



Words, Words, and THE WORD

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Our lives seem to be plagued by an abundance of words, all seeking to influence us.

Television ads try to convince us to buy; teachers seek to pass on knowledge; parents cajole, discipline, and beg; society warns against drinking and driving, smoking and drugs; preachers hope to convert and change. They all do so with limited and varying success, and at times seeming failure. Too often there is the presumption that more words will achieve greater results.

In the face of such questionable success, the prophet Isaiah proclaims that God's word "shall not return to me empty, / but shall do what pleases me, / achieving the end for which I sent it" (Isaiah 55:11). Yet the Gospel also suggests that the seed of God's word sown in our lives may wither and be choked

off and fail to take root, though also promising that what does produce fruit will surpass anything hoped for.

Because war is news and the media is obliged to report on it, it may appear that war is prominent worldwide. Not so. Statistically there is less war today than ever before, less violence, less conflict. We are more

likely to die in our beds than at any other time in history. While there is yet much hunger in the world, there is less than at any other time. Nations are more inclined to try to negotiate peace. Great generosity abounds amid natural disasters, and while injustice prevails, we still fight to overcome

it. All of it the fruitfulness of God's word.

Creation is groaning in labor pains, says St. Paul, and we also groan. Yet the groaning attests to the pains of growing fruitfulness. ●

Reflect

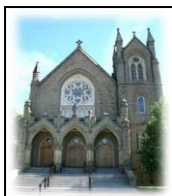
Which passage of Scripture would you choose as a motto for your life?



The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit.

MATTHEW 13:23

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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Mass times / Intentions: July 17-23, 2023

St. Bernard's

Mon.	July 17	9:30AM	Anniv. Late Mike McKenna	Charlotte McKenna, Kate & Pat
Thur.	July 20	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Theresa Tran	Anna Tan
Fri.	July 21	9:30 AM	Late Tom Bennett	Mary Kelly & Wally Best
Sat.	July 22	4:00 PM	Late Jeremiah & Sarah Cavanaugh & deceased family members	Family
Sun	July 23	11:00 AM	For the People	

St. Clement's

Sat.	July 22	7:00 PM	Late Barbara Olsen	Betty Ann Robichaud
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Sun.	July 23	9:00 AM	For the People	
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Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession
 Saturdays, 1:00 PM at St. Bernard's

OFFERINGS

July 8 & 9, 2023 - RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE

St. Bernard's

Envelopes	\$ 3,503.58	Loose	\$ 543.85
Karing Kitchen	\$ 43.75	Building /Capital Campaign	\$ 319.13
Good Friday	\$ 20.00	Ash Wednesday	\$ 10.00
Easter	\$ 20.00	Papal Charities	\$ 20.00

St. Clement's

Envelopes	\$ 560.00	Donations with Receipt	\$ 25.00
Loose	\$ 60.00	Capital funds	\$ 300.00
Tickets sold on painting	\$ 60.00	In memory of T. Rommens	\$ 100.00
Cemetery St. Bartholomew	\$ 150.00		

St. Vincent's

Envelopes	\$ 1,320.00	Loose	\$ 20.00
Maintenance	\$ 50.00	HR-SV Cemetery	\$ 100.00

Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!

Thank You
For Your
SUPPORT

During the summer months church contributions normally decrease while parishioners are travelling and vacationing. However, the expenses to run our churches remain constant and increase as necessary maintenance / repairs are completed. Please give consideration to "making up" missed contributions. Thank you for your continued generosity! God Bless!

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Parish Contributions through the pre-authorized payment system:

For those who contribute through pre-

authorized payments – please note: if you wish, when entering the church, you may pick up a **"Contribution through the pre-authorized payment system" laminated card.** At collection time, simply drop into the collection basket.

Pre-authorized payments are a convenient and easy way to make parish contributions automatically. Our lives are busy and the intention to give is there, but life has a way of throwing us off our plans. ***A simple and easy way to contribute to St. Bernard's is pre-authorized Payments (PAP).*** PAP giving allows your "intention to be generous" to be realized. It is safe, reliable, easy to keep track of, and easy to set-up. ***You can choose the frequency of your gift*** - weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly; whatever works best for you. Once set up it may be stopped at anytime if necessary. If you would like more information or to set up a PAD, please contact the parish office.

In Sympathy

*A time to mourn.....
Sincere sympathies to the family of:*



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...*

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<i>Judy Chiasson</i>	<i>Roger Berube</i>	<i>Ida Caruso</i>
<i>Patricia Devine</i>	<i>Boyd Clory</i>	<i>Ed Muise</i>
<i>Mike Grant</i>	<i>Karen Catubig</i>	<i>Nathan Kelly</i>

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<i>Vina McGraw</i>	<i>Gerard McGraw</i>	<i>Ophelia McGraw</i>
<i>Shadra McGraw</i>	<i>Arabella McGraw</i>	<i>Carol Murphy</i>
<i>Hudson Sweeney</i>	<i>Beverly Melanson</i>	<i>Pam Gagnon</i>

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<i>Mary and Art Chase</i>	<i>Leone Campbell</i>	<i>Victor Landry</i>
<i>Victor Tower</i>	<i>Vince Wood</i>	

And for all who care for them.

The Good Shepherd Pastoral Ministry Team

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St. Vincent's Parish Staff

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Catechetical Coordinator	Cathy Crinnion	

St. Clement's Parish Staff

Parish Secretary	Pam Van Egmond	
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR		St. Bernard's
Carmelites	2 nd Sat. of the month, 9:00 -11:00 AM	Meeting Room
Prayer Group	2 nd Sat & last Sat. of each month @ 7 PM	Church Hall
RCIA	To resume in the fall	Meeting Room

For I know the plans
I HAVE FOR YOU,
 declares the LORD,
 plans to prosper you
 AND NOT TO HARM YOU,
 plans to give you
 hope and a future.
 - Jeremiah 29:11

St. Bernard's had two deserving candidates who applied for St. Bernard's bursary.

Therefore, the bursary was divided between the two of them.

Each will receive \$500.00.

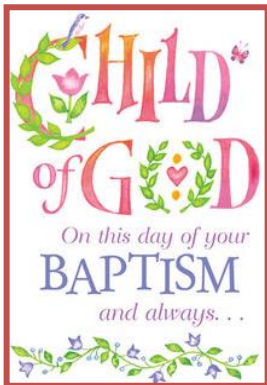
Congratulations and God's blessings to:

Emma Dunnett & Liam Conway

All the very best on future endeavors!



Congratulations and best wishes to:
 Mike and Jenny Purcell
 On the occasion of their wedding anniversary
 July 13, 2022
 God bless and all the best to both of you.



Congratulations & God's blessings to:
 Isabelle Pagaran Micutuan
 child of Gerald (Dave) & Jenith
 She was welcomed into
 St. Bernard's Parish community through the
 Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday,
 July 10, 2023:
 May your child and your family always know the
 peace of Jesus and the light of His love.

St. Vincent's

Faith Formation - During the summer months, while there is a pause in catechism sessions, we would like to offer social activities to our younger parishioners, and we need volunteers with a recent Vulnerable Sector Check. Contact Cathy Crinnion to get involved so that we can provide fun and nurturing activities in the summer – email or call ccrinnion@yahoo.ca / (506) 536-4470.

Help Needed – St. Vincent's Parish is committed to bringing Holy Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass at Church. Currently, we bring Communion to Catholics who reside at the Drew Nursing Home and the Autumn Lee Special Care Home following mass on Sundays. We have four dedicated and committed volunteers, but we are in need of one or two more individuals who would like to participate in this ministry. If you are interested, or think you might be interested, please contact the Parish Office at 536-1460 or stvince@nbnet.nb.ca or Lynn Sitland lsitland@live.com. With more people to help with this ministry, the residents of these homes will be able to count on us to receive Communion once per week, throughout the year. They are so appreciative of this!

Presentation of gifts - We have resumed the practice of parishioners bringing the gifts of bread, water, and collection to the altar during the liturgy of the Eucharist. As a way of contributing to the life of our parish, you are encouraged to offer to assist with this practice. A sign-up sheet is located at the entrance to the church. Thank you!

Food Bank – With the rising cost of food, gas and housing, if you are able to contribute non-perishable goods to our local food bank, please bring them to St. Vincent's and place them in the "Food Bank Basket" at the entrance to the church. Volunteers will transport your donations to our local food bank, which is located on Willow Lane between Jean Coutu Pharmacy and the Royal Bank.

World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly

The third **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated on Sunday, July 23, 2023**. This special day was established by Pope Francis and is observed by the universal Church every July. It is usually held around the time when Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents, are commemorated in the liturgical calendar. The purpose of this day is to honor and preserve the spiritual and human wisdom that has been passed down from one generation to another. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's World Day is "His mercy is from age to age" (Luke 1:50). This theme emphasizes the interconnectedness between the elderly and the young, highlighting the importance of their relationship. To support the celebration of this special day, the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life has prepared various resources. These resources include a message from the Holy Father, a catechesis on the theme of old age, the official prayer for the Day, and other pastoral suggestions. All of these resources can be accessed through the following link: <http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/eventi/2023/iii-giornata-mondiale-dei-nonni-e-degli-anziani.html>



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Priestly Ordination 2023

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God,

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Moncton joyfully announces and cordially invites you **to attend the Ordination to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood of Rev. Juan Carlos Jacinto**

**Through the invocation of the Holy Spirit
and the imposition of hands by**

His Grace, Mgr. Valery Vienneau, Archbishop of Moncton, on **Friday, August 4th, 2023, at 7:00** in the evening at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5 Fatima Drive, Riverview, New Brunswick.

Other Events related to Deacon Carlos Jacinto's Ordination to the Priesthood:

Pre-Ordination Potluck Party for Deacon Carlos Jacinto

August 3rd, 2023 – 5:30PM - Location: Dan Bohan Centre, 5 Fatima Drive, Riverview
Doors open at 4:00PM. Saying grace begins at 5:30PM.

Holy Hour for Vocations

August 3rd, 2023 – 7:30PM – 8:30PM - Location: Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5 Fatima Drive, Riverview

First Thanksgiving Mass of Fr. Carlos Jacinto

August 5th, 2023 – 10:00AM-Location: Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5 Fatima Drive, Riverview

First Vigil Mass of Fr. Carlos Jacinto

Feast of the Transfiguration – August 5th, 2023 @ 7:00PM
Location: Holy Family Church, 52 Falkland Street, Moncton

Saturday, July 8, 2023 - The Apostolic Nunciature to Canada announced that His Holiness Pope Francis:

1. has accepted the resignation of the Most Reverend Valéry Vienneau, as Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Moncton.
 2. has appointed the Most Reverend Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R, currently Bishop of the Diocese of Pembroke, as Archbishop of Moncton.
- Please pray for both of them as they journey in these new roles.

Dear Padre,

I have a friend who has been coming to church with me, and he often has questions I can't answer. The big one last week was, "Why don't Catholics have more Bible preaching instead of all this ceremony?" I try to explain, but I don't think I have the right words. Help!

Your friend's question is very common because our Catholic ceremony can be confusing to those of other faiths.

The Catholic Mass comes from two prayer traditions. First, there is the tradition of the Jewish synagogue service where people gather to read and study the word of God. Second, there is the tradition of the early Christians who met in their homes to celebrate the breaking of the bread.

The earliest Christians, Jewish converts, maintained their Sabbath tradition of reading and studying the word of God. They added to that the gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave them. Our Mass puts these two together in the Liturgy of the Word (readings, preaching, prayers) and the Liturgy of the Eucharist (offering, eucharistic prayer, holy Communion).

The homily may not be as long as it is in some other Christian traditions, but the preaching should be solid, based on Scripture, and in line with the teaching of the Church. We are a Church of word and sacrament. We listen to the word of God and we celebrate the breaking of the bread. ●



[The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org](http://TheRedemptorists/DearPadre.org)

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

It is difficult to distinguish, among the many voices and many words, that of the Lord, the only one that makes us free. Always keep a handy copy of the Gospel with you...and then, read a short passage every day, so that you become used to reading the word of God.

ANGELUS, ROME,
JULY 12, 2020



MONDAY

July 17
Weekday
Ex 1:8-14, 22
Mt 10:34-11:1

TUESDAY

July 18
Weekday
Ex 2:1-15a
Mt 11:20-24

WEDNESDAY

July 19
Weekday
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12
Mt 11:25-27

THURSDAY

July 20
Weekday
Ex 3:13-20
Mt 11:28-30

FRIDAY

July 21
Weekday
Ex 11:10-12:14
Mt 12:1-8

SATURDAY

July 22
St. Mary Magdalene
Sg 3:1-4b or
2 Cor 5:14-17
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

SUNDAY

July 23
Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Wis 12:13, 16-19
Rom 8:26-27
Mt 13:24-43 or
Mt 13:24-30

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