

Many of the Samaritans...began to believe in him
because of the word of the woman who testified,
"He told me everything I have done."

JOHN 4:39

A Fountain of Life

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The lovelorn column in the local newspaper shared a letter from someone who felt adrift. She had everything she needed or wanted—a marriage, a job, a home. Yet she felt there had to be more to life, but she didn't know what it was or where to go. She wondered, *Could anyone help me?*

Like the woman from Samaria who happened upon Jesus when she came looking for water at the local well, she and the letter writer were both eager for "living water." The woman at the well would then no longer need to come each day for her household needs, and the letter writer would have her deeper thirsts quenched. Both wanted something more out of life, not unlike most people at one time or another.

Reflect

**When and where have
you found grace in an
"unexpected place"?**

Long before Jesus encountered the woman at the well, the people who were led by Moses through the desert grumbled to him about their thirst, which triggered Moses to grumble to God about the people. The result was finding water in the desert, the most unlikely of places. As a result, they realized that God was taking care of them, that God was ultimately their source of life.

We may decide what will bring new life—a new relationship, a new job, a new home. Yet just as often the answer comes from totally unexpected sources: the deserts of our lives. Also just as often, we somehow miss the answer. When we do recognize it, however, we say, "Thanks be to God." ●

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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Monday to Friday, 9-12 & 1-4

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St. Vincent's

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St. Clement's

14 Church St., Port Elgin, NB E4M 2C9

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Office hours: call office to verify

Mass times / Intentions: March 13-19, 2023

St. Bernard's

Mon.	Mar. 13	9:30 AM	Late Frances Roach	Theresa & Reg Constantine & family
Thur.	Mar. 16	9:30 AM	Late Marc LeBlanc	Stella Boyle
Fri.	Mar. 17	9:30 AM	Anniv. late Gerald Keenan	Chris & Sherry
Sat.	Mar. 18	4:00 PM	Anniv. late Minnie Burnett	Ross & Sharon Burnett
Sun.	Mar. 19	11:00 AM	Late Zella O'Dell	Rick & Donna Shaw

St. Clement's

Sat.	Mar. 18	7:00 PM	For the People	
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St. Vincent's

Sun.	Mar. 19	9:00 AM	Anniv. late Leigh Estabrooks	Children of Henderson & Myrtle
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Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession

Saturdays, 1:00 PM at St. Bernard's

The Good Shepherd Pastoral Ministry Team		
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St Vincent's Parish Staff		
Parish Secretary	Lorraine Horyl	
Catechetical Coordinator	Cathy Crinnion	
St Clement's Parish Staff		
Parish Secretary	Pam Van Egmond	

OFFERINGS			
March 4 & 5, 2023			
St. Bernard's			
Envelopes	\$ 3,990.00	Loose	\$ 634.80
Karing Kitchen	\$ 145.00	All Souls	\$ 20.00
New Years Day	\$ 30.00	Reconnect	\$ 10.00
Share Lent	\$ 105.00	Ash Wednesday	\$ 252.00
Donation	\$ 5.00	Syrian Fund	\$ 150.00
Capital Fund	\$ 797.00	Building Fund	\$ 210.00
St. Clement's			
Envelopes	\$ 640.00	Heating	\$ 245.00
Capital Fund	\$ 2,000.00		
St. Vincent's			
Envelopes	\$ 1,032.00	Loose	\$ 10.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 10.00	Maintenance	\$ 145.00
<i>Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!</i>			



St. Bernards Church is open daily during Lent
Monday to Friday 12:00 - 1:00 PM & Sundays 2:00 - 3:00 PM

St Bernard's

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

Carmelites	2 nd Sat. of month, 9:00 -11:00 AM	Meeting Room
Prayer Group	2 nd Sat & last Sat. of each month @ 7 PM	Church Hall
RCIA	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays of the month @ 6:30 PM	Meeting Room
Evening Prayer	March 15, 22, 29 & April 5 @ 6 PM	Church
Penitential Service	March 26 @ 2 PM	Church



Vacant Office Position

It is with regret that I inform you that Janessa Virtudazo is leaving us on March 23 as she and her husband relocate to Alberta. We thank Janessa for her faithful service and wish her and Chalmere all the best in the future. Thank you both. - Fr. Charlie

As a result, we are seeking a person to fill the position of **Receptionist/Bookkeeper**.

As Receptionist, the duties include, but are not be limited to: receiving the public in person or via phone, email and texts; preparing and printing the weekly bulletin; maintaining various parish records, ordering office and building supplies.

As Bookkeeper, the duties include, but are not limited to: data entry of all funds received; maintenance and reconciliation of bank records; supervision of the counting of weekly donations; preparing and issuing cheques and invoices; preparing payroll; preparing financial statements; preparation of income tax receipts.

The successful applicant will have respectful and professional communication skills, comfort with/working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Outlook) and Quickbooks (or equivalent).

Hours: 30 hours weekly. Salary to be negotiated based on experience.

Applications received via email (sbhf@rogers.com) or hard copy by noon, Monday, March 20, 2023.



St. Patrick's Day Mass

Friday, March 17, 2023 @ 12:00 noon

Collection will be used for bursaries offered by the Irish Canadian Cultural Association- Westmorland-Albert-Kent Chapter.

St Vincent's FAITH FORMATION

The Elementary group will meet today after mass and the Primary group will meet next on March 19th. We ask that you please wear masks when entering/moving about the room, and consider staying home if you are feeling ill. The Confirmation candidates have met again with catechist Andrew Wilson on March 11th, and the First Communion preparation participants will meet with catechist Lynn Sitland on March 13th at 6pm. We ask for the congregation's prayers for these children and their parents as they journey along with their sacramental preparations! For any participant or volunteer inquiries for the program, now until mid-May, please contact Cathy Crinnion at ccrinnion@yahoo.ca or 536-4470.



From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

To contact us:

Trevor: 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com

Karen: 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com

Formation for Parish R.C.I.A. Teams

The fourth and final R.C.I.A. session with Catherine Ecker will take place via Zoom on **March 20th** from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.

Monday @ The Movies – Lent Goes to the Movies

Everyone is invited to join our film discussion series taking place during Lent. Our remaining discussions will take place on March 13th (*Water*, 2005); March 27th (*Loving*, 2016); and April 3rd (*The Mission*, 1986). Each discussion will take place at 10:30 am via Zoom. Monday @ The Movies is a discussion group that meets regularly via Zoom to talk about faith connections in popular movies. Contact Karen for more information or to register.

Faith Experiments Express

Children in grades 1 through 6 are invited back to Faith Experiments Express where we use interactive science experiments to teach about God and Scripture. Sessions are conducted via Zoom and our next session will take place **March 27th** at 6:00 pm. For more information, Contact Karen at 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com. Register online at www.diomoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Youth Faith Development.

'The Hour Has Come' 3-Day Lenten Retreat

No doubt the Bible is a revelation of God and God's relationship with humanity. However, it's not the only revelation, nor the first revelation of God. The first act of divine revelation is creation itself. The first Bible is the Bible of nature. It was written 13.8 billion years ago at that moment we call the Big Bang. A contemporary spiritual writer said, "Don't dare put the second Bible in the hands of people who have not sat lovingly at the feet of the first Bible." Wherever you have Spirit and matter coming together you have the Christ. Jesus the Christ is not just the incarnation of God in a Jew from Galilee. Jesus is the cosmic ***Christ who was*** (from the moment of the Big Bang), ***who is, and who is to come*** (Rev. 1:4). He came to reshape the earth and to save it as well. All of it! He said, "I give my flesh for the life of the world." Let's spend some time together in respect, admiration, and in awe of God's ongoing revelation. Join us in retreat (in English) at **St. Bernard's** church each evening (**Tues. March 28—Thurs. March 30**) at **7 p.m.** Contact karen.diocese@gmail.com

Opportunity for Catechists and those involved in Sacramental Preparation

Msr. Paul-André Durocher, Archbishop of Gatineau will offer a virtual conversation for catechists and those involved in sacramental preparation entitled "**Baptism and Confirmation: The Big Picture**". This interactive session will be held on Zoom on Saturday, March 25th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Archbishop Durocher's session is sponsored by the Atlantic Catechetical Association and is offered at no charge. For more information or to register, contact Karen LeBlanc or visit www.acacatholic.ca

Upcoming Meetings

The Youth Faith Commission, Wednesday, March 15th at 4:30 pm via Zoom.

The Adult Faith Commission, Wednesday, March 15th at 6:30 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary.



MASS OFFERING

Effective **April 10, 2023**, a new rate of \$15.00 for Mass intentions will be in effect for the Diocese of Moncton. For over 40 years, the \$10.00 fee has remained the same. Please be assured that priests from here and elsewhere will celebrate all Masses reserved before April 10, 2023, at the \$10.00 rate.

Archbishop Valéry Vienneau

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - Colombia: defence of land and territory

Colombia is home to nearly 10 per cent of the planet's biodiversity, yet it is also one of the most dangerous countries for people defending their land and territory against exploitation.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner, the *Asociación Campesina de Antioquia* (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia) supports peasant communities affected by armed conflict in defending their lives and territories and in building a culture of peace through filmmaking and art. This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Raquel Soto, a participant in ACA's documentary filmmaking school. Learn more at devp.org/lent.

Feast of St. Joseph, Monday March 20th - Mass will be celebrated 7:00pm at Saint Lawrence O'Toole

The Annunciation of the Lord, Saturday, March 25, mass will be celebrated 10 AM at St. Augustine's.

Marriage Preparation Course

Location:	Centre De Notre-Dame de Kent
When:	First weekend of May 2023 <i>Friday evening, May 5 & all day & evening Saturday, May 6 inclusive</i>
Cost:	\$ 150.00 <i>(\$50.00 of the original amount which will not be refunded in case of cancellation)</i>

To register or for more information contact:

Simonne and Clarence Melanson 525-2582 at home or cell phone 862-9472

Please note : Deadline to register is Friday, March 31, 2023.

Longing for an Encounter with the Risen Christ? Consider meeting Christ with Mary Magdalene at the empty tomb during a silent **retreat from April 28 through 30, 2023**. The retreat includes directed meditations, time for personal silent prayer, daily Mass, and opportunities for Confession. The retreat will be held **at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre, 67 Reid Road Hunter River, PE, Canada C0A 1N0. The cost is \$195.** For more information please contact Marcia Arsenault at 902-888-7480 or email stjeromes98@gmail.com.

Registration : stjosfamilycentre@gmail.com

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THE GOOD SHEPHERD PASTORAL UNIT

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Sunday, March 26, 2023, 2:00 PM at St. Bernard's

The Way Of The Cross

We will pray the Way of the Cross **during the holy season of Lent on Friday evenings at 6:30 PM**. To make this prayer available to as many people as possible, we will celebrate it in different churches according to the following schedule:



March 17th	Immaculate Heart
March 24th	St. Augustine's
March 31st	St. Bernard's
April 7th	Immaculate Heart



EVENING PRAYER

Christians are called in baptism to be people of prayer, to pray always, praising God and pleading for the world. Our priests, encourage us at the beginning of Lent to be more cognizant of prayer during the Lenten season. Why not try gathering with the faith community for Evening Prayer? It only takes up a half hour of your time. We follow the format for Evening Prayer that is offered in our Catholic Book of Worship.

All parishioners of our parish unit are invited & encouraged to gather for Evening Prayer Wednesday evenings at St. Bernard's Church at 6 PM - March 15, 22, 29 & April 5.



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



St. Bernard's

Ralph O'Brien	brother of JoAnn Scott (Michael)
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St. Vincent's

Yvonne White

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...*

St. Bernard's

Beth Purcell	Judy Chiasson	Roger Berube
Ida Caruso	Patricia Devine	Leona Cormier
Boyd Clory	Caroll Fiset	

St. Clement's

Gabriel Becker	Vina McGraw	Gerard McGraw
Ophelia McGraw	Shadra McGraw	Arabella McGraw
Helena Coulter	Suzanne Jones	Hudson Sweeney
Beverley Melanson	Harvey Niles	

St. Vincent's

Leone Campbell	Victor Landry	Victor Tower
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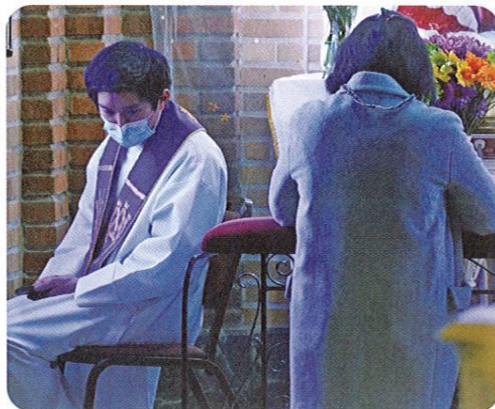
And for all who care for them.

Dear Padre,

I have done some really terrible things in my life. When I did them, I didn't think anything about them, but now I feel very guilty. Can God really forgive me?

As we Redemptorists like to say, "With God there is plentiful redemption." God's mercy is everlasting and overflowing in its abundance. As we continue in Lent, let's remember that Easter is the sign that God forgave even the great sin of the crucifixion of his only Son. Time and time again throughout the Scriptures, Jesus demonstrates this bountiful mercy. He forgave Zacchaeus, the tax collector. He forgave the woman caught in adultery. He was tender with the Samaritan woman we hear about in today's Gospel. He spent his days living among and forgiving all manner of sinners. He even forgave Peter's great denial. The Church has named a multitude of saints, but note that in 2,000 years it has never declared anyone to be definitively condemned to eternal punishment. There is hope and mercy for all.

No matter how great the sin, God will forgive it. All you have to do is ask for mercy sincerely. All that takes is a repentant heart. From the tone of your message, you are truly sorry. Find a priest with whom you are comfortable and ask him to celebrate with you the sacrament of reconciliation. If you don't know how to go to confession, just ask. The priest will help you. Be at peace. ●



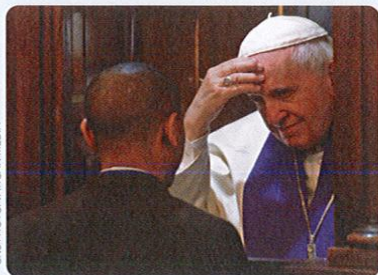
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Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
March 13	March 14	March 15	March 16	March 17	March 18	March 19
Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Fourth Sunday of Lent
2 Kgs 5:1-15ab	Dn 3:25, 34-43	Dt 4:1, 5-9	Jer 7:23-28	Hos 14:2-10	Hos 6:1-6	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Lk 4:24-30	Mt 18:21-35	Mt 5:17-19	Lk 11:14-23	Mk 12:28-34	Lk 18:9-14	Eph 5:8-14
						Jn 9:1-41

Know Someone Overly Anxious about Sin?

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' *Scrupulous Anonymous* free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit ScrupulousAnonymous.org.



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We all have the right to be forgiven. All of us....Forgiveness is a "right" in the sense that God, in the Paschal Mystery of Christ, has given it in a total and irreversible way to every person willing to accept it with a humble and repentant heart.

**ADDRESS AT A COURSE ORGANIZED BY APOSTOLIC PENITENTIARY,
MARCH 25, 2022**