

JULY 3 - FEAST OF SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE: Since the days of the early Church, there has been a tradition that Thomas is the Apostle of India. Although the phrase “doubting Thomas” refers to him, it overlooks both his loyalty in troubled times and his absolute surrender when given the evidence he sought. Having seen, he became the believer and declared the great Christian confession: “My Lord and my God”. Thomas is the patron saint of builders and of India and Pakistan.

July 4 - Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Portugal: Elizabeth led a disciplined life of prayer and good works, caring for the poor and the sick. After her husband’s death in 1325, she gave up her rank and wealth for a life of simplicity and joined the Poor Clares. She died on July 4, 1336. Canonized in 1625, Elizabeth is a patron of Catholic charities.

July 5 - Memorial of Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest: Anthony was born in Cremona, Italy, in 1502. Both a physician and a priest, he was greatly inspired by Saint Paul. Anthony was the founder of the Clerks Regular of Saint Paul, also known as the Barnabites. He encouraged the laity to work with the clergy in helping the poor and also promoted the frequent reception of Holy Communion. Anthony died in 1539 and was canonized in 1897.

July 6 - Memorial of Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr: At the age of 12, Maria was assaulted by an 18 year-old neighbour, Alessandro. She chose death, rather than yield to his demands. She was stabbed several times and died the following day, having forgiven him. Maria was canonized in 1950 by Pope Pius XII for her defence of Christian virtue. She is a patron of young women.

A PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

I am going to show you the secret of sanctity and happiness.
Every day, for five minutes, close your eyes to the things of this world,
and close your ears to the noises around you.
Then, in sanctuary of your baptized spirit, say to him:

***“O Holy Spirit, Beloved of my Soul, I adore you.
Enlighten me. Guide me. Console me. Give me
Your orders. Tell me what i must do. I promise
To submit myself to all that you desire of me.
I accept whatever you permit to happen to me.
Let me only know your will. “***

If you do this, your life will flow along serenely,
happily, joyfully. You will be given all the graces necessary,
and you will arrive at the Gates of Heaven filled with merit.

Cardinal Mercier



ST. IGNATIUS PARISH

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NOTE: CHANGE IN OFFICE HOURS

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today’s Gospel takes us to the heart of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. Our life as disciples has its beginning in our personal call to follow the Lord Jesus. Now we hear of the nature of that relationship to which we have been called. This relationship demands absolute allegiance on our part and must never be compromised by even the greatest of our human relationships. Though this allegiance will often result in a sharing in the cross of Jesus as a result of hardships, rejection and persecution, Jesus assures those who generously entrust their lives to him that, as we share in his mission, we will already begin to know fullness of life and receive the reward he promises. The life he promises is nothing less than a sharing in the everlasting life manifested in his resurrection.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass Schedule: July 3rd- July 7th

No Mass during the week, as Father Brophy will be on vacation.

NOTICE: ONLY ONE MASS IN OUR PARISH NEXT WEEKEND AT 6:00 PM ON SUNDAY EVENING, JULY 9TH AT ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH

There will be no Saturday evening Mass in St. Alban’s on July 8, No Mass in Conne River on July 9, due to Pow Wow.

Weekend Liturgy: Sunday, July 9th

St. Alban’s----- Sun.--- **6:00 p.m.**----- St. Ignatius Church----- **Parish Family**

Father David Joy will celebrating Mass in our parish for the next two weekends while Father Brophy is on vacation. Father David Joy is also available for funerals or visitation to the sick. We, the parishioners thank Father David Joy for his service to our parish.

HAPPY CANADA DAY!!!!

Bus Lane: During the school week, from Monday to Fridays, people are asked not to drive along in front of the school. In other words, that lane is reserved for buses and for students and teachers to walk safely to and from the school. All cars are asked to use ONLY the main church parking lot for vehicular traffic.

Baptism Registration Form: This form can now be downloaded from the parish website at www.stignatius.net. Just click on SACRAMENTS and select BAPTISM. You can also call – 538-3106 or email st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca the parish office to have a registration form emailed to you. **Please contact the parish office during the months of pregnancy (if possible) to arrange for Baptism Preparation.** Baptisms are celebrated upon request after Baptism Preparation has been completed.

Weddings: Please allow at least 6 months notice before the date of the wedding. A Marriage Preparation Course is a requirement. Please contact the parish office for more information.

STIPENDS: (as recommended by the Diocese)

FUNERAL: \$200.00

WEDDING: \$200.00

BAPTISMS: \$25.00

Consecration of Canada to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On the occasion of the 150th Anniversary of Confederation, the Catholic Bishops of Canada have been invited to consecrate Canada to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Each Bishop is invited to consecrate his individual diocese or eparchy on 1 July, 2017, or at another date thereabouts that might better suit the local pastoral situation. Similarly Bishop Daniels has chosen to invite pastors to consecrate their specific parish/parishes and mission(s) as part of the celebrations marking the anniversary of Confederation. Given the challenges we face today for a new evangelization, the Act of Consecration is an important opportunity for the Church's mission in Canada.

Later this year, during the CCCB Plenary Assembly in September 2017, all the Bishops of Canada will be invited to participate jointly in the consecration of the country to the Blessed Mother at a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Prayer for the Consecration of Canada to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 1 July 2017

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church, when the first Christian believers came to these shores, they planted a Cross made of the fresh timber of the New World as a sign of their faith in your Son and

the power of his Resurrection, placing their lives under your maternal protection and venerating you as the Immaculate Conception. You show us how to live a life free from sin in Christ Jesus and, by our baptism, we hope to share fully with you in the *freedom of the glory of the children of God*. You have accompanied us on our path through history, in times of peace, conflict, and reconciliation, and as we arrived at a greater sense of unity and nationhood. With full confidence we come before you today giving thanks to God on the 150th anniversary of the Canadian Confederation. Gathered in the communion of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we place ourselves completely in the sanctuary of your Heart and commit the past, the present and the future of Canada to your maternal care. For this reason, I, N., Arch/Bishop/Metropolitan/Eparch of N., commend to your Immaculate Heart the portion of the People of God entrusted to me. Together with the other Archbishops, Metropolitans, Bishops and Eparches of Canada, I also consecrate the people of our country to your maternal Heart which teaches us to trust in God's loving plan. Immaculate Mother of God, we find ourselves at a crossroads in our history; we are grateful for advances in science and new discoveries, yet we know the human heart is tempted by selfish interests and false ideas about the human person and freedom. Help us, as Catholics, to live in peace with all people of good will and to dialogue with respect and friendship. Loving Mother of Our Lord, help us to uphold religious freedom in Canada, and the natural rights of parents and families;

inspire us to protect the unborn,

to help the poor, the marginalized,

and to give support to the infirm and elderly.

Weighed down at times by our concerns, but hopeful for the future,

we turn to you, the new Eve, Mother of all the living, for help and for strength.

Your Son is the beginning of God's New Creation and you are his Masterpiece:

intercede for our Churches, for all our people,

especially the Indigenous Peoples, the first stewards of this land of Canada,

and all who come here to live, take refuge, or visit.

May the Cross of your Son, planted on Canadian soil and in Canadian hearts, be known as the Tree of Life, whose fruit is visible and available to all in the garden of this world. Mary our Mother, we place our country Canada in the sanctuary of your Holy Heart for we know that there we will find Jesus, who lives and reigns with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

The Bread of Heaven: On the night he was baptized, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples and said: "Take, Eat. This is my Body." He took the cup, gave thanks and said: "Take. Drink. This is my Blood." Since Christ himself has declared the bread to be his body, who can have any further doubt? Since he himself has said quite categorically, "This is my blood, who would dare to question it and say that it is not his blood?"

Therefore, it is with complete assurance that we receive the bread and wine as the body and blood of Christ. His body is given to us under the symbol of bread, and his blood is given to us under the symbol of wine, in order to make us one with him. Do not, then, regard the Eucharistic elements as ordinary bread and wine. They are, in fact, the body and blood of the Lord, as he himself declared. Whatever your senses may tell you, be strong in faith.

From: Jerusalem Catecheses

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristans	Readers	Collectors	Communion Minister	Altar Servers	Music
July 1	Mary Organ	Monica Willcott	Finton Organ Pat Pittman Willie MacDonald	Mitchell Willcott	Edith Organ Juanita Organ	Mary Organ
July 2	Jenny Maggie	Mary Organ	Helena Thornhill Necia Dollimont Mary Organ	Calvin Collier	Jenny Brenda Davis	Lenora Lambert Tracey Perry
July 8	<u>NO MASS</u>					
July 9 6:00 pm	Mary Organ	Lydia Walsh	Helena Thornhill Necia Dollimont Mary Organ	Ralph Blake	Matthew Mitchell	Folk Choir

Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church – offertory ----- \$903.00 Chase The Ace Proceeds: ----- \$312.50
 Diocesan: Peter's Pence: ----- \$25.00 Donation: ----- \$1000.00
 Donation: ----- \$500.00

Gratefully Acknowledged donation of \$1000.00, In loving memory of Ron and Joan Kendall, from Kendall Family

Steubenville Atlantic: Together with Father Brian Colbert, thirty-eight young people will attend from the Diocese of Grand Falls. As the young people come together in a spirit of fun and friendship and faith, I pray that all these young people and chaperones will be filled with joy and God's blessing. The Lord be with You. *Bon Voyage Elizabeth, Thomas and Jessica.*

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Website Update

The St. Ignatius Parish website is up and running and updates are done on a regular basis. The bulletin is posted there each week. Please help share the word, especially to friends and family who are living away. You can visit the website at www.st.ignatiusparish.net

ST. IGNATIUS PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Call for Expressions of Interest on the Adaptive Reuse of Immaculate Conception Church, Harbour Grace

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Grand Falls is seeking Calls for Expressions of Interest on the adaptive reuse of the former Immaculate Conception Church in Harbour Grace. Opened in 1892, this large stone building, built in the Gothic Revival style, has been designated as a Registered Heritage Structure. Individuals, companies or community organizations interested in acquiring the property or entering into a long-term lease to reuse it, while preserving its heritage values, are requested to submit an Expression of Interest. Copies of the Call for Expression of Interest may be accessed on the diocesan website at: www.rcdiocesegrandfalls.ca. The **deadline** for submissions is **August 8, 2017 @ 4 pm.**

18th Annual Bay D'Espoir Cancer Benefit Concert

OPENING CEREMONIES BEGIN AT 2:00 PM. WITH THE CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE

Unlike other concerts, the ticket tables, concession stands, bar service and children's activities will begin at 3:30 or when the formal service ends.

The annual Cancer Benefit concert is fast approaching and we are in the planning stages for what we anticipate will another successful concert. It's truly a day of celebration for all residents of Bay D'Espoir, as we have proudly established and maintained a public fund for almost two decades and raised over one million dollars to financially assist our cancer patients and families. Please help us keep the momentum going for years to come.

This fund sets us apart as a unique community, province wide!

We are sure that each resident is aware of the financial hardship that accompanies a diagnosis of cancer as well as the tremendous relief that companies financial support. We all support our Cancer patients and their families when we support this benefit concert in July and throughout the year.

Due to the increased activities for children, we hope you can support us in obtaining an increased number of prizes for various games. We anticipate this to be a family fun event, enjoy and endeared by all who attend.

Finally, volunteers are always needed and welcomed. To volunteer or for further information, please contact a Committee member at the telephone numbers indicate below:

Helena Thornhill-538-3545, Roberta Collier- 538-3237, Louise Buffett-538-3038, Leah Willcott-538-3238, Sandra Melbourne- 538-79347, Gary Whilte-882-3743, Jean Gould 538-3222, Danny McDonald 538-7684

