

The courage to Create Hope

To delegates at the 4th World Meeting of Popular Movements, Pope Francis said, "...you have the ability and the courage to create hope where there appears to be only waste and exclusion."

These are the words that inspired the choice of "Create Hope" as a five-year guiding theme at Development and Peace — Caritas Canada.

The courage to Create Hope is rooted in actions big and small. For to drive away anguish and despair, it is best to act. Every action we take has a positive effect on us, our neighbours, our great human family, our children and their descendants. What will you to

this Lent to Create Hope? Join our campaign at devp.org/lent.

March 7 - Memorial of Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity, Martyrs:

Perpetua, a young noblewoman, and Felicity, a slave, were killed for their faith on March 7, 203. During the persecution of Christians by Emperor Severus early in the third century, several catechumens were arrested, among them Perpetua with her infant son, and Felicity who was pregnant at the time. Both women were baptized while under arrest and, refusing to renounce their faith, they – along with several other Christians – were flogged, led to the amphitheatre, exposed to the wild beasts, and beheaded. Their martyrdom offers a very powerful example of the new world created by the birth of Christianity.

March 8 - Memorial of Saint John of God, Religious: John was born in Portugal on March 8, 1495. Having worked in various occupations for a number of years, he was eventually overcome by guilt because of his wasted life and sought the counsel of John of Avila who helped him find a new purpose in life. John of God then dedicated himself to the care of the sick and the poor. Others joined him and they became known as the Brothers of St. John of God. John died on his birthday in 1550 and was canonized in 1690. He is a patron of hospitals and the sick.

March 9 - Memorial of Saint Frances of Rome, Religious: Frances was born in 1384 in Rome. She was happily married and had three children. The death in infancy of two of her children taught Frances compassion for others who were grieving and less fortunate. She took food to the poor and visited the sick and the needy. Frances gathered other women who lived a life of prayer and cared for others, and founded a community of Benedictine Oblates. When her husband died, Frances joined their community. She died in 1440 and was declared a saint in 1608. She is a patroness of widows.





ST. IGNATIUS PARISH

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Today's Gospel story of the transfiguration is an awe-inspiring indication of the resplendent glory that belongs to Jesus as God's Son. However, from this point on in the Gospel, Jesus moves steadily towards his death. Jesus' glory comes only through suffering and dying. As followers of Jesus, we too must be prepared and willing to renounce glory in exchange for suffering and death to new life.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

<u>Please Note:</u> Weekday Mass intentions will be private next week (Mar. 6-Mar.10) as Fr. Patrick is away.

<u>Daily Masses Mon March 6 – Fri March 10</u>

Mon - Private------Ethel Snook
Tues - Private--------David Organ
Wed - Private-------Geraldine Farrell
Thurs- Private--------Helena (Eileen) Crant

Fri-----Private------Edward, Veronica, Patrick, & Slyvester Lambert

Weekend Liturgy: Sat - March 11 and March 12

St.Alban's-Saturday7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch----Gary Bennett St.Alban's---Sunday10:30a.m.St.IgnatiusChurch—*ParishFamily* Conne River---Sunday 2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church—Leonard John

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Music
Mar 4	Monica K	Edith O	Father Patrick	
Mar 5	Monica K	Mark W	Father Patrick	
Mar 11	Patsy M	Ann B	Father Patrick	
Mar 12	Patsy M	Lydia W	Father Patrick	

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$790.00		
St. Anne's	90.00		
Diocesan Collections (Catholic Missions in Canada Ash Wednesday) 390.0			
Candles	68.50		
Diocesan Collections (Ecclesiastical Students' Fund)	10.00		
Initial Offering	5.00		
Religious Articles	15.00		
Certificates	5.00		
50/50 Fundraiser (February 28, 2023)	3155.00		

<u>Congratulations</u> to Madonna (Loyola) Collier, winner of the February 2023 50/50 Fundraiser. (\$1577.50)

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

Stipends (as recommended by the Diocese)

Funerals \$200.00 Weddings \$200.00 Baptism \$25.00

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. beginning on February 24th. This year the Stations of the Cross will take place in the Parish Chapel. All are welcome!

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

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

Home Visits and Holy Communion

If you or someone you know who would like to receive Holy Communion in their home, you are asked to please inform Father Patrick at 709-280-4904 or call the Parish office at 709-538-3106 Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The Body of Christ is often such an important part of people's lives, so when they are sick or unable to attend Mass, I would greatly bring them Holy Communion......Father Patrick Osuji

Bay D'Espoir Community Food Bank

Location: St Alban's Community Centre

Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Friday 10:00 am- 12:00 pm (by

appointment only)

For more information please contact:

Connie: 538-6096 Brenda: 538-6504 Audrey: 572-5609 Cindy: 538-8930

Please feel free to drop off donated food items at the back of the

Church in the labelled Food Bank Box.

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.

Lenten Folders:

Available on the table at the main entrance of the Church. Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

<u>Found:</u> One ladies earring. Lost during Saturday evening service on Feb.26. Can be picked up at the Parish office.