

**OCTOBER 2 - MEMORIAL OF THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS:** The word ‘angel’ comes from the Greek word for ‘messenger’. It was widely believed that people had an angelic being, a guardian angel, assigned by God, and the Scriptures contain many references to their activities. For example, in the *Acts of the Apostles* we read how Peter was assisted by an angel in his escape from prison. A memorial to guardian angels was entered into the calendar of the Western Church in 1670.

**OCTOBER 4 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI:** Born in Assisi, Italy, Francesco Bernardone responded to a call to serve God and the poor. His zeal for God won many disciples who numbered 5000 by 1219. At Christmas 1223, Francis built a crèche, beginning the Christmas Crib custom which has spread throughout Christendom. His visionary leadership inspired thousands to lead lives of poverty, simplicity, and humble service, delighting in creation and consumed with love for Christ. Francis is also recognized as being the first to teach that the earth itself is holy. Francis died in 1226, was canonized in 1228, and is a patron of Italy and of ecologists.

**October 6 - Memorial of Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher, Virgin:** Born in 1811 in Quebec, Marie-Rose Durocher was the foundress and first superior of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary. The community, dedicated to religious education, grew despite poverty and hardship, and several schools were established. Today the outreach of the Congregation is worldwide. Marie-Rose Durocher was beatified in 1982.

**October 6 - Memorial of Saint Bruno, Priest:** About the year 1030, Bruno was born in Cologne, Germany. An eminent scholar, he became professor of Theology and Grammar at Rheims. In 1080, filled with the desire to live a contemplative life, he gave up his riches and, with six companions, began to live as a hermit. In 1084, the group was given land high in the Chartreuse mountains. This was the beginning of the Carthusian Order, of which Bruno was the founder, and of the great abbey which is its Motherhouse. In 1101, after founding a second monastery, he died, leaving no rule, but a spirit of prayerful simplicity which still lives on.

**OCTOBER 7 - MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY:** This feast was celebrated in the late fifteenth century by some confraternities of the Rosary, and in 1571 was solemnized by Pope Pius V in thanksgiving for a battle victory. In 1716 the celebration of this feast was extended to the universal Church by Pope Clement XI.



## ST. IGNATIUS PARISH

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### **TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

In today's *Parable of the Two Sons*, we see the importance of one's words and deeds being in harmony with each other. This was not the case with either son in today's Gospel. The first son, in response to his father's words, ". . . go and work in the vineyard today", answered "I will not" but later changed his mind and went; the second said, "I am going, sir" but did not. Even though the first son did the will of his father, neither son's words and actions were "in harmony". Today's parable is a reminder of the inconsistencies often present in our lives of faith. It is also a challenge for us to overcome these inconsistencies. Saint Paul, in today's Second Reading, says "Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus". With Christ as our model, we too can pattern our lives in imitation of Him who said "Yes" to the Father even to death on the Cross, and, setting aside his divine glory, made Himself the Servant of us all. As fervent believers, faithful to our prayer and devotions, we are called to put into practice the fruits of our prayer, putting ourselves at the service of others, and thereby imitating Christ whose words and actions were in harmony with each other.

### **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

#### **Weekend Liturgy: Sat-September 30 and October 1**

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch—Edith.Collier

St.Alban's-Sunday-10:30a.m.St.IgnatiusChurch—**ParishFamily**

Conne River-Sunday-2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church- Madeline John

#### **Daily Masses Mon October 2 – Fri October 6**

Mon -11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----George & Laura O'Keefe

Tues-11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Alfred & Marie Collier

Wed -11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Joclyn Crant

Thurs-11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Jenny & Eugene Nugent

Fri ----11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Cecil Organ (Mary)

#### **Weekend Liturgy: Sat- October 7 and Sun- October 8**

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch-Kenneth Willcott & Jaydon  
Strickland

St.Alban's-Sunday-10:30a.m.St.IgnatiusChurch—**ParishFamily**

Conne River-Sunday-2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church-- Keith Drew

## MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Collectors</i>
<b>Sept 30</b>	Mary S	Ann B	Father Patrick	Finton O Gerard S
<b>Oct 1</b>	Mary S	Lydia W	Father Patrick	William M Ivan O
<b>Oct 7</b>	Monica K	Pat P	Father Patrick	Kevin O Monica K
<b>Oct 8</b>	Monica K	Valerie H	Father Patrick	Anthony W Perry C

### Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$659.00
St. Anne's	97.00
Mass Stipends	5.00
Candles	102.00
Diocesan Collection (Needs of the Church in Canada)	105.00
50/50 Fundraiser (September 28, 2023)	3100.00

**Congratulations** to Lucy Organ, winner of the September 2023 50/50 Fundraiser. (\$1550.00)

**Thank you for your continued support to the parish.**

### Belvedere Orphanage Fund

Belvedere Orphanage Fund Inc. is a Trust Fund which provides assistance for needy female and male orphans and half-orphans. To be eligible an applicant must be 18 years or younger on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year applying. All applicants will be assessed before a final decision is made. Applications for the 2023 distribution should be received by October 20, 2023. For more information, please contact the parish office at 538-3106.

### October: Month of the Holy Rosary

October is one of the two months that the Catholic Church recognizes as a month devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary. During the month of October, on **Saturday evenings only** Fr. Patrick will be reciting the Holy Rosary before Mass service at 6:40 p.m.

### 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 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:** 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.

### Pastoral Appointments

On September 15, 2023, Bishop Anthony Daniels announced new pastoral appointments in the Diocese of Grand Falls-Windsor. These appointments become effective October 30, 2023. A complete list of the pastoral appointments can be viewed at the Church main entrance bulletin board.

### Thank You

Rev. Patrick Osuji will be leaving our Parish effective October 30, 2023 and assuming pastoral duties at Sacred Heart Parish, Badger and St. Theresa's Parish, Buchans. The parishioners of St. Ignatius and St. Anne's Church, the Parish Council and residents of surrounding communities are immensely grateful for your service as priest in our Parish. Your leadership has been exemplary and inspirational to many. May God be with you on this next chapter of your life.

**Visitations In Central NL:** Fr. Patrick will be in Grand Falls-Windsor from Monday, August 14 until Friday, August 18. If anyone from the Bay D'Espoir area has a family member or someone they know residing in a retirement complex or healthcare facility and would like a visit from Fr. Patrick, please call the Parish office at (709)-538-3106 on Monday or Tuesday, August 14 and August 15 to arrange a visitation. Please leave a message and your call will be returned. The required information will be the person's name, residing address, a preferred time for the visit, and telephone number if applicable. Visitations can be arranged for facilities located in Grand Falls-Windsor, Bishops Falls, and Botwood.

### **SOWING THE SEEDS**