our baptism each and every day, so that our baptismal vows truly become the framework that guides our lives? With what garment do we clothe ourselves when we share in each Eucharistic Celebration, the foretaste of the Messianic Banquet? With what spirit do we come to Church? Are we wearing the garment of penitence, humility, sincerity, and reverence? Before each Eucharist, let us take time to prepare ourselves for the feast so that we are better prepared to partake of the great Heavenly Feast at the end of time.

# **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

Weekday Mass Schedule: Oct. 16 <sup>th</sup> –Oct. 20 <sup>th</sup>									
Monday St. Anne's Church	Funeral Mass for Kevin Kelly								
Tuesday7:00 p.m Parish Chapel	Austin, Clifford & Lorraine Hoskins								
Wed 10:00 a.m Parish Chapel	Betty Hoskins, Sarah Willcott								
Thurs	Closing of the Church in Gaultois								
Friday 10:00 a.m Parish Chapel	Gord & John Organ								
Weekend Liturgy: Saturday, Oct. 21st and Sunday, Oct. 22nd									
St. Alban's Sat 7:00 p.m St. Ignatius Church	Joseph & Margaret Davis								
St. Alban's Sun St. Ignatius Church	Parish Family								
Conne River Sun 2:00 p.m St. Anne's Church	Emily Benoit								

OCTOBER 16 - WORLD FOOD DAY: World Food Day has been promoted by the Food and Agriculture Organization since 1981. The Church is concerned about the issue of hunger in the world, remembering the words of Christ, "... I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink (Mt. 25.35). Pope John Paul II, in his 2003 Message said, "People are becoming increasingly aware of the need to unify aims and actions, as is the Church as she shares the hopes and sufferings of humanity. The Church is anxious to make her contribution to a solution that meets the expectations of each person"

# MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristans	Readers	Collectors	Communion	Altar	Music
				Minister	Servers	
Oct. 14	Mary Strickland	Gerry Cox	Ed Hoskins Clayton Willcott Christine Howse	Jessica Savourey	Edith Juanita	Julie Ann Chrissy Farrell
Oct. 15	Mary Organ	Philomena Sutton	Mary Organ George Davis Clarence Davis	Mary Organ	Jenny Brenda Davis	Children's Choir Valerie Coombs
Oct. 21	Mary Organ	Christina Farrell	Ed Hoskins Clayton Willcott Christine Howse	Elizabeth Murphy	Maggie Pat	Kennedy Willcott Tracy Perry
Oct. 22	Jenny Maggie	Joanne Farrell	Mary Organ George Davis Clarence Davis	Mary Strickland	Christine Mary Organ	Lenora Lambert

#### Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church – offertory	\$849.00	Diocesan: Needs of Church	\$35.00
Mass Stipends:	\$45.00	Chase The Ace Proceeds:	\$255.00
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**Chase The Ace:** Chase the Ace has resumed. It will be held at the RC Legion on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm. Fundraiser open to all persons 19 years and older. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

**Leader Recruitment:** We are looking for leaders for our **Finding God Religion Program** and the grade 9 Confirmation Program. If you are interested or have more questions, please call the Parish Office at 538-3106 or Valerie Hoskins after 6 pm at 538-3780.

Children's Sunday Liturgy: The children's liturgy takes place each Sunday morning, during Mass. Appropriate ages are 4+ years.

**Bus Lane:** During the school week, from Monday to Fridays, people are asked not to drive along in front of the school. In other words, that lane is reserved for buses and for students and teachers to walk safely to and from the school. All cars are asked to use ONLY the main church parking lot for vehicular traffic.

*Card Game:* The Knights of Columbus will be holding a card game on Saturday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Alban's Lions Club at 8:00 pm. Cash prizes to be won!!! Come out for an evening of fun!!!

### ST. IGNATIUS PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation (CWLF) is accepting applications for its initial Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The Program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa.

For more information about CWLF, the Leadership Program and to complete an application form visit www// cwlfcanada.ca. You can also contact Rita Janes, Chair, CWLF by phone(709 722 3860) or by email(ritacjanes@gmail.com).

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH, GAULTOIS: Bishop R. Anthony Daniels will celebrate the Closing Mass in Our Lady Queen of Peace Church in Gaultois on Thursday October 19. Due to a declining Catholic population and the overall condition of the Church building, it has been decided that the Church building will be permanently closed and taken down. Please pray for the parishioners in Gaultois as their church will soon be closed. Our Lady Queen of Peace pray for us.

Closing of a Church: There is a deep sadness in a community when a Church is closed. As stated before, Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church in Gaultois will be permanently closed this week. How many graces and blessings came to the people through this holy place? How many people found forgiveness and peace in this tiny temple of God? How many babies became Children of God in this place? How many people joyfully and humbly received the Body of Christ here? And how many couples made their solemn vows there, promising each other in love until the end? And now, the time has come to say 'Good Bye' to a place which was so loved and so important to so many people. But the people will continue to pray, to grow in love and in faith, and a priest will still come to offer Mass for them. We give thanks for the blessings and holy joy which came from this church, and we ask God to continue to bless the people of Gaultois.

**Condolences:** The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Kevin Kelly their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God Bless you and console you.

### Prayer for The Poor

Generous Father,
As you provide for our needs each day,
Foster in us, we pray,
a greater desire to be generous to those need.
May our compassion for the poor be manifest
in our prayers and actions.
Through your grace,
may we lovingly work to ease the
corporal and spiritual poverty around us.
Amen.

What They say about our church: The most beautiful treasure of the South Coast of Newfoundland is our Church here in St. Alban's. It is breathtaking. It is a joy to bring visitors to our Church, as they are overwhelmed at the workmanship and its gracious dignity. Sometimes a stranger helps us to appreciate something we overlook or take for granted. Here are a few comments from our visitor's book which is at the back of the Church: "A beautiful Masterpiece" "Awesome, His Holy Presence is Here" "The most beautiful Church." "Absolutely amazing Work." "Glad to be home, I love my church."

Isn't it a wonder that all this work was done with hand tools only, as there were no power saws or electricity when this church was built. Each morning when I go to open the Church, the same thought comes to me: 'Oh, Lord, I love the beauty of your house, and the place where your glory dwells.'

When we find fault: There is a famous billboard on a very crowded highway which reads: "You aren't stuck in traffic, you are traffic!!"How easily we distance ourselves from problems, in our politics, in our churches, in our world. We feel we are stuck in a political or religious situation where we find it difficult to talk to the other person. But we may have become too rigid, too self-righteous, too stuck in our own ways to even try to understand the point of view of another person. We see things like injustice, bigotry, racism, greed, violence, murder and war, but we may be part of the problem ourselves. Like the man said "Nobody is shot by a gun that wasn't shot before with a word."

Baptism Registration Form: This form can now be downloaded from the parish website at <a href="www.stignatius.net">www.stignatius.net</a>
Just click on SACRAMENTS and select BAPTISM. You can also call – 538-3106 or email
<a href="mailto:st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca">st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca</a> the parish office to have a registration form emailed to you. Please contact the parish office during the months of pregnancy (if possible) to arrange for Baptism Preparation. Baptisms are celebrated upon request after Baptism Preparation has been completed.

STIPENDS: (as recommended by the Diocese)

FUNERAL: \$200.00 Wedding: \$200.00 Baptism: \$25.00

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**Weddings:** Please allow at least 6 months notice before the date of the wedding. A Marriage Preparation Course is a requirement. Please contact the parish office for more information.

### Prayer for Health

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, I come to ask you for the gift of restored health, that I may serve you more faithfully and love you more sincerely than in the past. I want to be well and strong if it is your will and rebound to your glory. If, in your divine wisdom I am to be restored to health and strength, I will strive to show my gratitude by a constant and faithful service rendered to you.

**Grace before meals:** "Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts which we are about to receive from your goodness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### PRAYER TO ST. ANNE

Remember, O glorious and Good Saint Anne, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help and sought thy intersession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, behold, I cast myself at thy feet, nd beseech thee, by thy great prerogative of being the Mother of the Queen of Heaven and the Grandmother of Jesus, come to my aid with thy powerful intercession, and obtain from Almighty God through the ever Blessed Virgin May, this special favor which I beg of thee.......Cease not to intercede for me until, through Divine Mercy, my request may be granted. Above all, obtain for me the grace one day to behold my God face to face and with thee and Mary and all the Saints praise and bless Him through all eternity. Amen.

Reading the Word at Funeral Masses: At every Mass, the Word of God should be read with the greatest clarity and reverence and dignity. At every Mass, the Word of God should be proclaimed well. At Funeral Masses, the family and the people attending are most attentive to the Word to find comfort and peace at a very difficult time in their lives. I will speak to both funeral directors in our parish, and a list of readers will be provided so that the family of the deceased can choose readers who have had experience and training in reading of the Word of God. This way, the family do not have to choose family members to read the Word of God.