

Look What Blew into Town

Did it really happen the way the story is told? Who would not give anything to have been there? But maybe we *have* been there. Maybe we have met people who were so open to the mysterious power of the Spirit of God that they were able to accomplish things they never thought they could. Maybe at times even we, too, have been so moved by that mysterious Spirit. Is it possible that we are mistaken about what is truly mysterious or Spirit-driven? Is it possible that we fail to see the mystery of God in everyday life?

This is not to say that nothing extraordinary happened on that Pentecost day. It certainly did! People who kept a low profile out of fear of facing the same deadly fate as their leader seemed to rush out onto the street and proclaim that leader's mighty acts. What has happened to them? How is such a reversal of behavior to be described? It happens that when something wondrous occurs we often use exaggerated images and superlative language in an attempt to capture the astounding character of the event. To embellish language does not mean that the event was not amazing. It means that it was so amazing that we are at a loss to describe or explain it. We are, after all, talking about the dynamic Spirit of God that can completely change people. This is the same Spirit we received at baptism. Are we open to have it change us?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and...Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire.

ACTS 2:2-3

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *Pray that you might be open to the Spirit working in the world through you.*
- ★ *What mighty works has God worked in you?*



PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 31, 2020

*Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and
kindle in them the fire of your love.*

WELCOME TO THE PARISH UNIT OF:

**St. Bernard's (Moncton)
St. Vincent (Sackville)
& St. Clement's (Port Elgin)**

MASS TIMES THE WEEK OF: JUNE 1-7, 2020

St. Bernard's	4 PM Saturday & 11 AM Sunday ***Cancelled until further notice***
St. Vincent	9 AM Sunday Mass ***Cancelled until further notice***
St. Clement's	Every 2nd Saturday @ 7 PM ***Cancelled until further notice***

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM

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

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Custodian: Michel Saulnier	Facilities manager: Mike Murphy

PARISH OFFICE - CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

MESSAGES AND EMAILS WILL BE CHECKED REGULARLY

ALL MASSES CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

OFFERINGS

WEEKLY PRE-AUTHORIZED

Sunday	\$ 10.00 (1)	Building Fund	\$ 10.00 (1)
OTHER OFFERINGS RECEIVED			
Envelopes	\$ 2,587.00 (25)	Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 150.00 (2)
Easter	\$ 50.00 (2)	Syrian fund	\$ 225.00 (7)
Good Friday	\$ 50.00 (2)		

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS AND CONTINUED SUPPORT !!!



Parish contributions

It is a fact that parishes rely on weekly collections.

Expenses to run a church remain constant.

If you are able to, we ask that consideration be given to continuing your weekly / monthly donation during this COVID-19 crisis.

Optional way of contributing to St. Bernard's during the COVID-19 closure:

- Online:** St. Bernard's website @ www.stbernardschurch.ca (through CanadaHelps)
Click on "Donate" and fill in accordingly.
Methods of payment accepted: Credit card or PayPal.
- Mail:** Cheques may be mailed. Please ensure you include your name, address and envelope # if applicable.
- Or, simply put your regular weekly / monthly donations aside** until St. Bernard's re-opens and donate at that time.

Thank you for your continued generosity!!! God Bless all at this difficult time.



Ecclesiastes 3...

Under every season there is a time...A time to heal.

We remember in our prayers those who are sick...

<i>Chris Fortin</i>	<i>Marjorie Moore</i>	<i>Marilyn MacLeod</i>	<i>Dianne Gallant</i>
<i>Rob Robichaud</i>	<i>Ann Marie Bourgeois</i>	<i>Paul LeBlanc</i>	<i>Marie Gaudet</i>
<i>Ronald Briffett</i>	<i>Beth Purcell</i>	<i>Nancy Gatién</i>	
<i>Roger Berube</i>	<i>Eugene Leger</i>	<i>Dan Martin</i>	
<i>Bernie Cormier</i>	<i>Neil Coyle</i>	<i>Erich Kopetsky</i>	



A time to mourn...

Our sincere sympathies to

And to all who are mourning the loss of a loved one.



Listening & 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

Monday to Friday: 9:30 - 11:30 AM and 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Wednesdays only: 6:00 - 8:00 PM



Bursaries



Due to the generosity of a parishioner St. Bernard's Catholic Women's League is offering a \$1000 bursary to a student graduating from High School in June 2020, who is a parishioner, and is pursuing post-secondary studies. Mail or email your letter of application, including your future plans, to arrive no later than Friday, June 5, 2020 to:

St. Bernard's CWL Bursary Selection Committee, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB, E1C 4W9 or Email to: sbhf@rogers.com

Due to the generosity of a parishioner St. Bernard's Parish is also offering a \$1,000 bursary to a graduate who is pursuing or enrolled in post-secondary studies.

Mail or email your letter of application to arrive no later than Friday, June 5, 2020, detailing your involvement at school, in the parish, in the community, as well as your future plans to: St. Bernard's Church, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB, E1C 4W9 or Email to: sbhf@rogers.com

Prayers of Intercession

1. For the church, gathered in unity with people of every race, language and way of life. **We pray.**
2. For peace among all nations and peoples. **We pray.**
3. For the courage to resist prejudice and fear of those who are different from us. **We pray.**
4. For all faith leaders searching for ways to best serve their faith communities amid ever-changing and challenging circumstances. **We pray.**
5. For all the churches serving the greater Moncton area. **We pray.**
6. For the sick and all who are suffering. And for those who care for them. **We pray.**
7. For all who have died. And for the families who cannot be with their loved ones who are dying or who have died. And for families who are unable to have a funeral for their loved ones at this time. **We pray.**

Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least
spiritually into my heart. As though You have already
come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;
never permit me to be separated from You.*

Amen

Ordinary Time

After Pentecost the Easter season comes to an end and we enter into Ordinary time. During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offer praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus. On the first day of the week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved people to hear the word, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise and to eat and drink the banquet of the Lord. Then God sends them forth to proclaim this love by their words and actions. Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day, following the tradition handed down from apostolic times, for this was the day of the Lord's resurrection. Today's Christian communities continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the Risen Lord.



ORDINARY TIMES
Extraordinary God

**EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY**

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church is seeking a full time Caretaker.

The Caretaker plays an integral role in the life of the parish by keeping the church buildings and property clean and maintained. Additionally, the Caretaker does set ups and take downs for events and activities in our parish. The successful candidate will be capable of physical work, independent work, and working with other staff and committee members. The tasks require the successful candidate to work both inside and outside. This position is full time with a probationary period of up to 6 months. For a full description and application information, please visit our website www.setmoncton.com. Application deadline is Friday, June 5th at 4:00 p.m. On Sunday, June 21st, Al Kavanaugh will be participating

Phase 3 of the NB Recovery Plan-pushed back until June 5, 2020

NB Public Health and Premier Blaine Higgs announced in a press conference Thursday, May 28, 2020 that **Phase 3 of the recovery plan has been pushed back to June 5, 2020. Again, all Masses are cancelled for the time being.** When we are allowed to re-open it will be with a restricted number of faithful (50 maximum) following all the required guidelines.

We ask those who are 70 years of age or older, or who have medical or at-risk conditions, to carefully assess the risk when making the decision to attend Mass as you are in a higher risk category.

The dispensation (permission to be exempted from the laws or observances of the Church) of the Sunday precept ("You shall attend Mass on Sundays...# 2042 - Catechism of the Catholic Church) is **extended for those who cannot go to church, inviting them to read the Word of God and pray in their homes and participate in the celebrations of the Mass Via the media (TV, radio, the internet).**

To attend a Mass...you must register by calling the parish office at 857-0425

To be fair to all individuals wishing to attend Mass, a rolling list will be kept. Meaning, you call the office once, indicate your preference of a Saturday or Sunday Mass, & how many person(s) will attend. Your will then be given a date as to the Mass you may attend based on the allowed numbers.

Social distancing of 6 feet is still essential (in the parking lot and in the church)

Sanitizing must be done upon entering. (a volunteer will squirt sanitizer into your hand)

Entrance and exit doors, only the main doors on Botsford St. will be used.

These doors will be clearly identified. No other doors are to be used. **(continued→)**

Elevator will not be available.

Registered attendance will be checked upon entrance (by a volunteer)

A volunteer will take you to your assigned seat.

No procession at the beginning or end of Mass.

No singing allowed by the congregation. No song books in the pews.

Holy Water Fonts - will remain empty.

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Parish contributions. Donation box will be at the entrance of the church.

Sign of Peace: Suspended for the time being

Communion: The individual dialogue of Communion (The Body of Christ. Amen) will be done **collectively after the response "Lord I am not worthy..."**, followed by the distribution of Communion in **SILENCE**.

Communion procession: The community will be directed / guided as to how to process up for communion. **Social distancing of 6 feet must be respected.**

At the end of Mass: the faithful will be asked **not leave the church at the same time** as to avoid creating grouping. Leave the church according to a fixed order, respecting the rules of social distancing. (again you will be directed how to exit.)

The faithful are to avoid grouping or contacts among themselves or with the priest before or after services in or outside the church or in the parking lot.

After each Mass, the pews, door handles and bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitized by volunteers.

There will be one lector for all the readings.

Please be patient as we implement these new measures. God Bless all.



Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Dear Padre,

I look forward to every Pentecost Sunday, when I am renewed in God's spirit. Recently I read an article that said the Holy Spirit is a she. Is the Holy Spirit female?

The third person of the Trinity is the Holy Spirit. The word *spirit* is a translation of the Hebrew word *ruah*, which can mean "breath," "air," or "wind." This is the wind that God first sent to create the world, it is the breath that God breathed into Adam and Eve, and it is the tongues of fire that the apostles experienced on the first Pentecost.

In Hebrew, the word used for the Holy Spirit is feminine. In Greek, the word used is neuter, and in Latin, the word used is masculine. Not surprisingly, this caused a few problems for the early Church, which included many Hebrew, Greek, and Latin speakers. In areas where Hebrew or another Semitic language, such as Syriac, was spoken, the Holy Spirit was thought of as feminine, and so images of the Holy Spirit as mother were common. These various images of the Holy Spirit were openly expressed until about the fourth century, when Latin took over as the dominant language in the West.

We believe that in the life of the Trinity, God the Creator begets the Son. The expression of the love between God and the Son is the Holy Spirit. Perhaps we shouldn't think of the Holy Spirit as being either gender. Saint John describes the Holy Spirit as being God's love (see 1 John 4:7-13).

On this Pentecost and always, I wish you God's Spirit of love.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSSR
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Calendar

Monday

JUNE 1

Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of the Church
Gn 3:9-15, 20 or
Acts 1:12-14
Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday

JUNE 2

Weekday
2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18
Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday

JUNE 3

St. Charles Lwanga
and Companions,
Martyrs
2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12
Mk 12:18-27

Thursday

JUNE 4

Weekday
2 Tm 2:8-15
Mk 12:28-34

Friday

JUNE 5

St. Boniface,
Bishop and Martyr
2 Tm 3:10-17
Mk 12:35-37

Saturday

JUNE 6

Weekday
2 Tm 4:1-8
Mk 12:38-44

Sunday

JUNE 7

Most Holy Trinity
Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9
2 Cor 13:11-13
Jn 3:16-18



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

As he did on Pentecost, the Lord wants to work one of the greatest miracles we can experience; he wants to turn your hands, my hands, our hands, into signs of reconciliation, of communion, of creation. He wants your hands to continue building the world of today. And he wants to build that world with you.

—PRAYER VIGIL WITH YOUNG PEOPLE, JULY 30, 2016

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