

SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:

August 7 - Memorial of Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs: Sixtus succeeded Stephen I as Pope in the year 257. That same year, persecution of Christians began, and the next year Sixtus and several of his deacons were put to death in a catacomb where they celebrated Mass. Sixtus had offered himself to prevent the arrest of others and was beheaded while speaking to the assembly. Sixtus was buried in the papal tomb, and his relics are located and venerated in the old Church of Saint Sixtus in Rome.

August 7 - Memorial of Saint Cajetan, Priest: Born in Vicenza in 1480, Cajetan joined a confraternity called the Roman Order of Divine Love in 1516 and was ordained the same year. He devoted himself to serving the poor and the sick. His work made him aware of the desperate need for reform in the Church and, in 1524, he and others formed a society called the Theatines. When Spaniards plundered Rome in 1527, they tortured the Theatines in the mistaken belief that they had hidden treasure. The community left Rome and set up houses in Venice and Naples. Cajetan gained a reputation as a saint even during his lifetime. He died in Naples in 1547.

AUGUST 8 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT DOMINIC, PRIEST: Dominic founded the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) in 1216. Priests of this Order were highly educated and could be sent where the need was greatest, fighting heresy and preaching the importance of the Sacraments. Dominic died in 1221, was canonized in 1234, and is a patron saint of the Dominican Republic (named after the Latin word for Sunday), astronomers, scientists, and falsely accused persons.

L'Arche Communities: Recently, the leadership team of L'Arche Cape Breton contacted me with the hope to reach out to young adults who would be interested in joining the L'Arche community in Cape Breton. L'Arche Cape Breton is an ecumenical, Christian community. At the heart of their community are people with developmental disabilities and those who choose to share life with them. This is not necessarily a lifetime commitment, but some young people may be interested in joining for a month, a term, a year. Please google L'Arche communities and if you are interested please contact Father Brian Colbert at ocybrian@gmail.com or text 709-427-6075.

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.



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FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

The Transfiguration is an awe-inspiring indication of the resplendent glory that belongs to Jesus Christ as God's unique Son. Having been led up a high mountain by the Lord Jesus, "Peter and James and his brother John" experienced a sudden change in Jesus. As they looked on, "... his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white". Suddenly they heard a voice from a cloud saying, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" For a brief moment Jesus enabled them to have a glimpse of his radiant glory, thus revealing his true identity to them. It was as if they were for the first time seeing Jesus as truly the Son of God. However, having left the glory of eternity to come to earth to die for sinners, Jesus, as God's only Son, laid aside that glory and emptied himself to the point of death for our salvation. Thus, following his transfiguration, Jesus moves steadily towards his death. As followers of the Lord Jesus, let us not lose sight of the broader message: we may enjoy spending time on the mountain in prayer with Jesus, but we must bring the knowledge of who Jesus really is into the ordinariness of our daily lives – listening to him, doing his will, and being willing to renounce glory in exchange for suffering.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass Schedule: August 7th -11th

Monday-----	10:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel-----	Joseph & Margaret Davis
Tuesday -----			No Mass
Wed. -----	7:00 p.m.-----		Catherine Howse, Mary Collier-Flynn
Thurs. -----	10:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel-----	Lucy Long, Bernard Morris
Friday -----	10:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel-----	Special Intention for Pam Parsons & Family; Gordon LeRoux (rescheduled)

Weekend Liturgy: Saturday, August 12th and Sunday, August 13th

St. Alban's-----	Sat. --- 7:00 p.m.-----	St. Ignatius Church-----	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-----	Emily Benoit

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristans	Readers	Collectors	Communion Minister	Altar Servers	Music
August 5	Jenny Maggie	Gerry Cox	Iris Greenham Nellie Collier Charlie Mayo	Christine Howse	Jenny Mary W.	Julie Ann Chrissy Tracey
August 6	Mary Organ	Perry Cox	George Davis Clarence Davis Mike Snook	Valerie Hoskins	Jean G. Mary S.	Lenora Lambert
August 12	Mary Organ	Mitchell Willcott Matthew Willcott	Iris Greenham Nellie Collier Charlie Mayo	Jean Organ	Matthew Mitchell	Folk Group
August 13	Jenny Maggie	Mary Organ	George Davis Clarence Davis Mike Snook	Calvin Collier	Anthony Kevin	Folk Group

Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church – offertory -----	\$1072.15	St. Anne's Church – July 23 -----	\$112.00
St. Anne's Church – July 30 -----	\$139.00	St. Anne's Church – July 26 -----	\$530.05
Baptism Stipend-----	\$25.00	Candles:-----	\$238.75
Diocesan: Peter's Pence-----	\$5.00		

Baptism Registration Form: This form can now be downloaded from the parish website at www.stignatius.net Just click on SACRAMENTS and select BAPTISM. You can also call – 538-3106 or email st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca 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.

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.

STIPENDS: (as recommended by the Diocese)

FUNERAL: \$200.00

WEDDING: \$200.00

BAPTISMS: \$25.00

Website Update

The St. Ignatius Parish website is up and running and updates are done on a regular basis. The bulletin is posted there each week. Please help share the word, especially to friends and family who are living away. You can visit the website at www.st.ignatiusparish.net

ST. IGNATIUS PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Banns of Marriage: There is a promise of marriage between Kelly Gaulton and Tyler Collier. The wedding Ceremony will take place on Friday, August 18th, 2017 at St. Ignatius Church.

Baptismal Congratulations: We welcome into the parish community, *Leon Nelson Drake* who will be baptized at St. Anne's Church on Sunday. We wish Leon and his family all God's blessings.

FAMILY FUN DAY

St. Ignatius Parish and Knights of Columbus will be holding their Annual Family Fun Day on Sunday August 20th. The event will be taking place on the parish residence lawn from 3: 00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. There will be barbecue hotdogs, drinks, music, ice cream, candy kabobs, Carnival Funny Photo, Royal Dunk Tank, (bring along a towel to dry yourself) and face painting. All games, food and beverages are free!!! There will be prizes for the children!!! Feel free to bring a lawn chair or a blanket. FREE ADMISSION. Everyone welcome ! ! If it rains the event will take place the following Sunday, August 27th.

A MARRIAGE BLESSING PRAYER

We thank you, O God, for the Love You have implanted in our hearts. May it always inspire us to be kind in our words, considerate of feeling, and concerned for each other's needs and wishes. Help us to be understanding and forgiving of human weaknesses and failings. Increase our [faith](#) and trust in You and may Your [Prudence](#) guide our [life](#) and love. Bless our Marriage O God, with Peace and Happiness, and make our love fruitful for Your [glory](#) and our Joy both here and in eternity.

Who decides the Time of Death ? Sheila Elson lives in St Anthony , and she is the mother of a sick child . Her daughter, Candice has several medical conditions including Spina Bifida and Cerebral Palsy . During a hospital stay in St Anthony last November when Candice was very sick , her mother said that a doctor told her that her daughter , who is 25 years old , was dying , and that she had the option to end her life . In the presence of the sick woman the doctor said assisted suicide was legal in Canada . The mother said " I was shocked and I told him I wasn't interested. He told me I was being selfish" . One thing that made the mother upset was that the doctor suggested assisted suicide in the presence of her daughter while the young woman was in earshot . God has given life, and life is sacred from before the time of birth, even life in the womb, and God should decide when it is time for us to die as well.

The Shrine of Saint Anne de Beaupre: Possibly the most important shrine in Canada is the Shrine of Saint Anne de Beaupre. In 1658, a labourer, Louis Guimont was suffering from terrible back pain. He came to help with the construction of the first chapel dedicated to Saint Anne. He was immediately and miraculously healed. Some years later in 1665, an Ursuline nun wrote "There is a village here called the 'The Little Cape', where there is a Church dedicated to Saint Anne. Here, Our Lord is working great marvels in favour of the holy mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Here, the paralyzed walk, the blind can see, the sick are healed from every kind of illness." Even today, Saint Anne de Beaupre is a place of grace and miracles. Each year, up to one million pilgrims and visitors go there to ask the help of Good Saint Anne.

Congratulations: The worshipping community of St. Ignatius Parish wishes good luck and God's rich blessings for Kelly and Abraham Hinks on the occasion of their recent marriage.



Baptismal Congratulations: We welcome into the parish community, *Logan Jerome Power* who will be baptized at St. Ignatius Church on Sunday. We wish Logan and his family all God's blessings.

PRAYER TO ST. ANNE

Good St. Anne, you were especially favored by [God](#) to be the mother of the most holy Virgin Mary, the Mother of our Savior. By your power with your most pure daughter and with her divine Son, kindly obtain for us the [grace](#) and the favor we now seek. Please secure for us also forgiveness of our past sins, the [strength](#) to perform faithfully our daily duties and the help we need to persevere in the love of [Jesus](#) and Mary. Amen.

Cremation in the Catholic Church: Many people are inquiring about cremation in the Church, and some people are choosing to have their body cremated after death. The first thing all must know is that cremation is permitted in the Catholic Church. Some large cities are finding difficulty in obtaining large pieces of ground for new cemeteries and cremation may be a partial solution to this problem. Also, some people die far from home, and the cost of sending home the body in a casket is very expensive compared to sending an urn with a loved ones ashes. Cremation should take place after the funeral Mass. The ashes of the deceased person should be reverently buried or entombed in a place reserved for the burial of the dead. As in life, the body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, so in death the ashes of the deceased person should not be scattered but should be buried in a holy place where we await the resurrection to new life.

The Five Finger Prayer: You may find this prayer helpful. And it is always close to you. All of us could make this five finger prayer a part of our lives.

Your thumb

is nearest you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C. S. Lewis once said, a 'sweet duty.'

The next finger

is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors, and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.

The next finger

is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the president, leaders in business and industry, and administrators.. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.

The Fourth Finger

is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger, as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble Or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.

And lastly comes our little finger

the smallest finger of all which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says " The least shall be the greatest among you." Your pinkie should remind You to pray for yourself. By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will put into proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.

