

#### July 11, 2021

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Am 7:12–15 Eph 1:3–14 or 1:3–10 Mk 6:7–13



## You Can Do It

Today's readings are about unpretentious people who accomplished remarkable deeds. Amos, a shepherd from the southern kingdom of Judah who also cultivated sycamore figs, challenged the people at a northern shrine in Israel. He did not come from an illustrious family, nor was he particularly important. Yet he is the one called by God to summon the northern Israelites to repentance.

The disciples of Jesus pursued family businesses like fishing or were employed by the Romans like Matthew. They didn't come from socially prominent families, nor were they known as community leaders. But look at what they did: they cast out demons and cured the sick. Where did these people get their training? More importantly, where did they obtain their power? We find the answer to such questions in the second reading: "In him we were also chosen" (Ephesians 1:11).

The Ephesians letter assures us that God "has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens" (1:3). We don't have to worry about performing miracles; all we have to do is open ourselves to the graciousness of God. God will do the rest. Through us, God will cast out the demons of prejudice and bias that plague our world, of selfishness and spitefulness so prominent in our political rivalries, of greed and dishonesty in many of our social interactions. Through us, God will heal our country, our world, and our Church of hatred, violence, and oppression. With Amos and the Twelve we too hear: "You can do it."

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## FOR Reflection

- \* In what ways do you make the world better?
- \* Do you realize that you have the power of God to transform the world?

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May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we may know the hope to which we are called.

#### **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 JULY 18-25, 2021		
St. Bernard's	Friday @ 9:30 AM	
	Saturday@ 4:00 PM	
	Sunday @ 11 AM	
St. Vincent	Sunday @ 9 AM	
St. Clement's	Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday – call 538-2262 to confirm	

# MASSES REGISTRATION CHANGE (INCLUDES ALL MASSES) WEEKS OF: JULY 19 - 25 AND JULY 26-AUGUST 1, 2021

Please do not call the parish office for seating reservations during this two-week period. Seating will be available on a first come first serve basis.

Arrive early to allow for ushered seating.

Facemasks are mandatory and 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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Custodian	Michel Saulnier			

Access to the Parish office is restricted. Phone messages & emails are checked regularly.

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF WEEK OF JULY 18-25, 2021				
Friday	Jul 16	9:30 AM	Late Camille Richard	Linda & Bill Fitch
Saturday	Jul 17	4:00 PM	Late Mabel Girouard	Chuck & Jessie
Sunday	Jul 18	11:00 AM	Anniv. late Mike McKenna	Charlotte, Pat, & Kate



JULY 3, 4 AND OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE			
Envelopes	\$ 2,906.00	Karing Kitchen	\$ 25.75
Loose	\$ 85.00	Capital Expenditure	\$ 1,520.00
Papal charities	\$ 10.00	Building Fund	\$ \$ 75.00



for your generous and continued support!!!



# A time to mourn... Sincere sympathies to the families of:



Roger Poirier	Husband of late Ruth, father of Rick, Michelle & Shary		
John Philip "Bud" Gallie	Brother of Brian (Helene), Gordon (Lois), Nancy, Joan		
	Guitard, & Maureen Dearden		
And 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:

Cathy Jensen	Boyd Clory		
Peter Dowd	Blanche Gallant		
And for all who care for them.			



#### **CHIMO Helpline**

If you are struggling to deal with the emotional toll of Covid 19, or anything else in life, call the CHIMO Helpline at 1-800-667-5005



#### **Church Repairs**

The Building Committee completed a Building Condition Assessment (BCA). Some of the capital items in the

report, were identified as needing immediate attention because of the pending construction of a new apartment building on the lot located on the north side of St. Bernard's Church.

### Work to begin immediately includes:

Roofing Replacement- North side: Four quotes were considered; Artisan Roofing and Home Improvements Inc. were considered the lowest bid (\$76,328.00 +HST). This work is slated to begin near the end of July.

<u>Chimney Removal</u>: Quotes were solicited, but only one masonry company responded. <u>This work has been completed</u>. It had to be done now as access to the property will be restricted once construction commences next door. The Heritage Board has approved this action (cost \$34,080.00 +HST).

**Roof Gutters & Leaf Guard:** - this is to get the water off the masonry. The quote is for both sides of the church (\$20,983.00 +HST).

Funds are available in the building fund to commence these projects.



#### **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- 4 PM &

Wednesdays only: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

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**JULY 26 - AUGUST 1, 2021** 

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DURING THIS TWO-WEEK PERIOD.

SEATING WILL BE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.
THANK YOU.



#### **Grab your hammers!**

Habitat for Humanity Moncton is looking for volunteers to join in the construction of the El Terek family home in Dieppe. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old. No experience necessary. Opportunities available between July and October 2021.

Sign up: https://habitatmoncton.com/build-

volunteer/



Over the summer months church contributions normally decrease while parishioners are travelling and vacationing.

However, the expenses to run our church remain constant and increase as necessary maintenance/repairs are completed. **Please** 

give consideration to "making up" your missed contributions.

Thank you for your continued support.



#### **Delegation to the Holy See**

Many people have expressed their sorrow and disappointment to me following the tragic discovery of the remains of many children at former Residential School sites in Western Canada. As with many of you, the pain of such a tragedy has disturbed me and deeply touched me. Since then, many people have rightly called for an explanation and an apology from the Catholic Church.

In search of more significant healing and reconciliation for the future, the CCCB (Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops) announced yesterday that a delegation will travel to Rome to meet Pope Francis from 17 to 20 December 2021. Pope Francis will hold personal meetings with each of the three distinct groups of delegates, First Nations, Métis, and Inuit, and a final audience with all representatives on 20 December 2021. Planning for the delegation is underway, and further details will be provided at a later date.

These meetings will allow Pope Francis to hear directly from representatives of Indigenous peoples in the hopes of responding to the suffering of Indigenous peoples and the ongoing effects of intergenerational trauma. In the 29 June 2021 statement, the CCCB wrote: "The Bishops of Canada reaffirm their sincere hope that these forthcoming encounters will lead to a shared future of peace and harmony between Indigenous Peoples and the Catholic Church in Canada." I invite you to visit the CCCB website on this subject.

#### **Archbishop Valéry Vienneau**

#### Diocesan summer hours

The reception office for the Diocese Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 AM to 1 PM.

Regular hours will resume September 7<sup>th</sup>.



We here at St. Bernard's Parish would like to extend a warm welcome to Janessa Virtudazo.

Janessa was the successful applicant for the Office Support / Bookkeeping position.

Welcome to St. Bernard's team!



## Prayers of the Faithful Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For all of us, the church: called to witness the practices of forgiveness and compassion. We pray.

For those in authority, that the leaders of the world's nations, acting with integrity, may relieve poverty and bring an end to injustices. We pray.

For all who are suffering from wildfires; and those experiencing extreme heat throughout the world. We pray.

For this parish community: may we, through our actions, be pillars of strength and compassion for one another during difficult times. We pray.

For all the churches serving the greater Moncton area. We pray.

# Dear Padre,

At my church, some people take the votive candles out of the holders and place them next to the statues and icons. Does this make God or the saint pay more attention to the petition? And isn't doing that a fire hazard?

Vigil lights, commonly known as votive candles, are usually lit when a person seeks some favor from the Lord or a saint's intercession. Lighting a candle is a way of extending one's prayer and showing solidarity with the person on whose behalf the prayer is offered.

In the lighting of candles we remember and truly live the words of our Lord,



"I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). We burn candles to symbolize the rising of our prayers to heaven day and night. Prayers for the saints' intercession are also common because of their friendship with God in heaven. Saints are powerful intercessors.

God hears all prayers uttered in sincerity. Burning a candle as we pray doesn't make that prayer more important than prayers offered without a candle; neither does moving the candle to the front of the line.

If your church has made sure that the placing of the votive candles complies

with local fire regulations, you have no worries about setting a fire with vigil lights.

Fr. Paul Borowski, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

# A WORD FROM Pope Francis



Our lives are woven together and sustained by ordinary people—often forgotten people—who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines...doctors, nurses, supermarket employees, cleaners, caregivers, providers of transport, law and order forces, volunteers, priests, religious men and women and so very many others who

have understood that no one reaches salvation by themselves.

EXTRAORDINARY MOMENT OF PRAYER, MARCH 27, 2020

### Calendar

Monday

JULY 12

Weekday Ex 1:8–14, 22

Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday

JULY 13

Weekday Ex 2:1–15a

Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

JULY 14

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12

Mt 11:25-27

Thursday JULY 15

St. Bonaventure,

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Ex 3:13-20 Mt 11:28-30

Friday

JULY 16 Weekday

Ex 11:10—12:14

Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

JULY 17

Weekday

Ex 12:37-42

Mt 12:14-21

Sunday

JULY 18

Sixteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6

Eph 2:13-18

Mk 6:30-34

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