



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he has sent me to bring good news to the poor.*

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

MASS TIMES – WEEK OF DECEMBER 14-20, 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)



**Register
for Mass**

Please note you must register to attend Mass - call 857-0425 to register
Arrive early to allow for ushered seating.
Masks are mandatory.
Covid yellow phase– always keep 6 feet social distancing.

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

Secretary	Darlene McGraw	sbhf@rogers.com or darlenemcgraw@rogers.com
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Bookkeeper	Louise Tardif	
Custodian	Michel Saulnier	
Facilities Manager	Mike Murphy	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 14-20, 2020

Fri.	9:30 AM	Dec. 18	Late Leonard Magee	Jo-Anne & family
Sat.	4:00 PM	Dec. 19	Anniv. late John Fortin	The family
Sun.	11:00 AM	Dec. 20	Late Ron Snyder	Wife Stella

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

In Sympathy

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

Jim Heath

Husband of Ruth,

Fr. Michel Mercier, C.S.S.R.,

And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one



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

Beverly LeBlanc

Roger Berube

Lisa Fearon

Buddy

Beth Purcell

Alex Cormier

Bernie Pacquet

OFFERINGS

WEEKLY PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS

Sunday	\$ 10.00 (1)	Building Fund	\$ 10.00 (1)
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COLLECTION – DECEMBER 5 & 6, 2020 & OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL

Loose	\$ 10.00	Needs of Cdn Church	\$ 20.00 (1)
Christmas	\$ 420.00	Evangelization of people	\$ 50.00 (3)
Envelopes	\$ 6,593.00 (162)	Christmas Flowers	\$ 335.00 (8)
Easter	\$ 50.00 (1)	All Souls	\$ 80.00 (3)
Religious Ed	\$ 20.00 (1)	Christmas boxes	\$ 520.00 (5)
Share Lent	\$ 50.00 (1)	Needy Funds	\$ 285.00 (6)
Good Friday	\$ 20.00 (1)	Building Fund	\$ 3,532.00 (26)
Pope's Pastoral works	\$ 20.00 (1)	Capital Campaign	\$ 65.00 (2)



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: In preparation for the third weekend of Advent, the newest video of the series Journey through Advent is now available on the CCCB's website. This week, the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton proposes ways to rejoice and give thanks in all circumstances.

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.

Directory for Catechesis: In October 2020, the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis (OEC) of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops hosted a four-part webinar series on the recently released **Directory for Catechesis**. The webinar recordings and the supporting PowerPoint Presentations are now available on the CCCB website: [Click here to access the Directory for Catechesis Webinar Series Resource Kit](#). In the coming months, the OEC will continue to provide webinars and/or podcasts to focus on themes from the Directory for Catechesis. Examples of key themes for exploration include accompaniment, "Kerygmatic catechesis", catechesis in a digital age and missionary discipleship. Additionally, the OEC will examine the recently released Encyclical Letter Fratelli Tutti and its relationship to the themes of the Directory for Catechesis. Information will be publicized on these initiatives as it becomes available. The Directory for Catechesis is available for purchase in both English and French at <https://www.cccb.ca/cccb-publications/>. For more information, please contact Marg Shea-Lawrence, Director, Office for Evangelization and Catechesis, at m.shea-lawrence@ccb.ca.



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.



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



Christmas & New Year's Masses at St. Bernard's

Register to attend by calling 857-0425

Thursday, Dec. 24	2:00 PM, 4:30 PM (children/family mass) 7:00 PM & 9:30 PM
Friday, Dec. 25	9:00 AM & 11:30 AM
Thursday, Dec. 31	6:00 PM
Friday, Jan. 1	11:00 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.



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!!



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 Evening Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours) on this last Thursday of advent at St. Bernard's Church, Dec. 17 @ 6 PM.



*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)	



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



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.



**Many business and individuals are struggling at the time.
Keep them close to our hearts and in our prayers.
People have been asking about ways to help...**



Diaper Drive: The 13th annual diaper drive is being coordinated by the Family Resource Centre. You can call them at 384-7874 or 961-4872 to arrange a drop off or diapers or cash donations.

Karing Kitchen: They are providing a hot meal daily (have been serving around 120), however, with the pandemic guidelines these are take out. The special take out packaging is an added expense. Any donations marked for the Karing Kitchen received by St. Bernard's are forwarded to them. Reg Lebens is our St. Bernard's representative on the KK board.

ReConnect: Donations of Clothing, household items, personal hygiene items: The City of Moncton is allowing the use of the Tennis Club in Centennial Park to store donations. This is for a number of agencies including Reconnect. Donations will be shared by each agency. ReConnect will pick items up or people can drop them off at the YMCA.

Items needed right now: hats, gloves, socks, new underwear, long johns, coats, boots, hand warmers, blankets, sleeping bags. They are also looking for household items for those clients who are able to find housing. Personal items like toothbrushes, toothpaste, disposable 'bic' type razor, nail clippers, shampoo/conditioner, soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, Q-tips, etc. are always needed. If someone shows up at one of the Churches looking for something, call Reconnect or direct the person to the YMCA. **There is not much affordable housing on the horizon.** There are roughly 130 - 150 people sleeping outside right now (which is an increase from last year). Harvest House is at full capacity and Nazareth House is at 50% capacity. They have 100 beds there but only 50 are in use due to some existing issues. Public showers are available at St. George's Anglican Church and the YMCA (not available whenever the zone is in the Orange Phase). CONTACT TREVOR GOODWIN AT YMCA RECONNECT 857-0606, ext.2285.

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. At this time, people need to call the Food Depot Alimentaire at 383-4281 to register and find out delivery/pick up information.

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 Depot 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 would have seen 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.