

The Feast of All Saints

Today the Church honors all the saints; those that we know and, more so, those that we don't know. Remember, everyone in heaven is a "saint." The word saint means "holy one," or one set apart who has reached the degree of holiness in order to be with God. You may recall the phrase in other scripture readings where God says, "Be holy for (or because) I am holy." Now, most of us might say, "Wow, how can anyone be as holy as God? The answer to that is: we can't on our own, but God is there to help us if we are willing to bend our ways and heart to His way. Because God is divinely perfect, He cannot abide or live with anyone who is not perfect. Therefore, everyone who is in heaven has been made perfect by the grace of God and, perhaps, a little time in Purgatory. The subject of Purgatory will be on our mind tomorrow when we honor those still in Purgatory.

Property Insurance:

In an attempt to reduce costs incurred by the Parish, the Parish Council has been investigating the current insurance policy with Ecclesiastical Insurance Canada. Changing the policy from a Full Replacement to a Functional Replacement will significantly reduce the cost of the insurance premiums, but it also reduces the amount of insurance money to be paid out in the event of a total loss. We propose this to be a practical change, as the replacement structure would be one that meets the needs of the current parish, ie, significant reduction in size and design of all buildings covered under the policy: church, priest residence and garage.

Parish Information

We have heard many concerns from our parishioners with regard to changing to one mass. The Parish Council would like to thank you for your input. Further to this, we have also had many discussions with Father Patrick and at this time feel that our goals should be focused on strengthening our faith. In saying that, we realize changing to one mass will have the opposite effect. A detailed look at our finances for the 2019 year shows that with a little more support from our community we can maintain two masses. Keeping two masses meets the needs of our seniors, our families with children and our need to keep our children's literacy program. We will continue to strive toward gaining more financial support from community members- whether through our weekend collection or E- transfer for those who choose not to attend weekend masses but still value having a fully functioning church in our community.



St. Ignatius Parish



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St. Anne's Church- Conne River

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This is the opening to the Sermon on the Mount, one of the most famous passages in the New Testament. And yet, do we really understand it? Often we hear familiar passages in church, and because they sound familiar we let them go over our head thinking we know all about it. But do we really? This opening, often called the Beatitudes, outlines the many benefits of those who are obedient to the teachings of Christ. Here they start out with simple works and gradually increase in depth and reward. We may not be faced with all of them, but if you look back in your life you might see where you were faced with one or more of these challenges. How did you measure up?

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily masses will remain private Mon Nov 2nd-Fri Nov 6th

Mon – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----- Ron & Joan Kendall

Tues – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----- Ross Willcott

Wed – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----- Iris Greenham

Thurs – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----- Mervin Walsh & Ralph Walsh

Fri– 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Joan & Charles Willcott

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. Nov 7th and Sun. Nov 8th

St. Alban's-Sat 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----Elias Hoskins

St. Alban's-Sun 10:30 a.m. St. Ignatius Church --- Parish family

Conne River-Sun 2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church---- John N & Pauline Jeddore,
Martin Hoskins and Mary K. John

Parish Council

We are looking for **two** members to join our Parish Council Committee. For more information please contact our office at 538-3106.

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

<i>DATE</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Music</i>
Oct 31	Teresa Ann	Pat P	Father Patrick	
Nov 1	Teresa Ann	Lydia W	Father Patrick	Julie-Ann Perry C
Nov 7	Mary Patsy		Father Patrick	Brianna H Valerie C
Nov 8	Mary Patsy		Father Patrick	

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$ 1217.00
St. Anne's Church	82.00
Insurance	10.00
Mass Stipend	15.00
Funeral Stipend	300.00
Reimbursement (Fr. Patrick's car repair)	1002.31
Diocesan Collections	55.00

All Souls Day: The Month of November has always been set aside as a special month to pray for the faithful departed. During this month, we remember and pray with even greater devotion for our loved ones who have died. The faithful will gather on **November 5th** to celebrate the Feast of All Souls. We remember and pray for our deceased loved ones who may still be awaiting their entrance into heaven. There is a time of purification before some of the dead may enter the presence of the All-Holy God. We can assist our deceased loved ones by our prayers and especially through the Mass. At our **evening Mass on Thursday, November 5th at 7:00p.m.** for the faithful departed, we will remember especially those people who have died during the past year. A candle will be lit at the altar in memory of each person who has died during the past year. "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them."

Note: If you haven't already been contacted and would like to have a candle lit in memory of your loved one, please contact Mary Strickland (538-3644) or Edith Organ (538-3813).

WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS PARISH AND ST. ANNE'S CHURCH:

We are glad that you are here with us this Weekend. It is our hope that you experience the love of Christ this morning and His presence during our worship.

Mass Attendance When entering and exiting the Church a face mask is required, when you sit in a designated area, you may remove the face mask. When you leave your designated area for Communion or any other reason you must again wear your face mask. You must register your name in the book upon entering the Church in case there is a need for contact tracing. Remember to social distance.

LITURGICAL YEAR B: As we journey through November, we gradually draw near to the end of the current liturgical year as we celebrate the last four Sundays of Ordinary Time, the last Sunday being *The Solemnity of Christ the King*. Ordinary time celebrates the mystery of Christ in all its fullness. *In these last Sundays of the liturgical year, our focus turns to the return of Christ and the fulfillment of the Kingdom.*

NOVEMBER 2 - COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY): In 988, Odilo, abbot of the great monastery of Cluny in France, established the tradition of keeping, "with joyous affection, the memory of all the faithful departed who have lived from the beginning of the world until the end". By the 14th century, the commemoration had spread through Europe and was universally accepted in the Latin Church.

2021 Parish Envelopes will be available in the next few weeks to *parishioners who used envelopes during 2020*. **Please make sure that the box you take has your name on it.** If you are either new to the parish or did not use envelopes during 2020 but would like a box for 2021, there will be extra boxes provided later. PLEASE DO NOT USE THE ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY, 2021. Due to the decreasing number of church-goers, there are fewer boxes this year and, as a result, some parishioners will have a different box number than last year.

