#### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**JANUARY 24, 2021** 



The kingdom of God has come near: repent and believe the good news!

WELCOME TO THE PARISH UNIT OF: St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford St., Moncton NB E1C 4W9 St. Vincent (Sackville) & St. Clement's (Port Elgin)

MASS TIMES – WEEK OF JANUARY 25-31, 2021			
ALL MASSES CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE RE: COVID-19 – RED PHASE			
St. Bernard's	Friday @ 9:30 AM – Cancelled – re: Covd-19 – red phase		
	Saturday @ 4:00 PM - Cancelled - re: Covd-19 - red phase		
	Sunday @ 11:00 AM - Cancelled - re: Covd-19 - red phase		
St. Vincent	Sunday @ 9:00 AM - Cancelled - re: Covd-19 - red phase		
St. Clement's	Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday @ 7 PM - Cancelled - re: Covd-19 - red phase		

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM						
Priest Moderator:	Fr. Allison S. Carroll	Social Justice:	Claudia McCloskey			
Assistant: (part-time)	Fr. Charles Broderick	Catechetics:	Lorella Dunnett			
Liturgy	Darlene McGraw	Adult Faith:	Dr. Andrew Wilson			

STAFF				
Secretary	Darlene McGraw	sbhf@rogers.com or <u>darlenemcgraw@rogers.com</u>		
Catechetical Coordinator	Lorella Dunnett	Lorella_st.bernards@hotmail.com		
Bookkeeper	Louise Tardif			
Custodian	Michel Saulnier			
Facilities Manager	Mike Murphy			
Access to the Parish office is restricted. Phone messages & emails are checked regularly. If you wish to have an appointment call the parish office to arrange a time. <u>Parish office</u> : 506-857-0425 <u>Email</u> : sbhf@rogers.com				

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF WEEK OF JANUARY 25-31, 2021

PREVIOUSLY RESERVED MASS INTETNIONS WILL BE RESCHEDULED

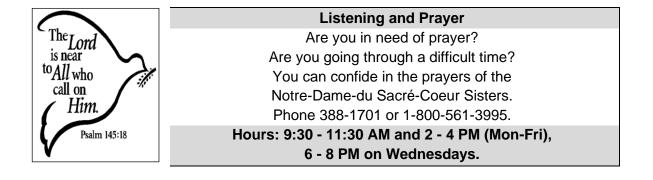
Changes to current Covid-19 phase will be noted on the parish phone (857-0425) and the parish website: www.stbernardschurch.ca



IN THE EVENT OF A STORM OR INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS WILL BE NOTED ON: <u>ST. BERNARD'S WEBSITE</u>: www.stbernardschurch.ca OR BY CALLING OUR PHONE LINE @ 857-0425.

T C 1	A time to mourn	
In Sympathy	Our sincere sympathies to the family of:	
Anne Boleyn	Aunt of Tommy Boleyn	
And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one.		

Prquer	Under every season there	Ecclesíastes 3 Inder every season there is a timeA time to heal We remember in our prayers those who are sick		
Rob Robichaud	Lisa Fearon	Judy Chiasson		
Roger Berube	Alex Cormier	Jim Damiani		
Beth Purcell	Beverly LeBlanc			
Bernie Cormier	Menard Chiasson			



OFFERINGS				
COLLECTION – JANUARY 16 & 17 AND OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL				
Envelopes 2020	\$ 1,220.00 (3)	Bequest	\$ 10,000.00	
Loose	\$ 20.00	Karing Kitchen	\$ 59.00	
Envelopes 2021	\$ 4,147.00 (83)	Building Fund	\$ 380.00 (11)	
Holy Land	\$ 20.00 (1)	Capital Campaign	\$ 1,648.33 (25)	
New Year's	\$ 270.00 (6)	Online (December)	\$ 1,142.00	
Syrian	\$ 60.00 (1)			
Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!				



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.



2021 New Brunswick Home Energy Assistance Program

The Home Energy Assistance Program provides a \$100 benefit designed to help low-income families cope with high energy prices.

The program will provide a payment of \$100 to families with incomes up to and including \$30,000.

Application forms are available at: entrance of St. Bernard's, and online at:

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/finance/promo/heap/program.html



### From the Diocesan Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development 45 York Street Trevor 857-4879 trevord.diocese@gmail.com Ellen857-9952 ellen.diocesemoncton@gmail.com

**<u>Catechetical Gatherings</u>**: Children's catechesis continues to be <u>held virtually until Zone</u> <u>1 returns to Yellow Alert Level</u>. This is particularly important as we are now in Red Alert Level, as it is impossible for us to gather physically. <u>Please arrange with your parish</u> <u>catechetical coordinator to have the necessary supplies for the sessions</u>.

<u>Candidates preparing for Confirmation in 2021</u> and their sponsors from various parishes of the English Deanery will gather virtually with Archbishop Valéry Vienneau and the other young people involved in this preparation on <u>Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 2:00 – 3:30</u> <u>p.m</u>.

<u>Adult Faith Commission</u>: rescheduled again to, hopefully <u>Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30</u> <u>p.m.</u> Meetings will take place at the Diocesan Offices on York Street. Masks are mandatory. Please use the Dominion Street entrance.

**Faith Experiments Express (via Zoom):** Learn about faith using science experiments! Designed for young people in grades 1-6, participants will be guided step by step through various fun and simple science experiments that will help them to learn more about faith and scripture. <u>The next sessions will take place at 6:30 pm on February 22, and March 22</u>. Contact Karen at 387-4198 or <u>ihmccatechism@rogers.com</u> to register.

### The End is Nigh of an Era: Exploring the Book of Revelations, Part 2:

We are now accepting registrations for this second virtual session on the Book of Revelations which has been rescheduled to <u>Tuesday, February 16th from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.</u> Join presenters, Dr. Fiona Black and Dr. Andrew Wilson as they answer questions which surfaced at the first session and dig a little deeper into the end of the world images we see in these passages. It is not necessary to have attended the first session to join us. Contact Ellen to register.

<u>"We're All in this Together": Exploring Pope Francis's encyclicals, Laudato</u> <u>Si and Fratelli Tutti</u>: Please note this preliminary announcement of three sessions taking place <u>during Lent on February 18, March 4 and March 18 with Sr. Denise Lirette, fj and</u> <u>Dr. Andrew Wilson</u>. These sessions will be a hybrid of physical and/or virtual gathering, depending on what level of alert the Zone is in. More details will follow – for now note the dates.



Sunday of the Word of God:

On September 30, 2019, Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God requesting that it be celebrated every year on the 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time. Thus, in 2021, this Sunday falls on January 24. This month's "Living with Christ" publishes an article on the subject on pages 184-185.

In the motu proprio "APERUIT ILLIS", in 2019, the pope had suggested that "the sacred text be enthroned, in order to focus the attention of the assembly on the normative value of God's word... to highlight the proclamation of the word of the Lord and to emphasize in the homily the honour that it is due". The pope had also suggested that the priests "find ways of giving a Bible, or one of its books, to the entire assembly as a way of showing the importance of learning how to read, appreciate and pray daily with sacred Scripture, especially through the practice of lectio divina".

The third Sunday in Ordinary Time falls during that part of the year when the Church prays for Christian unity. That means the celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God "has ecumenical value, since the Scriptures point out, for those who listen, the path to authentic and firm unity".

Of course, we are limited by the restrictions imposed by health measures, but we can at least emphasize during the homily the importance that the Word of God must hold in our Christian life.

# Archbishop Valéry Vienneau





COVID-19: RED phase: January 19th Update

**Published: 2021-01-19 a 19h00 | Category: Diocese** Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus,

NB Public Health has just announced that Zone 1 (Moncton area), Zone 2 (Saint John area) and Zone 3 (Fredericton area) will move to the red level as of midnight on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

This will result in the closure of all our churches as religious services or indoor gatherings are not permitted. All announced masses are cancelled starting January 20th, inclusively. I will issue further instructions if any other adjustments or information should come from the provincial authorities.

We must understand the apprehensions of Public Health and work with them by following the guidelines to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. As a Church, we remain concerned for the health and well-being of our faithful.

May the Lord bless us and continue to watch over us.

Archbishop Valéry Vienneau, Archbishop of Moncton



### Gathering In The Presence of the Body:

In the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic it is becoming increasingly difficult for people to stay in touch with their church. This seems to be especially true in times of illness and death.

Depending on which phase of recovery we are in, it can be very difficult for those in hospital to receive regular visits from a priest or pastoral care worker, which separates them and their families even further from their faith communities.

And now, when someone dies, we cannot provide a funeral vigil (parish prayers) at the funeral home due to pandemic restrictions. With that in mind, we would like to offer a prayer ritual for families called "Gathering In The Presence of the Body". We are told in the Order of Christian Funerals that *"this rite is used at the crematorium (or funeral home) when the family and friends accompany the body of the deceased either following the Funeral Liturgy or preceding a Funeral Liturgy with Remains present".* This will give families the reassurance that even though our community may not be able to physically gather at the funeral home, our prayers are still with them at a time when they are most needed. Once Covid restrictions have been lifted, this is still an option for families to go along with the funeral vigil.

## Prayers of the Faithful – 3<sup>rd</sup>Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the whole church, our Pope, Bishops & Clergy, and those who strive to spread the Gospel throughout the world. **We pray:** 

For wisdom and integrity for leaders striving for peace and justice in our world. We pray:

For unity among all Christians in our country and around the world, to work towards reconciliation and peace and help nourish unity with one another. **We pray:** 

For all who are affected by the COVID pandemic and for the caregivers serving in these times. **We pray:** 

For those who are unemployed, lonely and depressed and those who are worrying about their future. **We pray:** 

For the spiritual and physical well-being of all parishioners, and for the sick and those who have died. **We pray:**