

"Through him the children of light rise to eternal life and the halls of the heavenly Kingdom are thrown open to the faithful" (Preface II of Easter).

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, 2018.

#### Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

During the past forty days, we have embraced the three pillars of Lent. Through *prayer*, we have experienced the closeness of God and been given numerous opportunities to give God praise. Through *fasting*, we have humbled ourselves and experienced the spiritual hunger that only God can satisfy. Through *almsgiving*, we have expressed our gratitude for the countless gifts God has given us by giving freely and generously to others. In each of these Lenten Disciplines, we have chosen to imitate Jesus' acts of self-giving and sacrificial love and, in this way, we have died to ourselves.

Now it is time to celebrate! Alleluia! Alleluia!

We celebrate that Jesus, who chose to die for us – the innocent for the guilty – has triumphed over death and is risen to new life. Jesus' resurrection is the assurance that God has power over death and that selfless love is always victorious over evil.

We **celebrate** that Jesus has been raised in glory. When Jesus rose from the dead, he was not restored to his life before death, but was raised to a new life of glory and eternal joy - he will never suffer from the limits of human frailty again.

We **celebrate** that the resurrection of Jesus was not a personal triumph but rather a triumph into which we too are invited. Jesus entered into our humanity, accepted death on the cross, and rose from the dead knowing that he was initiating a new way of life for all those who unite themselves to him – who believe his message and follow his example. "For his death is our ransom from death, and in his rising the life of all has risen" (Preface II of Easter).

May your celebration of our Lord's Resurrection renew your faith, deepen your discipleship, and bring you lasting joy. Happy Easter to you and to your family and loved ones.

In Christ,

Most Reverend R. Anthony Daniels Bishop of Grand Falls



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# EASTER SUNDAY

<u>THE EASTER SEASON:</u> The Easter season is celebrated during the seven weeks between Easter and Pentecost. Called "the Great Sunday" by Saint Athanasius, these fifty days of Easter are celebrated as one great Feast Day. These days, above all others, are the days for the singing of the Alleluia and so, throughout the entire Easter season, Christians sing the triumphant "Alleluia" as they continue to rejoice in the hope of the resurrection.

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass Schedule: April 2 <sup>na-</sup> April 6 <sup>th</sup>					
Monday	11:00 am	Parish	Chapel Albert Morris		
Tuesday – Friday			No Mass		

### Weekend Liturgy: Saturday, April 7th and April 8th

St. Alban's Sat 7:00 p.m	St. Ignatius Church Eileen Collier
St. Alban's Sun 10:30 a.m	St. Ignatius Church Parish Family
Conne River Sun 2:00 p.m	St. Anne's Church Annette & William Drew

*Parish Office:* The parish Office will be closed on Easter Monday. Father Patrick will be away most of the week, but the office will be opened from Tuesday - Friday. In case of emergency or sick call, please call the parish office or Jean at home (538-3222) if after parish hours, or Father David Joy can also be reached in Harbour Breton at 885-2338.



We may overlook some of the important things in life when we are carried away by other things that keep us occupied. It is good to step back and slow down so we can recall all of the things we should be grateful for. Easter is a good time for recollection and being thankful for all the blessings that we have in our lives. **Happy Easter**!!

## MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

DATE	Sacristans	Readers	Collectors	Communion Minister	Altar Servers	Music
Holy Saturday	Mary Strickland Patsy MacDonald	Christine Farrell Philomena Sutton Gerry Cox Valerie Hoskins	Christine Howse Elizabeth Murphy Gerard Smith	Ann Christine Jessica	Jenny Mary W.	Adult Choir
Easter Sunday	Mary Organ	Amber Willcott Thomas Collier	Perry Cox Helena T. Necia Dollimont	Genevieve Mary O. Valerie	Jean G. Mary S.	Children's choir Valerie Coombs
April 7	Mary Organ	Christina Farrell	Finton Organ Pat Pittman Willie MacDonald	Elizabeth Murphy	Margaret Edith	Kennedy Willcott Tracy Perry
April 8	Jenny Maggie	Joanne Farrell	Perry Cox Helena T. Necia Dollimont	Mary Strickland	Anthony Kevin	Lenora Lambert

#### Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church – Offertory	- \$1015.20	St. Anne's Church – Offertory	\$164.70
Chase The Ace Proceeds:	\$142.50	Easter Flowers :	\$50.00
Mass Stipends:	\$40.00	Donation:	\$25.00
Insurance:	\$50.00	Diocesan: Holy Thursday:	\$5.00

Gratefully acknowledged donation *In loving memory of Minnie Barnes* by S. Butler & Lyndon Russell.

**Chase The Ace:** Will be held at the RC Legion on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm. Fundraiser open to all persons 19 years and older. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

## April 22<sup>rd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 is National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week (NOTDAW).

The Provincial Organ Donor Program would like to request that during services from April 22rd to April 28th we give thanks for the Gift of Life. To give thanks and prayers to honor those who, through Organ and Tissue donation, have given life

to others. To give thanks to the families who have considered those in need at their time of greatest sorrow and sadness.

For more information on tissue and organ donation, please contact a donation coordinator at 777-6600 or toll free 1-877-640-1110.



**THE EASTER OCTAVE:** The first eight days of the Easter season, from Easter Sunday to the Sunday following Easter, are known as the Easter Octave. The weekdays during this time period are celebrated as Solemnities of the Lord.

## ST. IGNATIUS PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

#### EASTER FLOWERS

In Loving Memory of Benny Long, by wife Frances In Loving Memory of Arch Dollimont, by Vivian & Family In Loving Memory of Benny Long, by Judy In Loving Memory of Leonard, Margaret & Benny Long, by the Long Family

### Knights of Columbus Supreme Essay Contest

Contest is open to all Catholic students — in public or private — in grades 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 during the current school year.

This year's theme is **"Going to the Peripheries."** The contest opens the doors of young minds, enabling the entrants to be creative, thoughtful and introspective in their work. **2017-2018 Essay Contest Theme:** 

Discuss the role of the Catholic Church going to the peripheries, then select <u>one</u> of the following ideas to complete your essay:

a) Describe the work of one widely known current Catholic who went to the periphery.

b) Describe the work of one widely known historical Catholic who went to the periphery.

c) Describe the work of one person in your life, who helps alleviate human suffering.

First place winners will receive a check for \$200, and two runners-up will receive \$100 and \$50.00 respectively.

Eligibility – The Knights of Columbus Essay Contest is open to all Catholic students — in public or private — in grades 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 during the current school year. Guidelines

• Essays must reflect the assigned theme and topic, and be submitted by the published deadline.

• Essays must be the student's original work.

 $\bullet$  Essays must be typed on 8  $^{1}\!\!/_{2}$  " X 11" paper, one sided, double spaced, with one-inch margins.

• Essays must be between 500 and 750 words long.

• The student's name should appear only on the cover

Deadline for receipt of entries is April 15, 2018. Entries maybe be submitted electronically to Gordon Lannon, email address <u>glannon@kofcnl.org</u> or by mail to:

Gordon Lannon

3 Spruce St

Pasadena, NL A0L1K0

## Needed:

Sacristans are needed for our daily masses as well as our weekend Masses. The role of the Sacristans is to prepare (breads, wine, and altar linens) for the Mass and clean up after the

Mass. The Sacristans would be on the list for a week at a time. Training will be provided. Any help is more than welcome.

Decorators: Decorators are needed to decorate the altar at different times throughout the Liturgical Year. Any help is much appreciated.

If anyone would like to volunteer to be a sacristan or a decorator, please contact the parish office at 538-3106 or any member of the Liturgy Committee. (Connie Willcott, Mary Organ, Valerie Hoskins, Edith Organ) MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!!!

*"With Gratitude & Thanksgiving: Time with David Haas"* The Archdiocese of Moncton is pleased to host David Haas, well known composer of contemporary liturgical music (including: You are Mine, Blest Are They, and We Have Been Told), in **concert on Friday**, **June 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7pm**, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Riverview (5 Fatima Drive, Riverview, NB). Admission: \$20 (cash only). Doors open at 6:30pm. Please note: a collection will be taken up for Music Ministry Alive (MMA) Scholarship Fund for youth and adult music ministry formation.

On **Saturday**, **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, from 9:00am – 2:00pm, David will facilitate a workshop and retreat for *Music Ministers*. Registration fee is: \$35. Advance registration only (Deadline is May 25<sup>th</sup>). Lunch will be provided. Visit <u>www.diomoncton.ca</u> for registration and other information. CDs, music and books by David will be available for purchase before and after the concert, and on Saturday as well.

#### Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Scholarships:

\*\* Available to students who will graduate Grade XII with Honours in June 2018 and will be attending a Post-Secondary institution in September.

\*\*Application deadline: May 1, 2018. Information and applications under scholarships on the Supreme Council website at <u>www.kofc.org</u>. In the upper right hand corner click "for members", click "programs", click "scholarships" and select "Fourth Degree Pro Deo Pro Patria (Canada) Scholarships".

\*\*Complete application order form, click "submit" and it should allow you to print the application. \*\*If you encounter problems please contact Maurice Lewis at 709-447-4461.

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Please advise all members with children in Grade XII in your area.

Put notice in church bulletins from March 17 to April 29, 2018.

**Catholic Easter Prayer** 

*Cremation in the Catholic Church:* Many people are inquiring about cremation in the Church, and some people are choosing to have their body cremated after death. The first thing all must know is that cremation is permitted in the Catholic Church. Some large cities are finding difficulty in obtaining large pieces of ground for new cemeteries and cremation may be a partial solution to this problem. Also, some people die far from home, and the cost of sending home the body in a casket is very expensive compared to sending an urn with a loved ones ashes. Cremation should take place after the funeral Mass. The ashes of the deceased person should be reverently buried or entombed in a place reserved for the burial of the dead. As in life, the body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, so in death the ashes of the deceased person should not be scattered but should be buried in a holy place where we await the resurrection to new life.

**Baptism Registration Form:** This form can now be downloaded from the parish website at <u>www.stignatius.net</u> Just click on SACRAMENTS and select BAPTISM. You can also call – 538-3106 or email <u>st.ignatius@nf.sympatico.ca</u> the parish office to have a registration form emailed to you. **Please contact the parish office during the months of pregnancy (if possible) to arrange for Baptism Preparation.** Baptisms are celebrated upon request after Baptism Preparation has been completed.

#### STIPENDS: (as recommended by the Diocese)

FUNERAL:	\$200.00
Wedding:	\$200.00
Baptism:	\$25.00

Children's Sunday Liturgy: The children's liturgy takes place each Sunday morning, during Mass. Appropriate ages are 4+ years.

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**Grace before meals:** *"Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts which we are about to receive from your goodness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.* 

**Reading the Word at Funeral Masses:** At every Mass, the Word of God should be read with the greatest clarity and reverence and dignity. At every Mass, the Word of God should be proclaimed well. At Funeral Masses, the family and the people attending are most attentive to the Word to find comfort and peace at a very difficult time in their lives. I will speak to both funeral directors in our parish, and a list of readers will be provided so that the family of the deceased can choose readers who have had experience and training in reading of the Word of God. This way, the family do not have to choose family members to read the Word of God.