Note: The Diocesan collection expense is high because it's the monies collected for the full year of 2018.

Financial statement for November

Income

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CANDLES	226.25
CATECHETICAL PROGRAM	30.00
DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS	25.00
DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS	20.00
FUNDRAISERS	270.00
OFFERTORY- ENVELOPES	4,628.00
OFFERTORY - LOOSE	702.10
RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SALES	50.00
SEASONAL OFFERINGS	265.50
STIPENDS	25.00
Total Income	6,241.85
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Expense	
BANK SERVICE CHARGE	24.49
DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS (for full year)	3,574.80
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	193.50
HEAT & LIGHTS- NL HYDRO	478.71
HEATING FUEL-CHURCH	558.30
HST RECOVERABLE	119.30
MASS STIPEND PAYMENT	20.00
ADMIN-FILL IN	540.00
RECEIVER GENERAL	337.12
Reimbursement	108.00
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	181.08
SALARIES- LAY EMPL.	2,811.60
SALARY - CLERGY	1,950.00
TELEPHONE/CELL/INTERNET EXPENSE	205.42
TRAVEL AND AUTO EXPENSE	96.25
YOUTH RELIGION PROGRAM	27.07
Total Expense	11,225.64
	-4,983.79



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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Today we celebrate Gaudete Sunday, so called because of the first word in Latin of the entrance antiphon, Gaudete (Rejoice). The Entrance Antiphon reads, Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! Indeed, the Lord is near. It orients our prayer and Mass today and we realize that the Lord is indeed near. As Catholics, we are called to be people of joy today and every day of our existence. The Lord is always present in our midst: in the Eucharist, in Sacred Scripture, in our hearts, and in our community. We have reason to rejoice!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass Schedule: Dec. 17th – 21st

Mon -	11:00 a.m	Parish ChapelAloysius, Margaret & Ally Collier
Fues -	11:00 a.m	Parish Chapel Alfred & Marie Collier
Fues	7:00 p.m	St. Ignatius church Penitential Service
Wed	11:00 a.m	Parish Chapel Ralph, Olive & Junior Organ
Гhurs	11:00 a.m	Parish Chapel George, Bessie & Alfreda Harding
Fri	11:00 a.m	Parish Chapel Victor, Margaret & Collier Family

Weekend Liturgy: Saturday, Dec.22nd and Sunday, Dec.23rd

St. Alban's Sat 7:00 p.m.	St. Ignatius Church	William Cox
St. Alban's Sun 10:30 a.m.	St. Ignatius Church	Parish Family
Conne River Sun 2:00 p.m.	St. Anne's Church William	& Annette Drew

Christmas Liturgy Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

Conne RiverChristmas Eve	6:00 pm St. Anne's Church Parish Family
St. Alban's Christmas Eve	8:30 pm St. Ignatius Church Parish Family
St. Alban's Christmas Day	10:30 amSt. Ignatius ChurchParish Family

Thermostats in Church: Please note that we have been advised to set the temperature of the church thermostats at 15 degrees, to ensure the efficient running of the furnace. Please refrain from adjusting the thermostats as we wish to be as energy efficient as possible.

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacrist an	Reader	Collectors	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Servers	Music
Dec. 15	Mary Organ	Edith Organ	Anthony W. Kevin Organ Francis M.	Margaret Hoskins	Maggie Pat	Julie Ann Chrissy
Dec. 16	Jenny Maggie	Valerie Hoskins	Necia D. Mary Organ George Davis	Valerie Hoskins	Christine Mary O.	Mary Organ
Dec. 22	Jenny Maggie	Monica Willcott	Anthony W. Kevin Organ Francis M.	Matthew Willcott	Margaret Ellen	Julie Ann Chrissy
Dec. 23	Mary Patsy	Philomena Sutton	Necia D. Mary Organ George Davis	Calvin Collier	Edith Patsy	Jessica Willcott
Dec. 24	Mary Patsy		Anthony W. Kevin Organ Francis M.	Ann Christine Jessica	Matthew Mitchell	Community Choir Valerie C.
Dec. 25	Mary Patsy		Necia D. Mary Organ George Davis	Ralph Genevieve Mary S.	Anthony George	

Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Collection:\$1031.30	St. Anne's Collection: \$137.00
Flowers:\$200.00	Dues: \$130.00
Religious Articles-missals \$218.00	Baptism Stipend: \$25.00
Chase The Ace Proceeds: \$117.50	

Parish Dues: Lenora Lambert, Phyllis Barnes, Env.#53, Edith Collier, Calvin & Mary Sutton,

2019 Envelopes: are on table at back of church.

Jesse Tree: Don't forget to pick up the new symbols...

Christmas Flowers: Parishioners wishing to donate towards purchasing Christmas flowers, may do so by putting an envelope marked "*Christmas Flowers*" in the collection basket. If the flowers are donated "*in memory of*", please indicate this on the envelope. Thank You.

Chase The Ace- Game 5: Ace has been drawn. Congrats to Dominic Skinner who won the jackpot!!! Stay tuned for the new Chase the Ace in the early New Year!!!!!

Condolences: The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Gordon Willcott their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved ones. May God Bless you and console you.

Community Choir Practice: Practice for the midnight Mass choir will take place on Friday @ 6:00 pm Sunday @ 6:00 pm at St. Ignatius church. All are welcome!!!!

Lighting of the Christmas Tree: will take place at the Christmas Eve Mass.

Christmas Flowers

In Loving Memory of John & Winnifred Willcott & Margurite French In Loving Memory of John & Terry Murphy, by Elizabeth Murphy In Loving Memory of Almeda & Cecil Cox, by Gerry Cox In Loving Memory of Iris & Cyril Organ, by Gerry Cox In Loving Memory of Elizabeth & Sandy McDonald, by family In Loving Memory of Dulcie & Micodemus McD, by Brittany & Callistus In Loving Memory of Rita Sutton & Norma Sutton Rotchford, by Sadie In Loving Memory of Howard & Agnes Barnes, by Bernadette & Isadore In Loving Memory of Elizabeth & Dean Kelly, by Beth Kelly In Loving Memory of Bill & Dean Kelly, by Beth Kelly In Loving Memory of Allan Davis, by Gertie & Sam Davis In Loving Memory of Ron & Joan Kendall, by Paula & Gord In Loving Memory of Margaret & Ron Kearley, by Gord & Paula In Loving Memory of Willcott & Hoskins family, by Clara Willcott

Penetential Service: On Tuesday evening, December 18th, the Christian community will gather as part of our preparation for the Coming of Christ. We gather in sorrow, for we are sinful people, and we are in need of God's forgiveness. At the end of the celebration, Father Patrick will hear confessions for those who wish to go. We will gather at 7:00 pm at St. Ignatius Church, asking God to have mercy on his people, and purifying our hearts for the coming of our Saviour, Our Lord Jesus Christ.



The story tells of a Candy maker in Indiana who wanted to make a candy that would help us remember who Christmas is really about. So he made a Christmas Candy Cane. He incorporated several symbols for the birth, ministry, and death of Jesus Christ. He began with a stick of pure white, hard candy. White to symbolize the virgin birth and sinless nature of Jesus. Hard candy to symbolize the solid rock, the foundation of the Church, and firmness of the promises of God.

The candymaker made the candy in the form of a "J" to represent the name of Jesus. It also represented the staff of the "Good Shepherd".

The candymaker then included red stripes. He used three small stripes and a large red stripe to represent the suffering Christ endured at the end of his life.

Charitable Donations Income Tax Savings - 2017

	Federal			
Contribution	Tax Credit	Tax Credit	Donor's Cost After Savings	Percentage Saved
\$200.00	\$30.00	\$17.40	\$152.60	23.7%
\$300.00	\$59.00	\$35.70	\$205.30	31.6%
\$400.00	\$88.00	\$54.00	\$258.00	35.5%
\$500.00	\$117.00	\$72.30	\$310.70	37.9%
\$600.00	\$146.00	\$90.60	\$363.40	39.4%
\$700.00	\$175.00	\$108.90	\$416.10	40.6%
\$800.00	\$204.00	\$127.20	\$468.80	41.4%
\$900.00	\$233.00	\$145.50	\$521.50	42.1%
\$1,000.00	\$262.00	\$163.80	\$574.20	42.6%
\$1,100.00	\$291.00	\$182.10	\$626.90	43.0%
\$1,200.00	\$320.00	\$200.40	\$679.60	43.4%
\$1,300.00	\$349.00	\$218.70	\$732.30	43.7%
\$1,400.00	\$378.00	\$237.00	\$785.00	43.9%
\$1,500.00	\$407.00	\$255.30	\$837.70	44.2%
\$1,600.00	\$436.00	\$273.60	\$890.40	44.4%
\$1,700.00	\$465.00	\$291.90	\$943.10	44.5%
\$1,800.00	\$494.00	\$310.20	\$995.80	44.7%
\$1,900.00	\$523.00	\$328.50	\$1.048.50	44.8%
\$2,000.00	\$552.00	\$346.80	\$1,101.20	44.9%
\$3,000.00	\$842.00	\$529.80	\$1,628.20	45.7%
\$4,000.00	\$1,132.00	\$712.80	\$2,155.20	46.1%
\$5.000.00	\$1,422.00	\$895.80	\$2,682,20	46.4%
\$10,000.00	\$2,872.00	\$1.810.80	\$5,317.20	46.8%

For clarification, there is no advantage to being in a higher tax bracket.

The Federal savings is 15% on the first \$200 and 29% on any additional contributions.

The Provincial savings is 8.7% on the first \$200 and 18.3% on any additional contributions.

Therefore, if you make donations around \$200 in a year, it is better to save them until the following year, if you do not need the short term cash. That way, additional money will be at the higher rate – 47.3% (federal and provincial together).

The following are from Pontifex, the Official Twitter page of His *Holiness Pope Francis*:

+Pontifex: In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we find our way back to the Lord, and rediscover the meaning of life.

+ Pontifex: If we dedicate more time to prayer, our hearts will reveal the lies with which we deceive ourselves, and we will find true consolation in God.

+ Pontifex: What would happen to us if God did not always give us the chance to start over again?

+ Pontifex: Living the encounter with Jesus means allowing yourself to be turned inside out by Grace every day.

+ Pontifex: When we allow Jesus to enter our lives we discover the secret to keeping alive the flame of our spiritual life.

+ Pontifex: Lent is the road that leads from slavery to freedom, from suffering to joy, from death to life.