

June 22 - Memorial of Saint John Fisher, Bishop, and Saint Thomas More, Martyrs:

Born in Yorkshire in 1469, **John Fisher** was ordained to the priesthood at age 22, and in 1504 he was made bishop of Rochester, a poor diocese which he shepherded for 30 years. When Henry VIII began to seek to annul his marriage to Catherine of Aragon, John refused to sign that part of the Act of Succession of 1534 which had the effect of overriding papal authority. Henry counted this as treason. Old and sick, John Fisher was imprisoned in the Tower of London. Several months later, the Pope made him a cardinal; this angered the king who had John beheaded. Four hundred years later, John was declared a saint. Born in London in 1478, **Thomas More** later made an impression as a lawyer, a scholar, and a politician. His achievements were recognized, and Cardinal Wolsey and the King wanted his services at court; he reluctantly agreed. In 1532 he replaced Wolsey as Lord Chancellor (Prime Minister). He resigned three years later, openly opposing the king. With the passing of the Act of Succession in 1534, Thomas was required to accept it. He refused and was imprisoned in the Tower of London. At age 57, claiming to be “the King’s good servant, but God’s first”, Thomas was beheaded. Four hundred years later, he was declared a saint. He is a patron saint of lawyers, statesmen, and politicians.

JUNE 24 - THE SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST, SPECIAL PATRON OF FRENCH

CANADIANS: John the Baptist is commemorated as the forerunner of the Messiah. He prepares the Lord’s coming not only by his preaching, but in the circumstances of his birth and of his death. The Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist is celebrated six months before the birth of Christ. With its proximity to the summer solstice, it signifies the waning of the light, while the birth of Jesus near the winter solstice marks the coming of the light. John was given his name on the occasion of his birth in accordance with an angel’s instruction to his father, Zechariah. In disbelief that he and Elizabeth would have a son, Zechariah asked for a sign and was struck unable to speak, but in the giving of the name, his speech was restored.



St. Ignatius Parish



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

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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At the heart of today’s Gospel message is trust in God. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the apostles that all the truths that they have come to know, as a result of being his companions here on earth, must be ‘proclaimed from the housetops’. However, in proclaiming these truths, they will often face rejection, humiliation, and even persecution. Jesus assures them that, during such times of trial, they must not give in to fear nor be deterred from their mission, but must be mindful of the Father’s constant and careful attention to their well-being. As disciples of the Lord Jesus, we too are called to proclaim the message of the Gospel and stand up for the truths of our faith. Such Christian witness usually takes place in the informal exchanges that are a constant part of life – in the discussions that lead to family decisions, in our work place conversations, and in the attitudes that reflect our Catholic conviction. Let us find encouragement in these words of Jesus “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven.”

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. –June 20 and Sun. –June 21

St.Alban’s-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch---George & Theresa Collier
and Calvin Young

St.Alban’s-Sunday- 4:00p.m. St.IgnatiusChurch-----**Parish Family**

ConneRiver-Sunday-2:00p.m.St. Anne’s Church-----Gerald John

Weekday Masses Mon.June 22– Fri.June 26

Mon – No Mass

Tues–10:30 a.m.Parish Chapel-----Audrey Davis

Wed – No Mass

Thur – No Mass

Fri -- 10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Ross Willcott

Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – June 27and Sun. – June28

St.Alban’s-Saturday-7:00p.m.St.IgnatiusChurch---Matilda Collier (Owen)

St.Alban’s-Sunday - 4:00p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----**Parish Family**

ConneRiver-Sunday-2:00p.m.St. Anne’s Church—Brittany & Lorraine John

Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

<i>DATE</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Collectors</i>
June 20	Bernadette C	Edith O	Christine H	Finton O Gerard S
June 21	Bernadette C	Mark F	Valerie H	Ivan O
June 27	Patsy M	Terri-Lynn/ Isla	Margaret H	KevinO Bill D
June 28	Patsy M	Mark F	Mary S	Anthony W

Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$870.00
St. Anne's Church	80.00
Insurance	100.00
Baptism Stipend	25.00
Initial Offering	40.00

11 Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

Congratulations on your Baptism

We welcome into our parish community Tate Brandon John Cox of Conne River, NL baptized on June 21st, 2026 at St. Anne's Church in Conne River. May this sacred day bring many blessings and much happiness to you and your family.

Daily Mass Scheduling:

Currently, daily Masses are offered at 10:30 a.m. Monday – Friday. If you would like to request a daily Mass to be offered at 7:00 p.m., please know that Fr. Tom is happy to accommodate evening Masses when needed. To make arrangements, please contact the parish office. Thank you, and may God bless you for your devotion and prayerful intentions.

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

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 like to bring them Holy Communion....Father Tom Duffenais

Bayd' 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.

Condolences

The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish and St. Anne's Church extend to the family of the late Maureen Hoskins of St. Alban's their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.

Condolences

The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish and St. Anne's Church extend to the family of the late Douglas LeRoux, formerly of Joseph's Cove their profound sympathies. We join you in prayer for the repose of your loved one. May God bless you and console you.

Father's Day

For all our hard working fathers, we want to thank you for all you do and may God bless each and every one this coming year.

Happy Father's Day!

