November 23 - Memorial of Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr: Pope Clement I is recognized as third in succession to Peter. Tradition has it that Clement was a contemporary of Peter and Paul; he was martyred in exile about AD 99. Clement's fame rests in a letter he wrote to the Church of Corinth when Christians there revolted against their leaders. Intervening as Bishop of Rome, he clearly expects obedience. This attitude demonstrates the primacy of Rome at an early date.

November 23 - Memorial of Saint Columban, Abbot: Born in Ireland, Columban was one of the greatest of the Irish monks who carried Celtic Christianity throughout Europe at a time when paganism threatened to extinguish the faith. At age 40, Columban, along with twelve companions, founded ten monastic foundations in Gaul (France) over a period of ten years. Following this, Columban spent the rest of his life in Europe preaching and building new foundations which survived for centuries.

NOVEMBER 24 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANDREW DÜNG-LAC, PRIEST, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS: In the 16th century Christian missionaries went to live among the people of Vietnam. From the 17th to 19th centuries, some 130,000 Christians were martyred. Andrew Düng-Lac and Peter Thi, Vietnamese priests, were beheaded on December 21, 1839. In June 1988, Pope John Paul II declared 117 Vietnamese martyrs as saints of the Church.

November 25 - Memorial of Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr: Catherine was a woman of learning in fourth century Alexandria, Egypt. At 18 years of age she converted to Christianity. She was imprisoned for speaking publicly against the Emperor Maximinus' persecution of Christians. While in prison, she was visited by the Empress and the leader of the armed forces, both of whom she converted. For this, she and they were martyred. Tortured by being strapped to a spiked wheel, Catherine was eventually beheaded. She is a patron of librarians, teachers, students, jurists, nurses, unmarried girls, philosophers, those who work with wheels (i.e., potters, spinners, mechanics, etc.), the dying, and several other groups.





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SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Today, on the last Sunday of this liturgical year (Year A), we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Today's focus is the end-times when Christ the King will "sit on the throne of his glory". Christ, the King, in separating people one from another, is likened to a shepherd who "separates the sheep from the goats". The image of shepherd reminds us that the mission of Jesus was not one of power but of service, and we who are involved in carrying on Christ's mission are, as the Gospel suggests, to put ourselves at the service of others – feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, caring for the sick, and visiting the imprisoned. As we await the beginning of the Advent Season next Sunday, and as we anticipate the birth of Jesus, our 'Shepherd-King' at Christmas, today is a good time to commit to living like the Lord Jesus who came to serve, and not be served, thus building up the Kingdom of God until we are called to eternal life. Then, "freed from the corruption of sin and death", the risen people of God will rejoice in a new heaven and a new earth and shall sing God's glory with every creature (*Eucharistic Prayer IV*).

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – November 21 and Sun. – November 22
St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch----------Everistus Osuji
St. Alban's-Sunday - 4:00p.m. St. Ignatius Church----------***Parish Family***
ConneRiver-Sunday - 2:00p.m.St. Anne's Church--- Frank & Elizabeth Drew
Weekday Masses Mon. November 23 – Fri. November 27
Mon – 10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel----------Jacques Michaud
Tues – 10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel----------Fabian Collier
Wed – 10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel----------Joclyn Crant
Thur – 10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel----------Jessica Stokes
Fri -- 10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel----------Nelson Howse
Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – November 28 and Sun. – November 29
St. Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St. Ignatius Church---George & Pearl Collier
St. Alban's-Sunday - 4:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Church-------***Parish Family***
ConneRiver-Sunday-2:00p.m.St. Anne's Church---Vera & Donald Skinner

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

DATE	*Sacristan*	*Reader*	*Eucharistic Minister*	*Collectors*
November 21	Edith O	Pat P	Edith O	Finton O Gerard S
November 22	Edith O	Cindy B	Mary S	Anthony W Ivan O
November 28	Mary S	Edith O	Patsy M	Kevin O Bill D
November 29	Mary S	Lydia W	Genevieve T	George D Rona H

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	$895.00
St. Anne's Church	495.00
Sunday Missals	280.00
Mass Stipend	20.00

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

St. Alban's Clover Farm Christmas Fundraiser: St. Alban's Clover Farm is having their annual Christmas Fundraiser in aid of St. Ignatius Parish. Tickets will be available at St Alban's Clover Farm. 1st prize - $500.00, 2nd prize - $300.00, 3rd prize - $200.00. Tickets are $5.00 each. Only 500 tickets printed. Winning tickets will be drawn on Friday, December 18th, 2026.

2027 Living with Christ Sunday Missals

Available at the Church entrance. Kevin will assist you on Saturday evening and Brenda Davis on Sunday afternoon. Price is $7.00 per missal.

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

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.

Bay d'Espoir Community Food Bank Christmas Hampers

The Bay d'Espoir Community Food Bank is now preparing for the annual Christmas Hampers for those in need. If you are able to donate any of the following food items, it would be greatly appreciated: Cranberry Sauce, Stove Top Stuffing, Spilt Peas, Can Corn or Can Peas. There is a Christmas donation box to place your items at the main Church entrance.

Thank You for your support!

Temporary Change to Mass Locations – January to Holy Week

Due to the rising cost of heating fuel, we will be making a temporary adjustment to our Mass locations during the winter months. Beginning the weekend of **January 2-3, 2027,** Saturday evening Mass will continue at its regular time of 7:00 p.m., while **Sunday Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Chapel.**

This arrangement will remain in place from **January until Holy Week**.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to manage parish expenses while continuing to provide opportunities for worship and fellowship within our parish community

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