

**October 9 - Memorial of Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs:**

Denis was the first bishop of Paris. During a third century persecution, the missionary Denis was preaching in the area now known as Paris when he and two companions suffered martyrdom. Later a chapel was built over their tomb on Montmartre, “the mount of martyrs”; this chapel grew into the great abbey of Saint Denis. Denis is patron saint of France.

**October 9 - Memorial of Saint John Leonardi, Priest:**

John Leonardi, born in 1550 during the Catholic Reformation, was an assistant pharmacist when he decided to study for the priesthood. After ordination in 1572, he worked with the sick and imprisoned in Italy. His way of life soon attracted others and together they decided to form a new congregation, the Clerks Regular of the Mother of God. John also helped establish the forerunner to the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples. He died in Rome in 1609, having caught the plague from those he tended.

**OCTOBER 9 - THANKSGIVING DAY:**

Today it is fitting for God’s people to offer public thanks for all the gifts we have received. The bountiful produce of the earth is a visible sign of the many blessings God wants to shower on us through Christ. Our God also wants us to share the goods of the earth with all people.

**October 11 - Memorial of Saint John XXIII, Pope:**

Born in 1881, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was ordained a Priest in 1904, appointed Bishop in 1925, created a Cardinal in 1953, and elected Pope in 1958, taking the name John XXIII. During his pontificate of less than five years, the world came to see him as an authentic image of the Good Shepherd. Meek and gentle, enterprising and courageous, simple and active, he carried out the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, bestowing on all his fatherly care. He contributed to the Social Magisterium of the Church with his two Encyclicals, *Pacem in Terris* and *Mater et Magistra*, convoked the Roman Synod, established the Commission for the Revision of the Code of Canon Law, and summoned the Second Vatican Council. Known to the faithful as “the good Pope”, Pope John XXIII died on June 3, 1963, and was canonized on April 27, 2014.

**October 14 - Memorial of Saint Callistus I, Pope, Martyr:**

From his early years, Callistus was the slave of a Christian. Honest and intelligent, Callistus was put in charge of a bank which eventually failed. For this and other incidents he was arrested and sentenced to forced labour in Sardinian mines. He later became a free man, and about 199 Pope Zephyrinus appointed Callistus his deacon and counsellor and put him in charge of the first official Christian cemetery in Rome. In 217, Callistus was elected Pope by a majority vote of the Roman clergy and laity. He met a violent death about 222, probably during an uprising against Christians, and was buried on the Via Aurelia.



## ST. IGNATIUS PARISH

**ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH-ST. ALBAN'S ST. ANNE'S CHURCH- CONNE RIVER**

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

In today’s Gospel we hear *The Parable of the Tenants in the Vineyard*. In this parable, Jesus tells of a landowner (God) who places his vineyard (God’s Kingdom - Israel) in the hands of tenant workers (Israel’s religious leaders). The landowner sends his servants (God’s prophets) to collect the produce but they are either beaten, rejected, or killed. Finally, the landowner sends his beloved son (Jesus Christ) but the tenants kill him too. Today the vineyard is the Church, the great vineyard that the Lord cultivates and cares for and that is entrusted to us, his servant disciples. Many people, however, continue to reject God’s Son and fail to work his vineyard. Yet the Church continues to grow because it is built on a sure foundation, the chief cornerstone – Jesus Christ. This week let us reflect on our part in building up the Church. How are we working the vineyard and producing the fruits of the Kingdom, thus helping it to grow as God desires?

### ***LITURGICAL SCHEDULE***

**Weekend Liturgy: Sat-October 7 and 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

**Daily Masses Mon October 9 – Fri October 13**

Mon - Private-----Margaret Hudson

Tues - Private-----Owen Hoskins

Wed – Private-----Edward & Elizabeth Mullins

Thurs- Private-----Jeremiah & Amelia Sutton and deceased family members

Fri ----Private-----Michael Farrell

**Weekend Liturgy: Sat- October 14 and Sun- October 15**

St.Alban’s-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch---John Murphy Jr.

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

Conne River-Sunday-2:00 p.m. St. Anne’s Church--- Frank.&.Elizabeth.Drew

**Please Note:** Daily Mass intentions will be private next week (October 9 – October 13) as Fr. Patrick is away.

## MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Collectors</i>
<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
<b>Oct 14</b>	Patsy M	Gerry C	Father Patrick	Finton O Gerard S
<b>Oct 15</b>	Patsy M	Cindy B	Father Patrick	William M Ivan O

### Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church \$715.00  
St. Anne's 57.00

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

### Stipends (as recommended by the Diocese)

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

### 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.

### Knights of Columbus Scholarships:

Available to **all** students who graduated Grade XII with Honours in June 2023 and are attending a Post-Secondary institution in September. Application deadline: **October 31, 2023.** Information and applications under **scholarships** on the State Council website at **[www.kofcnl.org](http://www.kofcnl.org)**.

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

**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**