

## THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Through his Paschal Mystery, the Lord Jesus redeemed the human race and gave perfect glory to the Father. By dying, Christ destroyed our death; by rising, he restored our life. For this reason, the Easter Triduum, when we celebrate the suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord, is the high point of the Liturgical Year. The Easter Solemnity is to the year what Sunday is to the week.

The celebration of the *Triduum* (Latin word for ‘three days’) opens with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, continues through Good Friday and Holy Saturday, reaching its climax in the Easter Vigil, and closes with Evening Prayer II on Easter Sunday. During these days, we gather a number of times and we hear some of the Church’s most beautiful prayers and Scripture readings. There are two important points to keep in mind regarding the Triduum:

First, it is the highpoint of the liturgical year, an event which, though it spans three days, is really **one** major unified celebration.

Secondly, the focus from start to finish is on “the glory of the Cross”. This defining theme, inherent throughout the Triduum, is first expressed in the entrance antiphon of Holy Thursday’s Mass: “We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.” These words set the tone for the whole Triduum event – we gather “to glory in the Cross of Christ”.

**Day 1 (Holy Thursday evening to Good Friday evening):** The Church celebrates “Christ as Sacrifice” as Christ offers his Body and Blood at the Last Supper on Holy Thursday and then on the Cross of Calvary on Good Friday.

**Day 2 (Good Friday evening to Holy Saturday evening):** The Church is united with “Christ in the Tomb”. There is no principal liturgical celebration. On this day the Lord sleeps; on this day we wait at the Lord’s tomb and make every effort to enter into God’s rest. Prayer, fasting, and silence are the order of the day.

**Day 3 (Holy Saturday evening to Easter Sunday evening):** The Church celebrates “Christ Being Raised Up”. “Alleluias” ring out in welcome to our Risen Saviour. There is joy in Christ’s journey from death to life, a journey we hope to share with Him.

### **Easter Liturgical Schedule**

**Holy Thursday April 2**– St. Ignatius Church 7:00 p.m.

**Good Friday April 3**– St. Ignatius Church 3:00 p.m.

**Easter Saturday April 4** - St. Ignatius Church 8:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday April 5** - St. Anne’s Church, Conne River 2:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday April 5** - St. Ignatius Church 4:00 p.m.



## St. Ignatius Parish



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

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### ***PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD***

The beginning of today’s Mass recalls the messianic entrance of the Lord Jesus into Jerusalem, coming to complete his Paschal Mystery. In the Passion Narrative we see the model for all love – the sacrificial love of Jesus which continues to be available for each of us. This love is made manifest as Jesus, the Suffering Servant, heals the injured slave in the Garden of Gethsamene, comforts the weeping women, forgives his executioners, and welcomes the repentant thief. Jesus’ love culminates in his death on the cross for our salvation. Such great love ought to guide our personal and communal life as Christians and as Church.

### **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – March 28 and Sun. – March 29**

St. Alban’s-Saturday-7:00p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----George Organ (Ursula)

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

Conne River-Sunday-2:00p.m. St. Anne’s Church-----Keith Drew

**Weekday Masses Mon. March 30 – April 3**

Mon– 10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Elizabeth Hoskins (Charles)

Tues –10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel-----George Willcott (Eileen)

Wed -- 10:30 a.m. Parish Chapel-----Glen Collier

Thur – 7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday-St. Ignatius Church---Muriel Benoit

Fri -- 3:00p.m. Good Friday---St. Ignatius Church

**Weekend Liturgy: Sat. – April 4 and Sun. – April 5**

St. Alban’s-Saturday-8:00p.m. St. Ignatius Church-----Edith Collier

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

Conne River-Sunday-2:00p.m. St. Anne’s Church---Samuel & Florailda Collier

## Ministries' schedule for Weekend Masses

DATE	Sacristan	Reader	Eucharistic Minister	Collectors
<b>March 28</b>	Bernie C Loretta C	Ann B Valerie H	Edith O	Kevin O Bill D
<b>March 29</b>	Bernie C Loretta C	Connie W Cindy B	Genevieve T	Anthony W George D
<b>April 2 Holy Thurs.</b>	Bernadette C	Pat P	Christine H	Finton O Gerard S
<b>April 3 Good Friday</b>	Bernadette C	Edith O Ann B	Valerie H	William M Ivan O
<b>April 4 Easter Vigil</b>	Edith O	Edith O Pat P	Margaret H	Kevin O Bill D
<b>April 5 Easter Sunday</b>	Edith O	Valerie H	Mary S	Anthony W George D

### Weekly Parish Income

St. Ignatius Church	\$905.00
St. Anne's Church	110.00
Diocesan Collection (Development & Peace)	175.00
Diocesan Collection (Ecclesiastical Student's Fund)	5.00
Diocesan Collection (Catholic Missions in Canada)	5.00
Mass Stipend	75.00
Initial Offering	5.00
New Years Offering	5.00

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

**Walk For Life and Stations of the Cross:** The Walk for Life will occur at 10:15 a.m. on Good Friday, April 3, meeting at the front of St. Ignatius Church. Following the Walk for Life will be Stations of the Cross in St. Ignatius Church at 11:00. All are welcome.

### 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.

### Easter Flowers

Parish members wishing to contribute towards the purchase of the Easter Flowers for the Church Altar may do so by putting an envelope marked "Easter Flowers" in the collection basket. If the flowers are being donated "In memory of" please indicate this, as well as your envelope number and/or name.

### Lenten Offering

Lenten Coin Folders are no longer available. If you wish to make a Lenten offering, please use an envelope provided at the tables near the main entrance. Please fill in your Name, Donation Amount and your Offertory Envelope # or indicate if you are signed up for EFT. Thank you for your continued support.

