JANUARY 1 -THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD: This feast of Mary falls exactly one week after Christmas, at the end of the octave of Christmas. The solemnity is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus and hence also a celebration of Mary as the Mother of God. Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honour we can give Mary, and celebrating her divine maternity during the Christmas octave makes complete sense in that the celebration is connected closely to Christ's birth. In his encyclical, Marialis Cultus, Pope Paul VI further noted the connection to New Year's Day and Mary's role as Queen of Peace. Thus it is fitting that January 1, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, is also observed as World Day of Peace. This day is a Holy Day of Obligation.

JANUARY 7 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANDRÉ BESSETTE, RELIGIOUS: Born in Quebec in 1845, Alfred Besette joined the Congregation of the Holy Cross in 1870, taking the name Brother André, the name by which he is known to many in Montreal. In the course of his duties as porter at Collège Notre-Dame in Montreal, he welcomed the sick and afflicted, praying with them through the intercession of Saint Joseph, and was credited with extraordinary favours and with healings. Across from the college, he erected a statue of Saint Joseph on a mountain and later was responsible for building a wooden chapel there which grew into a basilica. Today Saint Joseph's Oratory welcomes more than two million visitors each year. Brother André lived to be 91. He was beatified in 1982 and was canonized on October 17, 2010.

January 8 - Memorial of Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest: Raymond was born in 1175 in Spain. In 1222 he became a Dominican priest. An outstanding philosopher and lawyer, he was responsible for the organization of papal decrees which became the basis for the original code of canon law. Raymond died at Barcelona on January 6, 1275, in his 100th year. He was canonized in 1601. He is a patron saint of lawyers, including canon lawyers.



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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek noun "epiphaneia" which means "shining forth", "manifestation", or "revelation". The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates God's revelation or manifestation of Jesus' identity as true God, Messiah, and Saviour of the world. There is great joy in the proclamation that God is made known to the entire world in Christ Jesus; on the other hand, this brings with it a great challenge for us to be open and accepting of others, to ensure that all people are welcome, and that all needs are met.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily masses will remain private Mon Jan 4- Jan 8
Mon – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Eve & Gordon Collier
Tues – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Christine Willcott & deceased family members
Wed – 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Chesley & Molly Willcott
Thurs- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Henrietta & Aloysius Walsh & deceased family members
Fri- 11:00 a.m. Parish Chapel----Gregory Collier

Weekend Liturgy: Sat Jan 9th and Sun Jan 10th

St. Alban's-Sat 7:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----Michael Davis, Olive Smith and Leonard Smith St. Alban's-Sun 10:30 a.m.St. Anne's Church-----*Parish Family*

Conne River-Sun 2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church----Alice McDonald, Gilbert Jeddore, John N. Jeddore, Edwin Jeddore & Noel Jeddore



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Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Music
Dec 31	Mary/Patsy	Edith O	Father Patrick	
Jan 1	Mary/Patsy	Cindy B	Father Patrick	Jessica Valerie
Jan 2	Teresa/Ann	Pat P	Father Patrick	
Jan 3	Teresa/Ann	Valerie H	Father Patrick	
Weekly Pari	sh Income			
St. Ignatius Church \$ 872.00			Insurance	\$ 20.00
St. Anne's Church 100.00			Donations	60.00
Parish Dues 60.00			Flowers	70.00
Christmas Offering 2499.30			Mass Stipe	nds 40.00
St. Ignatius Ticket Draw 1000.00			Missals	30.00
Advent Folders 517.50				

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New Year begins,

let us pray that it will be a year with New Peace, New Happiness and abundance of new friends in Christ Jesus, God bless you through out the New Year." 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

Christmas Flowers have been donated in Loving Memory of:

Thomas & Georgina Barnes, Jacob Benoit and Philip Cox Janet Organ by Brian, Alice and Family Jason and Corey Willcott by Mom, Dad and Family John and Winnifred Willcott, Marg French and Robert and Irene Snook by Julie-Ann Willcott Deceased members of Hull and Collier Families Hoskins and Willcott Family and Farrell Family by Geraldine Farrell

Burial of ashes in the province of NL

In the past, virtually all burials - whether of cremated or non cremated remains - were handled through Funeral Homes who provided all the necessary documents and permits required by the Province. Today, more and more, people who no longer have a connection to a Funeral Home and have been given custody of the ashes of their loved ones, are coming forward asking for burial. This is a good thing and we welcome those who want the prayers of the Church at the time of burial. We need to be sure that we, as a parish, comply with all the legal and regulatory requirements of the Province.

Therefore, as of **Janurary 1st, 2021**, to have loved ones' ashes buried in our cemeteries, whether you are from our Parish or from outside the Province, whether you are dealing with a Funeral Director of handling the burial personally, the family is **required** to have the following documents: the original burial permit and a Statement of Death. The parish has to be notified of the death and pending burial.

Burial of ashes in a cemetery without notification to the parish and funeral home is **strictly prohibited**.

In the past, our funeral directors have often submitted the permits after the burial, this is no longer permitted. There will be no burial taking place without a burial permit provided prior to the burial. It is the responsibility of the family to ensure the permit is submitted.

