

Family Connection

In today's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to the disciples saying, "Listen to him." The Transfiguration was a focused moment for the disciples when they heard God speaking to them and experienced Jesus in glory. They most certainly left this focused moment with a new appreciation for the importance of Jesus' words even if they did not yet understand everything that he had taught them. During Lent, we are invited to consider our attentiveness to Jesus and to one another. In the pace and noise that often characterizes family life, how well do we listen to one another? What opportunities do we have for quiet prayer?

As you gather as a family, count the number of pieces of equipment in your home that produce sound: televisions, radios, CD players, computers, video games, etc. Observe if sometimes more than one piece of equipment is playing simultaneously and how this might affect communication. Discuss the question: What is it like to try to talk with one another when this equipment is on?

Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 9:28-36. Consider whether the noise and pace of your family life allows family members opportunities for quiet prayer. During Lent, it may be appropriate for your family to choose a time for quiet in the household by turning off televisions, radios, and CD players. Consider whether your family would like to establish such a time during this Season of Lent and suggest that it might allow you the opportunity to listen more attentively to one another and to find time for quiet prayer. Spend a few such moments as a family, asking God to help you listen well to one another and to Jesus.

Inspirational Quotes for Lent

We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love." *Saint Mother Teresa*

"Anxiety is the greatest evil that can befall a soul except sin. God commands you to pray, but He forbids you to worry." *St. Francis de Sales*

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." *Saint Mother Teresa*

"Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life..." *Pope Benedict XVI*

"Lent is like a long 'retreat' during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism." *Pope Benedict XVI*



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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Today's Gospel story of the Transfiguration is an awe-inspiring indication of the resplendent glory that belongs to Jesus as God's Son. However, from this point on in the Gospel, Jesus moves steadily towards his death for Jesus' glory comes only through suffering and dying. As followers of Jesus, we too must be prepared and willing to renounce glory in exchange for suffering and death to new life.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass Schedule: March 18th – March 22nd

Mon -	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel -----	Walter Cox, Clotilda Willcott Brazil
Tues.-	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel-----	Alice & Wallace Collier
Wed. -	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel -----	Gordon Willcott, Iris Greenham
Thurs -	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel -----	Louis Bazinet
Fri. -	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel --	George Dollimont, Michael Organ (John)

Weekend Liturgy: Saturday, March 23rd and Sunday, March 24th

St. Alban's- Sat. ---	7:00 p.m.-St. Ignatius Church---	Debbie Way, Ron & Joan Kendall
St. Alban's- Sun.---	10:30 a.m.-St. Ignatius Church-----	Parish Family
Conne River- Sun. --	2:00 p.m.-St. Anne's Church -----	Chantel John

Stations of the Cross: During the Lenten season, the Knights of Columbus will be having Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:00 pm at St. Ignatius Church, beginning on March 8th.

MARCH 19 - SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, PRINCIPAL OF CANADA, AND PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH:

Joseph was a village carpenter and a descendant of King David. Embarrassed by Mary's pregnancy, Joseph is told in a dream to take Mary as his wife. His thoughts of rejecting her were banished and he was faithful to his responsibility as her husband and as foster father of Jesus. Saint Joseph, a model of

faithfulness, was declared patron of the universal Church in 1870 and is principal patron of Canada

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Collectors	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Servers	Music
Mar. 16	Jenny Maggie	Christina Farrell	George Organ Willie M. Pat Pittman	Margaret Hoskins	Patsy Edith	Julie Ann Catherine B.
Mar. 17	Ann Theresa	Mary Organ	Clarence Davis Mike Snook Perry Cox	Ralph Blake	Anthony George	Jessica Willcott
Mar. 23	Ann Theresa	Ann Benoit Audrey Davis	George Organ Willie M. Pat Pittman	Ann Benoit	Maggie Pat	Kennedy W. Tracy Perry
Mar. 24	Mary Patsy	Lydia Walsh	Clarence Davis Mike Snook Perry Cox	Genevieve Tremblett	Jean Mary S.	Youth Choir Valerie

Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church-----	\$895.80	St. Anne's Church-----	\$187.20
Diocesan-Ash Wed -----	\$604.50	Chase The Ace Proceeds	\$177.50

February Financial Statement

Income	\$5354.60
Expenses	<u>\$10,972.40</u>
Deficit	<u>-\$5617.80</u>

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.

World Day of Prayer: will take place in our parish on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 in the chapel (attached to the parish residence) Details to follow later.

Income Tax Receipts: are available upon request.

ST. ALBAN'S WINTERLUDE 2019

St. Alban's Winterlude 2019 will be taking place from March 14-17. Check out Channel 12 for details or St. Alban's Recreation, Parks & Special Events Committee Facebook page. Looking forward to everyone participating!



St. Patrick found a shamrock on the ground and explained that this plant with three leaves is like the trinity. One god, three divine persons.

Do you want to fast this Lent?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude
- Fast from Anger and be filled with patience
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope
- Fast from worries and have trust in God
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen

Steubenville Atlantic registration is now open! As we move closer to the the Steubenville Atlantic Conference, we have set a registration deadline date for March 30,2019 as there are other preparations that have to be put in place. If you need any help with registration or have any questions please feel free to contact Father Brian Colbert at 709-427-6075 or ocybrian@gmail.com or Ann Marie Young at annmariey@hotmail.com or 486-5851 after 3:00 p.m.

Please pray for the young people that are considering going to Steubenville Atlantic in Halifax in July.

Saint Patrick's Day, feast day (March 17) of St. Patrick, patron saint of Ireland. Born in Roman Britain in the late 4th century, he was kidnapped at the age of 16 and taken to Ireland as a slave. He escaped but returned about 432 to convert the Irish to Christianity. By the time of his death on March 17, 461, he had established monasteries, churches, and schools. Many legends grew up around him—for example, that he drove the snakes out of Ireland and used the shamrock to explain the Trinity. Ireland came to celebrate his day with religious services and feasts.

Fun Facts:

The shamrock: According to legend St. Patrick used the three leaf clover (or shamrock) to explain the Trinity.

Dyeing the river green: The practice of dyeing the river green started in Chicago in 1962, when city officials decided to dye a portion of the Chicago River green.

Corn beef and cabbage: This is an Irish American dish. Irish Americans were so poor they could not afford certain meals. On St. Patrick's Day, the best meal they could afford was beef and cabbage. It became a staple for the holiday.