

I am the light of the world says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

### **WELCOME TO THE PARISH UNIT OF:**

St. Bernard's (Moncton) Saint Vincent (Sackville), Saint Clement (Port Elgin) & Saint Bartholomew (Melrose)

MASS TIMES DURING LENT		
St. Bernard's	Tuesdays @ 12 Noon, Thursday @ 9:30 AM, Saturday @ 4 PM and Sunday @ 11 AM	
St. Vincent's	Sunday @ 9 AM	
St. Clement's & St. Bartholomew's	Saturday @ 7 PM (alternating)	

CONFESSION			
St. Bernard's - Thursday mornings - before 9:30 AM Mass (upon request/availability of the Priest)			
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church - Saturday afternoons from 1 - 1:30 PM			
St. Bernard's prior to 9:30 AM Mass @ 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month			
Notre-Dame-de-Grace (854 Mountain Rd.) - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month 1-2 PM			
St. Bernard's prior to 4 PM Mass (upon request/availability of the Priest)			

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM		
Priest Moderator: Rev. Allison S. Carroll	Social Justice: Claudia McCloskey	
Assistant: (part-time) Rev. Charles Broderick	Catechetics: Lorella Dunnett	
Liturgy: Rick Shaw, Deb Gillespie	Adult Faith: Dr. Andrew Wilson	

STAFF		
Secretary: Darlene McGraw	Custodian: Michel Saulnier	
Bookkeeper: Louise Tardif	Facilities Manager: Mike Murphy	
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS		
Monday to Friday	9AM -12 Noon & 1 - 4 PM	
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK				
Tues. Mar. 28 12:00 PM Late Susan Payne St. Bernard's Choir				
Thurs.	Mar. 30	9:30 AM	Late Joseph Bourque	Angela Kinden
Sat.	Apr. 01	4:00 PM	Anniv. late Norman Vautour	Doreen
Sun.	Apr. 02	11:00 AM	Anniv. late Emery LeBlanc	Family

OFFERINGS FROM SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 18 & 19, 2017					
Loose	\$ 954.55	Share Lent	\$ 100.00 (1)	Syrian Relief	\$ 20.00 (1)
Envelopes	\$ 7,681.00 (319)	Upkeep of Holy Land	\$ 135.00 (6)	St. Patrick's Day	\$ 1,369.11
Easter	\$ 50.00 (1)	Karing Kitchen	\$ 73.25	Donation	\$ 20.00
Capital Expenditure		\$ 390.00 (16)			

#### Thank you for your generous and continued support!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS				
Carmelites	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. of month	Church Hall		
Circle of Friends	After 9:30 AM Mass	Church Hall		
Prayer Group	7 PM - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. & last Sat. (after the 25 <sup>th</sup> of each month)	Church Hall		
Next Baptism Prep.	Tuesdays - April 4 & 18 @ 7 PM	Stage Area		
RCIA	Wed., April 5 & 19 @ 7 PM	Stage Area		
CWL Shamrock Card Party	Wednesday, March 29 @ 12 Noon	Hall		
Mass During Lent	Tuesdays during Lent @ 12 Noon (except Apr. 11)	Church		
Evening Prayer	Thursdays @ 7 PM - March 30, & April 6	Church		
Priest, Prophet & King	Thurs.@ 10:30 AM - Mar. 30 & April 6	Stage Area		
Next Baptisms	Sunday, April 30 @ 2 PM	Church		

Chrism Mass - Tuesday, April 11 @ 7 PM @ Notre Dame de Grace, 854 Mountain Rd.

Holy Thursday - April 13, Mass of the Lord's Supper @ 6:30 PM - St. Bernard's Church

Good Friday - April 14, Children's Liturgy @ 10:00 AM - St. Bernard's Church

Good Friday - April 14, Liturgy of the Lord's Passion @ 3:00 PM - St. Bernard's Church

Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 15 @ 8:00 PM

#### Sacrament celebrations at St. Bernard's:

Sacrament of First Communion: Sunday, April 30 @ 11 AM Mass

Sacrament of Confirmation: Wednesday, May 3 @ 7 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wednesday, May 17 @ 6 PM



Ecclesiastes 3...Under every season there is a time...
A TIME TO HEAL...

We remember in our prayers those who are sick...

Philip Barton, Zella O'Dell, Diane Allain, Harold Woods, Doreen Ramsey, Eleanor Beck, Tony MacInnis & Edward Gould.



### A TIME TO MOURN...

Our sincere sympathies to the families of...

Carmel Lutes, Clara Close, Clyde Matthews, Roger Richard and Alex Marr, son of Allen & Nancy, brother to Caitlyn

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



IN THE EVENT OF A STORM OR INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS WILL BE NOTED ON:

ST. BERNARD'S WEBSITE: www.stbernardschurch.ca
OR BY CALLING OUR PHONE LINE @ 857-0425

First Saturday of the Month Mass will be celebrated at St. Bernard's Church on April 1 at 9:30 AM. Doors open at 8:30. Confession before the Mass. Rosary at 9:05. All are welcome.



**EVENING PRAYER**: Christians are called in baptism to be people of prayer, to pray always, praising God and pleading for the world. Our priest-moderator, Fr. Carroll, encourages us at the beginning of Lent to be more cognizant of prayer during the Lenten season. Why not try gathering with the faith community for Evening Prayer? It only takes up a half hour of your time. We follow the format for Evening Prayer that is offered in our Catholic Book of Worship.

All parishioners of our parish unit are invited & encouraged to gather for Evening Prayer Thursday evenings at St.

Bernard's Church at 7 PM - March 30 & April 6.

### St. Bernard's Faith Formation

#### Gathering Sessions for March & April 2017

- Sunday, March 26 @ 9:15 AM & 12:15 PM
- Tuesday, March 28 @ 6 PM
- Wednesday, March 29 @ 6 PM
- Sunday, April 2 @ 9:15 AM & 12:15 PM, Confirmation @ 6 PM
- Tuesday, April 4 @ 6 PM
- Wednesday, April 5 @ 6 PM
- Sunday, April 23 @ 9:15 AM & 12:15 PM, Confirmation @ 6 PM
- > Tuesday, April 25 @ 6 PM
- Wednesday, April 26 @ 6 PM

#### Sacrament Celebrations:

- First Communion Sunday, April 30 @ 11 AM Mass
- Sacrament of Confirmation Wednesday, May 3 @ 7 PM
- Sacrament of Reconciliation, Wednesday, May 17 @ 6 PM



Please continue to pray for St. Bernard's youth as they prepare for the gifts of these sacraments.



### CWL Meeting- Monday, April 3, 2017

6:30 PM - Rosary in Hall prior to meeting

7:00 PM - Regular monthly meeting (with reports)

### New members are always welcome!



# St. Bernard's CWL ladies will be hosting their annual Shamrock Card Party: Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> @ 12:00 noon in St. Bernard's Church Hall.

Luncheon will be served and we will have lots of prizes. Only 200 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$ 10.00 each and are available from Louise Ongo @ 859-7306 or Norma Gibson at 855-8236.

In the event of inclement weather - cancellations will be noted on St. Bernard's phone line at 857-0425 or on our website at www.stbernardschurch.ca.

For the card party - parking is limited to our lot behind the Rectory.

Car Pooling is suggested. Other parking lots in the area are rented out during the weekdays. Do Not Park in any nearby lots or block any entrances as you may be booted or towed.



### **SYRIAN REFUGEE RESPONSE COMMITTEE**

The Social Justice Committee now has access to a storage space for donated household items for the Syrian Family. If you have items to donate, call the parish social justice line at 204-4882. Leave a message with your phone number and someone from the committee will contact you.



Thank you to parishioners for donations of furniture & household items that have been picked up so far.



If you would like to donate funds for Easter Flowers in memory of a loved one you may do so by completing the information below & placing it with your donation in a plain envelope. That envelope can be put into the collection basket at mass or dropped off at the office. Names will be in the Easter bulletin. Thank you to all those who donate to this yearly project.

In Memory of:	
Donated by:	
Address:	
Envelope #	Amount \$

Life in the Spirit Seminar: For many people who have thought, "There has GOT to be more..." The answer is, indeed there is! Discover a wonderful dimension of your Catholic Faith, by getting to know the Holy Spirit! There are many benefits for yourself & for the people in your life when you grow in knowledge & begin to apply it in your daily life. We will have several presenters including Fr. Charles Broderick. Dates: April 1- to May 22 on Mondays, 7-9 PM at Holy Family Church, 52 Falkland St., Moncton. Cost: \$ 12 includes materials. Info: contact Robert @ 386-5175 or Donna @ 386-2072.



# Knights of Columbus Council 9270 - Maplefest Breakfast Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at the Dan Bohan Centre, Riverview.

Pancakes (with Brigg's Maple Syrup) and Sausages, Scrambled Eggs, Beans, Toast, Tea, Coffee and Juice. Adults \$ 6, Children 6 - 12 - \$3, and under 6-free, Family (2 adults) - \$20 max. 8 AM - 10:30 AM.



# Knights of Columbus - Council 1310, 84 Broadway St., Moncton Breakfast: Sunday April 2<sup>nd -</sup>8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Adults \$ 8, Children \$ 3 and 5 years & under - free Everyone Welcome!



**World Water Day – March 22:** "Fresh drinking water is an issue of primary importance, since it is indispensable for human life and for supporting terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems." **Laudato Si par. 28.** Water is a precious gift from God. It is the life blood of all life on Earth,

it runs through our veins, yet we choose to pollute it, poison it, and waste it. How is this honouring our Loving God who gives us this precious gift of Life! If you believe that water is essential for your life, please join the thousands of Canadians who have signed up to have environmental rights recognized and incorporated into the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedom. Over 110 countries have already done so. What a gift we can give ourselves and future generations! Please visit **bluedot.ca** and view the two-minute video, then click on **Take Action tab** at the top of the website and add your signature. Be part of the solution for a healthy planet!

# Community Volunteer Income Tax Program

# COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM (CVITP)

The CVITP is a collaboration between the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) and community organizations. The organizations host tax preparation clinics and arrange for volunteers to prepare income tax and benefit returns for eligible individuals who have a modest income and a simple tax situation. For a list of organizations that provide this service please see the bulletin boards at the entrances of the church.



### From the Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development

#### To contact us:

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Rediscovering our relationship with God and creation in light of the Pope's Encyclical, Laudato Si' and the Universe Story – continues Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup> with Sr. Denise Lirette, fj from 7 - 8:30 PM at Holy Family Church Hall.

"Amazing Grace: Discovering God's Gifts in our Lives": The final session for this year's Lenten Mission takes place Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Holy Family Church. Craig Murphy will present "Set the Table, Grace is Coming!" as he explores how, with everything else we have going on in our lives, we make time for Grace and living the grace-filled and graceful life. Craig is the Atlantic regional director of Chaplaincy for Bridges of Canada working within the federal prison system. He is involved in music ministry, catechesis and marriage preparation in his parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary, Riverview. Haven't been able to join us for any of these evenings yet? No problem – we would be delighted to welcome you to this one as we look at the wonderful mystery of God's grace.

Liturgical Celebrations during Lent: The second opportunity to become more familiar with the ritual prayer, Sunday Celebration of the Word and Hours, will take place April 4<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM, St. Augustine's, 340 Dominion St., Moncton. Sunday Celebration of the Word and Hours is the official ritual to be used when no priest is available to preside at Sunday Mass. The English Diocesan Pastoral Council has requested that two opportunities to celebrate this official prayer of the Church be organized during the Season of Lent. Members of all the English parishes (and especially liturgical ministers) are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity to gather together to pray this liturgy. Note: Following each of the liturgies, all those present, including the liturgical ministers, are invited to remain to discuss and ask questions about this ritual.



To: St. Bernard's Church:

On behalf of the staff and the students of Birchmount School, I would like to express my sincere thank you for the kind donation of knitted mitts, hats and scarfs that you provided to the school.

Please accept a collective "Thanks!" from all of us at Birchmount.

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Sincerely.

H. White Gerhardt Principal



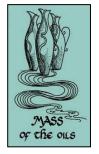


Lenten Penitential Services			
St. Bernard's	Sunday, April 2	2:00 PM	
St. Augustine's	Monday, April 3	7:00 PM	
Immaculate Heart	Wednesday, April 5	7:30 PM	



Lenten Penitential celebration is intended for all who have already celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We are invited to listen to the word of the Lord, & take some time to examine our Christian living (examination of conscience) in preparation for Easter. What attitudes or actions have kept us from loving God & neighbor the way the Lord calls us to do? Maybe we have hardened our hearts to others, or hurt others. The Lord calls us to come back with all our hearts to recognize & celebrate his forgiveness, mercy, compassion and peace.

Take note of the times above and take the opportunity to celebrate this sacrament and to help us welcome the Lord's pardon and peace. May we all take advantage of these sacred days to draw ever nearer to the Lord.



### **Chrism Mass**

The Mass of Chrism (Bilingual) is one of the most solemn and significant liturgies of our church. During the Mass, our Archbishop will bless the oil of catechumens, the oil of the sick, and consecrate the oil of chrism. This Mass also acknowledges the ministry of

priests who renew their commitment of service. The

Mass of Chrism gathers the faithful of the diocese with their shepherd to prepare for celebrations of Christ in all our churches throughout the year.

The Mass of Chrism (Bilingual) will be held at Notre Dame de Grace, 954 Mountain Rd, Moncton, Tuesday, April 11 at 7 PM. Welcome to all.



**Development and Peace:** This week open your heart to the reality of women living in a country at war. Listen to the voice of Hannan, a Syrian woman who tells us how our partner's training centres are helping to change the female workforce and the financial autonomy of women in her region. "Through the training course, I personally evolved a lot as a

person. Today, I dream of teaching sewing and running a learning centre." Thanks to your support during Share Lent this year, 280 Syrians will have access to an 11-week training course in sewing and psychosocial services! Next week is Solidarity Sunday and the Share Lent collection will take place. Please, be generous!



# Solidarity Sunday - April 2, 2017 Share Lent Collection

Through their prayer, fasting and almsgiving during Lent, Christians express their desire to turn toward God and to all God's children in preparation for Easter. The Bishops of Canada have reserved the season of Lent for a collection to assist the Global South. "So many people even today hope to have enough to eat. The planet has food for all, but the will to share with everyone seems to be lacking. To prepare the table for all, and to ask that there be one table for all. Doing whatever we can so that everyone has food, but also reminding the world's powerful that God will call them to be judged one day, and it will be demonstrated whether they have truly tried to provide food for Him in each person (cf. Mt 25:35) and whether they have acted in order that the environment would not be destroyed but would be able to produce this food." - Pope Francis, Homily during the Mass at the opening of the 2015 General Assembly of Caritas Internationalis. This collection will be held next weekend, the Fifth Sunday of Lent - April 2, 2017. The collection financially supports development and aid projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America, and informs Canadian Catholics on international social justice questions.

Thank you for helping create a future filled with hope!

**Windham Chamber Singers Concert**: A touring Choir of high school age students, on April 21, 2017, 7:30 PM at St. John's United Church, 75 Alma St., Moncton. Tickets: \$15.00 (age 12 and under free); tickets available at the Church Office (weekdays, 9 AM - 1 PM) and various members of the congregation.



### **HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE**

# Chrism Mass Tuesday, April 11, 2017 @ 7 PM at Notre-Dame-de-Grace Church 854 Mountain Rd, Moncton, NB

### Holy Thursday - April 13, 2017 - Mass of the Lord's Supper

St. Bernard's - Thursday, April 13, 2017 @ 6:30 PM (includes all of St. Bernard's parish unit)

No 9:30 AM Mass at St. Bernard's on Thursday, April 13, 2017

### Good Friday, April 14, 2017

St. Bernard's Children's Liturgy - 10 AM

### Good Friday - April 14, 2017 - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

St. Bernard's @ 3 PM

St. Vincent's @ 3 PM

St. Clement's @ 3 PM

### Easter Vigil (for the Parish Unit) - Saturday, April 15, 2017

St. Bernard's, Saturday @ 8:00 PM

### Easter Sunday - April 16, 2017

St. Vincent's @ 9 AM

St. Bernard's @ 11 AM

St. Bartholomew's @ 11 AM



Remember that Lent is a joyful march toward Holy Easter and that all the readings, rituals and penitential practices are not done mournfully, but with the Risen Christ in mind and heart.

Yet, it is also a time of ritual lamentation, of acknowledging the brokenness and pain in our lives and in our world. Lent allows us to articulate the grief and anger we feel through prayer texts and song, to seek repentance and healing by turning to Christ, to do something concrete by works of charity, and to fast in order to give food to others. The prayer and action are the work of the entire community, children as well as adults. **Prayer, fasting and almsgiving** are not just Lenten disciplines — they are, rather, the year-round regimen of Christian living; the disciplines that many would say, form us as disciples. **Lent is like a retreat**. Throughout the year the church is directed out into the world, but during these 40 days we pull back into ourselves for reflection and self-examination. **We make ourselves "right with God"**.



#### **Low Gluten Hosts**



Gluten intolerance has become more prevalent in recent years. Prompted by faithful Catholics wanting to receive Communion, we have ordered a supply of low gluten hosts (yields less than .01% gluten content per bread/wafer). We already have a few parishioners that have sourced their own supply & place them in their own personal pyx for consecration at mass. If you are diagnosed with gluten intolerance, you must purchase your personal pyx and low gluten hosts <u>are available</u> at our Parish office during regular office hours.