

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: Support for the Bishops of Canada to pursue the Church's pastoral mission. Though it is difficult to comprehend the full extent of the pandemic on Canadian society, Bishops easily recognize, nevertheless, the common experiences that have touched all regions: communities in lockdown; overwhelmed healthcare providers and institutions; struggling businesses; and the mental, emotional and physical toll on families, friends and neighbours. This past spring, the Church in Canada entered into a period of deep sorrow when results from investigations into gravesites at former Indian Residential Schools were shared. As Bishops, we saw ever more clearly the pain and suffering of the past, and renewed our pledge to continue walking side by side with Indigenous Peoples in the present, seeking greater healing and reconciliation for the future. As we remain steadfast in responding to the impact of the pandemic upon our communities of faith and the healing and reconciliation for Indigenous Peoples across the land, your prayers, gestures of kindness and generosity are invaluable, heartfelt and true sources of consolation, comfort and renewed encouragement in the pursuit of the Church's pastoral mission. We will have more to say on this important work in the days and weeks ahead, particularly as the Plenary Assembly of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops meets for its annual meeting next week. In the meantime, to ensure that the Church's operational, spiritual, and programming needs are met, we will be proceeding with the annual Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada on 25 and 26 September 2021. This annual charitable initiative assists the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. We appreciate any commitments that you are able to make. **SUBSCRIBE TO CCCB NEWS OR FOLLOW US ON TWITTER** To receive CCCB news through our free and confidential e-mail service, please fill out the form at this link: <https://www.cccb.ca/news/subscribe/> Follow the CCCB on Twitter: https://twitter.com/CCCB_CECC

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30th.

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has announced that it, too, will observe the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30th.**

The day will honour survivors and raise awareness about the victims of residential schools in Canada.

The Diocese of Grand Falls will observe the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30th. Parish offices in the Diocese will be closed on that day.



St. Ignatius Parish



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Ignatius Church-St. Alban's St. Anne's Church- Conne River

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's Gospel, as Jesus continues his teaching, he moves from the image of a Suffering Messiah to that of a Servant Messiah. The opportune moment arises when Jesus becomes aware that his disciples have been arguing about who is the greatest. Jesus takes the world's notion of greatness and turns it upside down, saying, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all". The drive for power and human greatness is strong. It shows itself whenever people act out of personal ambition or push themselves forward, or try to manage situations so that they look cleverer or more talented or in any way superior to others. Christ's teaching, on the other hand, abolishes such ideas which lead to superiority and inferiority. This week, let us humbly pray for the grace to gradually learn how to make ourselves "last of all and servant of all" so that our Church communities will be places where everyone acts as the servant of one another.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily masses Mon September 20 – Fri September 24

Mon – 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church----- Pauline Mayo

Tues – 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church ---- Everest Barnes

Wed – 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----Caroline & Arthur Willcott

Thurs- 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church----- Francis MacNeil

Fri- 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church----- Melita Collier Kubis

Weekend Liturgy: Sat September 25 and Sun September 26

St. Alban's-Sat 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----Alma Gaulton

St. Alban's-Sun 10:30 a.m. St. Ignatius Church—***Parish Family***

Conne River-Sun 2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church-----Kevin Kelly

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Music
Sept 18	Mary S Patsy M	Pat P	Father Patrick	
Sept 19	Mary S Patsy M	Cindy B	Father Patrick	
Sept 25	Edith O	Ann B	Father Patrick	
Sept 26	Edith O	Valerie H	Father Patrick	

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$659.00
St. Anne's Church	77.00
Mass Stipends	55.00
Baptism Stipend	30.00
Religious Articles	11.00

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

Stipends (as recommended by the Diocese) Certificates (copy)

Funerals \$200.00	Baptism \$5.00
Weddings \$200.00	Confirmation \$5.00
Baptism \$25.00	Communion \$5.00

Marriages

By appointment minimum six months in advance. Marriage preparation course required.

Knights of Columbus Scholarships:

Available to **all** students who graduated Grade XII with Honours in June 2021 and are attending a Post-Secondary institution in September. Application deadline:

October 31, 2021. Information and applications under **scholarships** on the State Council website at **www.kofcni.org**.

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

Congratulations on your Baptism

We welcome into our parish community Harrison Samuel Penton, baptized on September 12th, 2021. May this sacred day bring many blessings and much happiness to you and your family.

Condolences

The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish extend to the family of the late Teresa Collier their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.

Statement from the Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops on the upcoming federal elections: "Voting: a duty, a gift, an opportunity"

The Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops encourages all Catholics in Canada to vote in the upcoming federal elections. In preparation, the faithful should reflect on their concerns and aspirations, familiarize themselves with the different party platforms, as well as with the candidates in their respective ridings, and come to a decision about whom to vote for with a free and informed conscience. When deciding which party to support or whom to vote for, every Canadian follows their conscience. That said, Catholics are called to discern their options on the basis of key principles of the Church's social doctrine and according to their beliefs: respect for the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death; protection of religious freedom; healing and reconciliation of Indigenous peoples and communities; respect for the environment the struggle for the eradication of poverty; promotion of a fair and equitable economy for all; defense of the dignity of work and the fundamental rights of workers; establishment of peace domestically and abroad. The democratic duty of every citizen to vote in an election is likewise a gift and an opportunity to exercise civic and social responsibility. By carefully considering our choices, we help shape the fabric of the society in which we live, as well as the legacy we are leaving to younger Canadians. During an election, Catholics can be faced with difficult choices. For this reason, in addition to informing one's conscience, reflecting deeply and sharing with others, we encourage the faithful to invoke the Holy Spirit for an outpouring of his manifold gifts so that the electoral process and whatever lies ahead for us may be marked by enduring peace, justice, respect and social order, so that together we strive to build a brighter future for all. 17 September 2021