

## Thank You that I am Better than Others

**T**he words of the Pharisee in today's Gospel might look like a prayer of thanksgiving. However, it is not a prayer, nor does it express gratitude. It is an arrogant statement of self-congratulation. One might think that he had a right to boast. After all, he did observe certain religious obligations and refrain from forms of public immorality. Why did Jesus say that he was not justified?

First, he haughtily presented himself in the temple as a prayerful man. As we saw last week, the fundamental character of prayer is acknowledgement of human neediness and a trust in God's loving care. This man did not see himself as needy or requiring God's care. Second, he did not realize that as important as religious observance and good works might be, they are not requirements fulfilled to earn God's love. Rather, they should flow from one's inner relationship with God. Third, he judged the inner disposition of others by observing the outer circumstances of their lives.

On the other hand, Jesus praised the tax collector. Why? First, he acknowledged he was a sinner in need of God's mercy. After all, as tax collector, he worked for the hated Romans who occupied the land. Most likely he made his own living by adding a commission to the taxes he collected from others. Second, he made no claim of being righteous and deserving God's mercy. Third, overwhelmed by his own unworthiness, he compared himself to no one. His was genuine prayer.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*



### FOR Reflection

*[Jesus said,] "...  
Everyone who exalts  
himself will be  
humbled, and the  
one who humbles  
himself will be  
exalted."*

LUKE 18:14

- ✳ *What might lead you to think you are better than others?*
- ✳ *Acknowledge your own neediness and turn to God with confidence.*



**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**OCTOBER 23, 2022**

*In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself,  
and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.*

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### ST. BERNARD'S MASS TIMES / INTENTIONS - WEEK OF OCT. 24-30, 2022

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Oct. 24</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Late Jean Flett</b>	<b>Earl &amp; Ann Marie McDonald</b>
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>Oct. 27</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Late Tom Queena</b>	<b>Tony &amp; Dianne Baker</b>
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Oct. 28</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Anniv. late Ella Goguen</b>	<b>Jim &amp; family</b>
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Oct. 29</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Late Avila &amp; Marie Goguen</b>	<b>Therese Dowd &amp; family</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Oct. 30</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Anniv. late Gordon Montford</b>	<b>Family</b>
<b>St. Vincent</b>			<b>Sunday @ 9 AM</b>	
<b>St. Clement</b>			<b>Saturday @ 7 PM</b>	

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

<b>St. Bernard's</b>	<b>Saturday @ 1:00 - 1:30 PM</b>
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OR BY CALLING OUR PHONE LINE @ 857-0425

## OFFERINGS

### OCTOBER 15 & 16, 2022 OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE

Envelopes	\$ 5,953.88	Loose	\$ 305.05
Building Fund	\$ 50.00	Capital Fund	\$ 2,660.33
Karing Kitchen	\$ 63.65	Evangelization of People	\$ 190.00
All Souls	\$ 20.00	Syrian Fund	\$ 45.00

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

## In Sympathy

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



<b>Mafalda Roy</b>	<b>Wife of (late) J. Raymond Roy</b>
<b>Eileen Senn</b>	<b>Wife of Dilip, mother of Nicholas &amp; Roma</b>
<b>Kirt Teed</b>	<b>Husband of Raylene, father of Matthieu &amp; Meaghan, brother of Kim Mahoney</b>
<b>Rose Seeley</b>	<b>Sister of Alma Barrieau</b>

*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...*

<b>Beth Purcell</b>	<b>Ida Caruso</b>	<b>Grant Stevenson</b>
<b>Greg Perry</b>	<b>Cheryl Allerston</b>	<b>Felix Pestana</b>
<b>Bill Connors</b>	<b>Terry LeBlanc</b>	

*And for all who care for them.*



**For the Holy Father's general intention for October  
For a Church open to everyone**

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.



## From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

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### 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 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. For more information, Contact Karen at 387-4198 or [karen.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com)

### CCCB Office for Evangelization and Catechesis Webinars

Save the Dates! The CCCB Office for Evangelization and Catechesis will be hosting a series of webinars on special topics in evangelization & catechesis. Webinars will take place on **October 25<sup>th</sup>** (Dr. Donna Orsuto – *Joyful Messengers of Challenging Proposals*), **November 1<sup>st</sup>** (Dr. Catherine Clifford – *Listeners on the Synodal Way*), **November 8<sup>th</sup>** (Archbishop Don Bolen – *Charting a Path Forward: The Visit of Pope Francis and Next Steps in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples*), and **November 15<sup>th</sup>** (Fr. John McCarthy, SJ – *Creation as a Source of Life and Our Call to Care For It*). Each webinar will go from 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm. Register online at this address:

[https://cccbca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_ddzsQg6bT8aQ6ntrcfN4A](https://cccbca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ddzsQg6bT8aQ6ntrcfN4A)

### English Diocesan Pastoral Council

The English Diocesan Pastoral Council will meet on **Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am** at St. Bernard's.

### 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, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 am** when we will talk about the (2001) psychological thriller, *The Others*, starring Nicole Kidman. For more information or to register, contact Karen.

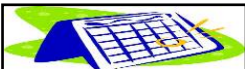
### Parish Catechetical Coordinators

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).

### Conversations Around Death and Dying (MAiD)

One theme arising from previous sessions on MAiD was that many of us are uncomfortable discussing our own death as well as the death of a loved one. However, honest conversations (about values, good palliative care, or advanced care planning) can help to improve the care we receive at the end of our lives. In response to this, the Committee Looking at Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) is planning a session for **Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at Holy Family (Falkland Street, Moncton) from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm**. The session will be led by Pam Driedger, member of the Adult Faith Commission and a Director of Spiritual Care at the Moncton Hospital with Horizon Health Network. The aim of this session will be to help families start conversations about death and dying before circumstances force them to. How can families and loved ones accompany those who find themselves struggling with illness, pain and difficult medical circumstances? Register with Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198, [karen.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com) or online at [www.diomoncton.ca](http://www.diomoncton.ca) → Pastoral Offices → Adult Faith → Formation Opportunities.





## 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>	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Weds. of month @ 6:30 PM	Meeting Room
<b>All Saints</b>	Mass, Tuesday, Nov 1 @7pm	Church
<b>All Soul's</b>	Mass, Wednesday, Nov 2 @7pm	Church



## World Mission Sunday

At the initiative of Pope Pius XI in 1926, the second last Sunday during October became known as World Mission Sunday. Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the missions. The collection this Sunday is organized by the Pontifical Missions

Society. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission diocese under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples. As agreed by the Holy See and of the Bishops of Canada, a portion of the Canadian contributions to this collection will continue to be used until 2020 to assist six diocese in Northern Canada which for many years had also been under the jurisdiction of the Congregation.

Pastors and pastoral workers are invited to encourage among all the people of God a missionary spirit, to promote missionary vocations, and to collaborate spiritually and materially in the Church's mission work, including support for all the dioceses in our country's northern regions.

On the day of the collection, an appropriate petition may be added in the Prayer of the Faithful. The Mass for the Evangelization for Peoples may be celebrated on this Sunday.

"How I long to find the right words to stir up enthusiasm for a new chapter of evangelization full of fervour, joy, generosity, courage, boundless love and attraction!... I once more invoke the Holy Spirit. I implore him to come and renew the Church, to stir and impel her to go forth boldly to evangelize all peoples." -Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*

## Formation for Baptism Preparation Teams

Formation for those involved in preparing parents for the baptism of their children will take place on **Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm** at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Riverview.

## Synod Update

The CCCB has submitted its national Synod Synthesis to the Holy See. The national synthesis document is divided into 11 sections, collectively reflecting on the major themes of this process and the voices heard. The report can be found through the [CCCB Website](https://www.cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Synod-on-Synodality-EN-2022-08-31.pdf) online at the following link:

<https://www.cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Synod-on-Synodality-EN-2022-08-31.pdf>



As a result of the nomination process, please find below a short biography of the parishioners who have accepted the nomination to the Local Pastoral Council.

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**Timothy Perry.** I am a long-time parishioner of St. Bernard's, like my parents, and grandparents before them. I received all my sacraments here, and together with my wife, Michelle, we raise three children in the faith: Veda, James, and Rudy. I

have been involved in various ministries throughout the years and will continue to serve the Church in whatever capacity I can. I spend a large majority of my time in schools as an educator and my leisure time outdoors with the family. My three kids keep me plenty busy, as they should. I want to thank you all for the nomination and I wish to express my deepest admiration and love for this community, for you have been a constant pillar of support in times of great joy and, of course, great sorrow. Thank you and God bless.

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**Blessed Simbanegavi.** I was born in Zimbabwe in an Anglican Church family where my Father was an Archdeacon. I became a Bible reader when I was in Grade 5 and also served as an Altar boy. I did my High School at an Anglican Missionary School where I also participated in various church services. In Zimbabwe we alternated between the Anglican and the Catholic church since my wife came from a Catholic family. We moved to the United States with my family in 2004 where I started attending the Roman Catholic Church full time as we could not find the Anglican Church because they use the name Episcopal Church (which I did not know then). Both my children were baptised and confirmed in the Catholic church in Alabama, USA, where I was also an Usher. My family moved to Canada in 2007 and, I became a member of St. Bernard's Church in 2008 after going through the RCIA. I have been married to my wife Josephine for 36 years, and we have grown up children Alvin and Alison who are both members of St Bernard's Church. Alvin is a Lector and Alison had joined the choir just before the pandemic. I was a member of the Parish Vitality Committee here at St Bernards and my wife and I are regular Greeters and I also assist with Ushering. I am a Mechanical Engineering Technician by profession and hold an MBA from Universite de Moncton (2015), certified Six Sigma Lean Black Belt Professional (LBBP), and am a certified Project Management Professional (PMP) (2021). I am ready to assist in any projects for keeping the church alive. My hobbies include walking, cross-fitness exercises and watching soccer.

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**Arceli Cormier:** Hello everyone. Thank you for enlisting my name as one of the nominees for the LPC. To further introduce myself, I am born Filipino but now a Canadian citizen, married and currently working full time as a Financial Accountant for Corey Craig Group of Companies. I am a member of the CWL of St. Bernard Parish and have been attending the group meeting

before the pandemic. No matter what our work schedules are, we make it a habit of going to the church either Saturday or Sunday, where available, because I don't feel my week is complete without doing it, having a communion with our God and fellow believers even for an hour and able to receive His Holy Eucharist. It is also our way of giving thanks to our God, to examine our hearts and continuously acknowledge our covenant with Him, remembering always that Jesus Christ died on the cross for our sins, and anticipating for His return. Even during the pandemic, we have regularly attended the Live Masses through the television channels and invited our friends to join with us virtually.

**Sam Ermen:** I have been a member of St. Bernard's Church for 80 years. Through the years I have been an altar server, a communion minister, a sacristan, and supervisor for the construction and maintenance for the elevator, and in the past 10 years a co-signer of cheques for the parish.



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

Next meeting - Sun., Dec. 4 in the church hall from 230-5pm (watch for more information)

The Catholic Women's League of Canada's Mission Statement calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service. Will you consider joining the league? Any questions, please leave a message at the parish office.



*Congratulations and best wishes to:*

*May Smith*

*On the occasion of her 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday.*

*October 20, 2022*

*May God keep you in good health and  
happiness always.*

# Dear Padre,

**I'm tired of being distracted by children sliding around in the pews, fidgeting, and giggling with each other. How would the priest like parents to handle these situations during Mass?**

I presume you mean children between the ages of two and six—kids too old to be crying in their parents' arms and too young to be in religious-education programs. Many parishes have children's Liturgy of the Word programs, but the kids still spend time at regular Mass.

It's important for kids to be at Mass and to learn to be quiet for an hour. When children come to Mass, they slowly get used to the idea that they're expected to behave for a limited amount of time.

Parents should bring books or soft toys—anything that won't make more noise—to keep the kids entertained. They shouldn't let their kids bring musical toys, electronic games with sound effects, or toy trucks that can be run up and down the pews. If children continue to be disruptive, parents should take them outside for a short time and then bring them back.

Bottom line: Priests want children to come to Mass. It's better to have fidgeting kids at Mass than no kids at all. We want them to learn to behave now so when they get older, they're ready to deepen their participation in the Mass.



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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*With his birth, Jesus made himself a bridge between God and mankind, reconciled earth and sky, and recomposed the whole human race in unity...And today he also asks you to be little bridges, where you live....Sometimes it is not easy, but if we are united with Jesus we can do it.*

ADDRESS TO CHILDREN, DECEMBER 16, 2019



## Calendar

### Monday

OCTOBER 24

Weekday

Eph 4:32—5:8

Lk 13:10—17

### Tuesday

OCTOBER 25

Weekday

Eph 5:21—33

Lk 13:18—21

### Wednesday

OCTOBER 26

Weekday

Eph 6:1—9

Lk 13:22—30

### Thursday

OCTOBER 27

Weekday

Eph 6:10—20

Lk 13:31—35

### Friday

OCTOBER 28

*Sts. Simon and Jude,  
Apostles*

Eph 2:19—22

Lk 6:12—16

### Saturday

OCTOBER 29

Weekday

Phil 1:18b—26

Lk 14:1, 7—11

### Sunday

OCTOBER 30

*Thirty-first Sunday in  
Ordinary Time*

Wis 11:22—12:2

2 Thes 1:11—2:2

Lk 19:1—10

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