January 30, 2022 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Jer 1:4–5, 17–19 1 Cor 12:31–13:13 or 13:4–13 Lk 4:21–30



How Do I Love Thee? Let Me Count the Ways.

**Preading** is a favorite passage for weddings where it acts as a set of promises the bridal couple make to each other. They seem to be saying: "This is the way I am going to act, because I love you. I promise to put you ahead of me." And they genuinely mean it. They're convinced the passion they feel, the concern they experience, will be all that's needed to transcend any future difficulties they might face.

Soon, reality sets in and they realize that the list is really a strategy for scaling the heights of unselfishness or critically examining the conscience to reveals one's failures. This is not to say that people do not genuinely love each other. They do. But we are all so human, and selfishness is a weakness to which we are all susceptible. Perhaps Paul should have written: "Love tries to be patient, love tries to be kind...."

In a way, it is precisely in the give-and-take that occurs between imperfect humans that all the wonderful characteristics listed by Paul are refined. Our impatience is worn away as we deal sympathetically with the disagreeable traits of our loved ones. We become humble when those who should encourage us fail to acknowledge accomplishments that might otherwise inflate our egos. These are the slights we endure because we love the other person. Actually, such humble endurance is evidence that love truly *is* patient and kind. *Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA* 

Love is patient, love is kind.... It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 1 CORINTHIANS 13:4, 7

#### FOR Reflection

- \* Go out of your way to show love to someone in your family.
- \* Think of ways of being a bit more understanding of others.

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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

MASS TIMES-WEEK OF JANUARY 31-FEBRUARY 6, 2022		
St. Bernard's	Thursday @ 9:30 AM	
	Friday @ 9:30 AM	
	Saturday@ 4:00 PM	
	Sunday @ 11 AM	
St. Vincent	Saturday @ 9 AM	
St. Clement's	Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday- call 5382262 to confirm	

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Due to pending weather, Saturday Mass Jan. 28 is cancelled. In the chance that the storm is not as bad as predicted, we may have a Sunday 11 AM Mass. Decision for that will be announced on our phone message and website no later than 9 AM Sunday. If there is a Sunday Mass, seating will be on a first come first serve basis. No registering, for this week only. Regular Mass times starting week of Jan. 30, Thurs & Fri. 9:30 AM Sat. 4 PM & Sunday 11 AM

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 31- FEBRUARY 6, 2022					
Thurs.	Feb. 3	9:30 AM	Late Eileen Ryan	Tom & Jean	
Fri.	Feb. 4	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Krista Porter (Vanbuskirk)	Mom, Dad & Todd	
Sat.	Feb. 5	4:00 PM	Anniv. Late Jim MacInnis	Irene MacInnis	
Sun.	Feb. 5	11:00 AM	Anniv. Late Harold Woods	Evelyn Wood	



JANUARY 22-23, 2021, OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE					
Envelopes	\$	623.00	New Year's Day	\$	55.00
Capital Fund	\$	75.00	Needy Fund	\$	10.00
Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!					

In Sympathy	A time to mourn Sincere sympathies to the families of
Sandy Forgeron	Husband of Mary, father of Darren, Dana & Deane
Ella Goguen	Wife of Jacques, mother of Jacques Jr. & Monique
Marc LeBlanc	Son of Joann & (late) Hubert, brother of Catherine, Michael, Natalie & Julie
	And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one.

Prayer	Ecclesíastes 3 Under every season there is a tímeA tíme to heal We remember in our prayers those who are sick			
Beth Purcell	Marie Rowe	Marjorie Moore		
And for all who care for them.				
Inclement Weather Policy	CANCELLA ST. BERNARD'S W	A STORM OR INCLEMENT WEATHER ATIONS WILL BE NOTED ON: VEBSITE: <u>www.stbernardschurch.ca</u> IG OUR PHONE LINE @ 857-0425		



Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care

"Palliative care is an approach that improves the quality of life of patients (adults and children) and their families who are facing problems associated with life-threatening illness. It prevents and relieves suffering through the early identification, correct assessment and treatment of pain and other problems, whether physical, psychosocial or spiritual." – World Health Organization, "Definition of Palliative Care"

For those interested or involved with pastoral care of the sick and palliative care, the CCCB has made available: *Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care*, available to everyone to access the entire toolkit. All materials, including video files, social media images, and promotional posters, can be downloaded and used freely at no cost. <u>To access go to:</u> https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/suffering-and-end-of-life/horizons-

of-hope-a-toolkit-for-catholic-parishes-on-palliative-care/



#### 2021 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

As a result of Covid-19 and the need to always maintain six feet social distancing, tax receipts <u>will not be</u> available for pick up at the church or parish office.

Once tax receipts are ready, they will be mailed out to parishioners. Heartfelt thanks to everyone for their generous support to the Parish.

#### During this Covid-19 period church contributions decrease.

However, expenses to run our church remain constant.

If you are able to, please give consideration to continuing or making up your missed donations.

#### **Optional ways of contributing during Covid-19 :**

- 1. Online: By signing up on the Pre-Authorized Payment Donation (call the office for more details) or going to our website, St. Bernard's website @ www.stbernardschurch.ca (through CanadaHelps)
- 2. Mail: Cheques may be mailed. Include name, address & envelope # if applicable.
- 3. Or simply put you donations aside until you are able to attend Mass.



Thank you for your continued support

to St. Bernard's !!!



## COUNTDOWN FOR LENT

#### Ash Wednesday is approaching! Lent begins Wednesday, March 2, 2022.

Lent is a time of repentance, change of heart, and prayer. Ashes that are used to mark the beginning of Lent come from the branches that were blessed and distributed the

previous Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord.



## WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE - FEBRUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>

The purpose of the day is "to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels" as well as "to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervor which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord"

(Saint John Paul II, 1997)



# COVID-19 phase 2: update of January 27, 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus,

The Premier of NB and Public Health have just announced the **transition to phase 2 of the winter plan** in response to COVID-19 and the lifting of certain health restrictions as of **Friday evening**, **January 28**, **at 11:59** p.m.

This announcement allows churches to open for celebrations this weekend, January 29 and 30.

#### Phase 2:

#### Sunday and weekday masses; baptisms.

- Churches can operate at 50% capacity.

- Physical distance of two meters.

- People must remain seated and wear the mask at all times, except to go to communion.

- No choir.

-Vocals – a soloist at least 4 meters from the congregation.

-Keep an attendance register.

#### Weddings and funerals :

The same rules apply as for the Sunday celebrations, but in addition people must present proof of full vaccination. However, it is not necessary to maintain an attendance register since all participants must be vaccinated.

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

Archbishop Valery Vienneau of Moncton

#### **Charismatic Renewal**





I have appointed Mrs. Roberta Brine to be in charge of the English-speaking sector of the diocesan Charismatic Renewal. She will work with Fr. Gaston Ouellet, diocesan chaplain of the Renewal. Archbishop Valéry Vienneau

#### **Indigenous Communities**

In Laudato Si' paragraphs 145 and 146; Pope Francis tells us that the disappearance of a culture can be just as serious as, or even more serious than the disappearance of a species of plants. The Indigenous peoples of Canada and the US (Turtle Island) have been living in harmony with nature for thousands of years. "For them land is not a commodity but rather a gift from God and from their ancestors who rest there, a sacred space, with which they need to interact if they are to maintain identity and values." May we be open to learn from their wisdom and their teachings.You are invited to our diocesan web site at http://www.diomoncton.ca/en/news-item/diocesan-committee-laudato-si- to view the third presentation from our Laudato Si Committee, prepared by Sr Denise Lirette, FJ.

#### From the Office of Evangelization and CatechesisTo contact us:Ellen - 857-9952 or ellen.diocesemoncton@gmail.com;Trevor - 857-4879 trevord.diocese@gmail.com <u>Mondays @ The Movies</u>

Our next Mondays @ The Movies conversation will take place on Monday, February 14th at 10:30 am, when we will be discussing the 2000 film *Chocolat*, starring Johnny Depp and Juliette Binoche. 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:** rescheduled to Friday, February 11, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Taking place at 45 York Street. Use Dominion Street entrance please.



# **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 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.

# Dear Padre,

#### There are so many preachers urging us to "reform our lives." Most of this preaching centers on asking forgiveness for personal sins. Isn't there more involved?

**C**onsider that the reform more Christians should be focusing on is the social reform that fosters equality among human beings.

A central conviction of all Jesus' followers is that every person of whatever race, gender, class, nationality, or any other distinction is fundamentally equal in dignity to every other person. That is why we vigorously support the unborn, the disabled, the mentally challenged, the poor, and the elderly. Every



human is a creation of God, created in God's image. No one is better or more worthy than another.

This was certainly a key conviction of the Second Vatican Council: "With respect to the fundamental rights of human persons, every type of discrimination, whether social

or cultural, whether based on sex, race, color, social condition, language or religion is to be overcome and eradicated as contrary to God's intent" (Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World [*Gaudium et Spes*], 29).

If you wish to truly reform yourself, make a commitment to overcome discrimination on all levels, which is so obvious in our country's division between rich and poor. Get involved with social causes that help the poor, the unborn, the oppressed, and the elderly. Become a beacon of hope this new year. *Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR* 

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#### 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 Francis

The great biblical tradition enjoins on all peoples the duty to hear the voice of the poor. It bids us break the bonds of injustice and oppression which give rise to glaring, and indeed scandalous, social inequalities. Reforming the social structures which perpetuate poverty and the exclusion of the poor first requires a conversion of mind and heart. JOURNEY TO THE PHILIPPINES, JANUARY 16, 2015

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# Calendar

Monday JANUARY 31 St. John Bosco, Priest 2 Sm 15:13–14, 30; 16:5–13 Mk 5:1–20

Tuesday FEBRUARY 1 *Weekday* 2 Sm 18:9–10, 14b, 24–25a, 30—19:3 Mk 5:21–43

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 2 The Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1–4 Heb 2:14–18 Lk 2:22–40 or 2:22–32

Thursday FEBRUARY 3 *Weekday* 1 Kgs 2:1–4, 10–12

Mk 6:7-13

Friday FEBRUARY 4 Weekday Sir 47:2–11 Mk 6:14–29

Saturday FEBRUARY 5 St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr 1 Kgs 3:4–13 Mk 6:30–34

Sunday FEBRUARY 6 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 6:1–2a, 3–8 1 Cor 15:1–11 or 15:3–8, 11 Lk 5:1–11

