JULY 31 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, PRIEST:

Ignatius Loyola was born in 1491 and at the age of 30, during a long convalescent period, he read about the life of Christ, as well as the lives of many saints, and found himself inflamed with the desire to serve Jesus. He earned a master's degree from the University of Paris and eventually gathered together a group of students, including Francis Xavier, with whom he shared his eagerness for wholehearted service of Jesus. They formed the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) and, while his companions were sent on missions, Ignatius spent the rest of his life, directing the rapidly growing order. He died in 1556, was canonized in 1622, and is a universal patron of retreats and soldiers.

AUGUST 1 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT ALPHONSUS LIGUORI, BISHOP,

DOCTOR: Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787) was born in Naples and demonstrated intellectual ability at an early age. He first became a doctor of civil law at age 17, but in 1726 he was ordained. He founded an order of mission priests which became the Redemptorists and was known for his great kindness and concern for others. In 1762 he became a Bishop. He was canonized in 1839 and was named a Doctor of the Church in 1871. He is the patron of moral theologians and confessors.

August 2 - Memorial of Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop: Born in Sardinia in the year 283, Eusebius became the first bishop in Vercelli, Italy. Along with St. Athanasius, he affirmed the divinity of Christ against the Arian heresy which denied it. As a result of his defence of Christ's divinity, Eusebius was banished to Palestine. However, in 361 he was able to return to his diocese in Vercelli where he died in 371.

AUGUST 4 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT JEAN-MARIE VIANNEY, PRIEST: John, ordained in 1815, is known by a more familiar title, Curé d'Ars. He became the parish priest of a French village where most of the people were not interested in religion or God. His devotion to prayer and fasting obtained unimaginable results and he became renowned as a confessor, hearing confessions for 12 to 16 hours a day. He died in 1859, was canonized in 1925, and is a patron of parish priests.

August 5 - Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major: This basilica, built in the 4thcentury under Pope Liberius, was first called the Liberian Basilica. However, after the Council of Ephesus (431) proclaimed Mary the Mother of God, the Church was repaired and reconsecrated about the year 435 as the Basilica of the Virgin Mary. It is called Saint Mary Major (Great Saint Mary's) because it is older and larger than other Roman Churches also dedicated to Our Lady.





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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

Weekend Liturgy: Sat-July 29 and Sun July 30

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.Ignatius Church- Clifford & Lorraine

Hoskins and Brian Organ

St. Alban's-Sunday-10:30a.m.St. Ignatius Church—*Parish Family* Conne River-Sunday-2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church-Wade Augot

<u>Daily Masses Mon July 31 – Fri August 4</u>

Mon7:00 p.m.Parish ChapelBeatrice Walsh
Tues7:00 p.m.Parish ChapelElizabeth Willcott House
Wed7:00 p.m.Parish ChapelLena Snooks
Thurs-11:00 a.m.Parish ChapelGeorge Walters
FriPeter Farrell

Weekend Liturgy: Sat- August 5 and Sun- August 6

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch—Barry Cox St.Alban's-Sunday-10:30a.m.St.IgnatiusChurch—*ParishFamily* Conne River-Sunday-2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church-James & Hannah Benoit

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

Date	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Collectors
July 29	Edith O	Gerry C	Father Patrick	Kevin O Monica K
July 30	Edith O	Lydia W	Father Patrick	Anthony W Perry C
August 5	Mary S	Gerry C	Father Patrick	Finton O Gerard S
August 6	Mary S	Valerie H	Father Patrick	William M Ivan O

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$659.00
St. Anne's	64.00
Mass Stipends	156.00
Stipends (Funeral)	200.00
New Year's Offering	5.00

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

Announcements:

- Due to an increase in costs, mass intentions purchased with a Mass card will now cost \$7.00. Mass intentions without a Mass card will remain \$5.00.
- The Parish Council of St. Ignatius has positions available for anyone who may have an interest in joining.
- <u>Cemetery Mass:</u> Will be held in the St. Ignatius Roman Catholic Cemetery on Thursday, August 3, 2023 (weather permitting) at 6:30 p.m. The mass intention will be for the *Parish Family*. In the event of inclement weather the service will be moved indoors to the main Church. The Parish Chapel mass will be 11:00 a.m.

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 Patrick at 709-280-4904 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 greatly bring them Holy Communion......Father Patrick Osuji

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.

Some items that are in need include teabags, coffee, and canned vegetables. Thank you for your continued support.

Visitations In Central NL: Fr. Patrick will be in Grand Falls-Windsor from Monday, August 14 until Friday, August 18. If anyone from the Bay D'Espoir area has a family member or someone they know residing in a retirement complex or healthcare facility and would like a visit from Fr. Patrick, please call the Parish office at (709)-538-3106 to arrange a visitation. Office hours are Wednesday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The required information will be the person's name, residing address, a preferred time for the visit, and telephone number if applicable. Visitations can be arranged for facilities located in Grand Falls-Windsor, Bishops Falls, and Botwood.