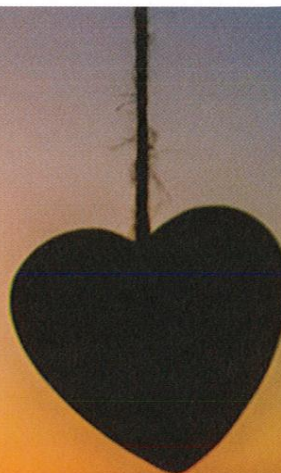




Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example that you should follow in his footsteps.

1 PETER 2:21



Saved by Love, Not by Suffering

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Im not sure there is any value in suffering in and of itself. Nor do I think God wants us to suffer. That would make him sadistic. Nor is it, then, Jesus' suffering and death that saves us, but rather his love even to the point of suffering and death that saves us. It is his love that reveals the greatness of God's love for us that is so unbelievable. The basis of our faith is Jesus' trust in God, who would bring about life even through death. We also hear the wisdom of St. Peter today: "...If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God" (1 Peter 2:20). Such is the shepherd's voice that teaches us and leads us.

Does anyone ever choose to suffer for doing what is good? Yes. Every day. Spouses become caregivers for husbands or wives robbed of their memories. Each day people go to jobs that are pure drudgery, and they do so because they love their families. Some choose to

live simply, to be countercultural in a consumer society. Others help their community by living in neighborhoods many avoid. Some parents willingly postpone a career in order to be present to their growing family. Teachers often go beyond expectations for students

who need extra help. It is never the suffering of these people that captures and reflects the image of Jesus, but the love even to the point of suffering. ●

Reflect

When are you patient in suffering for the sake of doing good?

Who has done the same for you?

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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Mass times / Intentions: May 1 – 7, 2023

St. Bernard's

Mon.	May 1	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Kathleen Haley	Chris and Sherry
Thur.	May 4	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Maria Nguyen	Anna Tran
Fri.	May 5	9:30 AM	Late Freda Hennessy	Chuck and Jessie Kinney
Sat.	May 6	4:00 PM	Late Ronnie Cavanaugh	Family
Sun	May 7	11:00 AM	For the people	

St. Clement's

Sat.	May 6	7:00 PM	Late Barbara Olsen	Betty Ann Robichaud
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Sun.	May 7	9:00 AM	Late Heidi Lafford	Steve and Yoshie Gates
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Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession

Saturdays, 1:00 PM at St. Bernard's

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Catechetical Coordinator	Cathy Crinnion	

St Clement's Parish Staff

Parish Secretary	Pam Van Egmond	
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OFFERINGS	April 22 & 23, 2023
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St. Bernard's

Envelopes	\$ 7,389.67	Loose	\$ 549.15
Karing Kitchen	\$ 130.30	Share Lent	\$ 50.00
Easter Offering	\$ 40.00	Capital Campaign	\$ 2,583.33
Building Fund	\$ 50.00	Special Collection	\$ 170.00

St. Clement's

Envelopes	\$ 375.00	Loose	\$ 30.00
Candles	\$ 9.00		

St. Vincent's

Envelopes	\$ 1,555.00	Loose	\$ 25.00
Easter	\$ 20.00	HR-SV Cemetery	\$ 250.00

Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!

In Sympathy

A time to mourn.....

Sincere sympathies to the family of:



Kathy LeBlanc

Daughter of Angela Kinden (Late Harold)

Diana Moren

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...*

St. Bernard's

Judy Chiasson

Roger Berube

Ida Caruso

Patricia Devine

Boyd Clory

May Smith

Diana Bathurst

Ed Muise

Kevin O'Brien

St. Clement's

Vina McGraw

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Shadra McGraw

Arabella McGraw

Carol Murphy

Suzanne Jones

Hudson Sweeney

Beverly Melanson

Margo Kennedy

St. Vincent's

Leone Campbell

Victor Landry

Victor Tower

John Gates

And for all who care for them.



Bursaries



St. Bernard's Church is offering a \$1000 bursary to a student graduating from High School in June 2023, 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 30, 2023 to:** St. Bernard's Church, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB, E1C 4W9 or Email to: sbhf@rogers.com

The WAK Chapter of the Irish Canadian Cultural Association of NB is pleased to offer a \$500.00 Dan & Marie McGee Medical Science bursary to a student entering or attending a post-secondary study in the medical field. Please include a personal letter detailing your future plans by mail to The Irish Association, P.O. Box 26022, Moncton, NB E1E 4H9 or email: watchdog@nb.sympatico.ca Deadline: June 1, 2023.

St. Bernard's

Faith Formation

Session	Sunday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	Years 1-2-3 @ 9:15 AM	Years 1-2-3 @ 6 PM	Years 4-5-6 @ 6 PM
	Years 4-5-6 @ 12:15 PM		
#16	April 30	May 2	May 3

Confirmation Preparation

Session	Sunday	Time
#18	April 30	3:00-4:15PM

Sacrament of Confirmation Celebration Sunday May 7th @ 11AM



Congratulations to four of our children from St. Bernard's, who received the sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday April 23, 2023. May the blessing of Christ be upon you always.

**Jose Dwayne Ambion
Layla De Jesus Sima
Oliver Henao Wasson
Issa Paz**

"Who ever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise him up at the last day" John 6:54



A Special Thank you to the Knights of Columbus - Council 1310

For providing beautiful Rosaries for our children.



Congratulations to: **Darren Maillard** who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday April 23, 2023. ***"Leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift" Matthew 5:24***



St. Bernard's General Meeting, Sunday, May 28, 2023 @ 2 PM Church Hall. Brief presentations from the various committees of St. Bernard's will be given. All parishioners are encouraged and invited to attend. Come and be informed of what takes place in our parish.

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

St. Bernard's

Carmelites	April: 3 rd 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	Next meetings Weds., May 3 & 17 @ 6:30 PM	Meeting Room

St. Clement's

Our best wishes from St. Clement's parishioner's for Frank Quinn in becoming a Deacon and we hope to see him continue to be within the St. Clement's family parish.

St. Vincent's

FAITH FORMATION – Catechism sessions for children in grades 1-6 will soon finish for the year 2022-2023 (see schedule below) and we request that parents fill out an evaluation/feedback form. Also take note of the formation offerings by the diocesan team, such as the online Faith Express sessions and the Vacation Bible School.

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to the volunteers and youth participants (ages 3-13) in our Earth Day Challenge on April 22nd! We found 3 bags of litter caught amongst the trees behind the church, and our neighborhood is now a cleaner place. We made eco-friendly bird feeders that now adorn the trees alongside the parking lot. We ate food and socialized together – a fun time!

Confirmation candidates – continue your selfless activities and please add some 'helpful hands' to our community service poster in the church vestibule.

Contact Cathy at ccrinnion@yahoo.ca or 506-536-4470 to participate in our youth faith program.

EYEGLASSES - Please remember to bring your used eyeglasses. They will be forwarded to St. Bernard's where they will be distributed to a local service club for cleaning, sorting by prescription strength, then packaged and distributed to people in need. All donations may be placed in the box marked "EYEGLASSES" at the church entrance.

St. Vincent's Faith Formation schedule as follows:

April 30 th @ 10am	Primary group catechism (final session) – church hall
May 7 th @ 10am	Elementary group catechism (final session)–church hall
May 14 th @ 9am Mass	Baptism of Pearl Liefer! First Eucharist for Hazel Liefer and Tom Dowling
May 28 th @ 9am Mass	Confirmation for 10 parish youth in grades 7 – 10



Knight of Columbus Council 1310: 84 Broadway St., Moncton
Sunday Breakfast: May 7 @ 8:30 – 12:30, Cost: Adults \$8, Children \$3 (5yrs & under Free) All are welcome!

Annual Collection for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund

I am pleased to inform you that the funds collected locally in our parish last year (\$34,820.00) will be used in funding local projects in collaboration with our four local Mi'gmaq communities. Elsipogtog First Nation, Bouctouche MicMac, Fort Folly First Nation, and Indian Island First Nation. We will work in the coming months to identify projects based on the priorities of these communities. In addition, we hope to encourage initiatives in the following areas: 1) healing and reconciliation, 2) revitalization of culture and language, 3) education and early childhood development, and 4) promoting indigenous spiritually and culture.

Thank you. Archbishop Valéry Vienneau.

No Mass Wednesday: This Wednesday, May 3rd, mass is cancelled at Immaculate Heart of Mary. Will resume Wednesday, May 10th.



From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

To contact us:

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Karen: 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com

Family Nature Walk at Centennial Park: Care for Creation!

On Saturday, May 6th from 10:00 am – 11:00 am, families are invited to join us for a Family Nature Walk at Centennial Park. Our guide for the hour will help us to identify plants and ecosystems in the park. We will meet at 10:00 am in the parking lot near the water park at Centennial Park in Moncton. The Family Nature Walk at Centennial Park is an initiative of the diocesan Laudato Si' Committee.

Faith Experiments Express: Children in grades 1 through 6 are invited back to Faith Experiments Express where we use interactive science experiments to teach about God and Scripture. Sessions are conducted via Zoom and our next session will take place May 8th at 6:00 pm. For more information, Contact Karen at 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com. Register online at www.diomoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Youth Faith Development.

Being Present: Caregivers and the People They Care For: Save the Dates! The Committee Looking at End of Life Pastoral Care will offer a session designed for those who provide care to the sick / infirm, facilitated by Louise Ongo of St. Bernard's Parish. The first session will take place on Thursday, May 11th at Immaculate Conception Church (8 School Street) in Rexton and go from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. Louise will offer the same session a second time on May 18th at St. Bernard's Church (42 Botsford Street) in Moncton, from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm.

Vacation Bible School 2023: The theme of this year's in-person Vacation Bible School will be **Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light** and will run from June 26th-29th in the mornings at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview. Registration is open to anyone aged 3 up to the end of grade 6, and there will be a \$20 deposit required which will be returned at the end of the program. Register online by visiting www.diomoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Youth Faith Development → Vacation Bible School and then click on the poster. Contact Karen at 387-4918 or karen.diocese@gmail.com



St. Bernard's needs an accompanist for our weekend masses.

If you can play piano / keyboard or organ or guitar, please give some serious thought to sharing your musical gifts with our song leaders and music ministry as we lead the congregation in singing to give glory to God! If you are interested, please call the parish office at 506-857-0425 and leave your contact information. Thank you.

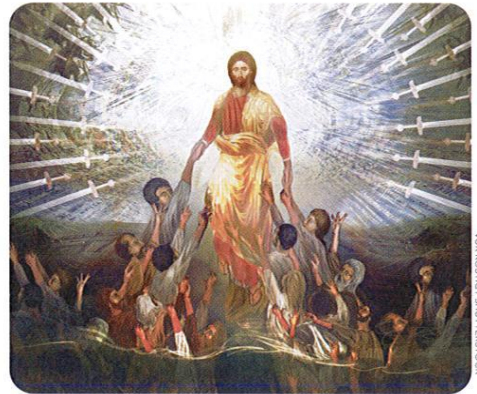
Dear Padre,

In the Apostles' Creed, we profess that Jesus "descended into hell." Is there any biblical reference to this? Do we know what he did when he was there?

Jesus Christ—who experienced death completely—descended to the realm of death. By his resurrection from the dead on the third day, he conquered death and the devil, “who has the power of death” (Hebrews 2:14). Other scriptural references include Acts 3:15, Romans 8:11, 1 Corinthians 15:20, and Hebrews 13:20. An ancient homily for Holy Saturday also attests to this belief: “God has fallen asleep in the flesh and he has raised up all who have slept ever since the world began....Greatly desiring to visit those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death, he has gone to free from sorrow Adam in his bonds and Eve, captive with him....I order you, O sleeper, to awake. I did not create you to be a prisoner in hell. Rise from the dead, for I am the life of the dead.”

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, “Jesus did not descend into hell to deliver the damned, nor to destroy the hell of damnation, but to free the just who had gone before him” (CCC 633). His descent was to proclaim the Good News to the spirits imprisoned there, bringing “the Gospel message of salvation to complete fulfillment” to all people of all times and all places (CCC 634). Thus, “the gospel was preached even to the dead” (1 Peter 4:6). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

It is not always easy to discern the Good Shepherd's voice. Be careful. There is always the risk of being distracted by the din of so many other voices. Today we are invited not to let ourselves be distracted by the false wisdom of this world, but to follow Jesus...the one sure guide....

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 7, 2017

MONDAY

May 1
Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1–18
Jn 10:11–18

TUESDAY

May 2
*St. Athanasius,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church*

Acts 11:19–26
Jn 10:22–30

WEDNESDAY

May 3
*Sts. Philip and
James, Apostles*

1 Cor 15:1–8
Jn 14:6–14

THURSDAY

May 4
Easter Weekday

Acts 13:13–25
Jn 13:16–20

FRIDAY

May 5
Easter Weekday

Acts 13:26–33
Jn 14:1–6

SATURDAY

May 6
Weekday

Acts 13:44–52
Jn 14:7–14

SUNDAY

May 7
*Fifth Sunday
of Easter*

Acts 6:1–7
1 Pt 2:4–9
Jn 14:1–12

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