



*Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation*

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

MASS TIMES – WEEK OF NOVEMBER 30 - DECEMBER 6, 2020

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

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

STAFF

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Bookkeeper	Louise Tardif	
Custodian	Michel Saulnier	
Facilities Manager	Mike Murphy	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 30 – DECEMBER 6, 2020

Fri.	9:30 AM	Dec. 4	Late Francis Bourque	Nancy Gallie
Sat.	4:00 PM	Dec. 5	Late Celime & Elise Vautour	Rita Chevarie
Sun.	11:00 AM	Dec. 6	Late Austin Fearon	Esther

**PARISH OFFICE - CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
MESSAGES AND EMAILS WILL BE CHECKED REGULARLY
PHONE: 857-0425 EMAIL: sbhf@rogers.com**



*Congratulations and best wishes to:
Shirley Clement
On the occasion of her 86th birthday November 29, 2020*

In Sympathy

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

Zoel Gauvin	Brother of Stella (late Ron) Snyder
Mary Byron	Aunt of Claudia (Art) McCloskey
Neil Murphy	Brother of Greg (Laura), Pat (Claire), Danny (Claudette), John (Rose), Kevin, Ann Cadell, Bernadette (Gary) VanBuskirk, And Maureen (Bill).
Craig Ferguson	Brother of Robert, Fred & Todd
Alice Musial	Mother of Ryan (Kathleen) Musial
Laura Cormier	
<i>And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one</i>	



*Ecclesiastes 3...
Under every season there is a time...A time to heal...
We remember in our prayers those who are sick...*

Rob Robichaud	Bernie Cormier	Alex Cormier
Roger Berube	Lisa Fearon	Beverly LeBlanc
Beth Purcell	Jim Heath	Buddy

OFFERINGS

WEEKLY PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS

Sunday	\$ 10.00 (1)	Building Fund	\$ 10.00 (1)
COLLECTION – NOVEMBER 21 & 22, OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL / ONLINE			
Loose	\$ 10.00	Needy Fund	\$ 465.00 (6)
Envelopes	\$ 7,258.00 (59)	Building Fund	\$ 830.00 (4)
Christmas boxes	\$ 250.00 (6)		
Donations	\$ 5,000.00		

Thank you for your generous and continued support !!!



**From the Diocesan Offices of Faith Development,
Liturgy and Youth Faith Development
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Journey Through Advent: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has created this new online weekly video series to help the Canadian Catholic faithful prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. A joint project involving the CCCB's Office national de liturgie, the National Liturgy Office, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis, the initiative was developed as a way, through the modern method of video messaging, to offer a resource that enriches faith formation during a time of joyful anticipation for the coming of the Lord and Saviour into the world. The videos serve as an introduction to the liturgical season and present reflections on the Gospel readings for each Sunday in Advent. The Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton and the Most Reverend Pierre Goudreault, Bishop of Saint-Anne-de-la-Pocatière, provide spiritual and pastoral guidance on the readings that illustrate the true meaning of Christmas. Especially relevant given the COVID-19 pandemic that places limitations on in-person gatherings for faith communities, it is hoped that *Journey through Advent* will be a source of deep spiritual solace and insightful preparation for all. The videos will be available on the CCCB website each Monday in advance of the upcoming Sunday celebration: November 23, 30, December 7 and 14. The series may be accessed via the following link:

<https://www.cccb.ca/liturgy-sacraments/resources-in-english/liturgical-calendar/video-reflections/>

A Wonderful Life in Christ (via Zoom): Everyone is invited to join us for a series of four discussions as we reflect on the themes of the 1946 film "It's a Wonderful Life," and relate it to our Christian story. Sessions are open to anyone, will take place on Zoom the four weeks of Advent: December 4th, 11th, 18th and 21st at 10:00 AM. Contact Karen for more information at 387-4198 or register through the website for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, www.setmoncton.com.

Faith Experiments Express (via Zoom): Join Karen and Trevor on Zoom as they share lessons in faith using science experiments that your children (grades 1-6) will do at home. Our next session will take place on December 14th at 6:30 PM. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH.** Please contact Karen at 387-4198 or ihmccatechism@rogers.com for more information and to register.

Keepsake Christmas (via Zoom): Families from all parishes are invited to register for an online gathering where each family will create its own miniature nativity set as they learn about the Nativity story. The session will take place on December 4th at 6:00 PM via Zoom. Contact Karen for more information at 387-4198 or register through the website for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, www.setmoncton.com. **Spaces for this event are limited so please register early.**

Christmas Masses at St. Bernard's

Registration to begin December 1, 2020

Thursday, December 24	2:00 PM, 4:30 PM (children/family mass) 7:00 PM & 9:30 PM
Friday, December 25	9:00 AM & 11:30 AM

Should Covid-19 phases cancel any of the above masses, cancellations will be noted on the parish phone (857-0425) or our parish website: www.stbernardschurch.ca

We will not be calling persons to advise that Masses are cancelled.



Registering for Christmas Food Box

Like most things this year, planning will be different with the Christmas Food Boxes. St. Bernard's will be supporting 50 boxes and registering individuals for those boxes. You will need to **call the St. Bernard's Social Justice line at 204-4882** and leave your name and a phone number where you can be reached. ***If we cannot reach you at that number, your name will not be able to be registered.*** The person phoning you back will provide all the

details and answer questions you may have.

The list of 50 names we register through St. Bernard's will be sent to the Food Bank and the Christmas Box will be delivered or can be picked up from there.

Please note, no boxes will be prepared or delivered from the church this year due to COVID-19 guidelines.

Cutoff date to register with St. Bernard's for a Christmas food box is Dec.10, 2020.

Donors and Volunteers for Christmas Boxes

Volunteers - because we will not be preparing food boxes or doing deliveries at the church this year, anyone who wishes to volunteer with this activity may contact the Food Bank at 383-4281 to offer their assistance with this important charitable work this Christmas season.

Donations

Since the early 1950's parishioners have always been so generous with the Christmas Boxes fund. This year we will be paying the Food Depot Alimentaire directly to sponsor the 50 boxes St. Bernard's is supporting. You can make your donation to the Christmas Boxes by sending an envelope to the parish with your envelope number on it, or name and address, so your donation can be recorded for tax receipt purposes (included with your St. Bernard's annual receipt). If you have any questions, please leave a message at the parish office 857-0425 and a member of the Social Justice team will return your call.

In the November envelopes, you will see an envelope marked 'People in Need' The funds from this collection are used throughout the year for various requests.

Thank you once again for your care and support.



Mitten Tree and Knitted items

While we are not doing the Christmas boxes in the usual way this year, rest assured that any items placed on the mitten tree during advent will be delivered to many organizations working with those in need, of all ages. Thank you.



We are nearing the end of 2020!

It is 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 2020 must be received prior to December 31st to be included in 2020 taxation receipts. Thank you for your continued generosity!!



*Congratulations and God's blessings to:
Tatum Drover
who received First Communion on
Saturday November 21st, 2020*



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 3, 10, 17 @ 6:00 PM

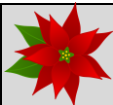
Advent Reconciliation Service!

Prepare for the Christmas Season by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent!



Advent Reconciliation - Covid-19 has caused many things to be done a differently than normal and our Advent Reconciliation will be no exception. There will be a Reconciliation Preparation Service on Thursday, December 10th at 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary. This will not be sacramental, but rather a preparation for individual confession. **St. Bernard's parishioners can call the office and book an appointment for individual confession for Friday, December 11th after**

9:30 AM Mass until Noon. December 10th liturgy will be live-streamed on Facebook, so if you cannot be there in person, you will be able to participate online. And finally, if you plan to attend in person, you are asked to call 386-6178.



*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 mailed to the parish office. (43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB E1C 4W9) 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)	



Season of Advent: The first Sunday of Advent – November 29th, 2020

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.

The Metrotones Pop Chorus along with the Moncton Wesleyan Church are holding a food, toy, cereal, and cash donation drive-through event Saturday, December 12, 1- 4:30 PM (storm date Dec.13th) in the Moncton Wesleyan Church parking lot, 945 St. George Blvd. All food and cash donations will assist **Food Depot Alimentaire** and the toys donated will assist **Moncton Headstart** in its annual toy drive. Check out all the details at www.metrotones.org. **"COVID safety protocols" will be in place.**

In this season of Advent, inspire us to be a people of hope. Encourage us not to be greedy for material possessions, but for justice and truth. Enflame us with a love for others, which crosses boundaries of race, religion, and nationality. Stir within us an appreciation of the immense beauty of the earth. Be with us, Lord, at this time, that we may be a people of hope. Amen