

"Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

MATTHEW 16:25

## Called to Be Faithful

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**S**omewhere in every life, along its twisting curving path, we find ourselves wondering if we would not be better off somewhere else doing something different, as if with the flip of the channel we could live a parallel life. Except that changing life is never that simple. And so we live on with our foibles and our insecurities. We make do for one more day in a job that is less than satisfying, or a relationship that is worn and fraying, or caring for aging parents as we juggle the needs of two households. In every niche of life, we may find ourselves dealing with difficult people, listening to others' woes, wondering if anyone cares. Like

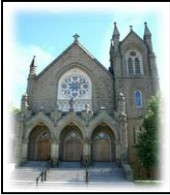
the prophet Jeremiah, we can feel we've been duped by the Lord God.

We don't need to go looking for crosses. They come our way. And it is our crosses that allow us to save our lives by losing our lives. It is these very same lives from which we wish we could escape that bring us to holiness, if for no other reason than that we *do* struggle not to have our own way all the time. Spirituality has been defined as an inner set of values by which we live an outer set of circumstances. As people of faith, we try to do just that: to live in the style of Jesus. Somehow, it seems that God brings us to places we should be. ●

### Reflect

*What does it mean to be faithful in the circumstances of your life?*

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



**St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB E1C 4W9**  
**Phone:** (506) 857-0425 **Email:** sbhf@rogers.com  
**Office hours:** Monday to Friday, 9 AM to 12 noon  
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**St. Vincent's**  
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**Phone:** (506) 536-1460 **Email:** stvince@nbnet.nb.ca  
**Office hours:** Monday & Thursday @ 10 AM-2 PM



**St. Clement's**  
**14 Church St., Port Elgin, NB E4M 2C9**  
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**Office hours:** call office to verify

Mass times / Intentions: September 4-10, 2023

St. Bernard's

Mon.	Sept 4, 2023	9:30AM	Late Rosaire Barrieau	Family
Thur.	Sept 7, 2023	9:30 AM	Late Ralph O'Brien	Donna & Rick Shaw
Fri.	Sept 8, 2023	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late George Spare	Karen, Paul & David
Sat.	Sept 9, 2023	4:00 PM	For the People	
Sun	Sept 10, 2023	11:00 AM	Anniv. Late Ruth Foran	Lorraine Montford

St. Clement's

Sat.	Sept 2, 2023	7:00 PM	The souls in Purgatory	Joanne Carroll
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St. Vincent's

Sun.	Sept 3, 2023	9:00 AM	Late Policarpio, Gloria, Balodoy, Juanito, Vicenta, Crispin Jr & Sr, Magdalena, Arcenio, Tersa, & All souls	Tario & Zamora
Sun.	Sept 10, 2023	9:00 AM	Heidi Lafford	John & Family



**Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession at St. Bernard's**  
**Prior to weekday masses: 8:30AM – 9:20AM / Saturdays: 1:00 PM**

# OFFERINGS

## RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE

### St. Bernard's – August 26 & 27, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 2,966.25	Loose collection	\$ 716.75
Karing kitchen	\$ 34.75	Reconnect	\$ 40.00
Syrian family	\$ 20.00	Capital campaign	\$ 145.00

### St. Clement's – August 26, 2023

Donations for St. Clement's from the weekend August 26, 2023, will be reported in next week's bulletin

### St. Vincent's – August 27, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 2,380.00	Loose collection	\$ 70.00
Maintenance	\$ 75.00		

*Thank you for your generous and continued 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 your parish is through 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.



39<sup>th</sup> Annual Papal Site Mass: (Magnetic Hill) The Archdiocese of Moncton and the Knights of Columbus invite all to the Annual Papal Site Mass. Come and help us celebrate the **39<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Saint Pope John Paul II** visit to Moncton, NB. There will be a bilingual recital of the Rosary at the Prayer Garden at 10:00 am, followed by a procession to the Papal Site for the 11:00 am celebration of the Mass. Following the Mass, a family BBQ will be at the Prayer Garden. This celebration will be on Saturday, **September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. If it rains, the celebration will be at the Notre Dame de Grace Church (Mountain Rd).

**Fr. Broderick will be away for the period August 23 – September 4, 2023.**

# In Sympathy

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



Shirley Clement     Wife of (late) Aime, mother of Patricia, Michael, Susan & Louise

*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

<i>Judy Chiasson</i>	<i>Roger Berube</i>	<i>Ida Caruso</i>	<i>Patricia Devine</i>
<i>Karen Catubig</i>	<i>Al Gallant</i>	<i>Shirley Clement</i>	<i>Gertrude MacInnis</i>
<i>Tim Bathurst</i>	<i>Susan Collette</i>	<i>Alma Barrieau</i>	<i>Nathan Kelly</i>
<i>Norm Gallant</i>			

### St. Clement's

<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>	<i>Margaret Shriver</i>	<i>Corrine Allen</i>	

### St. Vincent's

<i>Vince Wood</i>	<i>Mary &amp; Art Chase</i>	<i>Leone Campbell</i>	<i>Victor Landry</i>
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*And for all who care for them.*

### The Good Shepherd Pastoral Ministry Team

<b>Administrator</b>	Fr. Charles Broderick	charlesbroderick1@gmail.com
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<b>Adult Faith</b>	Andrew Wilson	

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### St. Vincent's Parish Staff

<b>Parish Secretary</b>	Lorraine Horyl	
<b>Catechetical Coordinator</b>	Cathy Crinnion	

### St. Clement's Parish Staff

<b>Parish Secretary</b>	Pam Van Egmond	
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### Labour Day Weekend

Labour Day Weekend marks the end of the summer vacation period and the resumption of the activities in home, parish and school. Parishes could take this as an opportunity to encourage active and renewed participation in the community.

## St. Bernard's



**Welcome to new and returning families as we embark and continue in our faith journey.** All families whose children are

baptised and entering grade one or older and want to grow their relationship with Jesus, are welcome to join our parish family to learn about our faith. ***In the faith sessions:*** All children are accompanied

by a parent. All Sessions are on bi-weekly basis. **Sunday or Tuesday (year 1-2-3), Sunday or Wednesday (year 4-5-6), Sunday Confirmation (year 7).** All supplies included. Fee: \$30/child or \$50/more than one child. ***All families must be registered with our parish.*** **In house registration, Sat., Sep. 9, 1:30-3:30**

**PM** returning families keep and eye on your inbox! **Our start dates: Sunday Sep. 24, Tuesday Sep. 26, or Weds. Sep. 27, 2023.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me @ 506-857-0425 or [lorella\\_st.bernards@hotmail.com](mailto:lorella_st.bernards@hotmail.com)



**QR Code for the parish registration**



**The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit is on Facebook!**

**Like and follow our Facebook Page for updates and faith-sharing.**

*There are three ways to locate our Facebook Page:*

1. In the Facebook search bar, type **Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit of the Archdiocese of Moncton**; or
2. In your Google or Safari search bar, type **facebook.com/gsmoncton**; or
3. Simply scan this QR Code:



**St. Bernard's Council Catholic Women's League**

Our council has been active since 1921 and we are looking forward to beginning another year of prayer, fellowship, and care. The executive for 2023-24 are: Past President- Carolyn O'Brien, President- Claudia McCloskey, President Elect- Hazel Robichaud, Treasurer- Sheila Gorman, Secretary- Louise Ongo, Membership- Donna Shaw, Calling Committee- Therese Dowd. Our fall meeting will take place on **Sun., Oct.1 in the church hall. Rosary at 2 PM, followed by meeting and refreshments from 230-4 PM.** A welcome is extended to those ladies wishing to learn

more about CWL. For questions about membership, contact Donna Shaw at 506- 382-0503.

## St. Vincent's

**CONGRATULATIONS** – Congratulations and God's blessings to Liam Wilson-Black, the recipient of the \$500 bursary from St. Vincent's Parish. An avid soccer player, Liam will be attending Mount Allison University in the fall. The parishioners of St. Vincent's wish you the very best on your future endeavors!

Thank you to all applicants for their applications. We wish you a successful year in your fields of study!

**PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES** – We extend our prayerful condolences to Michelle Bulmer and Carolann Allen and their families on the death of their father, Rick Watkin, who died on August 23, 2023, at the Moncton Hospital. May he rest in the arms of our loving God.

**SEEKING NEW FAITH FORMATION CATECHISTS** – St. Vincent's is seeking new catechists to help guide our youth and their parents during our Faith Formation sessions on Sundays after Mass, and/ or for Sacramental preparations. The diocese has prepared easy-to-follow plans and all activity materials will be ready to go ahead of each session. We welcome anyone who would like to attend our sessions as a helper to see how the sessions run and perhaps to lead some sessions once you are comfortable!

The catechist formation day ("Tending the Soil, Tending the Sower") for the diocese is Saturday, September 16, 2023, which will be an enriching day for all but for new catechists, especially. Pre-registration is required, so please consider your participation and contact Cathy Crinnion to discuss at 536-4470 or [ccrinnion@yahoo.ca](mailto:ccrinnion@yahoo.ca)

**FAITH FORMATION** – St. Vincent's will continue to provide the diocesan catechism program for children in grades 1-3 (Primary Group) and grades 4+ (Elementary Group), as well as specific preparation for the Sacraments. Please email or call Cathy Crinnion to inquire about the program and confirm your family's participation: [ccrinnion@yahoo.ca](mailto:ccrinnion@yahoo.ca) or 536-4470.

In-person sessions will begin September 17<sup>th</sup> for both age groups, and will take place in our church hall (basement) on Sunday mornings following Mass. Adults of the parish, no previous experience is necessary for you to share your time with our Faith Formation families, as a helper or as a catechist!

**MOUNT ALLISON UNIVERSITY STUDENT LOOKING FOR ACCOMMODATIONS** – We welcome all new and returning students to Sackville and Mount Allison University! St. Vincet's has been contacted by a new student to Mt. A. who is in need of accommodations. Do you have a spare room that you could rent out to a first-year student, or do you know of someone who has a room to rent? Please contact the Parish Office for contact information.

**2023-2024 ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSAL** – If you wish to order, please notify the Parish Office by no later than September 17<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be approximately \$3.50 plus shipping.

**DONATIONS FOR MASS OFFERINGS** – As of April 10, 2023, please note that a donation of \$15 is now requested per Mass Intention.

**ANNIVERSARIES/BIRTHDAYS/SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS** - Parishioners are encouraged to notify the Parish Office of milestone anniversaries and birthdays, as well as special celebrations of family and friends. Please call 506-536-1460 and leave a voice mail if no one is in the office or email [stvince@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:stvince@nbnet.nb.ca).

**PRESENTATION OF GIFTS** - We have resumed the practice of parishioners bringing the gifts of bread, wine, collection, and food bank donations 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!



## From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

To contact us:

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**JOB POSTING – FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR (24-35) HOURS PER WEEK** – The Archdiocese of Moncton is seeking a Financial Administrator. Interested candidates must demonstrate financial management, project management, decision making skills and be bilingual. Candidates may submit their CV to the Archdiocese of Moncton reception office, 224 St. George Street, Moncton, to the attention of Mgr Valéry Vienneau, no later than September 5, 2023. A job description is available at [annettel.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:annettel.diocese@gmail.com)

**A Commemorative Service** – for patients deceased at the Stella-Maris-de-Kent Hospital during 2022 will be held on Sunday, September 17 at 2:00p.m. at the Sainte-Anne Church (7611 Route 134, Sainte-Anne-de-Kent). Family members and friends are welcome. To remember the deceased is to pray for them and with them, to hope and believe that they have entered the life of God.

**“THE WAY OF BEAUTY” WEBINARS** - In September 2023, the CCCB Office for Evangelization and Catechesis will host a webinar series, titled "The Way of Beauty" inviting leaders of catechesis and evangelization to reflect on the way of beauty and its powerful witness in the life of the Church.

The three sessions of "The Way of Beauty" webinar series will be:

- 1) **“Beauty and Catechesis” – Dr. Jem Sullivan**  
Thursday 7 September from 1: :00-2:30 pm EDT
- 2) **“Beauty and Evangelization” – Mr. David Dayler**  
Thursday 14 September from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT
- 3) **“Beauty and Liturgy” – Fr. Paul Massel**  
Thursday 14 September from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT

If you wish to attend any of the webinar sessions contact Trevor at [trevord.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com) or 857-4879

**BEING PRESENT: CAREGIVERS AND THE PEOPLE THEY CARE FOR** The Committee Looking at End of Life Pastoral Care will re-offer a session designed for those who provide care to the sick / infirm, facilitated by Louise Ongo of Immaculate Conception Parish in Rexton. **The session will take place on Thursday, September 28<sup>t</sup> at St. Bernard’s Church (43 Botsford Street) in Moncton, from 6:30pm – 8:00pm.** Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or [trevord.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com) to register or register online by going to [www.diomoncton.ca](http://www.diomoncton.ca) → [Adult Faith](#) → [Formation Opportunities](#) and click on the poster for “Being Present.”

**TENDING THE SOIL, TENDING THE SOWER 2023 CATECHIST FORMATION** - Will take place on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am – 2:00pm (brunch provided) at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Riverview. This year’s facilitator will be Charlene Peters from the Diocese of Charlottetown who will offer a session entitled “He Restores my Soul.” This formation is open to anyone serving in parish ministry. Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or [trevord.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com) to register, or register only by going to [www.diomoncton.ca](http://www.diomoncton.ca) → [Adult Faith](#) → [Formation Opportunities](#) and click on the poster for “Tending the Soil, Tending the Sower 2023.”

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# Dear Padre,

*Are we supposed to pray a specific prayer after we genuflect and kneel in the pew before we take our seats? What about after Communion?*

There is no particular prayer to say when we genuflect, enter the pew, and kneel for a while. Genuflecting and kneeling are powerful expressions and prayers in themselves—we kneel only to God. But these gestures can become mere routine unless we accompany them with a moment of awareness and recollection and maybe a prayer like, “I adore you, O Christ, and I bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.”

Neither are there required prayers to say in the moments after holy Communion as we return to the pew. But this is a most special time. “Holy souls endeavor to remain as long as possible in prayer after Communion,” wrote St. Alphonsus Liguori in *The Holy Eucharist*. “There is no prayer more agreeable to God, or more profitable to the soul, than that which is made during the thanksgiving after Communion.” Eucharist is from the Greek *eukharistia*, which means “thanksgiving,” and this is a time for giving thanks. We remain silently focused on the astonishing passion and affection of our Lord in giving himself to us to eat and make part of ourselves. So much depends on awareness; so much depends on gratitude. Prayer books may help us enter a time of thanksgiving. But we can also say simply, “Jesus, I love you.” ●



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## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
September 4 <i>Weekday</i>	September 5 <i>Weekday</i>	September 6 <i>Weekday</i>	September 7 <i>Weekday</i>	September 8 <i>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	September 9 <i>St. Peter Claver, Priest</i>	September 10 <i>Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
1 Thes 4:13–18 Lk 4:16–30	1 Thes 5:1–6, 9–11 Lk 4:31–37	Col 1:1–8 Lk 4:38–44	Col 1:9–14 Lk 5:1–11	Mi 5:1–4a or Rom 8:28–30 Mt 1:1–16, 18–23 or 1:18–23	Col 1:21–23 Lk 6:1–5	Ez 33:7–9 Rom 13:8–10 Mt 18:15–20



## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*Let us make sure that the cross hanging on the wall at home, or that little one that we wear around our neck, is a sign of our wish to be united with Christ in lovingly serving our brothers and sisters, especially the littlest and most fragile. The cross is the holy sign of God's love.*

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 30, 2020

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