

Doubting, Remembering, then Believing

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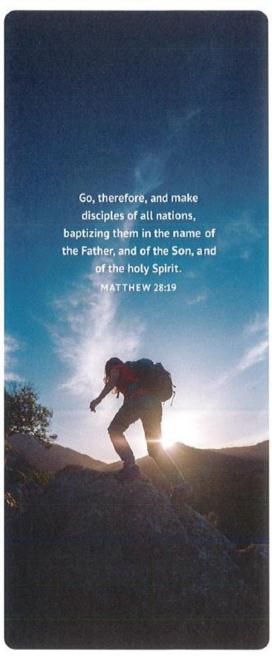
Voltaire, the French author, once commented that God created us in God's image, and ever since we have been trying to pay God back. When we fail to forgive, we may not believe that God forgives us. If we hate another person (or another nation), we may imagine that God agrees with us. "God is on our side," presumes that God is rooting only for our team. In other words, we tend to think of God being like us rather than discovering how we reflect God.

It is little wonder, then, that amid such confusing images we can find ourselves wondering who God is or even doubting God's existence. Yet faith of its nature tends to be sown with doubt simply because faith does not bring the kind of certainty we think science does. This week's Gospel tells how "the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they all saw him, they worshipped, but they doubted" (Matthew 28:16–17). From the beginning believers seemed to be inclined to uncertainty and doubt.

How then do we live in faith? The reading from Deuteronomy tells of Moses asking the people to remember how they had been freed from slavery in Egypt, how God had taught them and taken care of them. It is in remembering past blessings that we recognize a power at work greater than ourselves, a remembering that will lead to renewed faith. We are people who live with the promise of Jesus "to be with you always, to the end of the age."

-Reflect-

This week, perhaps you could spend some time remembering how God has worked in your life.



Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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Office hours: call office to verify

	Mass times / Intentions:			
	St. Bernard's			
Mon.	May 27	9:30 AM	Late Lorraine Shaubroeck	Lorraine Montford
Thur.	May 30	9:30 AM	Late Mildred "Millie" LeBlanc	KofC Council 1310
Fri.	May 31	9:30 AM	For the People	
Sat.	Jun 1	4:00 PM	Anniv. Late Ronnie Cavanaugh	Family
Sun.	Jun 2	11:00 AM	Anniv. Late Melvin Christie	Phyllis Christie
St. Clement's				
Sat.	Jun 1	7:00 PM	For All Parishioners	
St. Vincent's				
Sun.	Jun 2	9:00 AM	For the Sick	Jean Williamson



St. Bernard's Sacrament of Reconciliation regular schedule

Prior to weekday masses: Monday, Thursday. & Friday: 8:30 - 9:20AM

First Friday of the month: 8:00 - 9:00 AM

Saturdays: 1:00 PM



St. Bernard's Offerings - May 18 and 19, 2024

Envelopes	\$3,472.00	Loose	\$872.10	Reconnect	\$40.00
Karing Kitchen	\$17.00	Papal Charities	\$80.00	Indigenous	\$550.00
Ne edy	\$100.00	Archdiocese Donation	\$500.00	Share Lent	\$10.00

Capital Campaign \$115.00

St. Clement's Offerings - May 18, 2024

Envelopes	\$195.00	Collection	\$25.00
Papal Charities	\$5.00	Donation with Receipt	\$45.00
St. Vincent's Offerings – May 19, 2024			
Envelopes	\$1,030.00	Loose	\$70.00

Indigenous \$170.00 Papal Charities \$5.00

Personal Donation to Assist Filipino Nurses \$500.00

Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!

In Sympathy

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

Joe Arsenault	Husband of Krista (Fenety)
Carolyn Cormier	Wife of Romeo, Mother of Jeffrey and Jonathan

Prayer

Ecclesiastes 3, Under every season there is a time, A time to heal.

St. Bernard's				
Norm Gallant	Al Gallant	Judy Chiasson	Roger Berube	
Patricia Devine	Barb Bowes	Deacon Frank Quinn	Connie Wilden	
Thane McEwan	Sharon LaFrance	John West	Carole Ferguson	
Greg Murphy	Edna Saulnier			
St. Clement's				
McGraw Family	Hudson Sweeney	Baby Owen	Emma Cormier	
Adrienne Fagan	Deacon Frank Quinn	Angelia	Genie Coates	
Olga Bateman				
St. Vincent's				
Tim Nye	Vince Wood	Art Chase	Leone Campbell	
Evelyn Ayer	Teresa Vermette	Barbara Bowes	Bertha DesBarres	
Deacon Frank Quinn	Florence Gaudet			
And all who care for them				

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Parish Secretary	Lorraine Horyl		
Catechetical Coordinator	Cathy Crinnion		
St. Clement's Parish Staff			
Parish Secretary	Pam Van Egmond		



The Most Holy Trinity: Christ came into our world to give us a share in eternal life, that is, in the life of God. "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, so that everyone.... may have eternal life."

St. Bernard's



Congratulations & all God's awesome blessings to Darlene LeBlanc

who completed her Sacraments of Initiation in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation and Eucharist at St. Bernard's Church on Sunday, May 11, 2024. Also, please continue to keep Darlene, St. Bernard's RCIA team, and those who are still journeying through RCIA in your prayers.



Please - No Scent Policy

Out of respect for those with sensitivities, please avoid wearing scented products in the Church, Parish Office & the Church Hall. Thank you.

Mark Your Calendar			
RCIA	Sat, June 1, and June 15: 10 – 11:30 AM		
Next Baptisms	To be determined		
Baptism Prep	Sunday, June 9: 1:00 PM		
Carmelites	2 nd Sat of the month: 9:30 AM		
Prayer Group	Sat, June 8 and June 29: 7:00 PM		
Marriage Preparation	Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8 – see note in bulletin for details		

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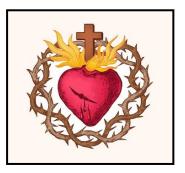
High School Graduation Mass on **Saturday June 8** @ **the 4 PM Mass** With much hard work and dedication, high school graduation is just around the corner! We will celebrate our students who are graduating with a graduation mass. If your child is graduating from high school this year,

please confirm their attendance by either calling the office @ 857-0425 or email me directly at lorella_st.bernards@hotmail.com by May 31, 2024

- Blessings, Lorella



St. Bernard's Catholic Women's League Meeting and auction on **Sunday, June 2 in the parish hall. Rosary at 1:30 PM**, followed by meeting, refreshments, and **auction from 2-4pm**. Bring an item (crafts, baking, rhubarb, etc.) and enjoy the bidding.



<u>First Friday Devotion & Feast of the Presentation of the Lord</u> <u>at St. Bernard's Church on June 7, 2024</u>

8:00 AM – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Sacrament of Reconciliation

9:00 AM – Prayer of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus - Benediction

9:30 AM - Holy Mass



Volunteers needed: St. Bernard's is tentatively looking to have the church open from 12-1 PM during the weekdays to allow persons to come in for a time of quiet reflection /personal prayer. Interested? please contact the parish office by email, sbhf@rogers.com or by phone, 506 857 0425.



Please Note – Beginning June 21, 2023, Friday office hours will be from 9AM to 12 noon.

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St. Bernard's Church is offering a \$1000 bursary to a student graduating from High School in June 2024, 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 28, 2024 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 28, 2024.



What God Has Joined
Preparing For Marriage
In The Catholic Church

Marriage preparation is a requirement for marriage in the Catholic Church.

It is recommended that couples complete this preparation 6 months before their marriage date. This course discusses the important aspects of your relationship before you begin your life-long journey together.

St. Bernard's will be facilitating a weekend marriage preparation			
program on the following dates:			
Friday June 7 7:00 to 9:00 PM			
Saturday	June 8	9:00 AM to 4:00 PM	

Couples are required to attend both days. Cost of course & book inclusive: \$60.00 per couple. You must pre: register to attend by calling 506-857-0425. Space is limited.



Coffee and Chat:

Please join us after **11:00 AM mass on Sunday, May 26**th for Coffee, Tea, and some sweets. Apple Juice for the children.

Compliments of Knights Council 1310



2024 Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference

Calling all youths (Ages 14-18)

In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security, and love. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at **Steubenville Atlantic in Halifax, NS on July 5-7**, **2024**, to be illuminated in the light of Christ.

Come and join us! The registration fee will be covered by the archdiocese, parishes, and donors.

It means the residence accommodations, five meals (Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast), talks, and sessions are all covered. You just have to show up!

If you are interested or someone you know is interested, please contact Fr. Carlos Jacinto at fathercarlosj@gmail.com or call the St. Bernard's Parish Office 506-857-0425 (Monday-Friday: 9am-12nn; 1pm-4pm)

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MASS AT THE DREW NURSING HOME – Please note that the next mass at the Drew Nursing Home will take place on Monday, June 3, 2024, at 3:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend. We ask that you pass this message on to anyone you think may be interested.

DONATIONS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS – We continue to receive household goods for our new friends from the Philippines. **THANK YOU** to all our generous parishioners and friends, including a number from St. Bernard's. Here are some things that would be most welcomed and appreciated by our "new to Sackville and Canada" friends: kettles, coffee makers, blenders, mixers, slow cookers, irons, small vacuums and/or electric brooms, pots, pans, and frying pans, everyday dishes, linens, bedspreads, and new pillows, furniture such as beds, dressers, tables and chairs, arm chairs and/or sofas. Please contact the Parish Office at 506-536-1460 or stvince@nbnet.nb.ca.

FAITH FORMATION at St. Vincent's – With our family sessions complete for the 2023-24 year, we ask parents to please submit your feedback about the program through the online link (if you need the link, send Cathy an email). From the Faith Formation team, we send heartfelt appreciation to the parents and grandparents for bringing their children to these sessions, to the catechists for sharing of their time and faith experiences, and to the diocesan team for all their support! VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to join our team for the 2024-25 year! Please contact Cathy at ccrinnion@yahoo.ca or 506-536-4470. Congratulations to Caroline Lafford, who received her First Holy Communion on May 19, 2024!



PSALM SINGING – Please consider the Ministry of Psalmist, which requires singing the verses of the Psalm between the First and Second Readings and leading the people in singing the Response to this Psalm. The hope is to have a rotational schedule of Psalmists with help and support available. If you would like to participate in this ministry, please contact Karen Olscamp 506-536-3050 or kolscamp@live.com



Trevor Droesbeck 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com

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

The Archdiocese of Moncton is seeking an individual with accounting experience and financial acumen. The individual will be responsible for managing the organization's financial records and reports. Qualified candidates are asked to submit their curriculum vitae, along with a letter. the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Moncton cover bv e-mail Operationdiomoncton@gmail.com with "Accountant - RCAM" in the subject line, no later than 5 p.m. on June 13, 2024. For the complete job posting, please contact Annette LeBlanc at 506-857-9531 or annettel.diocese@gmail.com

THEOLOGY ON TAP Our next Theology on Tap event will take place on Tuesday, June 11th at 6:30 PM at Mai Asian Restaurant (1909 Mountain Road). Our guest speaker will be Fr. Phil Mulligan who will give a presentation entitled In the Beginning...There was Grace. Please register with Karen at 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com to register or online at www.diocesemoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Adult Faith → Formation Opportunities and then click on the Theology on Tap poster.



SCUBA: DIVING INTO FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD! This year's VBS (for ages 3 up to the end of sixth grade) is scheduled to take place **June 24**th, **25**th, **26**th, **and 27**th **from 8:30 am – 12:00 pm**. Please note we have extended our program by one day since the final day of classes has been changed to June

21st. Our VBS will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary church in Riverview and spaces are limited so please register early. A \$20 refundable deposit will be required. Contact Karen at 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com to register or online at www.diocesemoncton.ca →Pastoral Offices → Youth Faith Development → Vacation Bible School.

Monday @ The Movies Our next Monday @ The Movies will be on June 17th at 2:00 PM when we will discuss the 1994 Australian film Muriel's Wedding. Monday @ The Movies is a film discussion group which meets monthly on Zoom to discuss faith themes in popular films. Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email karen.diocese@gmail.com



Plastic Pollution

According to the United Nations Environment Programme, "Since 1950, approximately 9.2 billion tonnes of plastic have been produced, resulting in the generation of some 6.9 billion tonnes of primary plastic waste. More than three-quarters of this plastic waste was discarded and ended up in landfills, dumps, uncontrolled or mismanaged waste streams, or the natural environment, including the oceans. Currently, it is estimated that 19-23 million tonnes of plastic leaks into aquatic ecosystems annually—from

lakes to rivers to seas—from land-based sources. Exacerbated by contributions from sea-based sources, this combined plastic leakage is having major impacts on ecosystems, economies, and society—including on human health. Addressing plastic pollution is therefore an urgent action."

Ways we can help:

- Use reusable products like mugs, food containers and shopping bags.
- Refuse cutlery, straws and individual packets when ordering food for delivery or takeout if it is not needed.
- Buy plastic products that can be reused, recycled, repaired or repurposed.
- Support businesses that are reducing their plastic footprint.
- Learn about what can be recycled or composted locally.
- Choose plastic products that are Plastic recyclable and participate in local waste programs.
- Wash and reuse plastic containers and resealable plastic bags.
- Put a lid on bins to stop litter from being blown away or scattered by animals.
- Throw cigarette butts in the garbage or designated bins.
- Organise or join a neighborhood clean-up.
- Check out Shoreline Cleanups.

(reference- Communique from the Catholic Women's League of Canada)



In the name of God.

The Most Reverend Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R. Archbishop of Moncton

Whereas in March 2020 the Archbishop of Moncton, Mgr Vienneau, dispensed with the obligation to Sunday Mass in light of the coronavirus pandemic for the safety of the faithful and the common good.

Whereas public restrictions have now long been lifted for public gatherings, including public worship.

Therefore, in gratitude for the decrease of the danger to public health caused by the coronavirus and for the good of souls, I hereby restore the Sunday obligation for Catholics starting on Saturday, June 1, 2024, Feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, in accordance with Canon 1245 of the Code of Canon Law.

As has always been the case, anyone with a "serious reason" or "grave cause" is excused from this obligation. Such reasons include:

- anyone who is sick, symptomatic or recently exposed to the coronavirus;
- anyone with serious health risk factors that requires them to avoid public spaces;
- anyone who cares for someone who is sick;
- anyone who cannot attend Mass through no fault of their own because of frailty or old age.

Furthermore, the faithful who wish to receive holy communion on the tongue can now officially renew with this practice that is canonically accepted by the Church of Rome.

As well, all churches of our Archdiocese can now renew with the practice of giving the faithful holy communion to both species, if they wish, remembering that no one is authorized to dip his own host into the Chalice, except the priests and deacons. According to Church laws, all must drink directly from the Chalice to avoid getting drops of the precious blood of Jesus on the ground.

May the trials of the late pandemic lead us to a renewed faith in Christ's real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, a renewal of Sunday as a family day of prayer and rest, and cultivate within our souls a desire that sees our obligation as the greatest privilege of our faith.

Given at Moncton, New Brunswick, on this 20th day of May, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-four.

WY VINSUES STORY

+ Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R. Archbishop of Moncton

+ Guy Desrochers, Com.

Dear Padre,

I hear people talking about finding their vocation. How do I know what my vocation is?

Our Catholic understanding of vocation is "a call from God to a particular state in life," by which is usually meant single. married, priest, or religious. When you hear people speaking about finding their vocation, it is possible that this is what they have in mind. On the other hand, it is also quite possible that they are referring simply to a particular occupation that they feel comfortable with and wish to pursue.



A pilgrim takes time during a World Youth Day event to speak with a priest about vocations, MICHELLE BAUMAN / CATHOLIC NEWS AGENCY

The root understanding of vocation is really the understanding of God's call and our response. Vocation has not so much to do with what we do but is rather reflective of what we believe about our relationship with God. Vocation assumes that we believe that God is active in our own unique history, and is involved in our decisionmaking process; that God desires to manifest his will to us; and that God does in fact communicate with us in a very personal way.

If you are truly open to the will of God in your own life, if you are willing to listen to God's call and make your decisions and choices based on this experience, preferably with the guidance of a confessor or spiritual director, you will discover the true happiness that a real vocation can bring. .

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

"Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another" [2 Corinthians 13:11]. The Christian community, even with all its human limitations, can become a reflection of the communion of the Trinity, of its kindness, of its beauty. But this-just as Paul himself testifies-necessarily passes through the experience of God's mercy, of his forgiveness. ANGELUS, ROME, JUNE 11, 2017



MONDAY

May 27 Weekday 1 Pt 1:3-9 Mk 10:17-27

TUESDAY

May 28 Weekday 1 Pt 1:10-16

Mk 10:28-31

WEDNESDAY

May 29 Weekday 1 Pt 1:18-25 Mk 10:32-45

THURSDAY

May 30 Weekday 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12 Mk 10:46-52

FRIDAY

May 31 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 Lk 1:39-56

SATURDAY

June 1 St. Justin, Martyr Jude 17, 20b-25 Mk 11:27-33

SUNDAY

June 2 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Ex 24:3-8 Heb 9:11-15 Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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