

**Charitable Donations  
Income Tax Savings – 2017**

<b>Contribution</b>	<b>Federal Tax Credit</b>	<b>Provincial Tax Credit</b>	<b>Donor's Cost After Savings</b>	<b>Percentage Saved</b>
\$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).

**2018 Parish Envelopes** The first envelope in your box is labelled INITIAL OFFERING. This envelope has two purposes: 1) the proceeds are meant to cover the parish cost (currently about \$4) per box of envelopes and 2) it allows us to check the accuracy of our parish records by comparing the name on the INITIAL OFFERING envelope with the name on file

## ST. IGNATIUS PARISH

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**CHRISTMAS SEASON:** The Christmas Season celebrates the birth of the Lord Jesus and the ways he manifested the presence of God among us. "Next to the yearly celebration (at Easter) of the paschal mystery, the Church holds most sacred the memorial of Christ's birth and early manifestations. This is the purpose of the Christmas season" (*General Norms for the Liturgical Year, 32*). In the Roman Catholic tradition, the Christmas Season begins with the first Mass of Christmas and concludes with the last Mass for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

**PEACE ON EARTH WILL COME TO STAY, WHEN WE LIVE CHRISTMAS EVERY DAY.** Helen Steiner Rice.

**Please note: This bulletin will cover the period from December 23<sup>rd</sup> – Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**Priestly Presence:** As you know, Father Brophy will be leaving on Christmas morning to visit his family during the holidays. During these few days, Father David Joy will take care of the needs or emergencies of the people in St. Alban's and Conne River. Also, as you may know, Father Joy's mother will need chemotherapy treatment in St. John's over the next few months. As her treatment begins on Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>, I will be going to Harbour Breton for Mass on New Years Day, which is a holy day of obligation., I will offer the Mass in Harbour Breton at 10:30 am on Monday, Jan. 1 in Harbour Breton. I will return to St. Alban's and offer a Mass in our church at 7:00 pm. Because there is a grave shortage of priest in our Diocese, I will help in Father Joy's parish whenever I am needed. Father Joy can be reached at 885-2338 or on his cell phone at 885-7507

### *My Christmas Message to You*

*May the true meaning of Christmas light up the season for you with its Joy, Peace and Hope.*

*And may, Jesus, the blessed reason for the season bless your heart all year through.*

*God Bless you*

*Have a wonderful Christmas!*

*“Christ the Saviour is born. Come let us adore him!”*

*Father Edward Brophy*

**Please Note: A Christmas message from Bishop Daniels can be found on the table at the back of the Church.**

DATE	Sacristans	Readers	Collectors	Communion Minister	Altar Servers	Music
Dec. 23	Mary Organ	Ann Benoit Audrey Collier	Pat Pittman Willie MacDonald Iris Greenham	Matthew Willcott	Christine Mary	Lenora Lambert
Dec. 24	Jenny Maggie	Pat Pittman	Pat Pittman Willie MacDonald Iris Greenham	Ralph Genevieve Mary Strickland	Edith Juanita	Community Choir Valerie Coombs
Dec. 25	Jenny Maggie	Perry Cox	Necia Dollimont Mary Organ George Davis	Margaret Hoskins Ann Benoit	Matthew Mitchell	
Dec. 30	Mary Strickland Patsy McDonald	Elizabeth Barlow Thomas Collier	Pat Pittman Willie MacDonald Iris Greenham	Christine Howse	Brenda Jeddore Maggie	Julie Ann Chrissy
Dec. 31	Mary Strickland Patsy McDonald	Edith Organ	Necia Dollimont Mary Organ George Davis	Mary Organ Valerie Calvin	Anthony George	Lenora Lambert
Jan 1	Mary Strickland Patsy McDonald	Lydia Walsh		Ralph Blake	Matthew Mitchell	

**Weekly Parish Revenue**

St. Ignatius Church – offertory --	\$1142.00	St. Anne’s Church – offertory: -----	\$ 150.30
Flowers: -----	\$330.00	Dues: -----	\$140.00
Mass Stipends : -----	\$10.00	Donation: -----	\$1000.00
Advent Folders : -----	\$118.00	Christmas Offering:-----	\$65.00

**Dues:** Cora Willmott, Env #37, Calvin & Mary Sutton, Paula & Gord Kearley

Gratefully acknowledged donation of \$1000.00 from the Knights of Columbus

**A New Microphone: “How can we believe, if we do not hear?”** Through the encouragement of our new Liturgy Committee, and in an effort to improve the sound system in our church, we have purchased a new microphone for the priest who celebrates the Mass. Our church is very large, and people who sit toward the back always had difficulty in hearing the priest while he was celebrating Mass. Our new mike is excellent. All who attended the Mass last Sunday morning and the Penitential Service on Sunday evening were delighted with the volume and the clarity of our new microphone. Our Masses on the weekend are the most sacred moments of our week, and we must make every effort to share the Word with meaning and clarity.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

- In Loving Memory of Sandy & Elizabeth McDonald by family*
- In Loving Memory of Corey Collier, by Ellen Nugent*
- In Loving Memory of Bessie Harding, by Mildred Blake*
- In Loving Memory of Jaydon Strickland, by Marian Strickland*
- In Loving Memory of Benny Long, by sister Judy*
- In Loving Memory of deceased members of Collier & MacDonald families, by Edith Collier*
- In Loving Memory of Wallace & Sarah Willcott, by Family*
- In Loving Memory of Benny Long, by wife Frances*
- In Loving Memory of Thomas, Susan & Frank Organ, by Waleen & Mag Organ*
- In Loving Memory of David, Beatrice, Ann, Michael, Joseph McDonald, by Waleen & Mag Organ*

- In Loving Memory of Robert, Irene and Pauline Snook, by Joan Hanson*
- In Loving Memory of Florailda & Samuel Collier, by Gabriella Drew*
- In Loving Memory of David, Beatrice, Ann, Michael, Joseph McDonald, by Wayne & Stella Sheppard*
- In Loving Memory of Sandy Collier, by Nellie Collier*
- In Loving Memory of David, Beatrice, Ann, Michael, Joseph McDonald, by Ray & Mary Rowsell*
- In Loving Memory of James Howse & All deceased relatives, by Helen Howse*
- In Loving Memory of Wallace & Sarah Willcott, by George & Philomena Willcott*
- In Loving Memory of Alfred & Marie Collier, by Mildred & Philomena*
- In Loving Memory of Margaret, Leonard & Benny Long, by the Long Family*
- In Loving Memory of Arch Dollimont, by Vivian & family*
- In Loving Memory of Anne Collier (Mike), Thomas Farrell, by Michael Collier*
- In Loving Memory of John & Nora Howse, by Don & Rona Howse*
- In Loving Memory of Reg & Evelyn Organ, by Don & Rona Howse*
- In Loving Memory of Shirley Sutton, deceased members of Sutton, Organ & MacDonald Families, by Patsy MacDonald*

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE ---- Dec. 24 – Jan. 7**

**Christmas Liturgy- December 24 & 25**

Conne River-----**Christmas Eve** (Sunday ) ----- 6:00 pm----- St. Anne’s Church---- **Parish Family**  
 St. Alban’s----- **Christmas Eve** (Sunday)----- 8:30 pm-----St. Ignatius Church--- **Parish Family**  
 St. Alban’s----- **Christmas Day** (Monday)----- 10:30 am----- St. Ignatius Church---- **Christmas Celebration**, readings and Holy Communion

**Weekday Schedule- Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>** No Mass as Father will be spending time with his family.

**Weekend and New Years Liturgy: Saturday- Dec.30<sup>th</sup>, Sunday- Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> and Mon- Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>**

St. Alban’s----- Sat. --- 7:00 p.m.----- St. Ignatius Church----- Regina Mullaley  
 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  
 St. Alban’s----- Mon.--- 7:00 pm.----- St. Ignatius Church----- **New Year’s Day**

**Weekday Mass Schedule: Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>**

Tuesday----- No Mass  
 Wed. ----- 7:00 p.m ----- Parish Chapel----- Alfred & Marie Collier  
 Thurs----- 10:00 a.m.----- Parish Chapel ----- Levi Hoskins, Thomas Benoit  
 Friday ----- 10:00 pm----- Parish Chapel ----- Ena Hull, Eileen Willcott

**Weekend Liturgy: Saturday Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>**

St. Alban’s----- Sat. --- 7:00 p.m.—St. Ignatius Church ----- Philip Collier  
 St. Alban’s----- Sun.---10:30 a.m.--St. Ignatius Church----- **Parish Family**  
 Conne River---- Sun. ---2:00 p.m.—St. Anne’s Church----- Emily Benoit

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS:** Is it possible that Christmas becomes more special with each passing year? Is it possible that happiness grows and increases with time? For myself as a priest, it is almost impossible to explain or describe the joy of offering the Christmas Mass with the people. **“Christ the Saviour is born. Come let us adore him!”** There is joy in visiting family and friends as well, and I hope to experience this happiness also. As special as the family meal is on Christmas night, the following day is very special for my family as well. On Boxing Day, we go to Freshwater Bay and boil the kettle. Hopefully, hopefully. As I said, I hope to go to St. John’s for a visit with my family. I hope and pray that this will be a joyful Christmas for all.

**MAY THE RICHEST BLESSINGS OF THE CHRIST CHILD BE YOURS.**

**Father Edward Brophy**

*Prayer Proposed by Pope Francis at the end of his Encyclical, Laudato Si’ - On Care For Our Common Home*

**Baptismal Congratulations:** We welcome into the parish community, *Emerson Mary Elizabeth Kendell* who will be baptized at St. Ignatius Church on Sunday. We wish Emerson and her family all God’s blessings.

**A prayer to the Holy Family: This is a beautiful prayer to the Holy Family, and we could say this prayer, asking God to bless and help our own family.**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
In you we contemplate  
The splendour of true love  
To you we turn with trust

Holy Family of Nazareth,  
Make us more mindful  
of the sacredness of the family  
and its beauty in God’s plan

Holy Family of Nazareth,  
Grant that our families too  
Will have places of prayer and peace

Jesus Mary and Joseph  
Please hear our prayer  
Amen

Holy Family of Nazareth,  
May our families never again  
Experience violence and division  
May all who have been hurt  
Find ready comfort and healing