



When he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."

MATTHEW 21:10–11



The Art of Dying

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

When I was much younger and idealistic, I might have been ready to die for some worthy cause. Friends about my age had the same experience. There was something romantic about giving our lives then. Something glorious—or so we thought. There was the brotherhood and sisterhood of us all, peace and non-violence, nuclear arms opposition, equal opportunities for education and housing. Many of us now over fifty thought we would lay down our lives for any one of those dreams.

For some of us, things have changed. We've grown older and, perhaps, wiser, and it seems we're not so eager to die anymore. The glamor has been tarnished, and, for some, the romance

has turned from infatuation to disillusion. Death seems like a tragedy, continually rearing its strength to destroy in full or in part the fruit of our lives.

Yet death continues to remain the only doorway into real life. Without death there is no life—in this life or in any life. For that reason, then, one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well, something we also need to teach our children. It takes a lifetime to learn how to die for one another, and that is why our young people need a community of adults who seek to master the art of dying. It is also why, for one long week,

we tell the story of Jesus and of how, for the sake of us all, he did not back away from death. ●

Reflect

Who has sacrificed for you? Have you "paid it forward" with gratitude?

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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Office hours:
 Monday to Friday, 9-12 & 1-4
Website: www.stbernardschurch.ca



St. Vincent's
 63 Charlotte St., Sackville, NB, E4L 2Y5
Phone: (506) 536-1460 **Email:** stvince@nbnet.nb.ca
Office hours: Monday & Thursday @ 10 AM-2PM



St. Clement's
 14 Church St., Port Elgin, NB E4M 2C9
Phone: (506) 538-2262 **Email:** stclement.stbartholomew@gmail.com
Office hours: call office to verify

Mass times / Intentions: April 3 – 9, 2023

St. Bernard's

Mon.	Apr. 3	9:30 AM	Late Rosita & Genaro Dan Valerio	Family
Thur.	Apr. 6	7:00 PM	Late Lois Gallie	Don and Ann Beaumaster

Good Friday, children's / family liturgy @ 10 AM

Good Friday, Liturgy of the Lord's Passion @ 3 PM

Sat.	Apr. 8	8:30 PM	Late Mary Alice O'Connor	Margaret O'Connor
Sun.	Apr. 9	11:00AM	For the People	

St. Clement's

Sun.	Apr. 9	11:00AM	Late Martin Van Egmond	Vina McGraw
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St. Vincent's

Sun.	Apr. 9	11:00AM	Late John & Theresa Palmer	Sitland Family
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Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession
Saturdays, 1:00 PM at St. Bernard's

St Clement's

Parishioners of St. Clement – if you wish to donate an Easter Plant in memory of a loved one, please drop your plant off on Saturday April 1 or April 7 at the Good Friday Service.

OFFERINGS

March 25 & 26, 2023

St. Bernard's

Envelopes	\$ 3,215.00	Loose	\$ 410.80
Karing Kitchen	\$ 90.75	Share Lent	\$ 1,435.00
New Year's Day	\$ 10.00	Ash Wednesday	\$ 25.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 125.00	Candles	\$ 88.00
		Capital Expenditure	\$ 114.00

St. Clement's

Envelopes	\$ 180.00	Loose	\$ 20.00
Missals	\$ 10.00	Heating Donation	\$ 51.25

St. Vincent's

Envelopes	\$ 1,247.00	Loose	\$ 10.00
Maintenance	\$ 5.00	Easter Flowers	\$ 5.00
Offering Envelopes	\$ 5.00	Good Friday	\$ 5.00

Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!



Easter Flowers

If you would like to donate funds for Easter Flowers in memory of a loved one you may do so by completing the information below & placing, it with your donation in a plain envelope. That envelope can be put into the collection basket at mass or dropped off at the office. Names will be in the Easter bulletin. Thank you to all those who donate to this yearly project.

In Memory of:

Donated by:

Address:

Envelope #

Amount \$



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

St Vincent's

PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES – are extended to Roland Dupuis on the passing of his wife Claudette, at the Sackville Memorial Hospital on March 24, 2023. She will also be remembered by her daughter, Rachelle Kingsler, and grandsons Caleb and Carter. The funeral mass was held at the Notre Dame de Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Memramcook East, on March 29, 2023. May she rest in the arms of our loving God.

OFFICE HOURS – week of April 2-8, Monday, April 3 & Thursday, April 6 10AM – 2PM

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL AND MASS INTENTIONS – Please notify the Parish Office 536-1460 or stvince@nbnet.nb.ca if you wish to schedule a date for a Mass Intention or include in the Prayers of the Faithful the name(s) of family or friends who are ill or who have died.

CEMETERY – We are in need of someone to be a backup contact for the Cemetery whenever the Chair of the Committee is away or is ill. If you are interested in offering your time to this ministry, please contact Amos Ward at 536-2076 or amosward@eastlink.ca.

ANNIVERSARIES/SPECIAL OCCASIONS – In order to honor those who are celebrating milestone anniversaries and birthdays, please notify the Parish Office approximately one week in advance of the special date.

MUSIC MINISTRY – Parishioners who are interested in sharing their vocal/musical talents are invited to join our Music Ministry team! Please contact Leonette Nelson at 536-0764.

PRAYING THE ROSARY – You are invited to join us on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in St. Vincent's Chapel to pray for the intentions of our Pope and our parish/parishioners. All are welcome.

FAITH FORMATION – Catechism sessions for children in grades 1-6 continue into May. Sacramental preparation sessions continue until the sacraments take place, on May 14th for the First Eucharist and on May 28th for Confirmation, taking place during the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass. We will also witness the baptism of Pearl Liefer during mass on May 14th!

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES - continue your selfless activities and please add some 'helpful hands' to our community service poster in the church vestibule.

St. Vincent's Faith Formation schedule is as follows:

April 2 nd @ 10am	Primary group catechism – church hall
April 10 th (TBC) @ 6pm	First Eucharist session – church chapel
April 15 th @ TBD	Confirmation session – church chapel
April 16 th @ 10am	Primary group catechism – church hall
April 22 nd @ TBD	Earth Day Challenge! www.diomoncton.ca/youthfaithdevelopment
April 23 rd @ 10am	Elementary group catechism – church hall
April 30 th @ 10am	Primary group catechism – church hall
May 7 th @ 10am	Primary + Elementary catechism: combined final session-church hall

For any participant or volunteer inquiries for the program, now until mid-May, please contact Cathy Crinnion at crrinnion@yahoo.ca or 536-4470.



From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

To contact us:

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

Monday @ The Movies – Lent Goes to the Movies

Everyone is invited to join our film discussion series taking place during Lent. Our remaining discussion will take place on 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 April 3rd 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.

Earth Day Challenge 2023

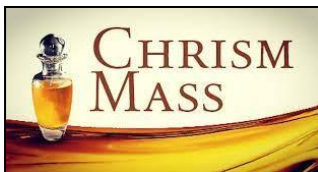
All young people are invited (along with literally everyone) to join us in our Earth Day Challenge, which will take place on Saturday, April 22. There are many ways you can participate either in a group or by yourself and can start by contacting your parish catechism coordinator or by visiting the diocesan website www.diomoncton.ca → [Pastoral Offices](#) → [Youth Faith Development](#) and then follow the link for [Earth Day Challenge 2023](#). Here you will find helpful ideas and information. We invite you to hashtag us at #youthfaithmoncton on Instagram showing us your activity and how you have chosen to celebrate Earth Day. Earth Day Challenge 2023 is an initiative of the Diocesan Youth Faith Commission.

The Call of the Catechist Webinar Series

The CCCB's National Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is offering a series of 3 free webinars for those involved in the ministry of catechesis. Sr. Janet Shaeffler, OP will offer a session on Tuesday, April 11th entitled "*The Spirituality of the Catechist*,"; April 18th, Anne Walsh (Redemptorist Lay Missionary), will offer a session entitled "*Theological Reflection and the Catechist*." All sessions will take place from 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm (Atlantic Time). For more information and to register, please contact Karen at 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com.

Upcoming Meetings

The Adult Faith Commission will meet again on Wednesday, April 5, 6:30 pm, in the basement of Immaculate Heart of Mary.



Chrism Mass: The Chrism Mass is an important event to which all faithful and priests are invited. During this beautiful and grand celebration, priests and deacons renew their commitment to service. Holy Chrism used in the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and ordination is consecrated. Also, the oil of the catechumens, and that of the sick are blessed. This solemn occasion is an opportunity for the priests and faithful of the diocese to come together and reaffirm their dedication to proclaiming the Gospel and building the Kingdom of God. I am delighted to extend to all an invitation to this year's Chrism Mass, which I will preside over on **Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Assumption in Moncton.** Welcome to all. Archbishop Valéry Vienneau.

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.*** Last way of the cross for lent will be on April 7th @ Immaculate Heart.



Hospital Chaplains

(Collection held on Good Friday - April 7, 2023)

This collection goes toward the salaries of the Chaplains who minister to the sick and dying in our hospitals and to their families.

Thank you to all those who support this collection.

The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit Holy Week Schedule

Tuesday	April 4	Chrism Mass	Cathedral	6:30 PM
Thursday	April 6	Holy Thursday	At St. Bernard's for The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit	7:00 PM
Friday	April 7	Children's Liturgy	St. Bernard's	10:00 AM
		Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	St. Bernard's	3:00 PM
		Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	St. Clement's	3:00 PM
		Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	St. Vincent's	3:00 PM
Saturday	April 8	Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil	At St. Bernard's for The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit	8:30 PM
Sunday	April 9,	Easter Sunday	St. Vincent's	9:00 AM
Sunday	April 9	Easter Sunday	St. Bernard's	11:00 AM
Sunday	April 9	Easter Sunday	St. Clement's	11:00 AM

St. Bernard's Faith Formation			
Session	Sunday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	Years 1-2-3 @ 9:15 AM	Years 1-2-3 @ 6 PM	Years 4-5-6 @ 6 PM
	Years 4-5-6 @ 12:15 PM		
#14	April 2	April 4	April 5
#15	April 16	April 18	April 19
#16	April 30	May 2	May 3
Confirmation			
Session	Sunday	Time	
#16	April 2, 2023 (Retreat)	2:00-5:00PM	
#17	April 16, 2023	3:00-4:15PM	
#18	April 30, 2023	3:00-4:15PM	
Holy Communion Preparation			
#4	March 30, 2023	6-7:15 PM	
#5	April 20, 2023	6-7:15 PM	
#6	April 24, 2023	6-7:15 PM	
Sacrament Celebrations			
Reconciliation	Holy Communion	Confirmation	
April 1 - 2:30 PM	April 23 – 11AM	May 7 – 11 AM	

EVENING PRAYER AT ST. BERNARD'S

All are invited & encouraged to gather for Evening Prayer Wednesday evening at St. Bernard's Church at 6 PM - April 5.

St. Bernard's Driveway Parking

It is with trepidation that I mention a parking restriction, even if for two spaces, but when the fire department responded to the false alarm a couple of weeks ago, they were unable to access the parking lot because of cars parked in the driveway. **We ask that you do not park in the driveway between Botsford Street and the far edge of the former rectory but keep it clear as a fire lane.**

In Sympathy

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



St. Bernard's

Maureen Betts

Sister of Edna (Yvon Tremblay)

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

Boyd Clory

Marie Godin

Rodney Frenette

Cecile Caissie

St. Clement's

Vina McGraw

Gerard McGraw

Ophelia McGraw

Shadra McGraw

Arabella McGraw

Helena Coulter

Suzanne Jones

Hudson Sweeney

Beverly Melanson

Carol Murphy

St. Vincent's

Leone Campbell

Victor Landry

Victor Tower

And for all who care for them.

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

St. Bernard's

Carmelites

April - 3rd Sat. of month, 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Meeting Room

Prayer Group

2nd Sat & last Sat. of each month @ 7 PM

Church Hall

RCIA

Next meeting Wednesday, April 19 @ 6:30 PM

Meeting Room

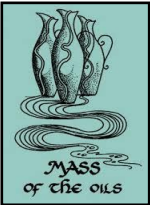
Evening Prayer

April 5 @ 6 PM

Church

HOLY WEEK - RE-LIVE THE WEEK THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

The action of this week moves from the triumph of the palm procession, through the agony and death of the Lord, to his glorious resurrection from the dead. In Holy Week the people of God take time to reflect and pray about what Jesus has done for us in his love. We become more aware of the many ways in which we continue to live and experience the dying and rising of Jesus in our daily lives.



Chrism Mass (Bilingual): Tuesday, April 4th @ 6:30 PM at Our Lady of the Assumption Cathedral. Archbishop Valéry Vienneau will preside at this Mass as he blesses the oils for the anointing of the sick, chrism for baptism, confirmation, and ordination; and the oil of catechumens for those preparing for baptism. These oils will be used in celebrating the sacraments during the coming year.

Sacred Paschal Triduum: For three full days, from Holy Thursday evening to Easter Sunday, the Church celebrates the paschal mystery of Jesus Christ. This is his work of saving us by his dying and rising, seen as one act of God's love and mercy for us. We also celebrate because Jesus has brought us into his paschal mystery by baptism. With him we are baptized into death to sin, and with him we rise to live a new life for God.

HOLY THURSDAY - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER - 7 PM

Reception of Oils: Oils will be received from the Chrism Mass.

Evening Mass: We remember the Passover feast of the Jewish people and the last supper of Jesus with his disciples when we celebrate the Eucharist this evening. Before he offers himself on the cross, Jesus takes bread and says, "**This is my body**". **He takes a cup of wine, and says, "This is my blood of the new covenant, bloodshed to save all sinners. Do this in memory of me."** We obey him each time we come together to celebrate the Eucharist.

Procession: At the end of the Mass, the Eucharistic food for the Good Friday celebration is carried reverently to a reserved place of honor in the basement hall. The altar is stripped, crosses are removed. **We leave in silence.**

Adoration: Members of the community are invited to spend time in prayer and adoration, praising the name of the Lord Jesus, by whose death and resurrection we are saved. The Church Hall will remain open for Adoration until 10 PM.



GOOD FRIDAY

Spirit of the day: As we left in silence on Thursday we gather in silence on Friday. The meaning of this day is clearly indicated by its name in English: it is **Good Friday**, the day when God did wonderful things for us by the suffering and death of his Son. Out of his death God has brought us light and life and makes it possible for us to be saved. This is indeed a good day for the world.



For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

Paschal Fast

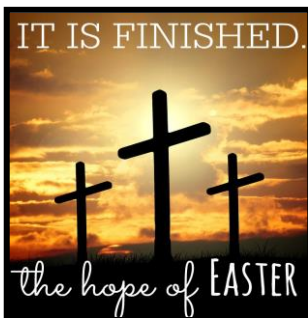
The Church of God fasts today and tomorrow to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus.

Good Friday is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.



Children's Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

(For the children and their families)



Afternoon liturgy @ 3:00 o'clock - We come together to remember what Jesus has done for us. In the service of the word, we listen to the solemn proclamation of Jesus' passion according to John, and then offer prayer for the world and for God's people, the Church. We venerate the cross.



HOLY SATURDAY

On this day, the body of Jesus lay in the guarded tomb, and the frightened disciples hid behind locked doors. In the modern Church, **Holy Saturday is a quiet day, the great Sabbath rest. The paschal fast continues, and we avoid entertainments and distractions as on Good Friday.**

Easter Vigil @ 8:30 PM: This service is the most important celebration of the Church year. It takes place during the dark hours of the night. It has four distinct stages:



Light service: After the blessing of the new fire, the priest lights the Easter candle. This represents the risen Lord, and is a visible reminder that Jesus is the light of the world.



Liturgy of the word: The readings from God's word lead us from creation through God's saving works to his greatest work, the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. We listen with faith, reflect on the word, and respond by singing psalms. The homily helps us to recognize God's mighty works in our midst.



Christian initiation: This year we have two elect for baptism. Amy & Jacob Melanson will become fully initiated at the Easter Vigil. Our baptism into the death and rising of the Lord Jesus is at the center of tonight's celebration (Rom. 6:3-11). In each parish water for baptism is solemnly blessed. The people renew their baptismal vows and are invited to come to the font of blessed water in memory of their baptism. Tonight, is celebrated as the baptismal anniversary of the whole Christian community.



Eucharist: The first Mass of Easter is celebrated with great splendor. We rejoice because Christ has been raised from the dead and because we are renewed in him.



Dear Padre,

Why do we call Jesus “the Lamb of God”? How did Jesus get that name, and why do we refer to him as a lamb? Doesn't that make him sound weak and helpless?

A lamb was a common animal of sacrifice for the Jews. The Passover account talks about sacrificing an unblemished lamb to God and eating its flesh so the people would have strength for the journey to the Promised Land.

Jesus is the perfect, unblemished sacrifice by which our sins are forgiven and we are made children of God. The Father provides Jesus as the sacrifice, and so Jesus is the Lamb of God, the sacrificial offering made because God loves us. Jesus chose to sacrifice himself according to the Father's plan. “He humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross” (Philippians 2:8). Jesus gave himself into our hands so we could be caressed by the hands of God.

Like the Passover lamb, the Lamb of God is food for us. We “eat his body” and “drink his blood.” This food and drink gives us strength for our journey of faith. The food we receive from Jesus, the Lamb, is the nourishment we need to do as St. Paul begs the Philippians—and us—to do: “Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 2:5). ●



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We are preparing to celebrate the victory of the Lord Jesus Christ over sin and death—over sin and death—not over someone and against someone else. But today, there is a war. Why do we want to win like this...? There are only losses this way. Why not allow him to win?
ANGELUS, APRIL 10, 2022

MONDAY

April 3
Monday of Holy Week
Is 42:1–7
Jn 12:1–11

TUESDAY

April 4
Tuesday of Holy Week
Is 49:1–6
Jn 13:21–33, 36–38

WEDNESDAY

April 5
Wednesday of Holy Week
Is 50:4–9a
Mt 26:14–25

THURSDAY

April 6
Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)
Chrim Mass:
Is 61:1–3a, 6a, 8b–9
Rv 1:5–8
Lk 4:16–21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:
Ex 12:1–8, 11–14
1 Cor 11:23–26
Jn 13:1–15

FRIDAY

April 7
Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)
Is 52:13–53:12
Heb 4:14–16; 5:7–9
Jn 18:1–19:42

SATURDAY

April 8
Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)
Gn 1:1–2:2 or 1:1, 26–31a
Gn 22:1–18 or 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18
Ex 14:15–15:1
Is 54:5–14
Is 55:1–11
Bar 3:9–15, 32–44
Ez 36:16–17a, 18–28
Rom 6:3–11
Mt 28:1–10

SUNDAY

April 9
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Acts 10:34a, 37–43
Col 3:1–4 or 1 Cor 5:6b–8
Jn 20:1–9 or Mt 28:1–10

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