***ORDINARY TIME***

**(January 11 - February 16, 2021)**

Ordinary Time encompasses that part of the liturgical year that does not fall within the distinctive seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. The Catholic Church celebrates two periods of the year as Ordinary Time: the first following the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and continuing until the Tuesday evening before Ash Wednesday; the second following Pentecost Sunday until the evening before Advent. There are about 33 or 34 Sundays in Ordinary Time, depending on the year. In actuality, however, there are fewer ‘Sundays of Ordinary Time’ because major feasts honouring the Trinity, Corpus Christi, Christ the King, and others replace a particular Sunday of Ordinary Time. It is important to remember that Ordinary Time celebrates “the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus”. During Ordinary Time “the people of God offer praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus”.

***FEBRUARY 10 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN:*** Scholastica was the twin sister of Saint Benedict, the founder of Western monasticism, and she was the leader of a women’s community. She is the patroness of nuns, especially Benedictines, and of convulsive children. Scholastica died about 543 and was buried in Benedict’s own tomb where he joined her in death soon after.

***FEBRUARY 11 - WORLD DAY OF THE SICK:*** This day is also “World Day of the Sick”. On this day we are reminded that the ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church, and that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. The feast highlights the healing ministry of the Church and recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions, and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

**2020 Parish Envelopes** should be discarded and not used during 2021. If you are using old envelopes, please pick up a box of 2021 envelopes at the back of the church. Don't forget to record your name opposite the number you take. Thank you.

***Thank you for your generous financial support during 2020. We hope that you will continue to contribute to our parish financially in the coming years.***

**Condolences:** The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Margaret (Peggy) Skinner 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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***FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

In today’s Gospel, we see Jesus, after healing “many who were sick with various diseases” and casting out “many demons”, rising early in the morning and going out to a deserted place to pray. When his disciples find him and tell him that everyone is searching for him, Jesus says, “Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also, for that is what I came out to do”. Prayer, being in communion with God, was crucial to Jesus’ ministry. It gave him strength and enabled him to keep his focus on his mission to preach the good news of salvation. The lesson for us, as Jesus’ disciples, is to maintain a balance in our lives. Just as work is balanced by rest and relaxation, so too our ministry involvement must be balanced by prayer. Praying, being in communion with God, will give us the strength we need to continue our service to others and to make the mission of the Lord Jesus truly our own.

*LITURGICAL SCHEDULE*

***Daily masses will remain private Mon Feb 8- Fri Feb 12***

Mon – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Shelley Taylor Tues – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Mervin Walsh & Leonce Ferland Wed – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Everest Barnes Thurs- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel---Byan Collier Fri- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel------- Scotty LeRoux

***Weekend Liturgy: Sat Feb 13 and Sun Feb 14***

St. Alban’s-Sat 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church------Darrell 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-----Peter & Sarah Jeddore

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| ***DATE*** | ***Sacristan*** | ***Reader*** | ***Eucharistic******Minister*** | ***Music*** |
| **Feb 6** | Mary/Patsy | Ann B | Father Patrick |  |
| **Feb 7** | Mary/Patsy | Lydia W | Father Patrick |  |
| **Feb 13** | Teresa/Ann | Edith O | Father Patrick |   |
| **Feb 14** | Teresa/Ann | Mark W | Father Patrick | Julia-AnnPerry C |

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| **Ministries’ schedule for Weekend Masses**  |

**Weekly Parish Income**

St. Ignatius Church $927.00

St. Anne’s Church 137.00 Initial Offering 30.00

 **Distribution of Ashes on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021**

Because of caution around the spread of Covid-19, changes have been approved by the Bishop with regard to how ashes will be distributed on Ash Wednesday. They are as follows:

After blessing the ashes and sprinkling them with holy water in silence, the priest will address those present, reciting **once** the formula found in the Roman Missal: “Repent, and believe in the Gospel” or “ Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return”.

The procession to receive the ashes will follow as we do for the Eucharist with the right side beginning the procession.  The priest will cleanse his hands, put on a face mask, and using a different swab for each person the ashes will be placed on each person’s forehead without saying anything further.

During the procession please ensure you are maintaining a 6 ft distance.

***WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS PARISH 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***

 **Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, Newfoundland and Labrador District**

The NL District of the 4th Degree is planning a **Virtual Fourth Degree Exemplification** for Saturday, **March 20, 2021 at 10:00AM** using the application GoToMeeting.

Any Third Degree member in good standing is eligible for membership in the Fourth Degree. The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of and loyalty to our country Canada through active membership in your local Fourth Degree Assembly. Certain members of the Fourth Degree serve as honor guards at civic and religious functions, an activity that has brought worldwide recognition to the Knights of Columbus.

**Please contact your local Knights of Columbus Council, or the Faithful Navigator or Faithful Comptroller of your local Fourth Degree Assembly for further information.**

Membership in the Fourth Degree allows a Knight to display pride in his country, while continuing to serve his community and Church. **Please consider joining the Fourth Degree now.**

