

[Jesus said,] "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all."

MARK 10:43-44

Like a Sponge

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

If I hit you and you hit me back, I may very well hit you again, this time harder. If you decide to hit me back harder as well, I may pull out my knife from fear and for self-defense. That may cause you to pull out your knife, thereby moving me to arm myself with a gun, which then compels you to do likewise.

And thus, the evil escalates. If, however, when I hit you the first time, you do not retaliate by hitting me, the evil ends. It is absorbed by you, and life is better because of your decision.

It was Daniel Berrigan who noted that the role of the Christian is to absorb evil. When we absorb someone else's evil, when it ends with us, we literally save that person from embodying more evil. In effect, we ransom that person by our own suffering. "For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). In other words, we can be most like Jesus when we feel we are being used or abused, yet do not retaliate in kind.

In all such instances, it is not a matter of allowing someone to pummel and eviscerate our bodies and spirits. It is not about being defenseless. It is not a matter of refusing to resist. It is about resisting in a way that will not create greater violence and evil. It is the way of Christ. ●

Reflect

Is it possible to respond to evil without escalating it among individuals or among nations?

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit

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St. Clement's Parish Staff

Parish Secretary	Pam Van Egmond	
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Mass times / Intentions:

St. Bernard's

Mon.	Oct. 21	9:30 AM	For the people	
Tues.	Oct. 22	9:30 AM	Late Viola Parsons	Hector & Cecile Caissie
Wed.	Oct. 23	9:30 AM	Gagnon Family	Claudette Belliveau
Thurs.	Oct. 24	9:30 AM	Late Donald Doiron	K Of C 1310
Fri.	Oct. 25	9:30 AM	Late John McAloon	Claire Hachey
Sat.	Oct. 26	4:00 PM	Anniv. Late Minnie Burnett	Ross & Sharon
Sun.	Oct. 27	11:00 AM	Anniv. Late Gordon Montford	Lorraine Montford

St. Clement's

Sat.	Oct. 26	7:00 PM	For Our Benefactors	
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St. Vincent's

Sun.	Oct. 27	9:00 AM	For The People	
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OFFERINGS

St. Bernard's Offerings + PADs & online – October 12 & 13, 2024

Envelopes	\$7128.62	Loose	\$765.65	Karing Kitchen	\$141	All Souls	\$50
Canadian Church	\$55	Religious Ed.	\$50	Capital Expenditure	\$1113.33		
Building Fund	\$52.90	Needy Fund	\$190	Evangelization of people	\$20		
Special Collection	\$ 170	Diocesan Special Collection	\$50				

St. Clement's Offerings – October 12, 2024

Envelopes	\$185	Donation w/ Receipt	\$25				
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St. Vincent's Offerings – October 13, 2024

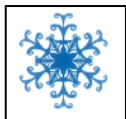
Envelopes	\$1100	Loose	\$20	Maintenance	\$75	Offering Envelopes	\$15
Evangelization of Nations	\$25						

Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!



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.



The Immaculate Heart of Mary Ladies Society will be hosting their Snowflake Bazaar! Saturday, November 2nd, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Lots of goodies just in time for Christmas. We will be serving soup, crackers and muffins with tea and coffee. Mark those calendars!

WITH DEEPEST
Sympathy

*A time to mourn...
sincere sympathies to...*

And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one.

Prayer
Request

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

St. Bernard's

Patricia Devine	Raymond T-John LeBlanc	Gigi Pena	Glen & Doreen McCluskey
Gerry Lorette	Ava Duchesne	Fr. Allison Carroll	Shelly Rizk

St. Clement's

McGraw Family	Hudson Sweeney	Baby Owen	Emma Cormier	Ken McAllister
Genie Coates	Olga Bateman	Deacon Frank Quinn	Shawna Lane Ibbitson	Angelia

St. Vincent's

Barb DeWitt	Vince Reinsborough	Deacon Frank Quinn	Teresa Vermette	
Tim Nye	Vince Wood	Art Chase	Leone Campbell	Leonard Burke

And those who have died, including Catherine Melanson



St. Bernard's Sacrament of Reconciliation regular schedule

Prior to weekday masses: Monday to Friday: 8:30 – 9:20 AM

First Friday of the month: 8:00 – 9:00 AM & Saturdays: 1:00 PM



The Queen of Peace

On September 19, 2024, the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, with the assent of Pope Francis, grants approval for devotion link to Medjugorje. The Holy See recognizes the abundant spiritual fruits received at the Sanctuary in Medjugorje: healing, conversion, messages of peace. "We can see a nucleus of

messages in which Our Lady does not place herself at the center but shows herself to be fully directed toward our union with God." The Vatican has not yet made any declaration regarding the supernatural nature of the Marian apparitions, as reports of these apparitions are still ongoing. Once the apparitions cease, the Vatican will be able to begin its investigations. A pilgrimage to Medjugorje is scheduled for May 16 to 26, 2025, with Fr. Carlos Jacinto as the accompanying priest. Reservations fill up quickly, so if you are interested in learning more, please contact Hector Caissie at 506-857-2295.



Moncton K of C Council 1310 - 84 Broadway St., Moncton: A Catholic organization, with 300 plus members. Interested in Joining? Contact Norman Gallant, Grand Knight at 506 853-7333. Bingos: Thurs. & Sun. 6:30 PM - Sunday Brunch 1st Sun. of each month.

St. Bernard's

Mark Your Calendar

Carmelites	2 nd Sat of the month: 9:30 AM
Prayer Group	2nd Saturday of month & last Saturday of month after 25th
RCIA	1 st and 3 rd Saturday of month, 10:00 to 11:30 AM
Baptism preparation	November 17 @ 1:00 PM



Sessions for Fall 2024

Sundays Level 1-2-3 @ 9:30 AM and Level 4-5-6 @ 12:15 PM:

Nov. 3, Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Dec. 15

Tues. Level 1-2-3 @ 6PM: Nov. 5, Nov. 19, Dec. 3, Dec. 17

Wednesday Level 4-5-6 @ 6PM: Nov. 6, Nov. 20, Dec. 4, Dec. 18

Confirmation In-Person Session: Nov. 3, Dec. 15



Preservation and Restoration Award

On behalf of the City of Moncton and Heritage Conservation Board, congratulations for your efforts in the preservation and the restoration of the large stained windows at **ST. BERNARD'S CHURCH.**

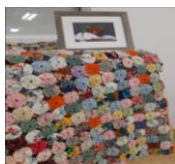


Why Catholic? (Book 2 – Prayer)

Last February, we launched the Small Group Faith Sharing initiative in our pastoral unit. The first book, *Believe*, concluded last summer. As we enter the fall season, we are excited to announce the commencement of our second book, *Prayer*. We are inviting you to join us in this journey. Here is the schedule for this season: Monday and Tuesday at 6 PM -Thursday at 10:15 AM and 7 PM - Friday at 7 PM. Please send an email to sbhf@rogers.com if you have any question or if you would like to register.

St. Bernard's CWL Raffle

Hand crafted bedspread and 5"x7" painting. Proceeds for parish repairs, Food Depot, Pregnancy Center, NB Right to Life. Lottery License #2073754. **Draw Date- Dec.8/24** - Value \$150.00 – Tickets: 1 for \$2, 3 for \$5 (available in the parish office)



Please take note: During Mass times, it has been reported that persons have been seen pulling on car door handles looking for unlocked doors for the purpose of theft.



***Hello There'* meet and greet after the 11 am mass on October 27th in the hall.**

Please join us as we meet new friends and greet everyone back after summer. Coffee/tea/juice and a treat will be supplied by the St Bernard's Knights of Columbus #1310. Enter by the Hall doors near the elevator on the parking lot.

St. Clement's

Mass being held at Westford Nursing Home Mon. Oct. 21st - 1:30.

Starting November 2nd, mass will be held at 4:00 pm instead of 7:00 pm for the winter.

St. Vincent's

FAITH FORMATION at St. Vincent's – For any participant or volunteer inquiries, please contact Cathy Crinnion at ccrinnion@yahoo.ca or 536-4470.

The Faith Formation schedule is as follows:

October 20 th @ 10am	next Elementary group session – St. Vincent's hall
Oct. 27 th to be determined	Primary group – please contact Cathy to discuss
November 3 rd @ 10am	Elementary group – St. Vincent's hall
*November 7 th @ 6pm	*for parents of youth preparing for 1 st Eucharist – Immaculate Heart of Mary, Riverview (discuss carpooling with Cathy)

PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES – are extended to the family of Catherine Mary Melanson, who passed away at the Moncton Hospital on October 9, 2024. *May she rest in the arms of our loving God.*

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 increased from \$10 to \$15, effective April 1, 2023.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE – If you wish to sign a card of support for Development and Peace Defending Peasants' Rights, they are available on a table at the entrance to the church. In the new year, all signed cards will be sent to Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, Montreal, PQ, when a delegation will go to Parliament Hill in Ottawa to hand over signed action cards and petitions.

SEEKING ASSISTANT CARETAKER – Holy Rosary-St. Vincent's Cemetery is looking for an Assistant Caretaker. Interested persons should contact the Parish Office at 506-536-1460.

PRAYING THE ROSARY – You are invited to join a group of faithful parishioners who gather to pray the rosary in St. Vincent's chapel on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

BAPTISM PREPARATION – 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

SACKVILLE FOOD BANK – If you are able, please give non-perishable food items to the Sackville Food Bank. Covering Sackville and surrounding area, the Food Bank provides essential help to many individuals and families who struggle financially to put food on their tables. The Food Bank basket is located at the entrance to the church on the right side.

DONATIONS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS – 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. We recently welcomed more nurses from the Philippines, along with their families! As the newcomers continue to arrive and then are required to find accommodations, we will be accepting specific donations as needed by them such as MATTRESSES AND BED FRAMES, LIKE- NEW BEDDING AND WARM BLANKETS, AND SMALL APPLIANCES. Please contact the Parish Office if you have particular items that you would like to donate. Thank you!!

We encourage you to contribute generously to the special collection on November 2 and 3, 2024, in support of the Archbishop of Moncton's pastoral mission. Please note that 10% of the amount collected will be used for local parish needs. Your contribution in cash or by cheque made out to your parish should be deposited in the special envelopes that will be distributed for this purpose in our churches. We ask you to hand in your envelope during the weekend quests on **November 2 and 3**, or to the secretariat of your pastoral unit. Thank you for your solidarity.

MONDAY @ THE MOVIES – Our next film discussion will take place on October 21st @ 2:00 pm via Zoom when we will talk about faith themes from the 1992 film *Sister Act*. Monday @ The Movies is film discussion series where we discuss faith themes found in popular films. Please register with Karen at youth@diocesemoncton.ca or 387-4198.

THEOLOGY ON TAP will resume on Monday, October 28th, Mai Asian Restaurant @ 6:30 pm. Our first guest speaker will be Dr. Andrew Wilson who will give a presentation entitled *Hallowe'en Sucks: Jesus and the Vampire*. Register with Karen at 387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca or online at www.diocesemoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Adult Faith → Formation Opportunities.

SENIORS CONNECT! Our next gathering will take place **Thursday November 7th**, 10:30 am at Holy Family Church. The theme of the gathering will be “Happy Feet,” where we will learn how to care of our feet as we age. Questions? Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email youth@diocesemoncton.ca.

A GREAT SYMPHONY OF PRAYER - On behalf of the *Ad hoc* Committee for the Preparation for the Jubilee 2025, I am pleased to announce a two-part webinar series titled, “A Great Symphony of Prayer” which will enable the faithful one meaningful way to participate in the Year of Prayer which was announced by Pope Francis on 21 January 2024. The Jubilee Office in Rome has prepared a series of booklets on prayer, the themes of which will be taken up during the webinar series. For each official language, there will be one four-part webinar series in the spring and one more four-part webinar series in the fall. Dr. Josephine Lombardi (St. Augustine's Seminary) will present eight English-language webinars on prayer: **Fall Series on Prayer:** Thurs., Oct. 24 (2:00 – 3:30 pm AST): *Lectio Divina/The Storm at Sea*

NB Right to Life Moncton chapter Fundraising Dinner at the Dan Bohan Centre, Riverview on Sunday November 3rd at 5:00 p.m. Guest Speaker is Mgr Guy Desrochers. Tickets are 30\$ and are available at the Parish offices of St. Bernard's, St. Augustine's and Immaculate Heart of Mary. Info.: Lise 506 854 4209 or Karl 506 229 0740

May 16– 26, 2025: Pilgrimage to Medjugorje where Our Lady has been appearing daily for 43 years. Cost of \$3770 includes all airport taxes, security, fuel surcharges, airfare from the Moncton/Halifax, (twin or triple) accommodation, daily breakfast & dinner and experienced local guide. (Optional single room supplement, \$250/p.) **INFO:** Hector Caissie at hectorcaissie@gmail.com or 506-857-2295.

Job Posting: Janitorial Technician - Location: Archdiocese of Moncton - Contract Type: Flexible hours negotiable. The Archdiocese of Moncton is seeking a Janitorial Technician to: - Ensure the upkeep and maintenance of the premises - Manage customer requests and provide quality service. - Carry out minor repairs and report problems requiring specialized intervention. Previous experience in a similar position is desirable. We offer a competitive salary package. If you are interested, please contact Ronald Drisdelle at 506-857-9531 ext. 1234 or by e-mail: econome@diocesemoncton.ca

Urgent appeal for support in Lebanon – Joint call for help and prayers: Montreal, 15 October: With the support of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), Aid to the Church in Need Canada (ACN), Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) Canada, and Development and Peace — *Caritas* Canada (DPCC) are launching an appeal for prayers and generosity to support the most urgent needs of people in Lebanon, following the bombardments in the country that have already claimed hundreds of innocent lives. For the complete press release go to the following link: <https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/urgent-appeal-for-support-in-lebanon-joint-call-for-help-and-prayers/>

Dear Padre,

I read about bishops with different titles: coadjutor, auxiliary, ordinary. What is the difference between all of these bishops?

All bishops in the Church are ordained in the same way. Bishops are the only people who can ordain other people in the Church. Bishops also have authority regarding Church matters. A bishop who is the *ordinary* of a diocese is the head of that diocese. He has the authority to guide and direct matters in the diocese. Like all other bishops, he has the responsibility to teach and preach in the name of the Church.

A bishop who is an *auxiliary* is assigned to help the ordinary of the diocese. His responsibilities are given to him by the ordinary. In most circumstances, the auxiliary will help in the administration of the diocese and celebrate the sacraments within the diocese.

A *coadjutor* bishop is assigned to aid the ordinary of the diocese. He usually has the right to succeed the ordinary once he retires or dies in office. In some circumstances, coadjutor bishops may be given authority that is normally reserved to the ordinary.

The differences between these bishops are the tasks they perform and the authority they have within a diocese. However, as bishops, they all receive the same ordination. ●



The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
October 21	October 22	October 23	October 24	October 25	October 26	October 27
Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Thirtieth Sunday
Eph 2:1-10	Eph 2:12-22	Eph 3:2-12	Eph 3:14-21	Eph 4:1-6	Eph 4:7-16	in Ordinary Time
Lk 12:13-21	Lk 12:35-38	Lk 12:39-48	Lk 12:49-53	Lk 12:54-59	Lk 13:1-9	Jer 31:7-9
						Heb 5:1-6
						Mk 10:46-52



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Jesus asks us to immerse ourselves. And how should we immerse ourselves? Compassionately in the lives of those we meet.... Today, let us ask the Holy Spirit to renew the grace of baptism in us, that immersion in Jesus, in his way of being, to be more like servants, to be servants like he has been with us.

ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 17, 2021