



*Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:  
all flesh shall see the salvation of God.*

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

**MASS TIMES WEEK OF DECEMBER 9 - 15, 2019**

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

**PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM**

<b>Priest Moderator:</b> Rev. Allison S. Carroll	<b>Social Justice:</b> Claudia McCloskey
<b>Assistant:</b> (part-time) Rev. Charles Broderick	<b>Catechetics:</b> Lorella Dunnett
<b>Liturgy:</b> Darlene McGraw	<b>Adult Faith:</b> Dr. Andrew Wilson

**STAFF**

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS: DECEMBER 9 - 13, 2019**

Monday - Friday	9:00 AM -12:00 noon & 1 - 4 PM ( closed for lunch 12-1PM)
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**MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF - DECEMBER 9-15, 2019**

Thursday	Dec. 12	9:30 AM	Late Mabel Girouard	Roy & Dee Dee Carter
Saturday	Dec. 14	4:00 PM	Anniv. late David Murphy	Family
Sunday	Dec. 15	11:00 AM	Anniv. late Bob Lennox	Jane & Family

**OFFERINGS FROM NOVEMBER 30 & DECEMBER 1, 2019**

<b>Loose</b>	\$754.10	<b>Building Fund</b>	\$1,185.00 (50)
<b>Envelopes</b>	\$5,599.00 (271)	<b>Capital Campaign</b>	\$80.00 (3)
<b>Christmas Flowers</b>	\$655.00 (17)	<b>Needy Fund</b>	\$640.00 (14)
<b>All Souls</b>	\$5.00 (1)	<b>Christmas Offerings</b>	\$100.00 (1)
<b>Christmas Boxes</b>	\$315.00 (4)	<b>Syrian Relief</b>	\$25.00(1)
<b>Donations</b>	\$50.00 (1)	<b>Karing Kitchen</b>	\$93.75

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS AND CONTINUED SUPPORT !!!**

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Secular Carmelites	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month - 9:30 AM - 12 noon Contact Dorine @ 388-3699 for more information	Stage Area
Living Word Community Prayer Group	Wednesdays @ 7 PM	St. Augustine's
Prayer Group	7 PM, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat & last Sat. of each month (after the 25 <sup>th</sup> )	Church Hall
RCIA	1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 7 PM	Stage Area
Circle of Friends	Thursdays after 9:30 AM Mass-last gathering before Christmas - Thursday, December 12	Church Hall
Baptism Prep.	Tuesday January 7 & 14, 7 - 8:30 PM	Stage Area
Next Baptisms	Sunday, January 26 @ 2:00 PM	Church
<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>Thursday, December 12 &amp; 19 @ 6 PM</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Advent Penitential Service</b>	<b>Sunday, December 15 @ 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Church</b>

**St. Bernard's Church is open daily - Monday to Friday - 11 AM - 1 PM  
(for personal time of quiet reflection/prayer)  
With the exception of the following dates:  
December 24, 25, 26, 31 and January 1**

## *Confession*

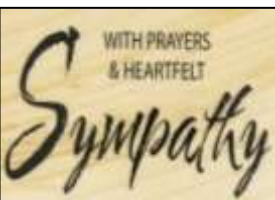
St. Bernard's - Thurs. - before 9:30 AM Mass (9:00-9:20 AM upon request/availability of the Priest)
Immaculate Heart of Mary - Saturday afternoons from 1-1:30 PM
St. Bernard's @ 1st Saturday of month Mass (9:00-9:20 AM upon request/availability of the Priest)
Notre-Dame-de-Grace (854 Mountain Rd.) -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

<b>Chris Fortin</b>	<b>Ronald Briffet</b>	<b>Bernie Cormier</b>	<b>Robert Cormier</b>
<b>Rob Robichaud</b>	<b>Roger Berube</b>	<b>Ann Vautour</b>	<b>Blanche Gallant</b>



## *A time to mourn...*

*our sincere sympathies to the families of:*

<b>Brian Colepaugh</b>	Son in law of Norma Gibson
<b>Alfred Arsenault</b>	Grandfather of Lisa (Mark) Maillard
<i>And to all those who mourn the loss of a loved one.</i>	



**Offices of Faith Development,  
Liturgy & Youth Faith Development  
To contact us:**

Ellen	857-9952, ext. 1261	ellen.diocesemoncton@gmail.com
Trevor	857-4879, ext 1260	trevord.diocese@gmail.com

**Church Unplugged at Immaculate Heart of Mary** On Sunday, Dec. 8 after mass at IHM (around noon) we will be screening The Muppet's Christmas Carol for families. Registration is necessary in order to determine quantity of refreshments necessary. Register with Karen at 387-4198 or on line at [WWW.DIOMONCTON.CA](http://WWW.DIOMONCTON.CA) → PASTORAL OFFICE → YOUTH FAITH DEVELOPMENT

**St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Unit and the Diocesan office of Youth Development** will be offering a Christmas event for families on Friday, Dec.13 at 6PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary. "The Miracle of Jesus" will give families an experience of being transported back in time to Bethlehem to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Register with Karen at 387-4918 or Online at [WWW.DIOMONCTON.CA](http://WWW.DIOMONCTON.CA) → PASTORAL OFFICES → YOUTH FAITH DEVELOPMENT

**Advent God Sightings on Instagram** Where do you find hope, peace, joy and love in 2019? Join us this Advent (Beginning December 1st) as we keep watch for God sightings. Snap a pic while you wait and share it on Instagram with the hashtags #adventgodsightings and #youthfaithmoncton.

**Confirmation Candidates** Please note this preliminary announcement: You will all be gathering at Our Lady of the Assumption Cathedral on Sunday January 12th, 2020 to meet with Archbishop Valéry Vienneau and the other young people who are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this spring. Further details will follow in later bulletins.



It's a great time to make up for any Sunday offerings that you may have missed over the year. Together as a parish community we can meet St. Bernard's financial commitments for the year. Donations can be made by cash, cheque, and preauthorized payments.

**All donations for 2019 must be received prior to December 31<sup>st</sup> to be included in 2019 taxation receipts.** Thank you for your continued generosity !!



**IN THE EVENT OF A STORM OR INCLEMENT WEATHER  
CANCELLATIONS WILL BE NOTED ON:  
ST. BERNARD'S WEBSITE: [www.stbernardschurch.ca](http://www.stbernardschurch.ca)  
OR BY CALLING OUR PHONE LINE @ 857-0425.**



### Please - No Scent Policy

Out of respect for those with sensitivities, please avoid wearing scented products in the Church, Parish Office & the Church Hall.

Thank you.



### 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.

We are nearing the end of 2019!



### Christmas Boxes

Once again this year, St. Bernard's will be collaborating with the Food Depot Alimentaire to prepare 50 food boxes for families at Christmas. **Those requesting a box should call the parish social justice line at 204-4882 and leave your name and number, indicating you are calling about a food box. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.**

**Deadline to request boxes is December 9<sup>th</sup>.**



### *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.**

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



Last gathering before Christmas - Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

Will resume in January.



### 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) Thursday evenings during at St. Bernard's Church December 12 & 19 @ 6:00 PM.**



### ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

St. Augustine's	Monday	December 9	7:00 PM
St. Bernard's	Sunday	December 15	1:30 PM



### 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!



### Anna Allain Memorial Bursary



A bursary valued at \$1,000 will be available in January 2020 to a qualified student **who is currently enrolled on a full-time basis in an undergraduate degree in nursing from a recognized university.** If two students are deemed to be qualified, the value of each bursary will be \$500.

#### Eligibility criteria:

- Demonstrated financial need;
- Past participation as a volunteer in a health services-related field with 2 references;
- Copy of academic record of courses completed.

**How to apply:** Forward a letter in response to the eligibility criteria **no later than December 15, 2019** to either of the following:

**By regular mail:** St. Bernard's Church, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB, E1C 4W9

**By email:** sbhf@rogers.com

**MetroTones Pop Chorus Annual Christmas Charity Concert, Sunday, Dec. 15, 7:30 PM at the Moncton Wesleyan Celebration Ctr.** in an effort to assist the working poor and the homeless. All net proceeds go to the Food Depot Alimentaire with assistance to the Karing Kitchen and the Ray of Hope Kitchen. Tickets are \$10 plus food items available at all five Jean Coutus; Read's Newsstand(Mountain Rd.); Peoples Park Tower; Sobeys (Vaughan Harvey Blvd.); or a chorus member. For more info.: 852-9664. Please mark your calendar and help us celebrate reaching \$400,000 in total donations over the years!



### Supporting the Karing Kitchen

The Karing Kitchen has been serving hot meals Monday to Friday at noontime to the homeless & needy. For many individuals this is



their only opportunity to interact with others. St. Bernard's has been an ongoing supporter of the Karing Kitchen for many years. One of the annual events they have is the "**Christmas Is A Time For Giving**" card. You will see the little red or green cards at the church entrances. Perhaps, instead of buying Christmas gifts for family or friends, you could donate a number of dinners to the Karing Kitchen. When \$1 buys one serving, this is a wonderful gift idea! You can send these to a friend or family member & the note on the card says that a donation to the meals has been made in their honor. Then you fill out the white paper inside the card, put it & your donation in an envelope marked Karing Kitchen & simply place it in the collection basket at mass. We will deliver these envelopes to the Karing Kitchen.

**Thank you from the hungry of the downtown area.**



### *Christmas & New Year's Schedule*

#### *Christmas Eve - Tuesday, December 24*

St. Bernard's	5:00 PM (family Mass), 8:00 PM & 10:00 PM
St. Vincent's	6:00 PM
St. Augustine's	4:00 PM & 11:30 PM
Immaculate Heart of Mary	4:00 PM & 8:30 PM
St. Jude's	6:30 PM
St. Lawrence O'Toole	6:30 PM
Holy Family	7:00 PM

#### *Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25*

St. Clements	10:00 AM
St. Bernard's	11:00 AM

#### *New Years Eve - Tuesday, December 31 & New Years Day - Wednesday, January 1*

St. Bernard's	Tuesday, December 31, 2018 @ 5:00 PM
St. Vincent's	Wednesday, January 1, 2020 @ 10:00 AM
St Bernard's	Wednesday, January 1, 2020 @ 11:00 AM