



# Our Parish COMMUNITY

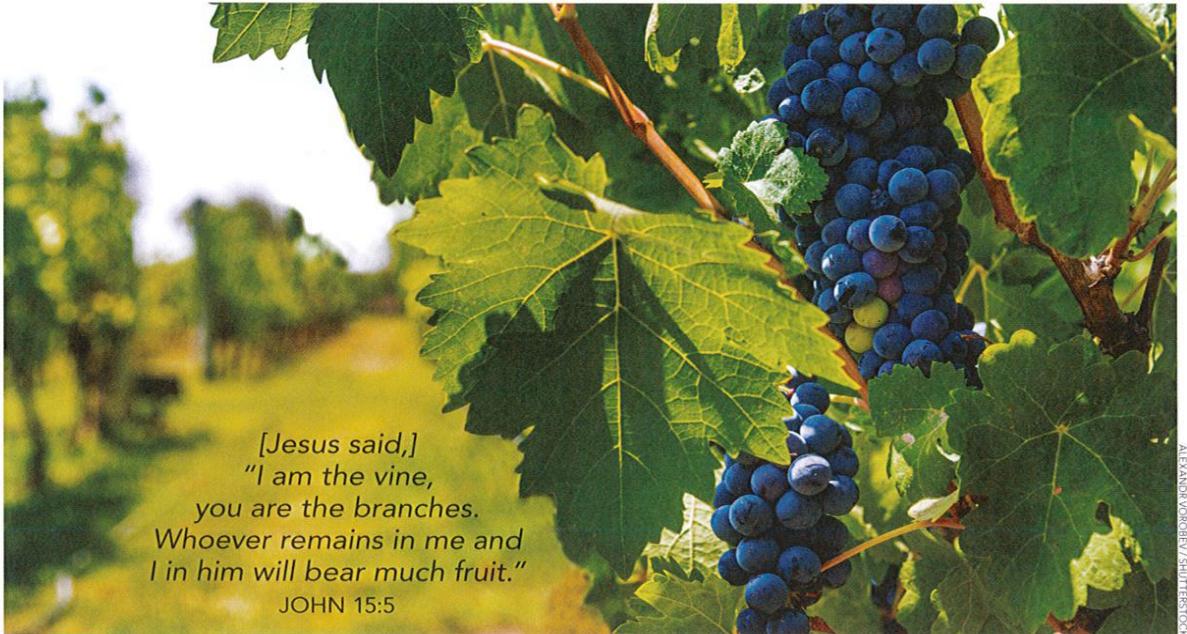
May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 9:26–31

1 Jn 3:18–24

Jn 15:1–8



[Jesus said,]  
"I am the vine,  
you are the branches.  
Whoever remains in me and  
I in him will bear much fruit."

JOHN 15:5

## In or Not at All

**T**he little word *in* appears eleven times in the Greek text of today's short passage from John's Gospel (ten times in most translations), and it has the same meaning in all cases. It refers to an intimate relationship: We are in Christ; Christ is in us. This being *in* does not mean "inside," like being in a room or in a country. It means being an intimate aspect of something, like the relationship of a branch to the vine. Perhaps a way of understanding this intimacy is to remember that the branch cannot exist by itself, and there is no vine if there are no branches. We cannot be partially in. We are either in or out.

If we want to live and thrive, we must cherish and protect our relationship with Christ, who is our source of life and nourishment. Otherwise we risk being nothing more than dead branches, the usefulness of which is mere fodder for the fire. This sounds

like a harsh punishment. However, it is not really punishment. Rather, it is the inevitable consequence of cutting ourselves off from our supply of life-giving nourishment. Furthermore, being cut off does not happen accidentally; we choose it deliberately.

Finally, this metaphor of vines and branches is an image of the Church. Though each of us, by grace, is "in Christ," our source of life, the risen life of Christ surges through members of his body. Thus, when we are united to Christ by grace, we live in him as Christ lives in all of us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR Reflection

- ✦ Think for a moment of the ways Christ lives in you.
- ✦ Now think of how you might live in Christ.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER****MAY 2, 2021***Abide in me as I abide in you, says the Lord;  
my branches bear much fruit.***WELCOME TO THE PARISH UNIT OF:****St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford St., Moncton NB E1C 4W9 (506) 857-0425****St. Vincent's, 63 Charlotte St, Sackville, NB E4L 2Y5 (506) 536-1460****St. Clement's, 14 Church St, Port Elgin, NB E4M 2C9 (506) 538-2262****MASS TIMES – WEEK OF MAY 3-9, 2021**

St. Bernard's	Friday @ 9:30 AM
	Saturday @ 4:00 PM
	Sunday @ 11 AM
St. Vincent	Sunday @ 9 AM
St. Clement's	Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday – call 538-2262 to confirm

**Register  
for Mass****Please note you must register each week to attend Mass - call 857-0425****Deadline to register for all regular Masses: Thursdays, 12 noon****Please arrive early to allow for ushered seating.****Facemasks mandatory.****We are currently in the Covid-19 yellow phase.  
Six feet social distancing must be maintained at all times.****PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM**

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

**STAFF**

<b>Secretary</b>	Darlene McGraw	sbhf@rogers.com <a href="mailto:darlenemcgraw@rogers.com">darlenemcgraw@rogers.com</a>
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<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Louise Tardif	
<b>Custodian</b>	Michel Saulnier	

**Access to the Parish office is restricted. Phone messages & emails are checked regularly.  
If you wish to make an appointment, call the parish office to arrange a time.  
Parish office: 506-857-0425 Email: sbhf@rogers.com****MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF WEEK OF MAY 3-9, 2021**

<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 7</b>	<b>9:30 PM</b>	Late James Carroll	Angela Kinden
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 8</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	Anniv. late Norma Power	Gerry & family
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 9</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	Late Hazel Owens	St. Bernard's CWL



**STANDING TOGETHER –  
EVEN TWO METERS APART!**

of course, and I am happy to support my parish through a donation by pre-authorized debit (PAD). It is a convenient way to make my Sunday offering and it saves the trouble of filing an envelope or of looking for the right amount of

change. It also allows my parish to be able to count on my uninterrupted contribution ... and I have the pleasure of being part of the solution.

**OFFERINGS**

**APRIL 24 & 25, 2021, RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE**

Loose	\$ 23.00	Upkeep of Holy Land	\$ 35.00
Envelopes	\$ 4,678.00	Karing Kitchen	\$ 32.00
Easter	\$ 85.00	Building Fund	\$ 540.00
Share Lent	\$ 200.00		
Good Friday	\$ 10.00		

*Thank you*

**Thank you for your generous and continued support !!!**

**In Sympathy**

*A time to mourn...*

*Our sincere sympathies to the families of:*

<b>Pat Lane</b>	Wife of Lawrence, mother of Beth, Danny and Rob
<b>Stella Bil</b>	Wife of (late) Joseph

*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...*

<b>Roger Berube</b>	<b>Sylvia Theriault</b>	<b>Beverly LeBlanc</b>
<b>Beth Purcell</b>	<b>Marg Moore</b>	<b>Jessica Fowler</b>
<b>Grant Stevenson</b>	<b>Jenny Purcell</b>	
<b>Terry LeBlanc</b>	<b>Ada Di Saverio</b>	

*And we pray for all who care for them.*



From the Diocesan Offices of Faith Development,  
Liturgy and Youth Faith Development- 45 York Street  
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## The Office of Faith Development closes May 7-reopens Aug. 30.

### Upcoming Meetings: (Masks are mandatory)

**Adult Faith Commission:** Tues., May 4, 6:30 PM, Dan Bohan Ctr., Immaculate Heart of Mary

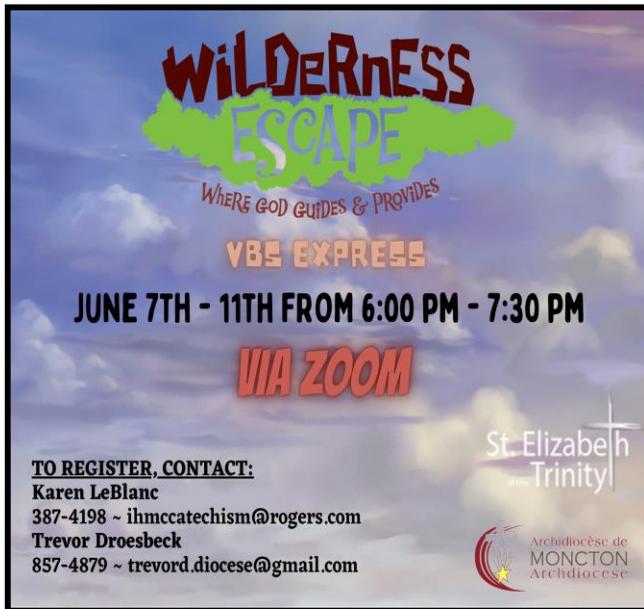
**Sacrament Preparation Committee:** Weds., May 5, 2:30 PM, 45 York St.

**Faith Experiments Express:** Learn about faith using science experiments! Designed for young people in grades 1-6, participants will be guided step by step through various fun and simple science experiments that will help them to learn more about faith and scripture. The next sessions will take place via Zoom on April 26<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Register by contacting Karen at 387-4198 or [ihmccatechism@rogers.com](mailto:ihmccatechism@rogers.com).

**Faith Experiments Express** is a collaborative effort between St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Pastoral Unit and the Archdiocese of Moncton Office of Youth Faith Development.

**Mondays at the Movies:** Everyone is invited to join our film discussion series this Easter season designed to connect popular films to our faith. On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will meet via Zoom at 6:30 PM to discuss the film *Signs* (2002) starring Mel Gibson. For each session, participants will have watched the film ahead of time. Contact Karen for more info. and to register at or [ihmccatechism@rogers.com](mailto:ihmccatechism@rogers.com) or 387-4198.

**Join the Conversation:** The Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers are seeking young people aged 12-24 to join a series of virtual conversations (via Zoom) originally initiated by the CCCB and the Canadian Catholic Youth Ministry Network. These sessions are scheduled to take place on an ongoing basis beginning in May and will be an opportunity for young people across Atlantic Canada to gather and talk about issues important to them in 2021 and how we as a faith community can respond to them. All young people in this age range are welcome to join the conversation. For more information contact Trevor.



**WILDERNESS ESCAPE**  
 WHERE GOD GUIDES & PROVIDES  
**VBS EXPRESS**  
**JUNE 7TH - 11TH FROM 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM**  
**VIA ZOOM**

**TO REGISTER, CONTACT:**  
 Karen LeBlanc  
 387-4198 ~ ihmccatechism@rogers.com  
 Trevor Droesbeck  
 857-4879 ~ trevord.diocese@gmail.com

St. Elizabeth  
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 MONCTON  
 Archdiocese

**VBS Express! Vacation Bible**

**School 2021:** We are now accepting registrations for our virtual VBS which will take place June 7th-11th, on Zoom from 6:00 - 7:30 each evening. This year's theme is **Wilderness Escape: Where God Guides and Provides.** For more information or to register, contact Trevor or Karen LeBlanc at St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish, [ihmccatechism@rogers.com](mailto:ihmccatechism@rogers.com) / 387-4198.



**Office Support Person**

Position for St. Bernard's Parish - 'St. Bernard's Parish invites applications / resumes for an office support person position. This job involves 30 hours per week from Monday - Friday. *The role includes a variety of activities in the front office: as the initial contact with parishioners and the public through the phone, door, & email; & preparing the bulletin.* The successful candidate will have respectful and professional communication skills, comfort with basic computer

skills using Microsoft Word, Excel, & Outlook, and have a criminal record check. Please call the parish office @ 857-0425, or email [sbhf@rogers.com](mailto:sbhf@rogers.com) to request the job description and submit an application for the position (**application deadline May 5/21**). Darlene will be continuing her pastoral work as liturgy coordinator.

## CANNED SOUP DRIVE

### We Need Your Help:

*"Just as you cannot understand Christ apart from the kingdom he came to bring, so too your personal mission is inseparable from the building of that kingdom."* Gaudete et Exsultate (Rejoice and be Glad) Pope Francis – Paragraph 25. In response to the 2018 encyclical Gaudete et Exsultate the Adult Faith Commission, which has representation from the three Moncton area parish groupings, has been mandated by Archbishop Vienneau to put our faith into action in a way that can help families within our geographic area. With that in mind, representatives from the AFC recently met with Vincent Merola from the City of Moncton and Valerie McIntosh from the nonprofit organization, Isthmus, formerly known as "Blessings in a Backpack". Isthmus is a charity that provides for families who face food insecurity. They pack bags of food for children and their families that will bridge them from when they leave school on Friday until they return on Monday. Currently **they serve 734 children in 33 Moncton area schools**. The need is great, but the labourers are few, to paraphrase a quote from Scripture. In our meeting, Valerie outlined a concrete way our faith communities could provide help. She said that one thing they are in need of, but most often cannot afford to purchase, is soup. She was saying that a Soup Drive among all our parishes would be of great help. With that in mind, we would like to do a ***Soup Drive from May 1<sup>st</sup> through May 17<sup>th</sup>***. Just bring your donation to your own parishes and we will arrange for pick up. St. Bernard's will have a basket at the entrance of the church to collect cans of soup for this cause. Thank you for your consideration of this ministry. I feel I can speak for all of us in saying that nobody wants to see a child go hungry. Mike Jeffries, Susan McCarthy, Mark Mahoney, Fr. Phil Mulligan - ***Adhoc Committee – Adult Faith Commission***

**50 Days**  
of  
**Easter**



**For fifty days**, the people of God reflect on the meaning of Jesus' resurrection and of their sharing in it through baptism: dying to sin and living for God. For seven weeks we celebrate the presence of Jesus among us. We celebrate his ascension, and pray to him, seated in glory with the Father. As we prepare for Pentecost, we ask him to fill us with the grace and power of his Spirit.

**The seven weeks from Easter to Pentecost** are celebrated as one great Feast Day. St. Athanasius called them "the great Sunday." Christians sing the "Alleluia" during these days in their rejoicing. (GNLY, no.22)

## International Workers Day - May 1, 2021

May 1<sup>st</sup> - International Worker's Day is celebrated in many countries. This can be a day to recognize the value of human work, defend the dignity of working people, encourage all to be responsible in their work, and celebrate the role that human work has in God's plan for creation.

The word "Bursary" is written in a playful, multi-colored font where each letter is a different color and has a slight 3D effect.

**St. Bernard's Parish is offering a \$ 1,000 Bursary to a graduate who is pursuing or enrolled in post-secondary studies.** Send or deliver your application to St. Bernard's Parish Bursary, Parish Office, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB E1C 4W9. **Deadline for**

**applications: May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.** Please include a personal letter detailing your involvement at school, in the parish and in the community, as well as your future plans.

### *Possible ways to feed the hungry...*



For information on any of the following - click on the links below:

**Food Depot Alimentaire (FDA)** - <https://fooddepot.ca/>

**ReConnect Street Intervention at:**  
<https://moncton.ymca.ca/en/Programs/Outreach/Reconnect?nolocation=1>

**Karing Kitchen:** Donations can be made through Canada Helps at: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/> donations may be mailed directly to: Karing Kitchen 75 Alma St., Moncton, NB , E1C 4Y3



*"Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7*

**STANDING TOGETHER**  
**↔ EVEN 2 METERS APART!**

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Dear Parishioners,

It is with gratitude that we express appreciation for your presence, commitment, and parish donations, which are all vital to the future of our church community.

Living through a global pandemic, churches, as with all of humanity, are dealing with major challenges. Having to limit attendance at religious celebrations, dealing with times when, at the request of Public Health, we had to close our churches; we are experiencing the loss of each other's presence as we live our faith.

These difficult times have also had an important effect on the parish revenue and expenses. This was to be expected since our main source of income is the weekend collection.

Please know that we are so grateful to all of you who, despite the difficulties brought on by the pandemic, continue to support our parish. Your generosity allows our community of faith to engage actively in the Mission Jesus entrusted to his Church.

If you wish, we would like to make things easier for you by suggesting that you can make your donation by pre-authorized debit (PAD). Some parishioners already chose to use this method as it is convenient for them. When you complete the PAD approval form, a monthly donation comes out of your bank account, thus providing the parish with the stability needed to be able to plan ahead, continue ministering to the faithful, and to oversee the maintenance of the grounds and property on a continuous basis. Naturally, a tax receipt will be issued annually. Your donation can be modified or cancelled at any time.

This envelope contains more information and if you have further questions, please call the parish office and your call will be returned.

Again, thank you and may God bless you and keep you in his everlasting love.



**Fr. Allison Carroll, Priest-Moderator**

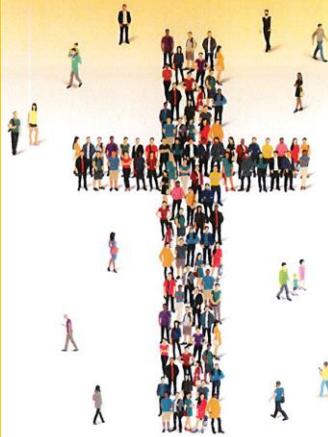
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**DONATIONS BY PREAUTHORIZED DEBIT (PAD)**

Fill out the membership form on the back using the contact details of your parish and return it to the parish unit office. (We can help you by phone)



**FUNDRAISING FOR OUR PARISHES**  
*Please Give Generously*

**FUNDRAISING FOR OUR PARISHES – STANDING TOGETHER - EVEN 2 METERS APART!**  
**YOUR DONATION ALLOWS YOUR PARISH TO CONTINUE ITS MISSION**

- with families for baptism, first communion, confirmation, marriage and funerals;
- with people alone, in need or living with sickness and those searching for meaning in their life;
- for the maintenance and upkeep of churches and cemeteries.

I want to help my parish by enrolling in the preauthorized debit program (PAD). I authorize my parish to make withdrawals on the 15th day of the month from my bank account. I enclose herewith a specimen cheque marked "VOID" which will provide the necessary information for automatic transfers. Furthermore, I retain the right, at any time, to modify or cancel my donation. A receipt will be issued for all donations. Thank you for supporting your parish and your community.

Each monthly withdrawal will correspond to a fixed amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

To be distributed as follows towards the following needs:

Sunday Collections: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Special Collections: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Maintenance / Renovation Funds: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Where's most needed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: (DD/MM/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_

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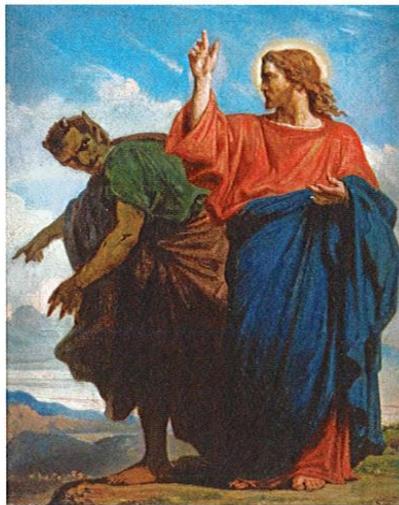
# Dear Padre,

## Why is the Church considering a word change to the Our Father? It seems fine as it is.

**O**f the two versions of the Lord's Prayer in Luke 11:2–4 and Matthew 6:9–13, Luke's is more concise. The petition, "and lead us not into temptation" in Greek means both "do not allow us to enter into temptation" and "do not let us yield to temptation" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2846). The *Catechism* includes the explanation from James 1:13: "God cannot be tempted by evil and he himself tempts no one," to certify that God "wants to set us free from evil. We ask him not to allow us to take the way that leads to sin." Consequently, Pope Francis reportedly approved the English wording, "do not let us fall into temptation" to replace "lead us not into temptation."

"It is not a good translation because it speaks of a God who induces temptation," the Pope said in 2017. "I am the one who falls. It's not him pushing me into temptation to then see how I have fallen." On the contrary, "a father helps you to get up immediately," he added. "It's Satan who leads us into temptation—that's his department."

However, unlike the change in the Italian Lord's Prayer that will appear in their third edition of *The Roman Missal*, no immediate plans have been made to change the wording in English-speaking countries.



THE TEMPTATION OF CHRIST BY THE DEVIL, BY FELIX JOSEPH BARBAIS, 1860. WIKIPEDIA

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR  
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### A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Let us not forget that the *Our Father* is the prayer of the poor. Our asking for bread expresses our entrustment to God for our basic needs in life. Everything that Jesus taught us in this prayer expresses and brings together the cry of all who suffer from life's uncertainties.

FIRST WORLD DAY OF THE POOR, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

## Calendar

### Monday

MAY 3

Sts. Philip and James,  
Apostles  
1 Cor 15:1–8  
Jn 14:6–14

### Tuesday

MAY 4

Easter Weekday  
Acts 14:19–28  
Jn 14:27–31a

### Wednesday

MAY 5

Easter Weekday  
Acts 15:1–6  
Jn 15:1–8

### Thursday

MAY 6

Easter Weekday  
Acts 15:7–21  
Jn 15:9–11

### Friday

MAY 7

Easter Weekday  
Acts 15:22–31  
Jn 15:12–17

### Saturday

MAY 8

Easter Weekday  
Acts 16:1–10  
Jn 15:18–21

### Sunday

MAY 9

Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 10:25–26,  
34–35, 44–48  
1 Jn 4:7–10  
Jn 15:9–17