

ORDINARY TIME

(January 11 - February 16, 2021)

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 fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus". During Ordinary Time "the people of God offer praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus".

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

(January 18 - 25, 2021)

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).

Special Thank You: Father Patrick would like to thank the parishioners for their acts of kindness and support during the Christmas season. He prays that God's blessings be upon your life today and throughout the New Year.



St. Ignatius Parish
Ignatius Church-St. Alban's St. Anne's Church- Conne River



St.

Pastor: Father Patrick Osuji **Secretary:** Teresa Harding

P. O. Box 38, St. Alban's, NL A0H 2E0

Parish House and Office: Phone 538-3106: Priest 280-4904

Email: st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca Website: www.st.ignatiusparish.net

Office hours: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's Gospel, we are presented with another epiphany when John the Baptist, who is standing with two of Jesus' disciples, refers to Jesus as the "Lamb of God", thus identifying Christ's ultimate purpose in life which is to redeem sinful humanity. We hear this familiar title in our prayers during Mass and we know and believe that Jesus, the sacrificial Lamb of God, died that we might be free of our sins. By calling Jesus the "Lamb of God", John actually points the two disciples away from himself and towards Jesus. This is what we too, as disciples of the Lord Jesus, are called to do. By virtue of our baptism, we too are called to point the way to Jesus, to make him known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives. It is a call to give without counting the cost, to pour out one's life for the sake of the Gospel in imitation of Jesus, the "Lamb of God", who gave his life for the salvation of humanity.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily masses will remain private Mon Jan 18- Jan 22

Mon – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Aloysius MacDonald

Tues – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Elias Hoskins

Wed – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Thomas Farrell

Thurs- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Joan & Charles Willcott

Fri- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Ann Collier (Michael)

Weekend Liturgy: Sat Jan 23rd and Sun Jan 24th

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

St. Alban's-Sun 10:30 a.m. St. Anne's Church-----**Parish Family**

Conne River-Sun 2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church-----Frank & Elizabeth

Drew

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

<i>DATE</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Music</i>
Jan 16	Mary/Patsy	Ann B	Father Patrick	
Jan 17	Mary/Patsy	Mark W	Father Patrick	
Jan 23	Teresa/Ann	Edith O	Father Patrick	
Jan 24	Teresa/Ann	Cindy W	Father Patrick	

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$ 768.75
St. Anne's Church	151.75
EFT (for month of Nov)	840.00
EFT (for month of Dec)	967.00
Initial Offering	40.00
New Year's Offering	25.00
Advent Folders	34.50
Mass Stipends	5.00

Charitable Donation Receipts: will be available within the next couple of weeks to anyone using parish envelopes and needing a receipt for income tax purposes. Please put your name and **2020 envelope number** on an empty envelope and place it in the wooden box at the back of the church or you can also place your request in the collection basket. The receipts (in your own envelope) will be available on the table at the back of the church in the next several weeks. Parishioners in Conne River are asked to place their envelopes in the collection basket. (**NOTE:** If you contributed using EFT, just put EFT below your name.)

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

Stipends: (as recommended by the Diocese)		Certificates (copy)	
Funerals	\$200.00	Baptism	\$5.00
Weddings	\$200.00	Confirmation	\$5.00
Baptism	\$25.00	Communion	\$5.00

Development and Peace is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada and the Canadian member of Caritas Internationalis. It was created by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in 1967.

Become a Member or renew your membership

Development and Peace is a democratic social movement that supports partners in the Global South.

Development and Peace builds awareness in Canada about the causes of poverty in the world and invites Canadians to participate in actions that bring about change.

Membership Means:

- being part of an international movement for social justice
- adding your voice to those who work for justice and peace.
- being invited to participate in local education and fundraising initiatives
- participating and voting at regional assemblies.

You can sign up on our website, www.devp.org or contact our local animator, Patricia Walsh Warren – pwalsh@devp.org

