April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter (B) Acts 3:13–15, 17–19 1 Jn 2:1–5a Lk 24:35–48

What Will It Take?

What will it take for the early followers of Jesus to recognize him in their midst?

Today's Gospel recounts yet another episode of confusion and unbelief. They had an extraordinary experience that startled and terrified them. Even though other disciples reported having come upon the risen Lord, they didn't realize that it was also he they were encountering. Such an unusual experience might have left them doubtful about the Lord's presence, but the reports of others should have thrown light on the reality of their own experiences. Are they like Thomas, who was unwilling to take the word of others but demanded his own tangible experience of the risen Lord?

However, every account of the risen Lord's appearance reports that his identity is initially hidden. They only knew that it was him when he revealed himself. Mary recognized him when he called her

name (John 20:16); the couple in Emmaus knew him in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:31); even Paul on the road to Damascus only understood who the Lord was when he revealed his name (Acts 9:3).

And what about us? What will it take for us to recognize the risen Lord in our midst? Do we also need concrete evidence? Will it only happen if we have a meal with him? But isn't that exactly what the Eucharist is—a meal with the risen Lord?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

For Reflection

- * Our faith tells us that the risen Lord is in our midst. Pray that you might recognize him in your family members or in your workplace.
- * What can you do for the needy in your society with whom Christ identifies?





Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

WELCOME TO THE PARISH UNIT OF:

St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford St., Moncton NB E1C 4W9 (506) 857-0425 St. Vincent's, 63 Charlotte St, Sackville, NB E4L 2Y5 (506) 536-1460 St. Clement's, 14 Church St, Port Elgin, NB E4M 2C9 (506) 538-2262

| | MASS TIMES – WEEK OF APRIL 19-25, 2021 |
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| St. Bernard's | Friday @ 9:30 AM |
| | Saturday@ 4:00 PM |
| | Sunday @ 11 AM |
| St. Vincent | Sunday @ 9 AM |
| St. Clement's | Every 2 nd Saturday – call 538-2262 to confirm |

| $\stackrel{\dagger}{\wedge}$ | Register | |
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| 4 | for Mass | |

Please note you must register each week to attend Mass - call 857-0425

Deadline to register for all regular Masses: Thursdays, 12 noon

Please arrive early to allow for ushered seating.

Facemasks mandatory.

We are currently in the Covid-19 yellow phase.
Six feet social distancing must be maintained at all times.

| | PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--|
| Priest Moderator: | Fr. Allison S. Carroll | Social Justice: | Claudia McCloskey | |
| Assistant: (part-time) | Fr. Charles Broderick | Catechetics: | Lorella Dunnett | |
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| Bookkeeper | Louise Tardif | | | |
| Custodian | Michel Saulnier | | | |
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Access to the Parish office is restricted. Phone messages & emails are checked regularly. If you wish to make an appointment, call the parish office to arrange a time.

Parish office: 506-857-0425 Email: sbhf@rogers.com

| | MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF WEEK OF APRIL 19-25, 2021 | | | |
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| Friday | Apr. 23 | 9:30 PM | Anniv. late Shirley Collette | Charlotte McKenna & family |
| Saturday | Apr. 24 | 4:00 PM | Late Ethel & Jim Cavanaugh | Family |
| Sunday | Apr. 25 | 11:00 AM | Anniv. late Eleanor Beck | Family |

| OFFERINGS | OFFERINGS – APRIL 10, 11, 2021, RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE | | |
|----------------|---|------------------|-------------|
| Loose | \$ 85.00 | Donation | \$ 10.00 |
| Envelopes | \$ 4,252.86 | New Year's | \$ 5.00 |
| Easter | \$ 220.00 | Building Fund | \$ 265.00 |
| Share Lent | \$ 65.00 | Capital Campaign | \$ 1,548.33 |
| Good Friday | \$ 155.00 | | |
| Easter flowers | \$ 25.00 | | |
| Karing Kitchen | \$ 64.80 | | |

Thank you

Thank you for your generous and continued support !!!

| In Sympathy | A time to mourn Our sincere sympathies to the family of: |
|----------------|--|
| Connie LeBlanc | Wife of (late) Laurie, mother of Leo Paul, David and Theresa |
| An | d to all who mourn the loss of a loved one. |



Ecclesiastes 3...

Under every season there is a time... A time to heal... We remember in our prayers those who are sick...

| Roger Berube | Terry LeBlanc | Jenny Purcell |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Beth Purcell | Sylvia Theriault | Ada Di Saverio |
| Grant Stevenson | Marg Moore | |
| + | Ind we pray for all who car | e for them. |

We are happy to have you join us! Are you new to the parish or have you been part of our community for a while but have just never registered?

Registration forms are available at the parish office, on our web site (www.stbernardschurch.ca) or just give us a call and we'll mail you one. Fill in the information, return the form to the office and you will be formally registered. This will help us to better serve your individual needs!



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

Who is My Neighbour: Exploring Fratelli Tutti: What are some of the big problems with our world and what can we do? How can a renewed understanding of dialogue and friendship open us to a new encounter with God and with each other? Last chance to register for this session with Dr. Andrew Wilson is Monday, April 19th. You can attend either in person or virtually on Tuesday, April 20th from 7:00-9:00 p.m. as Andrew explores these and other questions surfacing from Pope Francis' encyclical letter *Fratelli Tutti*. A frequent presenter for the Office of Faith Development, Andrew is associate professor of religious studies at Mount Allison University, Sackville. In person participation will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Riverview, where all COVID-19 protocols will be respected.

Upcoming Meetings:

<u>Parish Catechetical Coordinators</u>: Thurs., April 22nd at 6:00 p.m. at 45 York Street <u>Adult Faith Commission</u>: Tues., May 4th at 6:30 PM, Dan Bohan Ctr, Immaculate Heart of Mary <u>Sacrament Preparation Committee</u>: Weds., May 5, 2:30 PM at 45 York Street Masks are mandatory.

Faith Experiments Express: 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. The next sessions will take place via Zoom on April 26th and May 10th at 6:30 pm. Register by contacting Karen at 387-4198 or ihmccatechism@rogers.com. **Faith Experiments Express** is a collaborative effort between St. Elizbeth of the Trinity Pastoral Unit and the Archdiocese of Moncton Office of Youth Faith Development.

Mondays at the Movies: Everyone is invited to join our film discussion series this Easter season designed to connect popular films to our faith. On April 19th, we will meet via Zoom at 10:00 am to discuss the film *The Green Mile* (1999), based on the novel by Stephen King. On May 3rd, we will meet via Zoom at 6:30 pm to discuss the film *Signs* (2002) starring Mel Gibson. For each session, participants will have watched the film ahead of time. Contact Karen for more information and to register at or ihmccatechism@rogers.com or 387-4198. **Mondays at the Movies** is a collaborative effort between St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Pastoral Unit and the Archdiocese of Moncton Office of Youth Faith Development.

Join the Conversation: The Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers are seeking young people aged 12-24 to join a series of virtual conversations (via Zoom) originally initiated by the CCCB and the Canadian Catholic Youth Ministry Network. These sessions are scheduled to take place on an ongoing basis beginning in May and will be an opportunity for young people across Atlantic Canada to gather and talk about issues important to them in 2021 and how we as a faith community can respond to them. All young people in this age range are welcome to join the conversation. For more information contact Trevor.



STANDING TOGETHER – EVEN TWO METERS APART!

of course, and I am happy to support my parish through a donation by pre-authorized debit (PAD). It is a convenient way to make my Sunday offering and it saves the trouble of filing an envelope or of looking for the right amount of

change. It also allows my parish to be able to count on my uninterrupted contribution ... and I have the pleasure of being part of the solution.



Office Support Person

Position for St. Bernard's Parish - 'St. Bernard's Parish invites applications / resumes for an office support person position. This job involves 30 hours per week from Monday - Friday. The role includes a variety of activities in the front office: as the initial contact with parishioners and the public through the phone, door, & email; & preparing the bulletin. The successful candidate will have respectful and professional communication skills, comfort with basic

computer skills using Microsoft Word, Excel, & Outlook, and have a criminal record check. Please call the parish office @ 857-0425, or email sbhf@rogers.com to request the job description and submit an application for the position (application deadline May 5/21). Darlene will be continuing her pastoral work as liturgy coordinator.



Thank you to Mike Murphy

We extend our thanks and gratitude to Mike Murphy for his years of service to St. Bernard's as Facilities Manager. He was often seen behind the scenes, organizing maintenance, and set up of the church for events taking place in addition to liturgy assistance.

CANNED SOUP DRIVE

We Need Your Help:

"Just as you cannot understand Christ apart from the kingdom he came to bring, so too your personal mission is inseparable from the building of that kingdom." Gaudete et Exsultate (Rejoice and

be Glad) Pope Francis – Paragraph 25. In response to the 2018 encyclical Gaudete et Exsultate the Adult Faith Commission, which has representation from the three Moncton area parish groupings, has been mandated by Archbishop Vienneau to put our faith into action in a way that can help families within our geographic area. With that in mind, representatives from the AFC recently met with Vincent Merola from the City of Moncton and Valerie McIntosh from the nonprofit organization, Isthmus, formerly known as "Blessings in a Backpack". Isthmus is a charity that provides for families who face food insecurity. They pack bags of food for children and their families that will bridge them from when they leave school on Friday until they return on Monday. Currently they serve 734 children in 33 Moncton area schools. The need is great, but the labourers are few, to paraphrase a quote from Scripture. In our meeting, Valerie outlined a concrete way our faith communities could provide help. She said that one thing they are in need of, but most often cannot afford to purchase, is soup. She was saying that a Soup Drive among all our parishes would be of great help. With that in mind, we would like to do a **Soup Drive from May 1st through May 17th**. Just bring your donation to your own parishes and we will arrange for pick up. St. Bernard's will have a basket at the entrance of the church to collect cans of soup for this cause. Thank you for your consideration of this ministry. I feel I can speak for all of us in saying that nobody wants to see a child go hungry. Mike Jeffries, Susan McCarthy, Mark Mahoney, Fr. Phil Mulligan - Adhoc Committee - Adult Faith Commission



Take-Out Supper!

WHAT: Take-out Cold Plate Supper

WHEN: Saturday, April 24th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. WHERE: Dan Bohan Centre (5 Fatima Dr. Riverview) WHY: Proceeds going to local Knights Bursaries

COST: \$10.00 - ADVANCE ORDERS ONLY

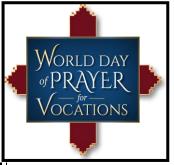
Meal includes: 2 meats, 2 salads, lettuce, tomato, cucumber, roll and butter.

HOW TO ORDER: Send email to march.ray@gmail.com with name, phone number

and number of plates required BEFORE APRIL 22nd at 5:00 p.m.



God bless your upcoming week!



World Day of Prayer For Vocations - April 25th

The Fourth Sunday of Easter, Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations. Christ, the Good Shepherd, continues to lead his people through His Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and call many to follow Him in this way. Priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations should be a constant concern in the hearts of God's people.

The Holy Father has asked all Catholic to intercede for vocations.

- →Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?
- →Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- → Keep our parish priests and deacons in prayer throughout the week.
- →Encourage your children or grandchildren to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- → Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.



Listening & Prayer

Are you in need of prayer?
Are you going through a difficult time?
You can confide in the prayers of the
Notre-Dame-du-Sacré-Coeur Sisters

Phone: 388-1701 or 1-800-561-3995 Monday to Friday: 9:30 - 11:30 AM & 2:00 - 4:00 PM Wednesdays only: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Karing Kitchen

The Karing Kitchen offers basic, nutritional meals to all who come, five days a week, 52 weeks a year. They depend on private donations of both cash and foodstuffs to keep their doors open. They would like to thank you for your generous support in the past. Without your help there can be no Karing Kitchen. They welcome your support.

April 17th, 2021

Dear Parishioners.

It is with gratitude that we express appreciation for your presence, commitment, and parish donations, which are all vital to the future of our church community.

Living through a global pandemic, churches, as with all of humanity, are dealing with major challenges. Having to limit attendance at religious celebrations, dealing with times when, at the request of Public Health, we had to close our churches; we are experiencing the loss of each other's presence as we live our faith.

These difficult times have also had an important effect on the parish revenue and expenses. This was to be expected since our main source of income is the weekend collection.

Please know that we are so grateful to all of you who, despite the difficulties brought on by the pandemic, continue to support our parish. Your generosity allows our community of faith to engage actively in the Mission Jesus entrusted to his Church.

If you wish, we would like to make things easier for you by suggesting that you can make your donation by preauthorized debit (PAD). Some parishioners already chose to use this method as it is convenient for them. When you complete the PAD approval form, a monthly donation comes out of your bank account, thus providing the parish with the stability needed to be able to plan ahead, continue ministering to the faithful, and to oversee the maintenance of the grounds and property on a continuous basis. Naturally, a tax receipt will be issued annually. Your donation can be modified or cancelled at any time.

This envelope contains more information and if you have further questions, please call the parish office and your call will be returned.

Again, thank you and may God bless you and keep you in his everlasting love.

J. J. Carrell

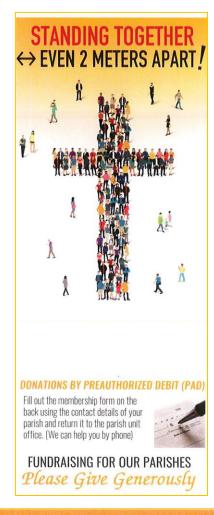
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FUNDRAISING FOR OUR PARISHES - STANDING TOGETHER - EVEN 2 METERS APART! YOUR DONATION ALLOWS YOUR PARISH TO CONTINUE ITS MISSION

- with families for baptism, first communion, confirmation, marriage and funerals;
- with people alone, in need or living with sickness and those searching for meaning in their life;
 for the maintenance and upkeep of churches and cemeteries.

I want to help my parish by enrolling in the preauthorized debit program (PAD). I authorize my parish to make withdrawals on the 15th day of the month from my bank account. I enclose herewith a specimen cheque marked "VOID" which will provide the necessary information for automatic transfers. Furthermore, I retain the right, at any time, to modify or cancel my donation. A receipt will be issued for all donations. Thank you for supporting your parish and your community.

| | Each monthly withdrawal will co | rrespond to a fixed amount of \$ | |
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| To be distributed as follows: | owards the following needs: | | |
| Sunday Collections: \$ | Special Collections: \$ | Maintenance / Renovation Funds: \$ | Where's most needed: \$_ |
| Name: | | Signature: | |
| Address: | | Date: (DD/MM/YYYY) | |
| | | Phone: | |
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Dear Padre,

I thought detraction was a sin only if what you're saying about someone isn't true, but my priest says it's a sin even if it is true. What do you say?

W e commit the sin of *detraction* when we, "without objectively valid reason, disclose another's faults and failings to persons who did not know them" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2477).

Part of respecting human dignity is to recognize that others have a right to their good name and reputation. We ought not to damage those goods

carelessly, which is what happens when we engage in detraction. We *slander* or commit *calumny* when we speak or spread negative falsehoods about someone (see *CCC* 2479). But detraction can happen even when we speak the truth.

Sometimes it's objectively necessary to speak harsh truths about another person. For example, when we observe an adult engaged in inappropriate behavior with a child, we report it to the authorities because protection of vulnerable children outweighs concern over any adult's reputation.



So truth-telling when clear communication of the truth is necessary is not detraction, even if it does damage another's reputation. However, carelessly sharing a true story or detail that doesn't need telling is detraction, and it's sinful.

Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

We know that slander always kills. This "diabolical cancer" that arises from the desire to destroy the reputation of a person also attacks the ecclesial body and seriously damages it when, as a result of malicious interests or to cover up one's own inadequacies, people unite to denigrate someone.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, SEPTEMBER 25, 2019

Calendar

Monday APRIL 19 Easter Weekday Acts 6:8–15 Jn 6:22–29

Tuesday APRIL 20 Easter Weekday Acts 7:51—8:1a Jn 6:30–35

Wednesday

APRIL 21
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:1b–8
Jn 6:35–40

Thursday APRIL 22 Easter Weekday Acts 8:26–40 Jn 6:44–51

Friday
APRIL 23
Easter Weekday
Acts 9:1–20
Jn 6:52–59

Saturday APRIL 24 Easter Weekday Acts 9:31–42 Jn 6:60–69

Sunday APRIL 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 4:8–12 1 Jn 3:1–2 Jn 10:11–18

