

*Abraham said, "If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead."*

LUKE 16:31

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## Woe to the Complacent

**I**n traditional societies, a woe is a frightening declaration. It was more than a warning. It was considered performative. This means that as soon as the words were spoken, what it described began to happen. The first verse in today's first reading states the woe; the last verse describes what will happen. And it did happen. Those with wealth and prestige were the first to be exiled from the land. It should be noted that the problem was not that they were wealthy. The Bible does not condemn wealth. The issue is how it was acquired and how it is used. The wealthy are condemned because their wealth made them complacent, indifferent to the struggles of the poor.

A similar situation is found in the Gospel passage. It tells of two men, one quite prosperous and the other suffering overwhelming indignity. Their fates after death are reversed. One might think that they got their

just deserts. But that is not the point of the story. The rich man wants the poor man to comfort him, but it is too late. Then at least send him to warn the rich man's family. And here is the point of the story: That should be unnecessary. They have the religious tradition, Moses, and the prophets who have always taught that we must do what we can for our needy brothers and sisters. If they (or we) do not listen to our religious teachings, we probably will not listen to someone from the dead. Woe to the complacent!

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR Reflection

- ✦ *How might you participate in the food and clothing drives in your parish?*
- ✦ *For which candidates do you vote? Those who work to make your life better or for those who work to make everyone's life better?*



**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME    SEPTEMBER 25, 2022**

*Though Jesus Christ was rich, yet he became poor,  
so that by his poverty you might become rich.*

## **WELCOME TO THE GOOD SHEPHERD PASTORAL UNIT**

**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**

### **ST. BERNARD'S MASS TIMES / INTENTIONS - WEEK OF SEPT. 26 – OCT. 2, 2022**

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Sep. 26</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Late Alice Dowd</b>	Therese Dowd & family
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>Sep. 29</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Late Teresa McKay</b>	Joe & Deb D'Ettore
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Sep. 30</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Late Rob Robichaud</b>	Joyce & Paul Green
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Oct. 1</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Late Robert Brine</b>	Carmella Murphy
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Oct. 2</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>For the People</b>	
<b>St. Vincent</b>			<b>Sunday @ 9 AM</b>	
<b>St. Clement</b>			<b>Saturday @ 7 PM</b>	

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION**

**St. Bernard's    Saturday @ 1:00 - 1:30 PM**

### **PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM**

<b>Priest Moderator</b>	Fr. Allison S. Carroll (sick leave)	
<b>Administrator</b>	Fr. Charles Broderick	charlesbroderick1@gmail.com
<b>Assistant: (half-time)</b>	Fr. Charles Lokoka	
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<b>Social Justice</b>	Claudia McCloskey	
<b>Adult Faith</b>	Andrew Wilson	

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<b>Custodian</b>	Michel Saulnier	

**Parish office hours: Monday - Friday: 9AM – 12 noon & 1 – 4 PM**  
**Phone: 857-0425 Email: sbhf@rogers.com Website: www.stbernardschurch.ca**

# OFFERINGS

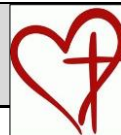
## SEPTEMBER 17 & 18, 2022 OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE

Envelopes	\$ 6,401.67	Loose	\$ 224.60
Building Fund	\$ 210.00	Capital Fund	\$ 2,613.33
Karing Kitchen	\$ 80.00	Religious Education	\$ 685.00
Needs of Can. Church	\$ 300.00	Indigenous Rec. fund	\$ 30.00

*Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!*

*In Sympathy*

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



**Pam Breau**

**Wife of (late) Mike**

**Sam Marcil**

**Son of Christina & (late) Pierre-Paul Marcil**

**Louis Leger**

*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...*

**Beth Purcell**

**Marcelline Lokoka**

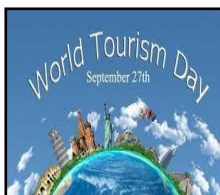
**Larry Byron**

**Cheryl Allerston**

**Francis McCarron**

**JoAnn LeBlanc**

*And for all who care for them.*



## World Tourism Day - September 27

A World Tourism Day was created in 1979 by the World Tourism Organization. The Church is concerned about tourism in the world, remembering the words of Jesus to his disciples, "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person" (Lk 10.5-6).

*Let us pray*

**For the Holy Father's general intention for September  
For the abolition of the death penalty**

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

<b>Carmelites</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. of month, 9:00 -11:00 AM	Meeting Room
<b>Prayer Group</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat & last Sat. of each month @ 7 PM	Church Hall
<b>RCIA</b>	Will resume in the fall	Stage Area



**From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis**  
**To contact us: Trevor-857-4879 [trevord.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com)**

### **Mondays @ The Movies**

Mondays @ The Movies is a group that meets regularly to discuss faith connections in popular films. Our next discussion will take place on Zoom on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am when we will talk about the (2004) independent comedy, *Napoleon Dynamite*. For more information or to register, contact Karen.

### **Medical Assistance in Death & Dying**

The ad hoc committee looking at Medical Assistance in Death & Dying will meet on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview.

### **Adult Faith Commission Meeting**

The next meeting of the Adult Faith Commission will take place on Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview.

### **Faith Experiments Express**

Children in grades 1 through 6 are invited back to Faith Experiments Express where we use science experiments to teach about God and Scripture. Sessions are conducted via Zoom and our first session will take place on Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM. For more information, Contact Karen at 387-4198 or [karen.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com)

### **Sacramental Preparation Committee Meeting**

The committee working on sacramental preparation will meet again on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview.

### **Atlantic Catechetical Association / Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers AGM**

The Atlantic Catechetical Association will hold its Annual General Meeting from October 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>, hosted in Prince Edward Island by the Diocese of Charlottetown. The Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers will also hold its AGM at this time.

### **Parish Catechetical Coordinators**

The next meeting of the Parish Catechetical Coordinators will take place on Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary (5 Fatima Drive).



Fourth Sunday of the Season of Creation - ***Listen to the Voice of the... North!***

"The greatest burden of climate change is falling on people in the Far North and global South—those who have contributed least to the problem. Indigenous voices in the church remind us that we are called upon to look after Creator's gifts and to pass along these gifts to our children." What can we do? To learn more please go to <http://www.diomoncton.ca>

**NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION**

Each year, September 30 marks the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. It is a day dedicated to acknowledging the tragic history and legacy of residential schools, its victims and survivors.

Last July, Pope Francis began his penitential pilgrimage to Canada. The central objective of this apostolic journey was reconciliation and healing between the Catholic Church and the Aboriginal peoples of Canada. It was a first step on the road to healing.

*It will take a long time to rebuild trust, but the Pope has given us a message of hope* (Honourable Graydon Nicholas, member of the Maliseet First Nation and former Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick, p. 13, Columbia Magazine, C of C, September 2022).

As we begin this journey with our Aboriginal brothers and sisters, let us pray that the Virgin Mary, Saint Anne and Saint Kateri Tekakwitha will intercede for us on this journey of healing and give us the courage to persevere.

**-Diocesan Justice and Solidarity Team, Archdiocese of Moncton**



**St. Bernard's Catholic Women's League**

**Meeting**

Mon., Oct.3 - church hall.

Looking forward to seeing you!

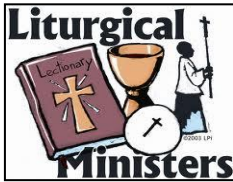
130 pm Rosary

2-4 pm Meeting and refreshments

New members welcome

**2023 CWL Dues**

The Catholic Women's League of Canada has increased the membership dues for 2023 from \$25.00 to \$32.50. Dues will be collected October 3 to December 31, 2022. For this year only, we have access to some funds which could be used (if members are in favour) to assist any members who wish to only pay the usual \$25.00. If you have questions, contact Donna Shaw at 382-0503. The calling committee will contact members. A cheque made out to St. Bernard's CWL, or cash can be used. If you need someone to pick up your dues, let the calling committee know when they are speaking with you. Please note that dues money cannot be received or dropped off to the parish office.



## *Called to serve in Liturgical Ministries*

***Volunteering in parish liturgical ministries is very rewarding.***

***It is a wonderful way to serve our Lord and to get to know fellow parishioners.***

***Do you feel called? Are you interested in serving your Church in one of the following ministries?***

**Greeters:** The role of the greeter is to warmly welcome all as they enter the church. At the end of Mass, they pass out the parish bulletin.

**Altar Servers:** The main role of the server is to assist the priest during the celebration of Mass. The altar serving team consists of the cross bearer and two candle bearers. This ministry is open to men, women & children. (*Who are mature enough to understand their responsibilities and have received their First Communion*) Servers are needed for weekday, weekend, and funeral Masses.

**Communion Minister:** A communion minister is a parishioner who serves the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ during Communion at Mass. The presider serves communion to these ministers first and they then distribute what they have received to the parish community. The most precious gift of all, Jesus Christ.

**Lectors** (ministers of the Word): As a faith community we gather to hear God's word in scripture.

Lectors are parishioners who love the word of God. They prepare well, read with conviction, and make God's word come alive for us.

**Sacristan:** The Sacristan Ministry is a "behind the scenes" service which can be done by individuals or couples who wish to offer this service. The Sacristan prepares for and looks after the care and cleaning of the vessels used at Mass.

If you are interested in any of the above ministries, please contact the parish office at 857-0425.

Training will be provided.

***It is in the giving that we receive. (St. Francis of Assisi)***



## Catechism Schedule September -December 2022

### Sunday

**Years 1-2-3 @ 9:15 AM:**

**Year 4-5-6 @ 12:15 PM**

Session #1----- September 25, 2022

Session #2----- October 16, 2022

Session #3----- October 30, 2022

Session #4-----November 6, 2022

Session # 5-----November 20, 2022

Session #6----- December 4, 2022

Session #7-----December 18, 2022

**Tuesday Years 1-2-3 @ 6 PM**

**Wednesday Years 4-5-6 @ 6 PM**

Session #1 September 27, 2022-----September 28, 2022

Session # 2 October 18, 2022-----October 19, 2022

Session #3 November 1, 2022-----November 2, 2022

Session #4 November 8, 2022-----November 9, 2022

Session #5 November 22, 2022-----November 23, 2022

Session # 6 December 6, 2022-----December 7, 2022

Session #7 December 20, 2022-----December 21, 2022



### **September 30<sup>th</sup> - Orange Shirt Day**

In 1973, 6-year-old Phyllis Webstad was living with her grandmother on the Dog Creek Indian Reserve in British Columbia and Phyllis was excited! In September, she was going to get to go to St. Mary's Residential School and although they didn't have much money, Phyllis' granny was going to buy her a new outfit for school! Phyllis remembers going to the store and picking out a shiny orange shirt. It was bright and exciting – as excited as she was to be going to school!

When Phyllis got to the school though, they stripped her, and took away her clothes, including her new orange shirt. She never wore it again.

**Now, every year on September 30<sup>th</sup>, Canadians are asked to wear orange to recognize and raise awareness about the time in our country's history when a little girl's feelings didn't matter and when no one seemed to care. Wearing Orange in September says to Phyllis and all Canadians, that we do, indeed, care.**

# Dear Padre,

**A Protestant friend tells me that Jesus died to take the punishment for our sins. That doesn't seem accurate. Is that what the Church teaches?**

**J**esus understood his mission to be sacrificing his own life "as a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28). His fidelity to that mission was even at the cost of death. However, saying Jesus' death was payment for our sins doesn't mean that a vengeful God was appeased by the slaughter of his own innocent Son. Rather, we are redeemed because of the mutual love between Father and Son, as well as the love Christ had for us all when he offered his life.

"It is love 'to the end' [John 13:1] that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 616). It is in this sense that Jesus' death was a payment—not one to be exacted—but a unique sacrifice "that completes and surpasses all other sacrifices," when "the Father handed his Son over to sinners in order to reconcile us with himself," and the Son of God freely and lovingly offered his human life to his Father "in reparation for our disobedience" (CCC 614).

Christ "bore our sins in his body upon the cross....By his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24). Viewed in light of the resurrection, Christ's death has meaning in eternal life's triumph over sin.



Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR  
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**Do you have a question for the Padre?**

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

*In many situations of suffering, Christ's cross is like a beacon that indicates the port to ships that are still afloat on stormy seas. Christ's cross is the sign of hope that does not disappoint; and it tells us that not even one tear, not one sigh is lost in God's plan of salvation.*

GENERAL AUDIENCE, MARCH 31, 2021

## Calendar

<b>Monday</b> SEPTEMBER 26 Weekday Jb 1:6–22 Lk 9:46–50
<b>Tuesday</b> SEPTEMBER 27 St. Vincent de Paul, Priest Jb 3:1–3, 11–17, 20–23 Lk 9:51–56
<b>Wednesday</b> SEPTEMBER 28 Weekday Jb 9:1–12, 14–16 Lk 9:57–62
<b>Thursday</b> SEPTEMBER 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels Dan 7:9–10, 13–14 or Rv 12:7–12a Jn 1:47–51
<b>Friday</b> SEPTEMBER 30 St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church Jb 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5 Lk 10:13–16
<b>Saturday</b> OCTOBER 1 St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Jb 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17 Lk 10:17–24
<b>Sunday</b> OCTOBER 2 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Hb 1:2–3; 2:2–4 2 Tm 1:6–8, 13–14 Lk 17:5–10