WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH

"I was glad when they said unto me; let us go into the house of the Lord" (Psalm 122:1)

The Psalmist reminds us of the joy and anticipation to go back to the Church the house of God.

Since the Covid-19 pandemic, our days have been filled with fear, panic, sorrow, anxiety and uncertainty.

Our health systems, social centers and religious houses closed down, not by choice but by circumstances beyond our control and we were forced to adjust.

As a result, we have missed the sounds of our praise to God; we have missed the voice of our youths and adults, as well as our fellowship and worship of God as a family and community.

However, I celebrate mass every day praying for families, health care workers, first responders, essential workers, the sick and those who may have died since the lockdown in our community and the world.

So, my beloved people of God, welcome back to Church. Unlike the Psalmist, there is something quite amazing and powerful about meeting together in the Church to worship as a family, community of God's people, sharing in one communion, enjoying the sounds of our beautiful voices and beholding our beautiful and smiling faces once again.

The Christian faith is tested during storms. But every storm is a wake-up call to re-discovering God's presence and deepening our relationship with him, in the faith that "He is before all things, and in Him all things holds together" (Colossians, 1:17)

This is a period we are invited to return to God in faith and prayer. God will not abandon nor will He disown us. He will surely come to the rescue of the world.

Welcome back to the House of God. Blessings.

Father Patrick

Sacristan Volunteers Needed!

The parish is looking for volunteers that are willing to help prepare and clean the vessels for Communion. It would be for weekend masses for now. Our goal is to have enough sacristans so the two people would be on only once a month. Your time would be greatly appreciated! If you are interested, please call the office at 538-3106 Wed – Fri 9am – 2pm.



St. Ignatius Parish



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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today we hear three more parables which further help us to recognize and appreciate the Kingdom announced by Jesus. Through the parables of the treasure in the field and the pearl of great price we realize that identifying with God's Kingdom means getting our priorities right. Both speak of how much the Kingdom is valued by one who has found the joy of letting God's word and God's way be the measure of his or her life. From the parable of the dragnet we are reminded that it is not for us to make final judgment of the good and the bad — that belongs to the Lord. The Church - through which the Kingdom is 'present in mystery' — consists of all kinds of people. Following the example of the Lord Jesus, who reached out to sinners, the Church will never turn its back on those who need help.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily masses will remain private July27-31

Mon – 11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel------- Iris Greenham

Tues – 11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel-------Levi and Juanita Organ

Wed – 11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel----------- Henrietta and Aloysius Walsh

Thurs –11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel------- Sharon Organ

Fri – 11:00 a.m.---Parish Chapel------- Shelly Taylor

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. July 25 th and Sun. July 26th

St. Alban's---Sat---7:00 p.m. – St. Ignatius Church------Gregory Collier St. Alban's---Sun--- 10:30 a.m. -St. Ignatius Church ----- Parish Family Conne River---Sun---2:00 p.m.-St. Anne's Church----- Madeline John

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Music
July 25th	Teresa	Pat P		
	Ann		Father Patrick	
July 26th	Teresa			
	Ann	Valerie H	Father Patrick	
Aug 1st	Mary			
	Patsy		Father Patrick	
Aug 2nd	Mary			
	Patsy		Father Patrick	

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$ 1,380.00
St. Anne's Church	155.00
Easter Offering	20.00
Insurance	60.00
Religious Articles	28.00
Diocesan Collection	30.00
Mass Stipend	40.00
Baptism Certificate	5.00

Condolences and Prayers:

Since our last bulletin in March, the parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish would like to extend to the families of loved ones, their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one.

May God bless and console you.

Christine Willcott	Chesley Willcott	
Eva Collier	Margaret Willcott	
Doris Collier	Janet A. Organ	
Gloria Marie Benoit	Larry Collier	
Cecil Thomas Organ	Ann Drake	
Todd Benoit	Linda Mary Stride	
Rita Benoit	Albert Joseph Hoskins	
Craig Collier	Gregory Collier	

WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS PARISH AND ST. ANNE'S CHURCH:

We are glad that you are here with us this evening. It is our hope that you experience the love of Christ this morning and His presence during our worship.

St. Ignatius Re-opening-Some important reminders to keep us all safe:

WHEN YOU ARRIVE:

Please check with ushers at the church entrance to have names checked on the registration list, use hand sanitizers that are placed near the church entrances and be escorted to designated pews to ensure proper physical distancing.

Please adhere to the markers in the aisle and pews and maintain green lines on the floor to ensure safe distancing during Communion.

Collection basket will be placed at the back of the church for parishioners' offerings.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION:

Those who desire to receive Holy Communion, may do so at the appropriate moment, but those who wish to remain in their places may do so.

Holy Communion may not be received on the tongue, nor may it be received in the hand if a member of the faithful is wearing gloves.

People come forward and receive communion in the hand. Communion on the tongue is not permitted at this time.

PARISHIONERS MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND MASS:

Call 538-3106 between 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Wed-Fri. You **must** register **every** week if you are attending. We **will accept** your registration on the day of Mass but only if we haven't reached our capacity of **50** people. Capacity is limited to adhere to Government Directives. Only those who register for Mass can be permitted in.

