### SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:

AUGUST 14 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT MAXIMILIAN KOLBE, PRIEST, MARTYR: A modern-day martyr, Maximilian was born in Poland in 1894 and later joined the Franciscans. He worked to spread the Gospel in his native Poland as well as in Japan. He had a great devotion to Our Lady. During the Nazi occupation of Poland, he helped thousands of refugees, including Polish Jews. He was arrested by the Gestapo in 1941 and imprisoned at Auschwitz. When a prisoner escaped, ten men were chosen at random to die, one of them a young father. Maximilian offered to take his place. His offer was accepted. He died in 1941 and was canonized in 1982.

AUGUST 15 - SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrates her being assumed – taken up body and soul – into heaven at the end of her earthly life. In declaring the doctrine of the Assumption (1950), the Church proclaims and celebrates that in Mary there was no obstacle to deny her immediate passing through death and becoming the first after her Son to be raised body and soul to fullness of life with God.

August 17 - Memorial of Blessed Élisabeth Turgeon, Virgin:

Born in Beaumont, Quebec, in 1840, Élisabeth Turgeon studied under the direction of the Ursuline Sisters. She was known as a brilliant student and became a teacher. At the age of 35, she moved to Rimouski where, in response to the repeated request of Bishop Jean Langevin, first Bishop of Rimouski, she joined a group of women who wanted to dedicate their lives to teaching in parochial schools. She took on the important task of their formation, founded the Sisters of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary (formerly known as the Sisters of the Little Schools) and was named the first Superior, becoming Mother Élisabeth. A woman of ardent faith, unrelenting courage, and profound charity, she died on August 17, 1881, was declared Venerable in October 2013, and was beatified in Rimouski, Quebec, on April 26, 2015.

August 19 - Memorial of Saint John Eudes, Priest:

John was ordained in 1625, becoming a member of the Oratorians. However, seeing the urgent need for clerical reform, he left the Oratorians in 1643 to found the Congregation of Jesus and Mary, dedicated to upgrading the religious and intellectual formation of the clergy. Their symbol was the union of the hearts of Jesus and Mary. John died in 1680, was beatified in 1908, and was canonized in 1925. In the decree of beatification, Pope Pius X declared John Eudes to be the father, doctor and apostle of the devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to the Immaculate Heart of Mar

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.





# ST. IGNATIUS PARISH

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Today's Gospel sees Jesus sending the disciples ahead of him to the other side of the sea while he withdraws "by himself to pray". Nurtured by this prayer, Jesus derives great serenity and strength for his ministry. When a storm arises during the night, the disciples are caught in the boat "far from the land, for the wind was against them". When Jesus comes to their aid, the disciples, terrified, do not recognize him It is Peter—the one who is to 'strengthen his brothers' in their doubts (Lk. 22.32)—who leads the others to recognize the Lord's presence and make their confessions of faith: "Truly, you are the Son of God". Just as the disciples in the boat are sustained by the presence of Jesus and by his words, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid", so too the Church today, as the barque of Peter, despite the hostile forces of the world and the deepest darkness of the night, is sustained at all times by the presence of the Lord Jesus and by prayer, Word, and Eucharist.

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## Weekday Mass Schedule: August 14th -18th

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	7:00 a.m	Parish Chapel Special Intention for Brian Organ
Wed	10:00 a.m	Parish Chapel Ed , Veronica and Patrick Lambert
Thurs		
Friday	10:00 a.m	Parish Chapel rescheduled Joseph and Margaret Davis
Friday	3:00 p.m	St. Ignatius Church Wedding Ceremony

## Weekend Liturgy: Saturday, August 19th and Sunday, August 20th

St. Alban's Sat 7:00 p.m	St. Ignatius Church Ken Hoskins
St. Alban's Sun 10:30 a.m	St. Ignatius Church Parish Family
Conne River Sun 2:00 p.m	St. Anne's Church Broderick Drew, Mary K. John

*Pilgrims go to Lac St. Anne in Alberta:* For over 162 years. Native people have been going as pilgrims to Lac St. Anne in Alberta. This place has been the source of countless healings and miracle cures. The lake has been a healing place for spirit and body and soul. The gathering at Lac St. Anne takes place for a week, from July 22 to July 27, the highlight being the feast day of Saint Anne on July 26<sup>th</sup>. Eucharistic celebrations take place three times a day. Some pilgrims pray all day long, and some people walk from their reserve to the Lake. Others come by car, in TV's or even on horseback. This year over 30,000 visitors came for the celebrations praying to their grandmother, Saint Anne.

## 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.

**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.

#### 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.

A prayer to the Holy Family: This is a beautiful prayer to the Holy Family, and we could say this prayer, asking God to bless and help our own family.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, In you we contemplate The splendour of true love To you we turn with trust

Holy Family of Nazareth, Grant that our families too Will have places of prayer and peace

Holy Family of Nazareth, May our families never again Experience violence and division May all who have been hurt Find ready comfort and healing Holy Family of Nazareth, Make us more mindful of the sacredness of the family and its beauty in God's plan

Jesus Mary and Joseph Please hear our prayer Amen

#### SUMMER HOLIDAYS BLESSING

Lord God,
We put ourselves into your hands
And pray that you will bless us
And our families during the wonderful months of summer.
May we all help make our home a place of relaxation,
Joy, love and peace and safety
May we be generous and considerate,
not thinking only about ourselves,
But helping others enjoy the blessings of summertime.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen

DATE	Sacristans	Readers	Collectors	Communion	Altar	Music
				Minister	Servers	
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
August 19	Jenny Maggie	Christina Farrell	Iris Greenham Nellie Collier Charlie Mayo	Elizabeth Murphy	Margaret Ellen	Mary Organ
August 20	Mary Organ	Lydia Walsh	George Davis Clarence Davis Mike Snook	Ralph Blake	Christine Mary Organ	Jessica Willcott Valerie

## Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church – offertory	\$1290.40	St. Anne's Church –Offertory \$172.00
Baptism Stipend	\$25.00	Religious Articles:\$10.00

A Thank You note from the Food Bank: As you may remember, we had a collection of food items in our parish on Father's day in June. This is a 'thank you' note from Robert Lewis who is the assistant chairperson of the food bank in Grand Falls:

### Dear Parishioners.

Once again we have been the beneficiaries of your generosity and once again, we wish to express our sincere appreciation. The generous donation of food stuff that the people of St. Ignatius Parish of St. Alban's and the people of St. Anne's Church in Conne River continue to send our way is extremely helpful in easing the plight of the Foodbank's clientele.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Volunteers and indeed the Clients of the Grand Falls/Windsor/Bishop's Falls Community Foodbank, please accept our sincere thanks and God bless you. Sincerely.

Robert J. Lewis

### 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

**Baptism Registration Form:** This form can now be downloaded from the parish website at <a href="www.stignatius.net">www.stignatius.net</a>
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## ST. IGNATIUS PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

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

### 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.

The Pope and newly-weds: Every year, in the month of June, Pope Francis meets with newly married couples in St. Peter's Square. The couples must be married for two months or less. The bride must wear her wedding dress, and the groom must wear his tuxedo, just as they were dressed on their wedding day. Pope Francis seems to be extra joyful when he meets and speaks with the young couples. And for the newlyweds, a few moments with the Pope,(and a picture), seems to be as special and joyful as the actual day of their wedding.

**BBQ** Weather: On Wednesday, the priests of the Diocese have been invited to a bar-b-que at the Bishop's residence in Grand Falls. This is always a pleasant break for the priests, and a delightful meal of steak, salmon or chicken. We, the priests, always look forward to this happy gathering.

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

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May we be generous and considerate,

not thinking only about ourselves, But helping others enjoy the blessings of summertime. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen

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.

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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.

STIPENDS: (as recommended by the Diocese)

FUNERAL: \$200.00

WEDDING: \$200.00 BAPTISMS: \$25.00



<u>Congratulations:</u> 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.

