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Synod on Synodality Communion.

A Synod on Synodality is a coming together. This is communion. God, through his gracious will, calls us together as His people (His Church). We are called together in all our diversity. We share the love and unity of the Holy Spirit. Together, we are inspired by listening to the Word of God. Together, we can explore God's call for His people and discern how we can live out that call in our daily lives and in the life of the Church. Pope Francis, with his invitation to a Synod on Synodality provides us an opportunity to be in communion with one another.

April 2 - Memorial of Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit: Born in Italy, Francis of Paola lived from about 1416 to 1507. He spent his thirteenth year in a Franciscan friary, learning to read. Following a year's pilgrimage with his parents, he retired to a cave to live as a hermit and became the founder of the Minim Friars. (The word 'minim' is derived from the Latin word 'minimi', meaning 'the least' in God's household.). After seventeen years, Francis' disciples were so numerous and so dearly loved by the townspeople that they built the young order a Church and a monastery. Francis was known as a saint, a prophet, and a miracle worker. He died at 91 years of age and was canonized in 1591. He is a patron of seafarers.

MASS OF CHRISM: The Mass of Chrism will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 31, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Grand Falls-Windsor. This celebration is one of the most important days of the year as Priests gather around the Table of the Eucharist and renew their priestly commitment before the People of God. It is a time of unity and communion of Priests with their Bishop. This celebration is a wonderful opportunity for the lay faithful to show support for the Priests who minister to them throughout the year. Following Mass there will be a social at the main entrance of the Cathedral. All are invited.

At least two representatives from each parish are encouraged to be present to receive the holy oils. If anyone would like to attend, please call the Parish Office (709)-538 3106 by Monday, March 28 to register.





# St. Ignatius Parish

Ignatius Church-St. Alban's St. Anne's Church- Conne River

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#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Today's Gospel speaks of forgiveness, harmony, and peace. The father in today's Gospel parable, who welcomes back his prodigal son joyfully and completely, with no conditions attached, is held up by Jesus as the model of the person of reconciliation. Such love is the very reflection of God's love for each one of us. Forgiveness demands that we play all three parts in the drama of the prodigal son: to be the prodigal child, facing up to our own culpability and selfishness that leads to division and hurt; to be the forgiving parent, being openhearted enough to make the first step to welcome back into our lives those who have hurt us; to be the older sibling, putting aside our own hurt and outrage, no matter how justified it may seem, for the sake of reconciliation and peace within our families and communities.

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Please Note: Chapel Mass will remain private until further notice.

Fr. Patrick will be away from Mon. March 28 until Fri. April 1.

# **Daily Masses Mon March 28 – April 1**

Mon - 11:00 a.m. Private	David Perry
Tues - 11:00 a.m. Private	Blaise Howse
Wed – 11:00 a.m. Private	Dr. Ragaie Diebes
Thurs 11:00 a.m. Private	Harold LeRoux
Fri 11:00 a.m. Private	Edith Collier

# Weekend Liturgy: Sat – April 2 and Sun – April 3

St.Alban's-Sat 7:00 p.m. St.Ignatius ChurchBeatrice McDonald
St. Alban's-Sun 10:30 a.m. St. Ignatius Church—Parish Family
Conne River-Sun 2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church ———Keith Drew

# Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Music
Mar 26	Mary S	Ann B	Father Patrick	
Mar 27	Mary S	Mark W	Father Patrick	
April 2	Monica K	Pat P	Father Patrick	
April 3	Monica K	Lydia W	Father Patrick	

#### **Weekly Parish Income**

St. Ignatius Church	\$817.00
St. Anne's Church	70.75
Mass Stipend	70.00
Lenten Folders	36.25
Catholic Missions of Canada- Ash Wednesday	30.00
Easter Flowers	10.00
Donations (Knights of Columbus- New	
Reconciliation Banner)	205.35
Certificates	5.00
Funeral Stipend	200.00

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

# **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

During the Lenten season, the Knights of Columbus will be having Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. at St. Ignatius Church. All are welcome!

### **Easter Flowers**

Parish members wishing to donate towards the purchase of the Easter Flowers for the church may do so by putting an envelope marked "Easter Flowers" in the collection basket. If the flowers are being donated "In memory of" please indicate this, as well as your envelope number and/or name.

# 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

#### **Condolences**

The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Beatrice McDonald 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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The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Edmund Collier their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.

#### Week 4: March 27

#### Standing up to corporate power in Honduras

The *People and Planet First* campaign is about helping communities stand up to corporate power.

In Honduras, as in much of the Global South, corporations often threaten and criminalize activists who speak up against their abuses.

The Lenca Indigenous leader Víctor Vásquez was imprisoned for fighting the corporate takeover of his people's ancestral territory. Development and Peace's partner, the Honduran Centre for the Promotion of Community Development (CEHPRODEC), helped free him from jail.

Another partner, Caritas Choluteca, trains and accompanies community leaders in advocating for policies that respect human rights and the environment. Recently, they got mayoral election candidates to undertake to declare the municipality of Orocuina a mining-free zone if elected.

Read more about these people's victories in our Mini-magazine at <a href="devp.org/lent/resources">devp.org/lent/resources</a>.

# **Lenten Folders:**

Available on the table at the back of the Church.

Please Note: Mssk wearing is strongly recommended while attending	
Church services even though health measures are lifted.	