

April 23 - Memorial of Saint George, Martyr: George was killed for his faith at Lydda in Palestine at the beginning of the fourth century. During the reign of Edward III (14th century), he was made patron of the kingdom of Britain; he is also patron of the Boy Scouts. During the Middle Ages, he was a popular patron of knights, soldiers and crusaders who adopted “St. George’s Arms”, a red cross on a white background. The red cross appears on the modern Union Jack.

April 24 - Memorial of Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest, Martyr: Mark Roy was born in Sigmaringen, Swabia (Germany) in 1578. He held doctorates in philosophy, canon law and civil law. Known as the “lawyer of the poor”, he gave up practising law to enter the Capuchins in Switzerland in 1612, and accepted the name Fidelis of Sigmaringen. A dynamic preacher, he was appointed by the Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith to preach to the Calvinists in Switzerland. However, he met with much resistance and was assaulted and slain in 1622. He is a patron saint of lawyers.

APRIL 25 - FEAST OF SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST: John Mark, known simply as Mark, was a member of the first Christian community in Jerusalem and he is the author of the earliest and shortest Gospel. His mother, Mary, owned a house in Jerusalem, which the Christians used as a place of prayer during Peter’s imprisonment under Herod Agrippa I (*Acts 12.12*). When Paul and Barnabas returned to Antioch in Syria from their visit to Jerusalem, they took Mark back with them. Later they brought him along as their assistant on a missionary journey. After this journey, Mark returned to Jerusalem. In Christian art Mark is often depicted with a winged lion. He is a patron of notaries, of Egypt and Venice.

April 26 - Memorial of Our Lady of Good Counsel: This title honouring Mary appears early in Christian history. In return for financial assistance in renovating the Church of Saint Mary Major in Rome, Pope Sixtus III (432-440) granted land to the people of Genazzano, Italy. Eventually, a Church consecrated to Our Lady of Good Counsel was built there. Many healings and miracles have been attributed to Our Lady of Good Counsel’s intervention. Under the title of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Mary is honoured as the patron of many women’s groups, including the Catholic Women’s League of Canada and the Christian Mothers of America



ST. IGNATIUS PARISH



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

In today’s Gospel, Jesus describes the secure and lasting relationship he has with his sheep – those who truly hear him and believe. Just as no one can separate Jesus and his Father, no one can take Jesus’ disciples away from him. We remain close to Jesus, our Good Shepherd, through prayer and by listening carefully to what he is telling us. This week it would be good to take some time to reflect on some of the words we have heard from Jesus that have been helpful in our lives.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – Apr. 20 and Sun. – Apr. 21

St.Alban’s-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch-----Peter Farrell

St.Alban’s-Sunday-4:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch-----**Parish.Family**

Conne River-Sunday-2:00 p.m. St. Anne’s Church—Samuel & Florailda Collier

Daily Masses Mon. Apr. 22 – Fri. Apr. 26

Mon – No Mass Scheduled

Tues -11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel-----John Long

Wed -11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel—Aloysuis, Margaret, & Ally Collier

Thur -11:00 p.m.Parish Chapel-----Barry Cox

Fri -11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel-----Jake Howse

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – Apr. 27 and Sun. – Apr. 28

St.Alban’s-Sat-7:00p.m.St.Ignatius.Church-----Donald.Snook

St.Alban’s-Sun-4:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch-----**Parish Family**

Conne River-Sun 2:00 p.m. St. Anne’s Church—Erica Ann Stride

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Collectors</i>
Apr. 20	Patsy M	Ann B	Father Tom Edith O	Kevin O Bill D
Apr. 21	Patsy M	Lydia W	Father Tom Valerie H	Anthony W George D
Apr. 27	Edith O	Monica W	Father Tom Patsy M	Finton O Gerard S
Apr. 28	Edith O	Valerie H	Father Tom Mary S	William M Ivan O

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$795.00
St. Anne's	90.00
Diocesan Collection (Development & Peace)	5.00
Easter Offering	10.00
Holy Thursday Collection	5.00
Mass Stipends	12.00
Missals	7.00
Donations	300.00

Thank You: St. Ignatius Parish would like to extend its thanks to Joseph & Catherine Collier of Eastport, NL for their generous donation of \$300.00 **Thank you for your continued support to the parish.**

Stipends (as recommended by the Diocese)

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

Spring Cleanup: Sweeping of the Church parking lot will take place Monday evening April 22 at 6:30 p.m. and will continue through the week if necessary. All are invited to come out and lend a hand. More hands make light work.

There will also be a Community cleanup of St. Ignatius Cemetery on Saturday, April 27, starting at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to come out and help.

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

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 Tom at 709-674-1503 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 Tom Duffenais

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: The Bay D'Espoir Community Food Bank now has its own telephone #: **(709) 538-7936**. Messages can be left on an answering service. Please leave your name and telephone number and someone will return your call during the hours of operation. Thank you.

Please feel free to drop off donated food items at the back of the Church in the labelled Food Bank Box.

Some items that are in need include teabags, coffee, and canned vegetables.

Thank you for your continued support.

Condolences

The parishioners of St. Anne's Church and St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Judy John of Conne River their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.