Attendance Number at Church Permitted to Increase to 100

We are increasing our attendance to 100 for weekend masses. Masks must be worn the entire time you are at church.

They can no longer be removed once seated.

Please do not come to mass if you feel unwell.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

APRIL 25 - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: On the Fourth Sunday of Easter, we are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. Christ the Good Shepherd continues to lead his people through his Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and calls many to follow him in this way. The whole Christian community shares the responsibility for fostering vocations, and this should be a constant concern in the hearts of God's people throughout the year. The first step is to live in a full Christian manner. Families with a lively spirit of faith, love and reverence contribute greatly to this work. Spiritually active parishes, where people take a full part, also help to promote vocations.

APRIL 29 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN,

DOCTOR: Catherine was born in Siena, Italy, in 1347. She joined the Dominican Third Order in 1365 and spent some years in seclusion from the world, fasting and praying. A few years later she felt called to bring Christ's love to others. She cared for the poor and tended the sick, was a renowned peacemaker, and corresponded with people from all walks of life. She is especially remembered for her spiritual reflections. Catherine died in Rome in 1380. This Christian mystic was canonized in 1461, became patron of Italy in 1939, and was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1970. With Saint Bridget of Sweden and Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Saint Catherine is co-patron of Europe.

MAY 1 - INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' DAY: Today, International Workers' Day is celebrated in many countries. This is a day to recognize the value of human work, to defend the dignity of working people, to encourage all to be responsible in their work, and to celebrate the role that human work has in God's plan for creation.





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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes the secure and lasting relationship he has with his sheep, those who truly hear him and believe. Just as no one can separate Jesus and his Father, no one can take Jesus' disciples away from him. We remain close to Jesus, our Good Shepherd, through prayer and by listening carefully to what he is telling us. This week it would be good to take some time to reflect on some of the words we have heard from Jesus that have been helpful in our lives.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily masses will remain private Mon Apr 26- Fri Apr 30

Mon – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---SI for George Drew

Tues – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Muriel Benoit

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

Thurs- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Dulcie McDonald & Nicodemus

McDonald

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

Weekend Liturgy: Sat May 1 and Sun May 2

St. Alban's-Sat 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----Basil Barnes and Alfred & Marie Collier

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------ Roger John

<u>Pope's Prayer Intention for April 2021:</u> Fundamental rights ~ We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Music
Apr 24	Edith/Monica	Edith O	Father Patrick	Recorded
Apr 25	Edith/Monica	Mark W	Father Patrick	Recorded
May 1	Mary/Patsy	Pat P	Father Patrick	Recorded
May 2	Mary/Patsy	Cindy B	Father Patrick	Recorded

Weekly Parish Income (during church closure)

922.00
82.00
5.00
25.00
20.00
100.00
5.00
10.00
6.00
2307.59

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

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

Marriages:

By appointment minimum six months in advance. Marriage preparation course required.

"Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." Mark 14:12-26

<u>WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS PARISH AND ST. ANNE'S</u> 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

A YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH: On December 8th, 2020, Pope Francis announced a Year of St. Joseph to mark the 150th anniversary of the proclamation by Pope Pius IX of St. Joseph as the Patron of the Universal Church. A webpage dedicated to Celebrating the Year of Saint Joseph is available on the CCCB website. The webpage contains a number of resources and will be updated periodically throughout the Year of St. Joseph. The website is www.cccb.ca.

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. Some large cities are finding it difficult in obtaining large pieces of ground for a new cemetery and cremation may be a partial solution to this problem. Also, some people die far from home and the cost of sending the body home 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.

Congratulations on your Baptism

We welcome into our parish community Amber Dorothy McDonald, baptized on April 18th, 2021. May this sacred day bring many blessings and much happiness to you and your family.

Cemetary Clean Up

Starting Monday evening **April 26.** Knights of Columbus will be sweeping the church parking lot starting 6:30 p.m. Bring along your wheelbarrows, shovels, deck brooms, etc. The more people we can get the easier it will be.

<u>Condolences:</u> The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Regina Organ their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.

