



Forgive and Forget?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

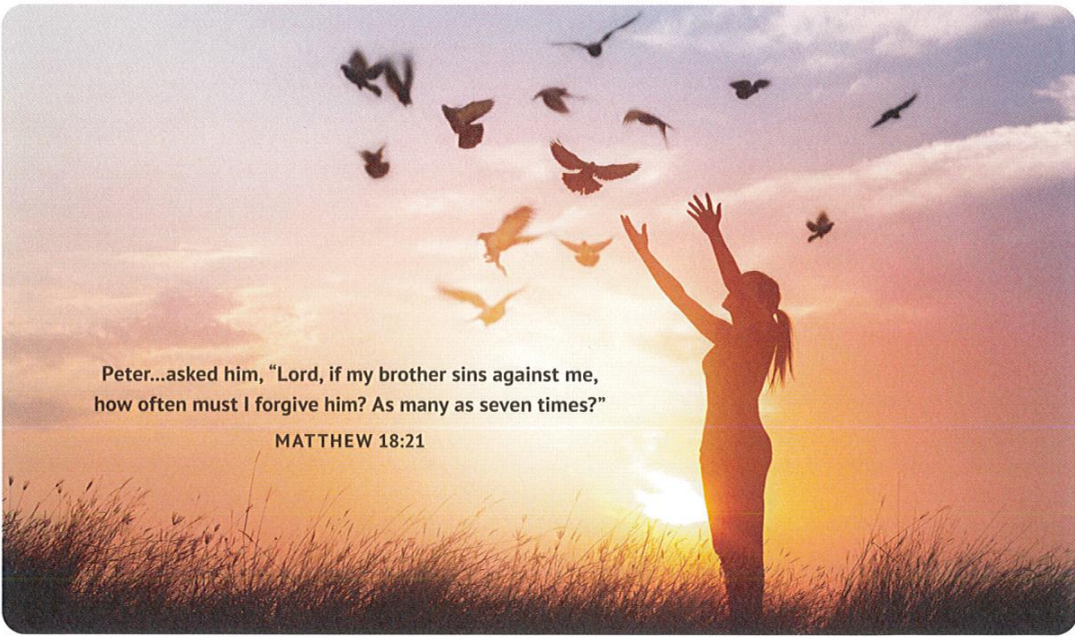
Terry Anderson was an American reporter in Lebanon when he was abducted by terrorists in 1985. He was held captive by them until his release in 1991. After his release he was asked if he forgave his captors. His response? “I’m a Christian and a Catholic, and it’s really required of me that I forgive, no matter how hard that may be.”

It’s been said that forgiveness is the most difficult thing we have to do, simply because all too often we do not feel like forgiving. Nor is forgiveness about overlooking the injury as if to say, “Oh, that’s OK. Don’t worry about it.” Forgiveness may not even mean being able to be nice. Sometimes the pain may be too much. Forgiveness as Jesus lived it is a choice one makes to care about the other. It is the gift of wanting what is best for the other even at times in the midst of our own pain. “Forgive and forget” is not always possible. At times the pain not only lingers but also throbs as if the wound continues to ooze and weep. Then we cannot forget. Yet it is possible to make the choice to care.

What do we do if we cannot even bring ourselves to do that much? Perhaps then we can at least ask God to bring goodness into that person’s life. And if that seems too difficult, then ask God to do what we cannot. That simple choice may very well be the seed that eventually sprouts into healing and peace in our own spirit. ●

Reflect

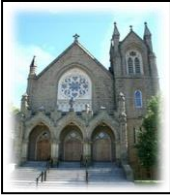
When have you been able to forgive even though memory of the pain lingered?

A photograph showing the silhouette of a person standing in a field of tall grass, with their arms raised towards a bright sunset sky. Numerous birds are captured in flight against the glowing background.

Peter...asked him, “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?”

MATTHEW 18:21

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB E1C 4W9
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Website: www.stbernardschurch.ca



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

Mass times / Intentions:

St. Bernard's

Mon.	Sep..18	9:30AM	Special intention	JoAnn McLaughlin
Thur.	Sep.21	9:30 AM	Late Jack & Mildred Dowd	Therese Dowd & family
Fri.	Sep. 22	9:30 AM	Late Alice Dowd	Therese Dowd & family
Sat.	Sep. 23	4:00 PM	Late Rosaire Barrieau	Family
Sun	Sep. 24	11:00 AM	For The People	

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Sat.	Sep. 23	7:00 PM	For peace in the world	Joanne Carroll
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Sun.	Sep. 24	9:00 AM	For The People	
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Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession at St. Bernard's

Prior to weekday masses: 8:30AM – 9:20AM / Saturdays: 1:00 PM

OFFERINGS

September 9 & 10, 2023

St. Bernard's

Envelopes	\$ 3,060.00	Loose	\$ 872.85	Needs of Cdn Church	\$ 30.00
Religious Ed	\$ 175.00	Karing Kitchen	\$ 15.00	Capital Expenditure	\$ 380.00

St. Clement's

Envelopes	\$ 255.00	Loose	\$ 12.80	Donation with receipt	\$ 145.00
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St. Vincent's

Envelopes	\$ 885.00	Loose	\$ 105.00	Maintenance	\$ 10.00
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Online donations for St. Bernard's and St. Vincent's will be reported later.

Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!

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 PAP please contact your parish office.



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:

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

In Sympathy

A time to mourn...sincere sympathies to the families of:

Susan Collette	Common law wife of Pascal Peraud, mother of Diedre, cousin of Joanne Quinn
Camille Leger	Husband of Jan

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
Nathan Kelly	Norm Gallant	May Smith	

St. Clement's

Vina McGraw	Gerard McGraw	Ophelia McGraw	Shadra McGraw
Arabella McGraw	Carol Murphy	Hudson Sweeney	Beverly Melanson
Pam Gagnon	Margaret Shriver	Corrine Allen	

St. Vincent's

Lowell Brine	Vince Wood	Mary & Art Chase	Leone Campbell
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And for all who care for them.

The Good Shepherd Pastoral Ministry Team

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St. Bernard's Parish Staff

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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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QR Code for St. Bernard's parish registration

St. Bernard's

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Receptionist/Bookkeeper: As Receptionist, the duties include, but are not limited to receiving the public in person or via phone, email; preparing and printing the weekly bulletin; maintaining various parish records, ordering office and building supplies. As Bookkeeper, the duties include, but are not limited to: data entry of all funds received; maintenance and reconciliation of bank records; supervision of the counting of weekly donations; preparing and issuing cheques and invoices; preparing payroll; preparing financial statements; processing of income tax receipts. The successful applicant will have respectful and professional communication skills, comfort with / working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Outlook) and Quickbooks (or equivalent). Hours: 30 hours weekly. Salary to be negotiated based on experience. **Applications received via email (sbhf@rogers.com) or hard copy by noon, Friday, September 29, 2023.**

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'Blenis, President- Claudia McCloskey, President Elect- Hazel Robichaud, Treasurer- Sheila Gorman, Secretary- Louise Ongo, Membership- Donna Shaw, Calling Committee- Therese Dowd. Corresponding Secretary- Linda Lawlor. Our fall meeting will take place on Sun., Oct.1 in the church hall. Rosary at 2pm, followed by meeting and refreshments from 230-4pm. 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. Bernard's catechism start date is the week of Sunday September 24, 2023

Years 1-2-3	Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM or Tuesday evening at 6 PM
Years 4-5-6	Sunday afternoon at 12:15 Pm or Wednesday evening at 6 PM
Confirmation	Sunday afternoon at 2 PM

If you have not yet sent in your registration for this year, please do so prior to our start date. If you have any questions, contact: Lorella at lorella_st.berndards@hotmail.com or 506-857-0425

St. Vincent's

DEADLINE TO ORDER EXTENDED – 2023-2024 ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSAL – If you wish to order a 2023-2024 St. Joseph Sunday Missal, please notify the Parish Office by no later than September 25, 2023. Cost will be approximately \$3.50 plus shipping.

PRAYING THE ROSARY – We invite you to join us in the Chapel on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. to pray the Rosary for the intentions of our Pope and our parish/parishioners. All are welcome!

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 or 536-4470. In-person sessions will begin (weather allowing) on September 17th 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!

SEEKING NEW FAITH FORMATION CATECHISTS – We need more parish involvement 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!

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.

FOOD BANK - If you are able, please remember to donate non-perishable food items to our local food bank, including toilet paper, Kleenex, baby diapers, soap, etc. The basket is located on the right as you enter the church.



From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

To contact us:

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

MONDAYS @ THE MOVIES Our next film discussion will take place on Monday, October 16th at 2:00 pm via Zoom. We will be discussing the 1989 film *Dead Poets Society*, starring Robin Williams. Mondays @ The Movies is a film discussion group designed to spark conversation about issues of faith and spirituality found in popular films. Please contact Trevor at 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com if you are interested.

“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 last session of "The Way of Beauty" webinar series will be: "*Beauty and Liturgy*" — Fr. Paul Massel, Thursday 21 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 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^t at St. Bernard's Church (43 Botsford Street) in Moncton, from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm.** Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com to register, or register online by going to www.diomoncton.ca → [Adult Faith](#) → [Formation Opportunities](#) and click on the poster for "Being Present."

FUNDRAISING DINNER (NB Right to Life Moncton Chapter) – Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 9270 on Sunday October 15th, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at the Dan Bohan Centre, 5 Fatima Drive, Riverview. Guest speaker: Father Carlos Jacinto - Cost: 25\$. Tickets available at parish offices of Immaculate Heart of Mary, Saint Bernard, and Saint Augustine. Info.: Lise (506 854-4209) Diane (506 387-7377) Karl (506 229-0740)



Holy Family Evening of Music and Supper Event! We are very excited about an upcoming fundraiser happening at Holy Family Church on Thursday, September 28th! Tickets are now on sale and are \$15 each great entertainment by Ivan and Vivian Hicks, Laurie and Fernande Belliveau and more. a lovely meal of spaghetti and dessert! Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Limited number of tickets will be sold, so please don't wait! We have tickets

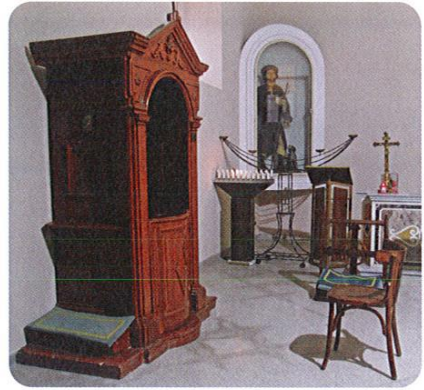
at the Immaculate Heart of Mary parish office and Marian Albert of Holy Family has tickets also. She can be reached at (506-830-1909)

Dear Padre,

Why are churches doing away with the confessionals?

In many churches, when it is feasible, the traditional confessional box is modified or even replaced by a more spacious, less darkened reconciliation room. In 1974, the US Conference of Catholic Bishops decreed that “small chapels or rooms of reconciliation be provided in which penitents might choose to confess their sins through an informal face-to-face exchange with the priest, with the opportunity for appropriate spiritual counsel.” Later, a further elaboration recommended austere furnishings and decoration in this space, “with nothing superfluous in evidence beyond a simple cross, table and Bible. The purpose of this room is primarily for the celebration of the reconciliation liturgy; it is not a lounge, counseling room, etc. The word ‘chapel’ more appropriately describes this space.” If a reconciliation chapel does not provide a fixed screen or grille between the penitent and confessor, it must be offered elsewhere, according to canon law. “The purpose of this norm is...to afford the penitent anonymity if he or she desires and to make certain that there is no suspicion of impropriety in the confessor-penitent relationship” (Code of Canon Law, 964 commentary).

Ideally, the environment of the reconciliation chapel helps the penitent and confessor feel they are “on holy ground” (Exodus 3:5) in encountering God in this sacrament. It offers an inviting sacred space to celebrate a powerful expression of God’s mercy and unconditional love. ●



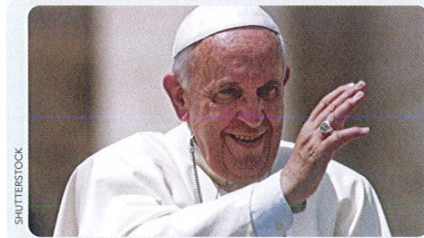
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Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
September 18 <i>Weekday</i>	September 19 <i>Weekday</i>	September 20 <i>Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs</i>	September 21 <i>St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist</i>	September 22 <i>Weekday</i>	September 23 <i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest</i>	September 24 <i>Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 7:1-10	1 Tm 3:1-13 Lk 7:11-17	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Mt 9:9-13 1 Tm 3:14-16 Lk 7:31-35		1 Tm 6:2c-12 Lk 8:1-3	1 Tm 6:13-16 Lk 8:4-15	Is 55:6-9 Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a

Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

As I was celebrating Mass, I paused, touched by a phrase... from the book of Sirach.... “Remember the end of your life, and cease from enmity.” A beautiful phrase! Think of the end! Think that you will be in a coffin...and will you take hatred there? Think of the end, stop hating! Stop the resentment.

ANGELUS, ROME, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020