



*Blessed is the coming Kingdom of our father David;
blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!*

**WELCOME TO THE PARISH UNIT OF:
St. Bernard's (Moncton) Saint Vincent (Sackville), Saint Clement (Port Elgin)**

MASS TIMES WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26 - DECEMBER 2, 2018

St. Bernard's	Thursday @ 9:30 AM, Saturday @ 4 PM & Sunday @ 11AM
St. Vincent's	Sunday @ 9AM
St. Clement's	Every 2nd Saturday @ 7PM (call 538-2262 to confirm)

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM

Priest Moderator: Rev. Allison S. Carroll	Social Justice: Claudia McCloskey
Assistant: (part-time) Rev. Charles Broderick	Catechetics: Lorella Dunnett
Liturgy: Rick Shaw, Deb Gillespie	Adult Faith: Dr. Andrew Wilson

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: NOVEMBER 26 - 30, 2018

Monday to Friday	9 AM - 12 Noon & 1 - 4 PM (closed 12 -1 PM)
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MASS INTENTIONS NOVEMBER 26 - DECEMBER 2, 2018

Thurs.	Nov. 29	9:30 AM	Anniv. late Donald Young	Francis and Debbie McCarron
Sat.	Dec.1	4:00 PM	Anniv. late Patrick Murphy	Suzanne McCabe
Sun.	Dec.2	11:00 AM	Late Chelsey Brine	Blanche and Paul Gallant

OFFERINGS FROM NOVEMBER 17-18 , 2018

Loose	\$ 643.75	Capital Expenditure	\$ 90.00 (7)
Envelopes	\$ 5,259.00 (252)	Capital Campaign	\$ 505.00 (2)
Karing Kitchen	\$ 603.85 (1)	All Souls	\$ 10.00 (1)
Needy Fund	\$ 2,601.00 (83)	Christmas Boxes	\$ 210.00 (2)
Donations	\$ 350.00 (2)		

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS & CONTINUED SUPPORT!!!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

*St. Bernard's Church - open Monday Friday 11 AM - 1 PM
(for personal time of quiet reflection/prayer)*

Carmelites	2nd Saturday of the month - 10 AM to 12 noon	Stage Area
Living Word Community Prayer Group	Wednesdays @ 7 PM	St. Augustine's
Prayer Group	7 PM - 2 nd Sat & last Sat. of each month (after the 25 th)	Church Hall
RCIA	1 st & 3 rd Weds. of each month	Stage Area
Circle of Friends	Thursdays after 9:30 AM Mass -Last gathering Dec 13	Church Hall
Next Baptism Prep.	Tuesdays - January 8 & 15	Stage Area
Next Baptisms	Sunday - Nov. 25 @ 2 PM	Church
Evening Prayer	Thursdays, December 6, 13 & 20 (will advise time next week)	Church
Advent Penitential Service	Sunday, December 9, 2018 @ 2 PM	Church

CONFESSION

St. Bernard's - Thurs. - before 9:30 AM Mass (9:00-9:20 AM upon request/availability of the Priest)
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church - Saturday afternoons from 1-1:30 PM
St. Bernard's @ 1 st Saturday of month Mass (9:00-9:20 AM upon request/availability of the Priest)
Notre-Dame-de-Grace (854 Mountain Rd.) - 3 rd Saturday of the month 1-2 PM
St. Bernard's prior to 4 PM Mass (upon request/availability of the Priest)



Ecclesiastes 3...

**Under every season there is a time...A time to heal...
We remember in our prayers those who are sick...**

<i>Ann Vautour</i>	<i>Harold O'Reilly</i>	<i>Doris Hunter</i>	<i>Roger Berube</i>
<i>Shawn Crossman</i>	<i>Joanne Carson</i>	<i>Erich Kopetzky</i>	<i>Raymond Wood</i>
<i>Marilyn MacLeod</i>	<i>James Wilson</i>	<i>Jennifer MacInnis</i>	
<i>Gordon Gallie</i>	<i>Robert Cormier</i>	<i>Hector Caissie</i>	



A time to mourn...Our sincere sympathies to the families of:

<i>Paul Cormier</i>	Husband of Joy
<i>Mildred LeBlanc</i>	Grandmother of Jean-Paul (Nicole) LeBlanc
<i>Christina Wright</i>	Daughter in law of Daniel & Nellie

And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one...



**From the Offices of Faith Development,
Liturgy & Youth Faith Development
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Deb		liturgymoncton@gmail.com

Storyteller and Evangelist: The Gospel According to Luke: Contact Trevor by Nov. 28th for your final opportunity to register for this session with Dr. Andrew Wilson on the Gospel of Luke. Dr. Wilson will explore such questions as: Why is it believed Luke painted the first portrait of Mary? Why is his symbol a bull? How is Luke's Gospel different from the other Gospels? What does Luke's story of Jesus tell us of our experience of Jesus? How is this story our story? Did you know that Luke has Jesus preaching a sermon on the *Plain*? This event takes place on **Dec. 1st, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church Hall** on Falkland Street. Lunch is included.

CHURCH UNPLUGGED @ IHM EVERYONE WELCOME! Dec. 7th at 6:00 p.m. - At One Starry Night, families step back into Bible times and head to Bethlehem, where they'll see, touch, smell, and taste what life was like when Jesus was born!

Dec. 16th at 12:15 p.m. at the Dan Bohan Centre - In **The Star**, a trio of small but brave animals (and a few zany camels), team up to become unlikely heroes in the greatest story ever told – the first Christmas! **Registration required! Call Karen 387-4198**

Riverview Carol Festival: Come and enjoy the Riverview Carol Festival, "Christmas Joy," Sunday, December 2 at 7:00 p.m., hosted by Gunningsville Baptist Church (160 Old Coach Road, Riverview). Join with the congregations of the Riverview Ministerial to start the Christmas season with a program of joyful Christmas music. Non-perishable food items for the Albert County Food Bank gratefully accepted, and an offering will be taken for the Riverview Ministerial scholarship fund. Spread the word and invite a friend! All welcome!



2018-2019 - Sunday Missals Available at the Parish Office. We will have a limited number of Sunday Missals at the cost of \$ 5 each. You may purchase a copy at the Parish office during regular office hours while they last.



Season of Advent: The first Sunday of Advent - December 2nd

Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation. During Advent, each Sunday's Gospel reading has a specific focus. The Old Testament readings, especially those taken from Isaiah, are prophecies about the Messiah and messianic times. The selections from the writings of the Apostles present exhortations and instructions on different themes of this season.



Mass of the Deceased was celebrated here at St. Bernard's last Wednesday evening, November 14th, 2018

It is a special time that we come together once a year as a community to honor and respect all those who have died in our parish community within the last year. A lot of care and work goes into this Mass. I would like to extend many thanks to our Pastoral Team and to all who participated in this Mass in anyway.

Father Carroll



St. Bernard's Faith Formation		
Sundays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays
<u>Years 1,2,3:</u> 9:15 - 10:45 AM	<u>Years 1,2,3:</u> 6 - 7:30 PM	<u>Years 4, 5, 6:</u> 6 -7:30 PM
<u>Years 4, 5, 6:</u> 12:15 - 1:45 PM		
<u>Year 7:</u> 6 - 7:30 PM		
December 2	December 4	December 5
Volunteers are still needed , if you are interested, please contact Lorella @ lorella_st.bernards@hotmail.com or 857-0425... Remember "God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called..."		

Remembering our Deceased Family & Friends with Christmas Flowers

Once again this year, you are invited to make monetary donations for our Christmas floral arrangements in memory of deceased loved ones. All monies contributed will be used to purchase flowers that will decorate our church throughout the Christmas season. If you would like to donate funds for **Christmas flowers** in memory of a loved one you may do so by completing the information below & placing it with your donation in a plain envelope. That envelope can be put into the collection basket at mass or dropped off at the office. Names will be in the Christmas bulletin. **Thank you to all those who donate to this yearly project.**

In Memory of:	
Donated by:	
Address:	
\$ Amount	
Envelope # (if applicable)	



Throughout the year money donated to our 'needy fund' has been used to help those in need in many ways. This fund is used to help with the Christmas boxes and food requests throughout the year. Our financial support continues to aid Reconnect in providing housing, medical help, work clothing and identification to name a few. St. Bernard's has been an ongoing source of assistance to Reconnect since they began in 2000. Reconnect does an assessment and background check before providing financial assistance. We have also provided financial support to Nazareth House who operate a shelter as one of their many services. Due to much needed renovations at their facility, the shelter will be closed for a period of time. That will create a loss for the homeless who depend on this service. Nazareth House is working to complete the renovations as quickly as possible. Thank you for your support, compassion and generosity throughout the year. More to come...

Donations made to Christmas Boxes: Some groups and individuals in the parish choose to make donations specifically for the Christmas Boxes. Those funds are used to purchase all the items in the food box which not only make a turkey dinner for Christmas day, but also has enough food to use throughout the week. Any donations made for Christmas Boxes can be placed in an envelope with your name and if applicable, your envelope number, to receive a receipt for income tax purposes. At St. Bernard's we prepare 50 boxes in collaboration with the Food Depot.



Bruce Lawson, the manager of the Karing Kitchen, has advised that he has been successful in recruiting volunteers for Fridays at the Karing Kitchen.

Therefore, he will not be needing volunteers from St. Bernard's in the foreseeable future. He would like to extend a sincere thank you to all of the St. Bernard's volunteers for their past contributions!

St. Bernard's would also like to thank Norma Gibson for her time, care, and efforts in coordinating the St. Bernard's volunteers to help at the Karing Kitchen over these past years!!!



Advent Evening Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

Christians are called in baptism to be people of prayer, to pray always, praising God and pleading for the world. **Our priest-moderator, Fr. Carroll, encourages us at the beginning of Advent to be more cognizant of prayer during the Advent season. Why not try gathering with the faith community for Evening Prayer?** It only takes up a half hour of your time. We follow the format for Evening Prayer that is offered in our Catholic Book of Worship.

All parishioners of our parish unit are invited and encouraged to gather for the Evening Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours) on Thursday evenings at St. Bernard's Church December 6, 13 & 20, 2018 (time to be advised in next bulletin)

UNITY IN THE Body of Christ

United We Stand? Sit? Kneel?

As a young person growing up in the Roman Catholic tradition and attending Immaculate Heart of Mary weekly, the last thing that was on my mind at Mass was being in community. While subconsciously I was being formed by my faith community; consciously, it was about me and God. I can still recall coming into the church, blessing myself with holy water and proceeding directly to my seat where I would shut the world out with my own personal prayer. Fast forward about fifteen years; there I am sitting in my first liturgical formation workshop (as I had just volunteered to be a lector), and I am hearing, seemingly for the first time to me, the importance of the community and the vital role they (we) play in powerful liturgy. It was the moment where I came to the realization that Mass wasn't just about God and me. There were hundreds of people around me who showed up that day for reasons that were similar to mine. God was just as present to them as to me. It wasn't (and isn't) about God and me; it's about God and us. Please don't get me wrong; I am not saying that a personal relationship with God is not important. It is in fact, the foundation of our faith. But, when we come to liturgy, from the moment we put our hand on the door of the church, we enter "community". We come from our personal prayer and preparation and enter communal prayer. We are now, in a very tangible way, the Body of Christ. This truly defines who we are. As Pope Francis said in *Gaudete et Exsultate* (Rejoice and be Glad): "We are never completely ourselves unless we belong to a people. That is why no one is saved alone, as an isolated individual." When in community, we pray as community. We stand together, we sit together, we sing together, we listen together, we do everything together. As the hymn reminds us: "We are one body, one body in Christ, and we do not stand alone." While it is true that we all come from different backgrounds and have been taught different things about what to do at Mass, how to pray and what reverence is supposed to look like, it is still so important to remember that unity in prayer and posture trumps everything. In my recent experience of attending Mass, the time in the liturgy when we should be the most unified is the time when we are most divided. I am speaking of the "Communion Rite". It seems that at this time (more than any other time in the Mass) is when we truly "do our own thing". I am not here to say what posture is the correct one, or that one is better than another; I am saying that whatever is the norm for the community you are worshipping in that day, then that should be your posture as well. It is more important to be in community than to be right. Debates about what direction your church should go in are best left for meetings at another time. For this time, we respect and honour the presence of God in our community and our prayer. Mark Mahoney.



DONATIONS TO THE PARISH - YEAR END

All donations must be received **prior to December 31st**
if they are to be included in the 2018 tax year.



Catholic Women's League

December 3, 2018

6:30 PM

Rosary in Church Hall

7:00 PM

Short Meeting

- St. Nicholas' Party
- Donations for Money Tree for the Christmas Boxes
- Gifts exchanged / wine / punch and food

New Members Always Welcome !



Calling All Knitters

Yarn is available at the Parish office for knitters who wish to make hats, mittens, etc. for the Advent Mitten Tree.

Thank you to all the dedicated past and present knitters!



Listening and Prayer

Are you in need of prayer? Are you going through a difficult time? You can confide in the prayers of the Notre-Dame-du Sacré-Coeur Sisters.

Phone 388-1701 or 1-800-561-3995.

Hours: 9:30 - 11:30 AM and 2 - 4 PM (Mon-Fri), 6 - 8 PM on Wednesdays.



Knights of Columbus - Council 1310 84 Broadway St., Moncton, will host a breakfast, Sunday, Dec. 2nd, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Adults - \$8, children \$3 - (5 yrs & under free). Everyone Welcome!



**IN THE EVENT OF A STORM OR INCLEMENT WEATHER
CANCELLATIONS WILL BE NOTED ON:**

ST. BERNARD'S WEBSITE: www.stbernardschurch.ca

OR BY CALLING OUR PHONE LINE @ 857-0425.

Saint Bernard's Church Building Committee Update

As a follow up to our capital campaign for the purchase of the adjoining parking lot and the sale of the Rectory, your Building Committee would like to provide the following update.

Agreements were signed in late September to purchase the land adjacent to the Church and to sell the Rectory to a Developer . The proceeds from the sale of the Rectory would have offset a portion of the purchase price for the land.

However, both of these agreements have been cancelled following communication from the Developer's lawyer stating that;

- the Rectory sale and land purchase would now have to be separate transactions; and,
- the purchase of the Rectory would be deferred to a later date with a reduced purchase offer.

The Developer did however offer to amend the parking lot mortgage financing arrangement outlined in the original agreement to include the amount no longer available from sale proceeds of the Rectory.

The revised terms offered were considered unacceptable to the Committee for the following reasons;

- the proceeds from the sale of the Rectory were necessary to support the purchase price of the land ; and,
- the \$1,000,000 Capital Campaign needed to support this initiative reached only 25% of its target.

Your Committee is now back to assessing our options which will include;

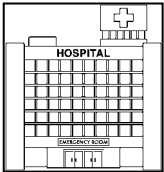
- a letter to Parishioners on the status of their current contribution and future commitments to the Capital Campaign ;
- possible partnerships on solutions needed for a parking issue that has become more evident with the loss of available parking in the adjacent lot as well as the lot facing the Church, and;
- seeking offers from other parties interested in the development of the Rectory.

We wish to thank everyone who has participated in this initiative and remain committed to finding solutions to ensure that our Church will continue playing a strong role in Moncton's faith community for generations to come.



We are happy to have you join us! Are you new to the parish or have you been part of our community for awhile but have just never registered?

There are registration forms available at all entrances to the church, at your parish office, on our web site (www.stbernardschurch.ca) or just give us a call and we'll mail you one. Fill in the information, return the form to the office and you will be formally registered. This will help us to better serve your individual needs!



Parishioners in hospital:

Parishioners in Moncton City Hospital and the Georges Dumont Hospital are reminded that if they wish to receive a visit from the parish priest, it is necessary to specifically identify themselves as being members of St. Bernard's parish when they are admitted to hospital. The clergy visiting lists for priests and pastoral care visitors are printed out according to parish identification. This means that if you haven't identified yourself as belonging to our parish, the priest or pastoral care visitors will not be aware that you have been admitted to hospital and thus will not be able to visit. Due to changes in the "Privacy Act", PARISHIONERS IN HOSPITAL are reminded that if they wish a visit from a Priest, or to receive Holy Communion while in hospital, it is necessary to specifically identify themselves as being members of St. Bernard's parish and to state that "they wish to request a visit from a priest or from a member of the Parish Pastoral Care team." If they wish to receive a visit from the parish pastoral team, parishioners at the Georges Dumont Hospital are asked to contact the St. Bernard's parish office.



Low Gluten Hosts

Gluten intolerance has become more prevalent in recent years. Prompted by faithful Catholics wanting to receive Communion, we have ordered a supply of low gluten hosts (yields less than .01% gluten content per bread/wafer). We already have a few parishioners that have sourced their own supply & place them in their own personal pyx for consecration at mass. If you are diagnosed with gluten intolerance, you must purchase your personal pyx and low gluten hosts **are now available** at our Parish office during office hours.



Best of the MetroTones' Christmas Songs

Friday, Dec.14 @ 7:30 PM, at the Moncton Wesleyan Celebration Centre, 945 St. George Blvd., Moncton, NB. In support of Food Depot Alimentaire, Karing

Kitchen and Ray of Hope Kitchen. **Tickets available at Jean Coutu Pharmacies, Reads Newstands, Sobeys - Vaughan Harvey, The Hospice Shoppe, People's Park Tower Variety, and from any chorus member or by calling 852-9664 . Cost: \$ 10 per ticket **plus** a non-perishable food item.**



Always Wanted To Sing??

St. Bernard's Choir welcomes new members.

If you enjoy singing, we'd love you to join us. For information call 386-7451

Gently Used Ladies Brand Name Clothing Sale: Dec. 1, 9 AM to 1 PM at St. Paul's United Church, 404 Cleveland Ave., Riverview. Nine West, Liz Claiborne, Nygard, Simon Chang just to name a few. Sizes 6, 8 10, 12 (Small, Medium, a few large). Bring a friend and find some treasures. Proceeds will be given to the UCRC (United Coalition Refugee Committee).

PARKING

Effective immediately parking is no longer free in the evenings and weekends in the lot on the corner of Botsford / Queen / Alma. HotSpot Parking will be operating the lot. They have developed an Application for mobile devices which allows parkers to use the lot for \$2 per hour. In order to use HotSpot, you need to have access to a smart phone or computer. The first step is downloading the app and creating an account. Then, you add funds to your HotSpot wallet and park using the app. **Going forward, if you experience any issues or have any questions, please contact HotSpot support by email at support@htsp.ca or by phone at 1-855-712-5888.** Should you park there and receive a notice on your vehicle, please heed the contents.

Downtown meters are free after 6 PM and on weekends.

City Hall parking lot is generally free on Sundays. However, if the gate is across the entrance that means it is not free.