# Our Parish

August 18, 2024

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Proverbs 9:1-6 / Ephesians 5:15-20 / John 6:51-58



# The Wisdom Meal

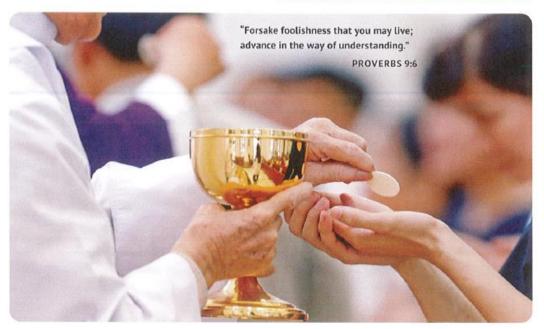
FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

ommon sense and wisdom are two different realities, similar but not the same. Common sense can be taught, and it tends to be black and white, rather obvious. For the most part, parents teach their children common sense. Don't run with a knife in your hands. Look both ways before you cross the street. Wash your hands before you eat. Wisdom, on the other hand, tends to be more nuanced. It has a depth to it that cannot be taught. Rather, it is learned by experience and is more obscure than obvious. Sometimes, wisdom may not even seem to make sense. One finds life by losing it. We find meaning not by focusing on ourselves but rather upon others and their needs. Less is more. Might does not make right. Wisdom is the home of God.

Throughout Scripture, the virtue of wisdom is often personified as Lady Wisdom. She is thought to have been present with God even before creation and with God at creation (Proverbs 8:22–31). Wisdom has spread her table before us and invites us: "Come, eat of my food, / and drink of the wine I have mixed!.... / advance in the way of understanding" (Proverbs 9:5–6). Jesus is the wisdom of God made flesh. To feast on Jesus' Body and Blood through the Eucharist is to feast on the wisdom of God. There, at his table, we begin to look at life the way God does. •

#### Reflect

When faced with difficulties, do you stop and pray for wisdom—to see as God sees?



#### TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**AUGUST 18, 2024** 

## Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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St. Clement's Parish Staff							
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Mass times / Intentions:						
	St. Bernard's					
Mon.	Aug 19	9:30 AM	Special intention	Alison Smith		
Thurs.	Aug 22	9:30 AM	Special intention	Alison Smith		
Fri.	Aug 23	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Silvio Rocca	Mom and Dad		
Sat.	Aug 24	4:00 PM	Anniv. Late Shirley Clement Susan Clement			
Sun.	Aug 25	11:00 AM	For the people			
	St. Clement's					
Sat.	Aug 24	7:00 PM	For the people			
St. Vincent's						
Sun.	Aug 25	9:00 AM	For the people			

St. Bernard's Offerings – July 20 & 21, 2024 + PADs								
Envelopes	\$ 3867.67	Loose	\$ 954.45	Capital Expenditure				
Karing Kitchen	\$ 201.00	Needy fund	\$ 20.00	Syrian relief	\$ 100.00			
St. Bernard's Offerings – July 27 & 28, 2024								
Envelopes	\$ 2430.44	Loose	\$ 804.50	Capital Expenditure	\$ 230.00			
Karing Kitchen	\$ 26.05	Reconnect	\$ 40.00	Building fund	\$ 68.25			
For favors receiv	red	\$ 60.00	Papal charit	\$ 20.00				
St. Bernard's Offerings – August 3 & 4, 2024 + PADs								
Envelopes	\$ 5277.15	Loose	\$ 765.60	Karing Kitchen	\$ 14.10			
Reconnect	\$ 120.00	<b>Building Fun</b>	_					
Syrian Relief	\$ 35	Capital Expe	Capital Expenditure \$ 1570.00					
Indigenous	\$ 20							
	St. Bernard	's Offerings -	- August 10	& 11, 2024 + PADS				
Envelopes	\$ 7993.67	Loose	\$ 884.75	Capital Expenditure	\$ 1233.33			
Religious Ed.	\$ 195.00	Grant	\$ 600.00	Karing Kitchen	\$ 110.40			
For favors receiv	red	\$ 20.00	Needs of The Canada Church \$ 2		\$ 25.00			
Building fund		\$ 40						
	St. C	Clement's Off	erings – Au	gust 3, 2024				
Envelopes	\$ 520	Collection	\$ 25	Donation w/receipt	\$ 45			
Donation in memory of Doris Spencer from her family \$ 230								
St. Vincent's Offerings – August 11, 2024								
Envelopes	\$ 1055.00				\$ 50.00			
St Edward's Cem	netery	\$ 400.00						
Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!								

A time to mourn						
síncere sympathíes to						
	Alice Carroll Polardy	Sister of Jessie Kinney				
A MITH DEEDERT.	Calogero Cuffaro					
Sympathy_	Jim MacDougall	Father of Derrick MacDougall (Sarah Bordas)				
	Anne Richards	Sister of Jane Lennox				
	Armand Bertin	Brother of Ann (Don) Beaumaster				
	Herdelita Navarro	Grandmother of Irene Navarro				
	Alyre Williams Jr.	Brother of Yvonne Williams				
And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one.						



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

St. Bernard's								
Patricia Devine	Pete	r Leger	Raymon	d T-John LeBlanc   Jim MacDougall				
Maria Plante	Judy	y LeBlanc						
	St. Clement's							
McGraw Family Hudson Swee		eney	Baby Owen		Emma Cormier			
Adrienne Fagan Angelia			Genie Coates		Olga Bateman			
Deacon Frank Quinn Shawna Lane		Ibbitson						
St. Vincent's								
Tim Nye Vince Wood			Art Chase	Leone Campbell				
Teresa Vermette Deacon Frank		k Quinn	Vince Reinsborou	ıgh	Art Chase			
Elise Landry								



500 Mapleton Road Moncton, NB E1G 0N3 Monday Tuesday Wednesday

3:00 pm - 8:00 pm 10:00 am - 3:00 pm 10:00 am - 3:00 pm 10:00 am - 3:00 pm 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Thursday Join Canada's Lifeline. Book now at blood.ca



We are reaching so that you can be part of the solution. If you have never donated before, there is no better time to start and if you are an existing donor, you can double your impact through inviting new donors to book an appointment at blood.ca.

### St. Bernard's



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 and Saturdays: 1:00 PM

Mark Your Calendar			
Carmelites	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat of the month: 9:30 AM		
Prayer Group	Sat, August 31		
RCIA	Resumes Saturday, September 7, 10-11:30 AM		



Catechism start date is the week of Sunday September 22nd, 2024
Catechism registration will be held on Sunday September 8th
12:30PM-2:30 PM. In the church hall. See you then,
Blessings, Lorella





The following outlines projects in progress or completed for Summer 2024...

- Painting of the lower area of church or main body of the church (Nave) has been completed. Included in this project was a thorough cleaning of the Stations of the Cross..
- Restoration of the exterior windows is currently in progress with the North side (vacant lot) completed. The South side (parking lot) has begun. The Bell Tower and remaining windows on the East and West sides will be completed Summer 2025...
- A sign has been mounted on the front of the church including Mass times and Reconciliation...
- A new sound system has been approved and ordered, with installation planned over the next few weeks.
- A NB Power energy assessment has been completed, to determine our eligibility for a potential government grant... further details to follow.

#### St. Clement's

Thanks to all our bakers and especially Jan Legere, who organized the bake sale. We have sweetened up the tourists in Murray Corner.

#### St. Vincent's

**MASS INTENTIONS** – If you wish to have a mass said for a loved one, please contact the Parish Office. The requested donation for each mass is \$15.

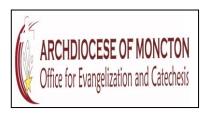
**PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES** – are offered to Yvonne Cormier and family, on the death of her son, Daniel Turner, who passed away on August 6, 2024. May he rest in the arms of our loving God.

**PRAYING THE ROSARY** – Praying the rosary in St. Vincent's chapel on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. will recommence in September 2024.

<u>BAPTISM PREPARATION</u> – St. Vincent's is looking for a parishioner to lead Baptism preparation for parents wishing to have their children baptized. If you have an interest in this area and are able to offer your time, please contact Lorraine at the Parish Office. 506-536-1460 or stvince@nbnet.nb.ca

**2024-2025 SUNDAY MISSALS** – If you wish to order a 2024-2025 Sunday Missal, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. Orders will be placed with Novalis Publishing in August 2024.

<u>DONATIONS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS</u> – Many, many thanks to those who have donated household goods for our new nurses at the Drew Nursing Home who have come from the Philippines, as well as other parts of the world. As the influx of new nurses has slowed for the time being, <u>WE ARE PUTTING A PAUSE ON ACCEPTING ANY FURTHER DONATIONS AT THIS TIME</u>. We are expecting a new group of nurses to arrive in the coming months and may once again ask for your assistance in helping them furnish their apartments. Thank you!! Thank you!!



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or online at www.diomoncton.ca → Children's Catechesis → Formation Opportunities

MARK THE DATE: This year's Tending the Soil, Tending the Sower catechist formation will take place on Saturday, September 14th from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Riverview. While of particular interest to those who are catechist coaches with the coaching parents process of children's catechism, the day is open to all those who work in the ministry of catechesis, i.e. marriage preparation, RCIA, baptismal preparation. This year's theme will be "Spiritual Journeys," and our facilitators will be Fr. Phil Mulligan from St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Pastoral Grouping and Dr. Andrew Wilson from Mount Allison University. Registration online by going to www.diocesemoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Children's Catechesis → Formation Opportunities and then click on

the poster. Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or

adultfaith@diocesemoncton.ca for more info.

# Dear Padre,

Are naked statues, like Michelangelo's David, really appropriate for public viewing?

It is helpful to consider if the artwork depicts the body to heighten transcendence, or to objectify the body to satisfy basic instincts. Art is admittedly subjective, and the interpretation of nudity in true art is in the eye of the beholder. Nudity can evoke feelings of shame for some; for others, the nude body in art can be an aesthetic experience of illuminated grace in humanity, and ultimately in the glory of our Maker for all his gifts-including the gift of Christ's resurrection that restored us to the original image and likeness intended by our Creator.

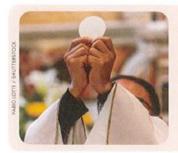
Since ancient times, the nude human form was a common subject in art. The intention is to draw the viewer to a better appreciation of the human body's natural beauty. However, nudity is often associated with sexuality, and for some, sexuality is equated with sin.

In his series of addresses about the theology of the body, St. John Paul II expounded on original nakedness that was referred to in Scripture: "Man tries to cover the real origin of fear with the shame of his own nakedness" (Genesis 3:10). "In the state of original innocence nakedness did not express a lack. Rather, it represented full acceptance of the body..." (Real Significance of Original Nakedness, 1980).

So to answer the question, assuming the purpose of the artist is to inspire, and the atmosphere in which the statue is viewed is conducive to such inspiration, yes, such a public display is appropriate.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August 19	August 20	August 21	August 22	August 23	August 24	August 25
Weekday	St. Bernard,	St. Pius X, Pope	Queenship of	Weekday	St. Bartholomew,	Twenty-first
Ez 24:15-23	Abbot and	Ez 34:1-11	the Blessed	Ez 37:1-14	Apostle	Sunday in
Mt 19:16-22	Doctor of the	Mt 20:1-16	Virgin Mary	Mt 22:34-40	Rv 21:9b-14	Ordinary Time
	Church		Ez 36:23-28		Jn 1:45-51	Jos 24:1-2a,
	Ez 28:1-10		Mt 22:1-14			15-17, 18b
	Mt 19:23-30					Eph 5:21-32
						or 5:2a, 25-32
						Jn 6:60-69



#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Around the altar we find what spiritually feeds us and quenches our thirst today and for eternity.... The Eucharist shapes us so that we live not only for ourselves but for the Lord and for our brothers and sisters. Life's happiness and eternity depend on our ability to render fruitful the evangelical love we receive in the Eucharist. ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 19, 2018



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