



When Worlds Collapse

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

When personal worlds collapse, we can lose our way. The stars that marked our path through life disappear. When everything in life on which we had depended is shaken, we can feel life is not worth living. It happens when someone we love dies, when life-threatening illness lays us low, when a relationship disintegrates without warning. Then the world we once knew is no more. This week's Gospel suggests "when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates" (Mark 13:29). But how can that be?

I met Marguerite and Ken when I came to the parish. A short time later, I received a phone call that Ken had suffered a massive heart attack. He had gone down to the basement for something, and that was where he died. I spent some time with Marguerite, and as you

can imagine, she was wrapped in grief. They'd had a wonderful marriage, she told me, had done everything together. Whatever one did, the other went along. Two years later, Marguerite and I were talking and she began telling me how life had changed for her without Ken. She still missed him terribly. But lately she found herself involved in all sorts of parish activities and services she never would have gotten into, simply because they had always done things together. Without Ken, she found new worlds she never knew existed. For Marguerite, God had opened the gates to new life. ●

Reflect

*Has a personal tragedy ever become
a doorway to new life for you?*

[Jesus said,] "In those days
after that tribulation the
sun will be darkened, and
the moon will not give its
light."

MARK 13:24

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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Office hours for next week:

Monday - Thursday: 9AM – 12 noon & 1 – 4 PM.

Beginning Friday Nov. 22: parish office will be closed on Fridays.

Phone messages will be checked for emergency.

Website: www.stbernardschurch.ca



St. Vincent's, 63 Charlotte St., Sackville, NB, E4L 2Y5

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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.	Nov. 18	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Lester Rossiter	Melda & Family
Tues.	Nov. 19	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Viola Parsons	Hector & Cecile Caissie
Wed.	Nov. 20	9:30 AM	Late Jeanne Melanson	Yvonne Richard
Thurs.	Nov. 21	9:30 AM	Late Jeanne Gauvin	Hector & Cecile Caissie
Fri.	Nov. 22	9:30 AM	Late Mick Coughran	Family
Sat.	Nov. 23	4:00 PM	For The People	
Sun.	Nov. 24	11:00 AM	Anniv. Late Len & Peggy Wickham	Lorraine Montford

St. Clement's

Sat.	Nov. 23	4:00 PM	For our benefactors	
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St. Vincent's

Sun.	Nov. 24	9:00 AM	For The People	
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OFFERINGS

St. Bernard's Offerings + PADs & online – November 9 & 10, 2024

Envelopes	\$4577.2	Loose	\$1171.25	Reconnect	\$10	All Souls	\$170
Building Fund	\$12.90	Capital Fund	\$370	Karing Kitchen	\$40		
People in Need	\$1157	Evangelization of people	\$25	Archdiocese Coll.			\$975
Needs of Canadian Church	\$25						

St. Clement's Offerings – November 9, 2024

Envelopes	\$255	Collection	\$31	Archdiocese Collection	\$90
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St. Vincent's Offerings – November 10, 2024

Envelopes	\$1045	Loose	\$21.25	Maintenance	\$45	Donation	\$100
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Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!



Holy Family Christmas Yard Sale

Holy Family will be having a Christmas Yard sale on
November 23rd from 9:00 AM till Noon. 52 Falkland St. Moncton NB
 Lots of Christmas goodies for everyone

World Day of the Poor November 17, 2024

In 2017, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor so that “throughout the world Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ’s charity for the least and those most in need.” - **Message of his Holiness, Pope Francis, First Word Day of the Poor, 19 Nov.2017**

For more information on World Day of the Poor, click on the following:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/20240613-messaggio-viii-giornatamondiale-poveri-2024.html>

WITH DEEPEST
Sympathy

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

Cody Knowles

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	Raymond T-John LeBlanc	Fr. Allison Carroll	Glen & Doreen McCluskey	
Shelly Rizk	Tirso Quinones	Joann Ramsay	Claire Struble	Marie Godin
Dee Dee Murphy	Roque Pacatang Waban	Julie Waban	Ramon Penas & Myrna Penas	

St. Clement's

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

St. Vincent's

Barb DeWitt	Vince Reinsborough	Deacon Frank Quinn	Tirso Quinones	Joann Ramsay
Tim Nye	Vince Wood	Art Chase	Leone Campbell	Leonard Burke

As well as those who have died.



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

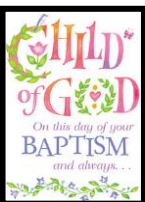


St. Bernard's Saturday confession: Time change.

Beginning Saturday, Nov. 30, Sat. confession time will be 10 - 11 AM NOT 1PM



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.



The Sacrament of Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, making us sons & daughters of God & members of the Body of Christ. On Sunday, November 10, 2024, the following children were welcomed into the Roman Catholic Church through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Kristoffer Haydn Bray, child of Willaim & Andrea

Liam Sean Spencer, child of Brady & Jana

God bless them and their family in their lifetime journey of faith.

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 @ 7:00 PM
RCIA	1 st and 3 rd Saturday of month, 10:00 AM to 12 noon
Baptism preparation	November 17 @ 1:00 PM

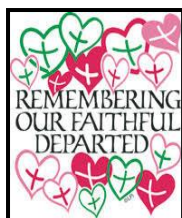


Sessions for Fall 2024

Sun. Level 1-2-3 @ 9:30 AM and Level 4-5-6 @ 12:15 PM: Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Dec. 15

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

Wed. Level 4-5-6 @ 6PM: Nov. 20, Dec. 4, Dec. 18 - **Confirmation In-Person Session:** Dec. 15



The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit St. Bernard's, St. Clement's, & St. Vincent's - Mass of the Deceased

All parishioners in our pastoral unit are invited and encouraged to attend the Mass of the Deceased on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 7 PM. It is an important time to come together as a Pastoral unit to remember & honor the memory of all those who have died in the past year. Also, to show support and care to all of those who have lost a loved one.



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)



St. Bernard's will have a limited amount of 2024/2025 Sunday Missals available for purchase: Cost: \$5. At weekend Masses. Or at: Parish office beginning: Monday to Friday, 9 AM - 12 noon & 1 - 4 PM.



"Hello There" meet and greet after the 11 am mass on November 24th 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.



Congratulations and best wishes to:

Ed & Sara Michalik

On the occasion of their 68th Wedding Anniversary, Nov. 10, 2024

The Lord bless you & keep you, the Lord make his face shine on you & be gracious to you, the Lord turn his face toward you & give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

St. Clement's Mass is now held every Saturday at 4:00 pm

St. Vincent's

FAITH FORMATION at St. Vincent's – In-person catechism sessions take place on Sunday mornings following Mass. For any participant or volunteer inquiries for this program, including sacramental preparations, please contact Cathy Crinnion at ccrinnion@yahoo.ca or 536-4470. For parishioners who are past Confirmation, no previous experience is necessary for you to share your time with our Faith Formation families, as a helper or as a catechist!

The Faith Formation schedule is as follows:

December 1 st @ 10am	Elementary group (grades 4+) – St. Vincent's hall
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December 15 th @ 10am	Elementary group – St. Vincent's hall
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Elementary group will resume on January 12th 2025

Primary group (grades 1-3) – please contact Cathy to discuss



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BEATRICE LEBLANC! – You are cordially invited to attend an open house from 1-3 pm on November 23, 2024, at 36 Meadow Lane in Sackville, to celebrate Beatrice LeBlanc's 90th birthday. Best wishes only!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – St Vincent Parish will hold an Annual General Meeting in the Church Hall (basement) on November 17, 2024, following our Mass. All parishioners are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. Please bring your ideas and suggestions for our Parish.

WHITE GIFT SUNDAY – December 8, 2024, will be White Gift Sunday at St. Vincent's. If you wish to donate new toys or clothing for local children, please bring them to St. Vincent's on December 8, 2024. Suggested items are sleepers, bath towels and washcloths, bedding for newborns; socks, playdough, coloring books and crayons, warm winter clothing, etc for children ages 2-6; and gloves, hats, games, craft kits, sweatshirts, movie passes, for children ages 6-12. Please do not wrap items; however, wrapping paper and tape will be gladly accepted.

100 ANNIVERSARY OF ST. VINCENT CHURCH – A small committee will be finalized in early January 2025 to get plans underway to collect more stories and bits of history from parishioners. If you have questions, please contact Rosemary at rbarras@nbnet.nb.ca.

SUNDAY MISSALS 2024-2025 – The 2024-2025 Sunday Missals have arrived and will be distributed in the next two or three Sundays to those who ordered them. Cost per Missal is \$6.73. We have two extra Missals if you forgot to order one!

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.

SACKVILLE FOOD BANK – If you are able, please contribute non-perishable food items to our local Food Bank. The donation basket is located on the right-hand side of the entrance of the church.

DONATIONS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS – As newcomers continue to arrive to Sackville and St. Vincent's, we will be accepting specific donations as needed by them such as **CHEST OF DRAWERS, MATTRESSES/BOX SPRINGS AND BED FRAMES, LIKE-NEW BEDDING AND WARM BLANKETS, AND SMALL APPLIANCES**. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any of these items that you would like to donate. Thank you!!

ADVENT GOES TO THE MOVIES

Please join us as we meet via Zoom to discuss four films and their connection to our faith and the Advent season. November 25th (*Frozen*); December 2nd (*Wizard of Oz*); December 9th (*Babette's Feast*); and December 16th (*Agnes of God*). Each discussion will be held at 10:30 am on Zoom. Please contact Karen at 387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca to register.

SENIORS CONNECT

Welcome to Seniors Connect, a safe space for Seniors to gather, socialize, learn about, and discuss issues related to aging in New Brunswick. Our next gathering will take place on Thursday December 5th 10:30am at the Holy Family Church Hall, 52 Falkland St. Moncton. Our theme for that day is "Tis the Season". One of our activities will be a Yankee Swap so we ask that you bring a small gift or craft that is no more than \$5. Questions? Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email youth@diocesemoncton.ca.

SCUBA CHRISTMAS!

On Friday, December 6th from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm, we will be offering a Christmas follow-up to last June's Vacation Bible School, SCUBA: Dive into Friendship with God and learn about the story of the Holy Family. Anyone is welcome, even those children who did not attend Vacation Bible School in June. All families are welcome. Please contact Karen at 387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca to register.

WHATEVER FLOATS YOUR HOPE ADVENT RETREAT

On Saturday, December 7th from 8:30 am – 12:00 pm, Craig Murphy will be offering a morning Advent Retreat to take place at Broadleaf Guest Ranch in Riverside Albert. Contact Karen at 387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca to register.

Weekly Gospel Study Group **November 21st and 22nd:**

*Weekly in person or Zoom, Thursdays at **St. Lawrence O'Toole** 6:00pm followed by adoration at 7:00pm AND Fridays at **St. Augustine's** 11:00am, followed by Mass at 12:00noon and adoration. For information contact Charlie Farrell at 857-4223 or charlie.farrell@qasmoncton.com.*

For Christ the King, click on the following links and read: Pope Pius XI

https://www.vatican.va/content/pius-xi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_p-xi_enc_11121925_quas-primas.html#:~:text=When%20once%20men%20recognize%2C%20both,ordered%20discipline%2C%20peace%20and%20harmony

The Chœur des Aboiteaux, a mixed choir of around sixty voices under the direction of Paula Hébert, is pleased to invite you to its **Christmas concert on Sunday, December 15 at 2:30 p.m.** Come and get into the holiday spirit in the magnificent St. John's United Church, at the corner of Victoria and Alma streets in Moncton NB. The program includes new and old songs in innovative arrangements. *You'll be charmed by classic songs such as Christmas Pot Pourri, Handel's Hallelujah and many others.* The songs will be accompanied by piano, and some by flute and percussion.

Tickets are on sale from choir members or at the door for \$20. Children 12 and under are admitted free. An elevator is available. We look forward to welcoming you!

Dear Padre,

I am confused by Genesis 6:6: "The LORD regretted making human beings on the earth, and his heart was grieved." How can a perfect being regret something he created in his own image?

Sometimes reading an isolated line of Scripture can be confusing. Context is essential. The Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation (*Dei Verbum*), promulgated by Pope St. Paul VI on November 18, 1965, clearly teaches this Catholic understanding of sacred Scripture. A proper appreciation of context, in the example you provided, reminds us that the holy writers of Scripture were not reporting the words of the Lord like an announcer on the evening news. This is not a newspaper account of a witnessed event or a report commenting on the scene that has unfolded. Biblical authors were constrained by their own experience and perception, even as they were inspired by the Spirit of God. When they made a conclusion, they frequently revealed more about their humanity than they did about the divinity they witnessed. The divine is just too wonderful and mysterious for humans to fully comprehend.

The author of Genesis provided a summary of how the experience of the creative activity of God was perceived. It is not the whole story and is perhaps best understood more as a contrast with Genesis 1:31, where we read that on the sixth day, "God looked at everything he had made, and found it very good." ●



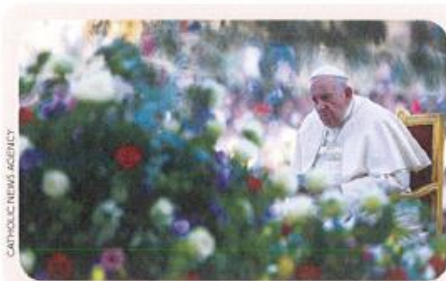
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Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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
November 18	November 19	November 20	November 21	November 22	November 23	November 24
Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr	Weekday	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5 Lk 18:35-43	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 Lk 19:1-10	Rv 4:1-11 Lk 19:11-28	Rv 5:1-10 Lk 19:41-44	Rv 10:8-11 Lk 19:45-48	Rv 11:4-12 Lk 20:27-40	Dn 7:13-14 Rv 1:5-8 Jn 18:33b-37



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Those who do good, are investing in eternity. When we see a person who is generous and helpful, meek, patient, who is not envious, does not gossip, who is not boastful...who is not rude...this is a person who builds Heaven on earth.... What they do will not be lost because good is never lost, good lasts forever.

ANGELUS, ROME, NOVEMBER 14, 2021