

January 20 - Memorial of Saint Fabian, Pope, Martyr: Fabian became Pope in 236. When a dove settled upon his head, those around him were reminded of the descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism. The event was seen as divine intervention, and Fabian was chosen Pope, reigning for fourteen years. He was martyred during a persecution in 250.

January 20 - Memorial of Saint Sebastian, Martyr: Sebastian was martyred in Rome, probably in the third century, and was buried along the Appian Way in the catacombs. He came from Milan, where he has been venerated since the fourth century. Sebastian is a patron saint of the Pope's Swiss Guard and he is also the patron saint of athletes and soldiers.

JANUARY 21 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT AGNES, VIRGIN, MARTYR: Agnes was martyred at the age of twelve during a Roman persecution. She has been, over the centuries, a symbol of virginal innocence. She is the most highly honoured of the early Roman virgin martyrs and, since the Middle Ages, has been pictured with a lamb as a symbol of this innocence.

January 22 - Memorial of Saint Vincent, Deacon, Martyr: Vincent was a deacon in Saragossa, Spain, in the third century. Deacons were responsible for the local Church's works of charity and mercy – most often the only form of organized relief – and preaching was often part of this work. Vincent excelled in his duties and became known to the hostile Roman authorities. He was arrested with his Bishop, tortured, imprisoned and killed in 304. Vincent was the first Spanish martyr and is a patron of wine producers, sailors and brickmakers.

JANUARY 24 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP, DOCTOR: Born in 1567, Francis, after obtaining doctorates in both canon and civil law, rejected opportunities for a brilliant career, choosing religious life instead. He was ordained in 1593 and appointed Bishop of Geneva in 1602. He lived a life of austerity and simplicity, sharing his abundance with the poor. In his ministry, he emphasized both the loving kindness of God and the human capacity for love. He was also one of the principal leaders of the Catholic Reformation. Francis died in 1622, was beatified the same year, and was canonized in 1665. He is a Doctor of the Church and patron saint of the deaf, of writers, and of the Catholic press.



ST. IGNATIUS PARISH

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel, the story of the wedding at Cana, is full of symbolism and deep meaning. Jesus performs his first miracle when he changes the water into wine and we hear these words, "Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory". It is another manifestation or epiphany. The "sign" that most fully reveals Jesus' glory is the shedding of his blood on the cross, and the Eucharistic wine is Jesus' blood, shed for all. Furthermore, the abundance at the wedding symbolizes the abundance we receive at the Eucharistic table, as well as the abundance that will be ours at the great Messianic Banquet. It is no wonder that this story is closely linked with the Eucharist.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

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

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

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

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

Weekday Masses Mon. January 20 – Fri. January 24

Mon - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Everest Barnes

Tues - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Tom & Ethel Burt

Wed - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Anne Collier-Hoskins

Thurs- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-Special Intent-George Organ(Stella Barnes)

Fri-----11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Glen Collier

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – January 25 and Sun. – January 26

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch-----Margaret Hudson

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

Conne River-Sunday-2:00p.m.St. Anne's Church-----Keith Drew

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Collectors
Jan. 18	Bernie C Loretta C	Pat P	Father Tom Christine H	Finton O Gerard S
Jan. 19	Bernie C Loretta C	Cindy B	Father Tom Genevieve T	William M Ivan O
Jan. 25	Edith O	Cameron P	Father Tom Margaret H	Kevin O Bill D
Jan. 26	Edith O	Connie W	Father Tom Valerie H	Logan B Nicolas C

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$886.00
St. Anne's Church	75.00
New Years Offering	20.00
Advent Offering	50.00
Initial Offering	35.00
Mass Stipend	27.00

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.

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.

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.

Condolences

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

Condolences

The parishioners of St. Anne's Church and St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Alex Marshall of Conne River, 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

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

