

January 23, 2022 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Neh 8:2–4a, 5–6, 8–10 I Cor 12:12–30 or 12:12–14, 27 Lk 1:1–4; 4:14–21

# Fulfilled in Your Hearing

When we hear that phrase, we might be inclined to think of prophecy. However, today's readings suggest something a bit different. True, in today's Gospel, Jesus states that he is the fulfillment of the promise made by the prophet Isaiah. However, the way that passage was fulfilled by Jesus was not the way his hearers expected. The passage seems to promise a change in society where there will be no more poor or prisoners. The people expected a political change which would overthrow Roman control. Jesus' application was quite different. The fulfillment of that prophecy included a new and often radical way of understanding society. In other words, Jesus revealed the true meaning of the prophecy.

Such reapplication is even clearer in the first reading. Nehemiah, the Jewish leader of those who had returned from Babylonian exile, gathered all the community together, read the Law, and then reapplied it for them.

Reapplication is often necessary because what might have been a helpful way of understanding something in our faith under some circumstances might be impractical, even inappropriate, in others. For example, to pray for an end to war is important, but to do nothing to work for peace changes how we understand prayer. Circumstances often change as we go through life. Reapplication of our faith acknowledges this and searches for ways that faith can continue to address those changing circumstances. Faithful reapplication always keeps our religious tradition alive and meaningful.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. LUKE 4:14

#### FOR Reflection

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- In many ways the Second Vatican Council reapplied our faith. How has your understanding of how to apply our faith changed in your lifetime?
- Is there anything that you think still should change? Why do you think this?

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**JANUARY 23, 2022** 



The Lord sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.

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

ALL MASSES CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE			
St. Bernard's	Thursday @ 9:30 AM - cancelled until further notice		
	Friday @ 9:30 AM – cancelled until further notice		
	Saturday@ 4:00 PM - cancelled until further notice		
	Sunday @ 11 AM – cancelled until further notice		
St. Vincent	Saturday @ 9 AM – cancelled until further notice		
St. Clement's	Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday – cancelled until further notice		

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MASS INTENTIONS					
Thurs.	Jan. 27	<del>-9:30 AM</del>			
Fri.	Jan. 28	<del>9:30 AM</del>	All Masses Cancelled Mass Intentions will be rescheduled when masses resume		
Sat.	<del>Jan. 29</del>	-4:00 PM			
Sun.	<del>Jan. 30</del>	<del>11:00 AM</del>	when masses resume		



JANUARY 15-16, 2021, OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE				
Envelopes	\$ 5,465.67	New Year's Day	\$	185.00
Capital Fund	\$ 2,698.33	Christmas Offering	\$	70.00
Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!				

A time to mourn.....

Sincere sympathies to

all those who mourn the loss of a loved one...

Prayer	Ecclesiastes 3 Under every season there is a timeA time to heal. We remember in our prayers those who are sick		
Judy Chiasson	Beth Purcell	Marie Rowe	
Marjorie Moore			
And for all who care for them.			



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

#### For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission



If you are wondering how you can be involved in the Synod: parishes have been invited by Archbishop Valéry Vienneau to organize consultative meetings in their parishes, as we strive together to discern the Holy Spirit's calls for the Church today. He reminds us that this first phase of the Synod consultations is

of vital importance since it involves listening to the People of God guided by the Holy Spirit. The pandemic is presently making it difficult for parishes to proceed as they would like but stay tuned to your bulletins as parishes attempt to put these meetings in place. Service Organizations, Ministry Groups, Family Groups, Single Groups, Children and Youth, Seniors, Movements within the parish, and any other formal or informal grouping of people may also take the initiative to organize a discussion group around the questions found on the Vatican website.

#### Patriarch Bartholomew, Greek Orthodox Church

In last week's bulletin, we looked at the Popes who have spoken and written about the environment. In addition, numerous scientists, theologians, and other groups have addressed the issue. Also, other churches and religions have expressed deep concerns on environmental issues. Patriarch Bartholomew of the Greek Orthodox Church has spoken of the need for each of us to repent of the ways we have harmed the planet. He challenges us to acknowledge our sins against creation and to look for solutions not only in technology but in a change of humanity.

You are invited to our diocesan web site at <u>http://www.diomoncton.ca/en/news-</u> <u>item/diocesan-committee-laudato-si-</u> to view the second presentation from our Laudato Si Committee, prepared by Sr Denise Lirette, FJ.

#### COVID-19 Phase 3: January 13th 2022 Update-Published : 2022-01-13

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus,

Guidelines effective January 15th, 2022, for Eucharistic Celebrations and COVID-19.

The Premier of NB and Public Health officials announced several preventive measures to contain the spread of the Omicron variant, COVID-19. In summary, we are moving **from level 2 to level 3 on Friday night, January 14, at midnight.** 

As a result, all Weekday, Saturday and Sunday Masses, and Celebration of the Word will be canceled from Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, to Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup> inclusively.

The parish offices can remain open with extremely limited public access.

I am not surprised that Public Health felt the need to impose these new health measures. Let us pray that all these strict measures for our faithful and our clergy will at least produce the desired effects: the reduction of the transmission of the virus, the safeguarding of the health system, and the protection of the people, especially the most vulnerable.

May the Lord bless us and continue to watch over us! Mgr Valery Vienneau-Archbishop of Moncton

#### While we are in Level 3.....links of possible interest:



Daily TV Mass can be viewed online at:

https://dailytvmass.com/daily-masses/



http://www.diomoncton.ca/en/

Click on: To cultivate my faith picture. Then click of picture of subject of interest.



Sunday Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary: https://setmoncton.com/

## ST BERNARD'S CATECHISM

While in level 3 of the NB COVID alert winter plan, all in person session have returned virtual Zoom gatherings. Communication will be ongoing with the office of catechetics and all parents in our catechism program.

Next zoom sessions # 9:

Year 1-2-3 Sunday January 23rd 12 noon.

or

Year 1-2-3 Wednesday January 26<sup>th</sup> @ 6PM Year 4-5-6 Monday January 31<sup>st</sup> @ 6:15 PM

Further notifications will be sent out with detailed information along with the dates and time and pick up of materials for your session. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns, we are all in this together.

Stay healthy,

Lorella - Coordinator of Catechetics



Sunday of the Word of God:

In the Apostolic Letter Aperuit illis, Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God, which is celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time.

"Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim is unfathomable riches before the world."-Pope Francis, Aperuit illis,2



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Prayer of the Faithful

For the church, especially in this challenging time. May we be a shining witness to God's love for all people.

#### We pray:

For those whose lives are complicated by church law and for those who hide behind the law.

#### We pray:

For all of us to be open to the guidance and saving love of God's word.

#### We pray:

For the courage to promote God's love for the poor and oppressed in families, neighborhoods, and workplaces. *We pray:* 

For the ongoing Synod and its participants seeking to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit into a renewed vision of Church. *We pray:* 

For the spiritual and physical well being of all parishioners. *We pray:* 



#### Lions recycle for Sight - Changing Lives, One Pair at a Time:

Used eyeglasses are recycled, cleaned, sorted by prescription strength, then packaged and distributed to people in need in developing countries where they will have the greatest impact. A Lions Recycle for Sight box will be at the main entrance of the church for you to drop off unwanted eyeglasses. Thank you.



## From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis To contact us:

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#### Mondays @ The Movies

Our next Mondays @ The Movies conversation will take place on Monday, January 24th at 10:30 am, when we will be discussing the 2007 film *Juno*, starring Jason Bateman and Eilot Page. Contact Karen at 387-4918 or Trevor for more information or to register.

#### Faith Experiments Express

Our next Faith Experiments Express for young people in grades 1-6 will be on Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Faith Experiments Express uses science experiments to help children learn about faith and scripture, and it's on Zoom so you can participate from the comfort of your own home. Contact Karen for more information at 387-4198 or Trevor.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

Adult Faith Commission: Friday, January 28, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. Due to the latest government advisory regarding COVID-19, this meeting will now be taking place virtually.

#### **Catechetical Gatherings:**

Will continue to take place virtually only. Please check with your coordinators for details and material needed.

#### **Confirmation candidates**

From various parishes of the English Deanery will gather **virtually** with Archbishop Valéry Vienneau and the other young people who are preparing for Confirmation on **Sunday**, **January 30<sup>th</sup>**, **2022 from 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.** 

#### Breaking Down Walls: Young People, Faith, And Mental Health

Young people from around Atlantic Canada are invited to join a special Facebook Live Event addressing issues around young people and their mental health on <u>Wednesday, January</u> <u>26th at 7:00 pm (AST)</u>. Special guests for this **Bell Let's Talk** event will include Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick, Bishop of Antigonish; Joe Townsend, Community CARES Youth Outreach (Sydney Mines); Paige Cox, Author of "The Berlin Project: Breaking Down Walls," and John Ratchford, Faith Witness. Anyone can join the session through the website for the Diocese of Antigonish (<u>www.antigonishdiocese.com/</u>) or their Facebook Page (<u>http://www.facebook.com/antigonishdiocese</u>). This event is a collaborative effort, hosted by the Diocese of Antigonish and sponsored by the Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers. For more information, please contact Trevor.

# Dear Padre,

In your previous column you wrote that the Mass commemorates Jesus' Last Supper and is a thanksgiving for God's gifts to us. Are there other reasons to get out of bed early and attend Sunday Mass?

The Mass is all about giving thanks for God's forgiveness of sins and his plan for eternal life. In fact, *Eucharist* is derived from the Greek word meaning "gratitude" or "thanksgiving." But there are many other reasons to participate in the Mass.

The Mass is our opportunity to be present with our Lord in the forms of bread and wine. God doesn't usually make frightening appearances to us



accompanied by crashing thunder and lightning. Rather, he makes himself accessible to us in the humble form of food. Jesus said, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day" (John 6:54).

As St. Augustine put it, when we receive Christ in

these forms, we become what we receive. We are the body of Christ, not as individuals but as his Church. His Church is his physical presence on earth today, the way people come into contact with Christ.

When we participate in the Mass, we become witnesses to all of this: our liberation from sin and death; our Lord's Real Presence to us in the forms of bread and wine; and we, as Church, becoming what we receive—the body of Christ. Can there be better reasons for waking up on a Sunday morning and attending Mass?

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre? Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



# A WORD FROM Pope Funcis

Without Christ we are condemned to be dominated by everyday weariness, with its worries, and by fear of the future. The Sunday encounter with the Lord gives us the strength to experience the present with confidence and courage, and to go forth with hope. For this reason, we Christians go to encounter the Lord...in the Eucharistic celebration. GENERAL AUDIENCE, DECEMBER 13, 2017

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# Calendar

#### Monday

JANUARY 24 St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 2 Sm 5:1–7, 10 Mk 3:22–30

#### Tuesday

JANUARY 25 The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle Acts 22:3–16 or Acts 9:1–22 Mk 16:15–18

Wednesday JANUARY 26 Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops 2 Tm 1:1–8 or Ti 1:1–5

Mk 4:1-20

Thursday JANUARY 27 *Weekday* 2 Sm 7:18–19, 24–29

Mk 4:21-25

Friday JANUARY 28 St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church 2 Sm 11:1–4a, 5–10a, 13–17 Mk 4:26–34

Saturday JANUARY 29 Weekday 2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17 Mk 4:35–41

Sunday JANUARY 30 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 1:4–5, 17–19 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4–13 Lk 4:21–30

