

[Jesus said], "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth."

JOHN 14:16-17A

## Apron Strings

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**T**here are moments when we realize the baton has been passed to us, and now we must conduct the symphony of our lives. One such moment may be when both parents have died. "They" say we never fully grow up until that occurs, for from that time on we can no longer go home. I know of a daughter who received a gift from her mother when the daughter moved out on her own. Inside, the daughter discovered a pair of apron strings, a symbol of her break with home. At various times, life hands us a bountiful serving of responsibility as we commit to a vocation, or for many, become parents for the first time. On such occasions, the future may weigh heavily upon us.

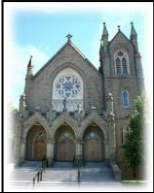
This week's Gospel is a farewell speech of sorts. Given to the Twelve on the night before his passion and death, Jesus promises he will not leave us orphans and that the Spirit will be given to us to do what we must do.

There have been any number of times when life has unfolded for me into new circumstances and life roles, occasions often filled with anxiety and sometimes even fear. I usually found I could deal with such realities by asking myself what would be the worst that could happen, and if it did, could I handle it? Every time, I found myself realizing I *could* handle the worst. Importantly, the ability to do what needs doing always seems to flow from God's Spirit that is given to each of us. If our faith in God is alive in us, our spiritual apron strings are never severed. ●

### Reflect

***Has the Spirit of God ever helped you face a daunting responsibility?***

## Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



**St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB E1C 4W9**

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**Office hours:**

**Monday to Friday, 9-12 & 1-4**

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**St. Vincent's**

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**St. Clement's**

**14 Church St., Port Elgin, NB E4M 2C9**

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**Office hours: call office to verify**

### Mass times / Intentions: May 15 – 21, 2023

#### St. Bernard's

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>May 15</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Anniv. Late Marion McKenney</b>	<b>Paul and Jill Maillet</b>
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>May 18</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Special Intentions</b>	<b>Sam and Donna Ermen</b>
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>May 19</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Anniv. Late Michael Woods</b>	<b>Evelyn</b>
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>May 20</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Anniv. Late Emery "Tim" Cormier</b>	<b>Arline and Family</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>May 21</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Anniv. Late Jeff Ermen</b>	<b>Sam and Donna Ermen</b>

#### St. Clement's

<b>Sat.</b>	<b>May 20</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>For the People</b>	
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#### St. Vincent's

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>May 21</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Late Claudette Dupuis</b>	<b>Roland Dupuis</b>
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**Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession**

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

### The Good Shepherd Pastoral Ministry Team

<b>Priest Moderator</b>	Fr. Allison Carroll (sick leave)	
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<b>Parish Secretary</b>	Lorraine Horyl	
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### St Clement's Parish Staff

<b>Parish Secretary</b>	Pam Van Egmond	
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<b>OFFERINGS</b>	<b>May 6 &amp; 7, 2023</b>
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### St. Bernard's

Envelopes	\$ 5,870.00	Loose	\$ 682.25
Karing Kitchen	\$ 46.00	Share Lent	\$ 10.00
Good Friday	\$ 40.00	Capital Campaign	\$ 2,097.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 10.00	Building Fund	\$ 95.00
Easter Offering	\$ 100.00	Indigenous Fund	\$ 230.00
Syrian Relief	\$ 35.00	Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 45.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 50.00	Reconnect	\$ 10.00

### St. Clement's

Envelopes	\$ 310.00	Loose	\$ 20.00
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### St. Vincent's

Envelopes	\$ 1,595.00	Loose	\$ 20.00
Papal Charities	\$ 25.00	Maintenance	\$ 150.00

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

# In Sympathy

*A time to mourn.....*

*Sincere sympathies to the family of:*



**JoAnn LeBlanc**

*Wife of (Late) Hubert, mother of Catherine, Michael, Nathalie, Julie and (Late) Marc*

*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**

**Ed Muise**

**Kevin O'Brien**

**Diana Bathurst**

**Joan Frontaine**

## *St. Clement's*

**Vina McGraw**

**Gerard McGraw**

**Ophelia McGraw**

**Shadra McGraw**

**Arabella McGraw**

**Carol Murphy**

**Suzanne Jones**

**Hudson Sweeney**

**Beverly Melanson**

**Margo Kennedy**

## *St. Vincent's*

**Mary and Art Chase**

**Leone Campbell**

**Victor Laundry**

**Victor Tower**

*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](http://watchdog@nb.sympatico.ca) Deadline: June 1, 2023.

## St. Bernard's



*Archbishop Valery Vienneau conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation to the following St. Bernard's youth on Sunday May 7, 2023.*



Logan Bernard- Mann	Sadie Caissie	Jessie Cormier Boleyn	Sally Ehler
Joseph Elward	Carlos Enderica	Olivia Keenan	Scout Long
Anna MacAulay	Evelyn Maillard	Jim Rosali Hart	Rosh Toquero
Abigail Walker			



### Graduation Mass – Saturday, June 10, 2023 @4:00 PM.

With much hard work and dedication, high school graduation is just around the corner! We will celebrate our students who are graduating with a graduation mass. If your child is graduating from high school this year, please confirm their attendance by either calling the office @ 857-0425 or email me directly at [lorella\\_st.bernards@hotmail.com](mailto:lorella_st.bernards@hotmail.com) by **May 29, 2023**... Blessings, Lorella



**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

<b>Carmelites</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. of the month, 9:00 -11:00 AM	Meeting Room
<b>Prayer Group</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat & last Sat. of each month @ 7 PM	Church Hall
<b>RCIA</b>	Next meetings Weds., May 17 @ 6:30 PM	Meeting Room



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, and leave your contact information. Thank you!

### St. Vincent's

**CELEBRATION** – Today the parish family of St. Vincent's celebrates the Baptism of Pearl Liefer, and the First Eucharist of Hazel Liefer and Tom Dowling. You are invited to a reception after mass in the church hall (basement) to celebrate with Pearl, Hazel, Tom and their families.

**FAITH FORMATION** – Catechism sessions are ending for 2022-23 and we request parents to fill out an evaluation/feedback form (print copies available in the hall and an online link will be emailed). The older group meets for a final session this Sunday after Mass.

Also take note of the formation offerings by the diocesan team, such as the online Faith Express session (May 8<sup>th</sup>) and the Vacation Bible School (June 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>).

**Confirmation candidates** – continue your selfless activities and please add some 'helpful hands' to our community service poster in the church vestibule.  
Contact Cathy at [crrinion@yahoo.ca](mailto:crrinion@yahoo.ca) or 506-536-4470 to participate in our youth faith program.

**PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES** – are extended to Steve Gates and his family on the death of his father John which occurred on May 2, 2023, in Penticton, BC. May he rest in the arms of our loving God.

**FOOD BANK** – Please remember our local food bank by contributing non-perishable goods to St. Vincent's food basket which is located at the church entrance. Volunteers deliver these goods on a weekly basis to Sackville Food Bank, which is located on Willow Lane.

#### St. Vincent's Faith Formation schedule as follows:

May 14 <sup>th</sup> @ 9am Mass	Baptism of Pearl Liefer! First Eucharist for Hazel Liefer and Tom Dowling
May 26 <sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm	Confessions will be heard by Fr. Charlie (esp. for Confirmation)
May 27 <sup>th</sup> @ 10am-4pm	Confirmation Retreat Day (followed by rehearsal with sponsors)
May 28 <sup>th</sup> @ 9am Mass	Confirmation for 10 parish youth in grades 7 – 10



**Please note:** if you receive email from [parishpriest18@gmail.com](mailto:parishpriest18@gmail.com) pretending to be Fr. Allison S. Carroll, please don't reply it's a scam.



**From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis**

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**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 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. For more information, Contact Karen at 387-4198 or [karen.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com). Register online at [www.diomoncton.ca](http://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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com)

**Applicants wanted** - Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity parish grouping is seeking a dynamic individual to join our team as **Parish Secretary**. The position is part time (22 hours/week), working out of the parish office in Riverview. Duties include acting as a minister of hospitality for the grouping, answering the general phone lines, prepares the weekly bulletin, certificates and other duties as outlined in the position description.

The ideal candidate will be professional, courteous and welcoming, work well within a team, have strong Microsoft and Windows computer skills, and be organized and creative. The candidate must meet the requirements of the *Diocesan Policy on the Prevention of Violence Toward Vulnerable Persons*.

For a full position description, please refer to our website [www.setmoncton.com](http://www.setmoncton.com) or request a copy by email at [ihmc.set@gmail.com](mailto:ihmc.set@gmail.com)

Please submit your resumé by email to [annemarcoux.set@gmail.com](mailto:annemarcoux.set@gmail.com) or mail to **Parish Secretary Position**, c/o SET Parish Office, 5 Fatima Drive, Riverview NB E1B 2X8.

**Deadline** for applications is **Friday, May 26, 2023**.

# Dear Padre,

## *If the Catholic Church recognizes baptisms from other Christian denominations, why not confirmations?*

Baptism signs us with an indelible mark. It defines our character and can never be repeated. A baptism is always held to be valid if a person is baptized with water using the Trinitarian formula (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1256). If a priest is unsure of the validity of a person's baptism, he would baptize the person conditionally, recognizing the earlier baptism if it happened and was valid. The minister of baptism is usually an ordained minister, but in necessity anyone can baptize, including a non-Christian, if the person intends what the Church intends.

Confirmation also leaves an indelible mark, as does holy orders, and they also cannot be repeated. What makes confirmation different from baptism is that the minister of confirmation is ordinarily the bishop because this expresses the apostolic unity of the Church (CCC 1312). If someone had been confirmed in a Church that has apostolic succession, their confirmation would be considered valid, and the person wouldn't be reconfirmed.

Most Christian churches have a common understanding of what the sacrament of baptism is, but while other churches might have communion, confirmation, and ordination, their celebration of those sacraments may not include all the requirements necessary for the Catholic Church to consider them valid. ●

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
May 15 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 16:11-15 Jn 15:26-16:4a	May 16 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 16:22-34 Jn 16:5-11	May 17 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 Jn 16:12-15	May 18 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 18:1-8 Jn 16:16-20	May 19 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 18:9-18 Jn 16:20-23	May 20 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 18:23-28 Jn 16:23b-28	May 21 <i>Ascension</i> Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23 Mt 28:16-20



### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*[The Holy Spirit] is the Gift of God; he is God himself, who helps us to be free people, people who want and know how to love, people who understand that life is a mission to proclaim the wonders that the Lord accomplishes in those who trust in him.*

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 17, 2020

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