## JUNE 24 - SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN

**THE BAPTIST:** This feast is celebrated on this day as it is six months before the birth of Christ. With its proximity to the summer solstice, it signifies the waning of the light, while the birth of Jesus near the winter solstice marks the coming of the light. John was given his name on the occasion of his birth in accordance with an angel's instruction to his father, Zechariah. In disbelief that he and Elizabeth would have a son, Zechariah asked for a sign and was struck dumb, but in the giving of the name, his speech was restored.

## JUNE 28 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT IRENAEUS, BISHOP,

**MARTYR:** Irenaeus was ordained a priest and later became a bishop. His writings in refuting heresies helped lay the foundations of Christian theology. Perhaps his most important contribution was his assertion that creation is not sinful by nature, but rather distorted by sin. As God created us, so God redeemed us: our fallen human nature could only be saved by Christ assuming it in the Incarnation.

## JUNE 29 - SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL,

<u>APOSTLES:</u> Peter was first known as Simon, but after he confessed that Jesus was "the Christ, the Son of the living God" Jesus changed his name to Peter and told him that it was on this rock that he would build his Church. From the middle of the third century, documents show that the Bishops of Rome were recognized as the successors of Peter. Paul was at first a zealous persecutor of Christians, but he underwent a profound conversion and became an ardent follower of Christ, spending his remaining years bearing witness to Christ and teaching and preaching the Good News. Both Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome.



# ST. IGNATIUS PARISH



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In today's Gospel, as Jesus and his disciples are crossing to the other side of the Sea of Galilee away from the crowds, a violent windstorm arises causing the waves to "beat into the boat". While Jesus sleeps peacefully, the disciples panic, afraid that they are about to sink. We too can be buffeted by great storms in life – illness, job loss, betrayal, stress, to name a few – and, like the disciples, we too can have a tendency to panic. Such storms, as difficult as they are, may indeed be a test of love so that our faith, "which is more precious than gold", may be refined and deepen. In today's Gospel, Jesus is guiding the disciples – and us – toward full and complete trust in him. When we experience difficult times, we need to remind ourselves that Jesus is experiencing them alongside us, loving us and saving us from being overwhelmed by them. At such times, let us hear the words spoken by Jesus in today's Gospel, "Peace! Be still!" and let us draw on our faith which can help us recognize Jesus' presence in our lives, both in times of calmness and in times of adversity.

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## Weekend Liturgy: Sat. - June 22 and Sun. - June 23

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch------Genevieve Smith St.Alban's-Sunday – 4:00p.m. St.Ignatius Church------George Melvin Drew & Conne River-Sunday-2:00p.m. St. Anne's Church------George Melvin Drew & family members

## Daily Masses Mon. June 24 – Fri. June 28

## Mon – No Mass Scheduled

Tues - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel------Christopher Cobb Wed - 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel------Agatha Barnes Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Parish Chapel-----Doris Hamlyn Fri ---- 7:00 p.m. Parish Chapel------Maurice Willcott

## Weekend Liturgy: Sat. - June 29 and Sun. - June 30

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch--Theresa Pittman, Betty Hoskins,&Barry.Cox St.Alban's-Sunday - 4:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----*Parish Family* Conne River-Sunday 2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church-----Leonard John

# MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

Date	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Collectors
June 22	Jean K	Monica W	Father Tom Edith O	Finton O Gerard S
June 23	Jean K	Lydia W	Father Tom Valerie H	William M Ivan O
June 29	Patsy M	Pat P	Father Tom Christine H	Kevin O Bill D
June 30	Patsy M	Valerie H	Father Tom Mary S	Anthony W

### Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$796.00
St. Anne's Church	140.00
Donation (IMO Marie Haggerty)	300.00
Insurance	15.00
Funeral Stipend	200.00
Mass Stipend	66.00
Certificates	10.00

**<u>Thank You:</u>** St. Ignatius Parish would like to extend its thanks to Samuel Haggerty and family for their generous donation of \$300.00 in memory of wife and mother Marie.

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

#### Stipends (as recommended by the Diocese)

 Funerals
 \$200.00

 Weddings
 \$200.00

 Baptism
 \$25.00

<u>Please Note</u>: There will be no Daily Chapel Mass on Monday, June 24.

## <u>WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS PARISH: ST. IGNATIUS</u> <u>CHURCH AND ST. ANNE'S CHURCH:</u>

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. Ignatius Parish and St. Anne's Church extend to the family of the late Mary Long of St. Alban's their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.