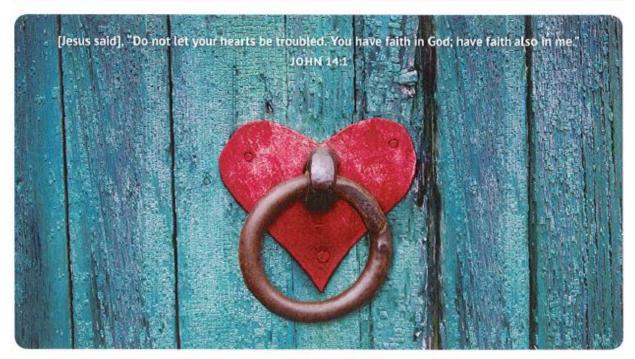
# Our Parish

May 7, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Easter (A) Acts 6:1-7 / 1 Peter 2:4-9 / John 14:1-12





# Where the Heart Is

#### FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

S ome would say that the purpose of life is to save one's soul. And certainly we should try, with the grace of God, to live our lives in such a way that we avoid evil and do good in order to do our part in building God's kingdom on earth. At the same time, we must remember that it is God who saves us. We don't save ourselves. Eternal life and happiness are byproducts of loving others. If the focus of one's life is to be happy, one never achieves it. If one seeks to serve others, however, happiness seems to find us. So also eternal life.

Robert Frost's "The Death of a Hired Man" is a poem about Silas, an aging drifter farmhand, and Warren and Mary, a farming couple who give Silas a room whenever he comes around. Silas comes when he is needed the least and leaves when his presence would be most helpful, all of which frustrates Warren. In the poem Silas has returned, and Mary thinks it will be his last time, that he is dying. She says to Warren that theirs is the only home Silas has. Warren simply shakes his head as if to gently mock the idea of home: "Home is the place where, when you have to go there, / They have to take you in." Mary says it differently, "I should have called it / Something you somehow haven't to deserve."

Is that not also the promise of Jesus? "In my Father's

Where do you feel truly at home—and is Jesus invited?

Reflect

house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" (John 14:2). Something we somehow haven't to deserve.

Fourth Sunda	May 7, 2023			
Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit				
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	Mass times / Intentions: May 8 – 14, 2023						
	St. Bernard's						
	(May 8, 11, 12 Masses will be at Holy Family – see note on next page)						
Mon.	May 8	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Charles LeBlanc	Dorothy Donovan			
Thur.	May 11	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Nick Evers	Casey and Betty Evers			
Fri.	May 12	9:30 AM	Anniv. Late Bill and Evy Coughran	Family			
Sat.	May 13	4:00 PM	Anniv. Late Susan Fortin	Family			
Sun	Sun May 14 11:00 AM For the people						
	St. Clement's						
Sat.	May 13	7:00 PM	Late Boyne Murphy	Brenda Thompson			
St. Vincent's							
Sun.	May 14	9:00 AM	Late Michael Horyl	David and Lorraine Horyl			



Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession

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

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		St 0	Clement's Parish St	aff		
Parish Secretary	Parish Secretary Pam Van Egmond					
OFFERINCS April 29 & 30, 2023						
			St. Bernard's			
Envelopes	\$ 3,420.	00	Loose		\$ 564.95	
Karing Kitchen	\$ 76.	20	Share Lent		\$ 10.00	
Good Friday	\$ 15.	00	Capital Campaign		\$ 200.00	
Ash Wednesday	\$ 10.	00				
St. Clement's						
Envelopes \$ 1,240.00		00	Loose		\$ 15.00	
St. Vincent's						
Envelopes	\$ 1,445.	00	Loose		\$ 15.00	
Easter	\$ 20.00		Maintenance		\$ 10.00	
Holy Thursday	\$ 10.00		Good Friday		\$ 10.00	
Share Lent	\$ 10.00		Canada Helps		\$ 92.50	
Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!						



A time to mourn.....

Sincere sympathies to the family of:



Jess Frontaine

Grandfather of Erin (Peter) 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...

St. Bernard's						
Judy Chiasson	Roger Berube	Ida Caruso				
Patricia Devine	Boyd Clory	May Smith				
Ed Muise	Kevin O'Brien	Diana Bathurst				
Joan Frontaine						
	St. Clement's					
Vina McGraw	Gerard McGraw	Ophelia McGraw				
Shadra McGraw	Arabella McGraw	Carol Murphy				
Suzanne Jones	Hudson Sweeney	Beverly Melanson				
Margo Kennedy						
St. Vincent's						
Leone Campbell	Victor Landry	Victor Tower				
John Gates						
And for all who care for them.						



Bursaries



**<u>St. Bernard's Church is offering a \$1000 bursary</u>** to a student graduating from High School in June 2023, who is a parishioner, and is pursuing post-secondary studies. <u>Mail or email your letter of application, including your future plans, to arrive no later than Friday, June 30, 2023 to</u>: St. Bernard's Church, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB, E1C 4W9 <u>or</u> Email to: sbhf@rogers.com

**The WAK Chapter of the Irish Canadian Cultural Association of NB** is pleased to offer a \$500.00 Dan & Marie McGee Medical Science bursary to a student entering or attending a postsecondary study in the medical field. Please include a personal letter detailing your future plans by mail to The Irish Association, P.O. Box 26022, Moncton, NB E1E 4H9 or email: watchdog@nb.sympatico.ca Deadline: June 1, 2023. St. Bernard's

## CHANGE OF LOCATION St. Bernard's 9:30 AM weekday Masses Monday, Thursday & Friday - May 8, 11, & 12 WILL BE HELD AT HOLY FAMILY NOT AT ST. BERNARD'S

(to allow for contractor work occurring in parking lot of St. Bernard's)



Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM. Please continue to pray for our candidates as they prepare to receive the sacrament.



#### Graduation Mass – Sunday, June 11, 2023 @11:00 AM.

With much hard work and dedication, high school graduation is just around the corner! We will celebrate our students who are graduating with a graduation mass. If your child is graduating from high school this year, please confirm their attendance by either calling the office @ 857-0425 or email me directly at lorella\_st.bernards@hotmail.com by <u>May 29, 2023.</u> Blessings, Lorella



## Claire Clory, St. Bernard's organist / pianist retired effective April 30 2023

Claire has helped bring the message and wisdom of Christ to our congregation through thoughtful planning of the church's music. Musically lifting the hearts of our congregation to walk more closely with the Lord. Her musical contributions over the years have greatly enhanced our weekly services.

Thank you so very much!!!

May God's constant love be upon you, as you trust Him in all things.



**St. Bernard's General Meeting, Sunday, May 28, 2023 @ 2 PM Church Hall.** Brief presentations from the various committees of St. Bernard's will be given. All parishioners are encouraged and invited to attend. Come and be informed of what takes place in our parish.

CALENDAR	St. Bernard's	
Carmelites	May: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat. of month, 9:00 -11:00 AM	Meeting Room
Prayer Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat & last Sat. of each month @ 7 PM	Church Hall
RCIA	Next meetings Weds., May 17 @ 6:30 PM	Meeting Room

#### St. Vincent's

**FAITH FORMATION** – Catechism sessions are ending for 2022-23 and we request parents to fill out an evaluation/feedback form (print copies available in the hall and an online link will be emailed). The older group meets for a final session this Sunday after Mass.

Also take note of the formation offerings by the diocesan team, such as the online Faith Express session (May  $8^{th}$ ) and the Vacation Bible School (June  $26^{th} - 29^{th}$ ).

<u>Confirmation candidates</u> – continue your selfless activities and please add some 'helpful hands' to our community service poster in the church vestibule. Contact Cathy at <u>ccrinnion@yahoo.ca</u> or 506-536-4470 to participate in our youth faith program.

**Holy Rosary – St. Vincent Cemetery** – We are looking for volunteer to be a back up for the Cemetery whenever the Chair of the Committee is unavailable. If you are interested in offering your time, please contact the Parish Office at 536-1460 or <a href="style="text-align: cell;">style="text-align: cell;"/style="text-align: cell

**CONGRATULATIONS** – From the parishioners of St. Vincent's, congratulations are offered to Frank Quinn on his ordination as a transitional deacon for the priesthood.

St. Vincent's Faith Formation schedule as follows:				
May 7 <sup>th</sup> @ 10am Elementary group catechism (final session)–church hall				
May 14 <sup>th</sup> @ 9am Mass	Baptism of Pearl Liefer!			
	First Eucharist for Hazel Liefer and Tom Dowling			
May 28 <sup>th</sup> @ 9am Mass	Confirmation for 10 parish youth in grades 7 – 10			



Knight of Columbus Council 1310: 84 Broadway St., Moncton Sunday Breakfast: May 7 @ 8:30 – 12:30, Cost: Adults \$8, Children \$3 (5yrs & under Free) All are welcome!



St. Bernard's needs an accompanist for our weekend masses. If you can play piano/keyboard, or organ, or guitar, please give some serious thought to sharing your musical gifts with our song leaders and music ministry as we lead the congregation in singing to give glory to God! If you are

interested, please call the parish office and leave your contact information. Thank you!

#### Annual Collection for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund May 6 and 7

A sincere thank you for your donations to the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. There is still very much to be done to repair the legacy of the past, to overcome deep-seated systemic racism, and to establish an equal footing between reconciled indigenous and non-indigenous peoples. No measure can fully erase the pain of the survivors or that of the people living with intergenerational trauma. However, by listening to and cultivating trusting relationships with our indigenous peoples, we hope to learn to walk together on the path leading to truth and healing. The projects we will be able to support locally, thanks to your generosity, will be concrete signs of our commitment to accompany our indigenous brothers and sisters on the long road to reconciliation. For those who may not have had the opportunity to contribute to the Reconciliation Fund, there are envelopes still available in the churches. You can pick one up and make your donation whenever you wish. Thank you very, very much. May God bless us and sustain us in our efforts to bring people together leading to reconciliation.

## Thank you. Archbishop Valéry Vienneau.



From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis To contact us:

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**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 May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. For more information, Contact Karen at 387-4198 or <u>karen.diocese@gmail.com</u>. Register online at www.diomoncton.ca  $\rightarrow$  Pastoral Offices  $\rightarrow$  Youth Faith Development.

**Being Present: Caregivers and the People They Care For:** Save the Dates! The Committee Looking at End of Life Pastoral Care will offer a session designed for those who provide care to the sick / infirm, facilitated by Louise Ongo of St. Bernard's Parish. The first session will take place on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at Immaculate Conception Church (8 School Street) in Rexton and go from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. Louise will offer the same session a second time on May 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Bernard's Church (42 Botsford Street) in Moncton, from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm.

<u>Vacation Bible School 2023:</u> The theme of this year's in-person Vacation Bible School will be **Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light** and will run from June  $26^{th}-29^{th}$  in the mornings at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview. Registration is open to anyone aged 3 up to the end of grade 6, and there will be a \$20 deposit required which will be returned at the end of the program. Register online by visiting www.diomoncton.ca  $\rightarrow$  Pastoral Offices  $\rightarrow$  Youth Faith Development  $\rightarrow$  Vacation Bible School and then click on the poster. Contact Karen at 387-4918 or <u>karen.diocese@gmail.com</u>

# Dear Padre,

#### I know a Catholic couple who wanted to celebrate their sacrament of matrimony at a Mass in a forest, but the bishop didn't allow it. Why not marry in God's creation?

A marriage between Catholics or between a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic is usually celebrated in a parish church. It can be celebrated in another church or oratory with the bishop or pastor's permission. A marriage between a Catholic and an unbaptized person can be celebrated in a church or another suitable place, although a Catholic church remains the preferred place for the celebration.

Why is the parish church the preferred site for the celebration? For



Catholics, matrimony is a sacrament—one of the seven sacred signs through which God communicates love to us. When Catholics ask God to bind their union as a sacrament, the couple's love for each other is a sign of God's love for both, and their union is also a continuous sign of Christ's love for the Church. Thus, the church as a "house of God." which contains the presence of Christ, is revered as the most sacred place to make this most sacred commitment, Marriage, according to Pope Francis in a 2015 General Audience, "is not merely a ceremony in a church, with flowers, a dress, photographs....Christian marriage is a sacrament that takes place in the Church, and which also makes the Church, by giving rise to a new family community....[Saint] Paul says that the love between spouses is an image of the love between Christ and his Church. An unimaginable dignity!" .

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

#### Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
May 8	May 9	May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14
Easter Weekday	Weekday	Sixth Sunday				
Acts 14:5-18	Acts 14:19-28	Acts 15:1-6	Acts 15:17-21	Acts 15:22-31	Acts 16:1-10	of Easter
Jn 14:21-26	Jn 14:27-31a	Jn 15:1-8	Jn 15:9-11	Jn 15:12-17	Jn 15:18-21	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
						1 Pt 3:15-18
						Jn 14:15-21



#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

[Jesus] knows that, in life, the worst anxiety, anguish, arises from the sensation of not being able to cope, of feeling alone and without points of reference when faced with events. We cannot overcome this anguish alone...and this is why Jesus asks us to have faith in him, that is, to lean not on ourselves but on him.

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 10, 2020

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