<u>May 13 - Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima</u>: This title was given to the Blessed Virgin Mary after she appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal, between May 13 and October 13, 1917. The three messages or 'secrets' of Fatima stress the importance of repentance, conversion of heart, and dedication to Our Lady, especially through daily praying of the Rosary.

<u>MAY 14 - FEAST OF SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE:</u> According to the Acts of the Apostles (1.15-26), Matthias was chosen after the resurrection to replace Judas. Quoting a psalm, Peter told the 120 people gathered that they must choose a new apostle: someone who had been with them from the time of the baptism of the Lord until the resurrection, someone who could join them in bearing witness to these events. Two names were put forward and Matthias was chosen.

Blessing of Mothers on Mother's Day (May 12th)

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.

Happy Mother's Day!

Through this month of May, we continue to celebrate the Lord's resurrection and its effects in our lives. The risen Lord gathers us as his disciples and friends. He strengthens us with his love and sends us out with the good news. We will bear fruit through unity with him.

Chalice Child Sponsorship Weekend

Chalice is coming to St. Ignatius & St. Joseph Parish! On the Feast of Corpus Christi, At the June 1-2 Masses, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. It is a powerful way to reveal God's love for those most in need. Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and its mission.



ST. IGNATIUS PARISH



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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Ascension of Jesus reminds us that we are pilgrims on a journey, that we are "only passing through" on this earth. Meanwhile, like the apostles, we have work to do. In the readings from the Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel, Jesus tells the apostles that they are witnesses. So too are we. Like the apostles, we are challenged to witness to Christ in our daily lives – in our homes, in our churches, in our local community, and, yes, even to the ends of the earth. What a wonderful privilege this is as sons and daughters of God!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. - May 11 and Sun. - May 12

St.Alban's-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch------Angus.Croft St.Alban's-Sunday-4:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch------**Parish.Family** Conne River-Sunday-2:00 p.m. St. Anne's Church------Madeline John

Daily Masses Mon. May 13 - Fri. May 17

Mon -11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel------Reg & Evelyn Organ Tues -11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel-----Effie Willcott Wed -11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel-----Cyril Tucker **Thur - 6:30 p.m.Parish Chapel**------Everest Barnes Fri - 11:00 a.m.Parish Chapel--Gerald, Beatrice, & Marilyn Willcott and Lena Snooks **Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – May 18 and Sun. – May 19** St.Alban's-Sat-7:00p.m.St.Ignatius.Church------Michael.Farrell

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MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

| Date | Sacristan | Reader | Eucharistic Minister | Collectors |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| May 11 | Monica K | Edith O | Father Tom Edith O | Finton O Gerard S |
| May 12 | Monica K | Lydia W | Father Tom Valerie H | William M Ivan O |
| May 18 | Jean K | Ann B | Father Tom Patsy M | Kevin O Bill D |
| May 19 | Jean K | Valerie H | Father Tom Mary S | Anthony W |

Weekly Parish Income

| St. Ignatius Church | \$1026.50 |
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| St. Anne's | 110.00 |
| Donations | 250.00 |
| Candles | 216.75 |
| Funeral Stipend | 200.00 |
| Diocesan Collections (Pope's Pastoral Works) | 167.00 |
| Donations (2024 Confirmation Candidates) | 60.00 |
| Mass Stipends | 25.00 |
| Certificates | 15.00 |
| EFT (April 2024) | 845.00 |

<u>Thank You:</u> St. Ignatius Parish would like to extend its thanks to Elizabeth Barnes for her generous donation of \$250.00 in memory of her husband Alfred.

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

Stipends (as recommended by the Diocese)

Funerals\$200.00Weddings\$200.00Baptism\$25.00

<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.

Please Note:

The weekday Chapel Mass scheduled for Thursday, May 16th, will occur at 6:30 p.m. instead of the usual 11:00 a.m. time.