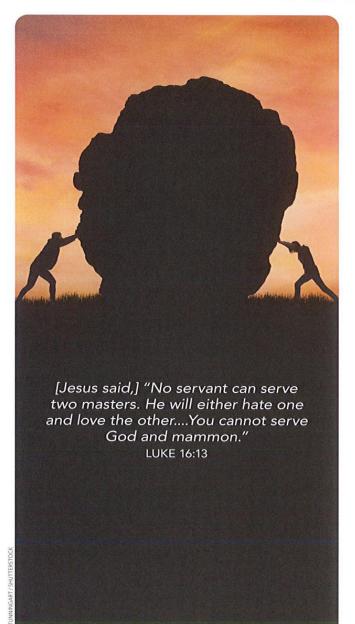


September 18, 2022

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Am 8:4–7 1 Tm 2:1–8

Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13



God or Mammon?

Jesus tells a story that might sound confusing to us because it reflects economic practices of his time, not ours. His original audience likely recognized the situation as one that was familiar to them. In the story, an employee fails to oversee and enhance the material holdings of his employer. However, when it came to getting what he could for himself from the employer's assets, he shows remarkable ability. One might say: Good for him! Even the employer thought the employee's actions showed resourcefulness.

Jesus does not applaud the specifics of the man's behavior, acceptable or not, as the case may have been. Rather, he notes that the man used whatever was available to him to ensure his own comfort in the future. Jesus then states that the ingenuity of such a man is more noteworthy than that of children of light. What a condemnation!

Jesus goes on to condemn mammon. Just what is that? It is too easy to say that mammon is money, though money is part of it. A good definition is "the greedy pursuit of gain." This could be any kind of gain over others when we make that gain the primary value in our lives. The story shows that the employee was amazingly industrious in his pursuit. In comparison, the children of light (you and me?) too often fail to demonstrate comparable industry in pursuing the true wealth of which Jesus spoke. Once again, a choice is placed before us: God or mammon?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- * What is the driving pursuit in your life?
 Is it worthy of you?
- * How committed are you to religious pursuits?



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

Though Jesus Christ was rich, yet he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

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ST. BERNARD'S MASS TIMES / INTENTIONS -WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19-25, 2022					
Mon.	Sep. 19	9:30 AM	Late Jack & Mildred Dowd	Therese Dowd & family	
Thur.	Sep. 22	9:30 AM	Late Deana Cote	Roy & Dee Dee Carter	
Fri.	Sep. 23	9:30 AM	Anniv. late Avery Keenan	Lillian Bibby	
Sat.	Sep. 24	4:00 PM	Anniv. late Laura Murphy	Gary & Bernadette Vanbuskirk	
Sun.	Sep. 25	11:00 AM	Anniv. late Richard Christie Phyllis Christie		
St. Vincent			Sunday @ 9 AM		
St. Clement			Saturday @ 7 PM		

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION			
St. Bernard's	Saturday @ 1:00 - 1:30 PM		

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Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!



A time to mourn.....

Sincere sympathies to all those who mourn the loss of a loved one...



Frayer	
/Request //	

Ecclesiastes 3...

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

Beth Purcell	Marcelline Lokoka	Grant Stevenson		
Larry Byron	Cheryl Allerston	Francis McCarron		
And for all who care for them.				



For the Holy Father's general intention for September For the abolition of the death penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



Parish Office closed Monday, September 19, 2022 National Day of Mourning Queen Elizabeth II funeral

St. Augustine's - St. Vincent de Paul Society Mini Flea Market & Clothing Sale
Saturday October 1st - 8:00am to 12:00noon 113 Norwood Ave, side Door to Basement
Please note: Masking is required and due to our small spaces, there may be a limit on number of
people on the premises at one time, there will be a maximum of 25 minutes shopping time per

people on the premises at one time, there will be a maximum of 25 minutes shopping time per customer. We promise the best prices in town. Your support will help us to help the needy of our community.



From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis To contact us: Trevor-857-4879 trevord.diocese@gmail.com

Mondays @ The Movies

Mondays @ The Movies is a group that meets regularly to discuss faith connections in popular films. Our next discussion will take place on Zoom on Monday, September 26th at 10:30 am when we will talk about the (2004) independent comedy, *Napoleon Dynamite*. For more information or to register, contact Karen.

Faith Experiments Express

Children in grades 1 through 6 are invited back to Faith Experiments Express where we use science experiments to teach about God and Scripture. Sessions are conducted via Zoom and our first session will take place on Monday, October 3rd at 6:00 PM. For more information, Contact Karen at 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com

Sacramental Preparation Committee Meeting

The committee working on sacramental preparation will meet again on Wednesday, October 5th at 2:30 PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview.

Atlantic Catechetical Association / Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers AGM

The Atlantic Catechetical Association will hold its Annual General Meeting from October 11th-13th, hosted in Prince Edward Island by the Diocese of Charlottetown. The Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers will also hold its AGM at this time.

Parish Catechetical Coordinators

The next meeting of the Parish Catechetical Coordinators will take place on Thursday, November 3rd at 6:00 PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary (5 Fatima Drive).



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Carmelites	2 nd Sat. of month, 9:00 -11:00 AM	Meeting Room
Prayer Group	2 nd Sat & last Sat. of each month @ 7 PM	Church Hall
RCIA	Will resume in the fall	Stage Area
Baptism Prep Course	Sunday's, September 18 & 25 @ 1:30 pm	Meeting Room



St. Bernard's Catholic Women's League

Meeting on Mon., Oct.3 in the church hall 130pm Rosary 2-4 pm Meeting and refreshments New members welcome



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS EVENT

FREE RECEPTION ENTERTAINMENT

Linda and Joey Howe

REFRESHMENTS AND PRIZES

September 25, 2022 CITY HALL 655 Main Street, MONCTON 2 – 4 p.m.



Local Pastoral Council Nominations

As noted in recent bulletins, St. Bernard's is without a Local Pastoral Council (LPC) and it is our hope to reinstitute the LPC this fall. Accordingly, we are inviting parishioners to nominate potential candidates for the LPC. To nominate, you simply have to send the name and telephone number of your

nominee to the parish office either by dropping it in the collection, sending it by email or hard copy. The parish administration will contact each nominee to get his/her consent to have his/her name on the ballot.

Nominations will be received up to noon Friday, September 23.

General Qualifications for Members of LPC:

- 1. Must be 18 years of age or older.
- 2. Be a Christian of "proven faith, good morals, and outstanding prudence."
- 3. Be a registered member of the parish (or be willing to register)
- 4. Be reasonably familiar with the parish and its activities
- 5. Be able to work in a group setting
- 6. Be committed to personal growth

Spend some time discerning your choice, and then submit your recommendation.

Blessings, - Fr. Charlie



World Day of Migrants and Refugees - September 25

A World Day of Migrants and Refugees is observed in many places in solidarity with the World Refugee Day promoted by the United Nations and observed since 2001 on 20 June. The January observance was instituted by

Saint Pius X 1914. At the request of several conferences of Bishops, Pope Francis moved the observance to September in 2019. "The phenomenon of migration today is a providential opportunity for the proclamation of the Gospel in the contemporary world. Men and women from various regions of the earth who have not yet encountered Jesus Christ or know him only partially, ask to be received in countries with an ancient Christian tradition. It is necessary to find adequate ways for them to meet and to become acquainted with Jesus Christ and to experience the invaluable gift of salvation." - (POPE BENEDICT XVI, 2012)

Needs of the Church in Canada - September 25

Every year, the Bishops of Canada appeal for financial assistance. This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the national Episcopal Conference and to the respective regional episcopal assembly (in the Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and Western regions). Any additional funds from the collection are at the disposal of the diocese for its own pastoral needs. On the day of the collection, an appropriate petition may be added in the Prayer of the Faithful.

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is the national assembly of Catholic Bishops. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in their ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance.

"Challenges and favours. which the Lord gives...are the ways by which he wanted his Church founded and established by the Apostles and Disciples. This is the same grace he has made to the Church in Canada, by which it has taken all its force and growth and is sustained and maintained by patience and long-suffering in peace and union with Our Lord, all as he is pleased to permit." - Saint Francois De Laval, First Bishop of New France, from a letter to the Vicar General of the Diocese of Quebec, 15 February 1686

Retirement Thoughts

An excerpt from Ellen's message on her retirement- full message is available in St Bernard's website)

After 29 years of working with the Roman Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Moncton, Monday, September 19th I will officially retire. I'm not sure where those 29 years went, yet I am filled with gratitude that I have been able to spend them doing something as meaningful and rewarding as being part of the ministry of catechesis.

Faith is something I know many struggle with, don't understand, find impossible to grasp ... but for me, it has been a lifeline all my life. Without doubt, I know that the 29 years I worked for the Church in the Archdiocese of Moncton have provided me with ALL the high points of my professional life, and I am eternally grateful for the phone call that began it all, and the encouragement, each time, to move forward. As it is for all of us, I'm not sure what the future holds for me, but I know whatever it holds, I will have the continued love of a God who has always carried me. I wish you God's abundant blessings as I move now toward a different path. I know God is present in all of you because you have shown me again and again the face of God in the way you have accepted and welcomed me. Thank you and Godspeed.

As always, - Ellen Bennett



On behalf of the people of The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit, especially the children and parents whose lives were touched through Ellen's ministry, thank you Ellen, for your faithful, faith-filled and generous service. We never know the ripple effect of our actions on others, but I am certain yours will be felt spread far and wide.

May your retirement be filled with rest, peace and joy.

Blessings, - Fr. Charlie



Called to serve in Liturgical Ministries

Volunteering in parish liturgical ministries is very rewarding.

It is a wonderful way to serve our Lord and to get to know fellow parishioners.

Do you feel called? Are you interested in serving your Church in one of the following ministries?

Greeters: The role of the greeter is to warmly welcome all as they enter the church. At the end of Mass, they pass out the parish bulletin.

Altar Servers: The main role of the server is to assist the priest during the celebration of Mass. The altar serving team consists of the cross bearer and two candle bearers. This ministry is open to men, women & children. (*Who are mature enough to understand their responsibilities and have received their First Communion*) Servers are needed for weekday, weekend, and funeral Masses.

Communion Minister: A communion minister is a parishioner who serves the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ during Communion at Mass. The presider serves communion to these ministers first and they then distribute what they have received to the parish community. The most precious gift of all, Jesus Christ.

Lectors (ministers of the Word): As a faith community we gather to hear God's word in scripture.

Lectors are parishioners who love the word of God. They prepare well, read with conviction, and make God's word come alive for us.

Sacristan: The Sacristan Ministry is a "behind the scenes" service which can be done by individuals or couples who wish to offer this service. The Sacristan prepares for and looks after the care and cleaning of the vessels used at Mass.

If you are interested in any of the above ministries, please contact the parish office at 857-0425.

Training will be provided.

It is in the giving that we receive. (St. Francis of Assisi)

Dear Padre,

A friend sent me a copy of The Catholic Worker newspaper. It was founded by one of his heroes, Dorothy Day. What can you tell me about her?

orothy Day was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1897. She finished high school at age sixteen and joined the Socialist Party in 1914 as a college student. She converted to Catholicism in 1927.

During the Great Depression, Dorothy's commitment to the poor deepened. In 1932 she met Peter Maurin, with whom she founded the Catholic Worker Movement. In 1933 she created The Catholic Worker newspaper, through which



she proclaimed the rights of workers to dignity and to fair and honest treatment by industry and government, landlords, and neighbors. Her prolabor and antiwar beliefs caused her to be labeled a Communist, but she was never a member of the Communist Party.

Dorothy's concern for social justice grew-among other things, she worked with Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers. She was orthodox, pious, and had a deep sense of Catholic morality.

She died in 1980. In 2000, St. John Paul II granted the Archdiocese of New York permission to open a cause for Dorothy

Day's sainthood. That cause was endorsed in 2012 by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, who called her "a saint for our time." In December 2021, Servant of God Dorothy Day's cause advanced from the Archdiocese of New York to the Vatican's Congregation for the Causes of the Saints.

> Fr. Rick Potts, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

In these times when social concerns are so important, I cannot fail to mention the Servant of God Dorothy Day. who founded the Catholic Worker Movement. Her social activism, her passion for justice and for the cause of the oppressed, were inspired by the Gospel, her faith, and the example of the saints.

> ADDRESS TO JOINT SESSION OF US CONGRESS, SEPTEMBER 24, 2015

Calendar

Monday SEPTEMBER 19 Weekday Prv 3:27-34 Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday SEPTEMBER 20 Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs Prv 21:1-6, 10-13

Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday SEPTEMBER 21 St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist Eph 4:1-7, 11-13

Mt 9:9-13

Thursday SEPTEMBER 22 Weekday Eccl 1:2-11 Lk 9:7-9

Friday SEPTEMBER 23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina. Priest Eccl 3:1-11

Lk 9:18-22

Saturday SEPTEMBER 24 Weekday Eccl 11:9-12:8

Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday SEPTEMBER 25 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 6:1a, 4-7 1 Tm 6:11-16 Lk 16:19-31

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