Our Parish

June 25, 2023 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Jeremiah 20:10–13 / Romans 5:12–15 / Matthew 10:26-33



Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body. MATTHEW 10:28

What Is a Soul, if Not...?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

he Gospel of Matthew warns that the greater danger is not about those who may kill the body, but rather it is about those who can destroy both body and soul. Indeed, what if our soul dies long before our body dies? What then has become of our living?

Henry David Thoreau spent a year at Walden Pond in 1845. He did not go to escape life, he said, but to preserve it, to live it more fully. "I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not when I came to die, discover that I had not lived," he wrote in *Walden* in 1854. "I did not wish to live what was not life, living is so dear, nor did I wish to practice resignation, unless it was quite necessary. I wanted to live deep and suck out all the marrow of life, to live so sturdily and Spartan-like as to put to rout all that was not life."

To have a soul is not as if some otherworldly reality has been given a home in our body. Rather, to have a soul is to have a source of hope even in the face of failure, to love in imitation of Jesus even when we are not loved, to see goodness even when it is hidden, to trust in God even when we are powerless. It is the source of mystery, of all that is transcendent, the home of all that is holy.

> Reflect How would you know if your soul was in danger?

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time		June 25, 2023
	Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit	
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	Mass times / Intentions: June 26 to July 2, 2023			
	St. Bernard's			
Mon.	June26	9:30AM	Funeral – June Cusack	
Thur.	June29	9:30 AM	Special Intentions Parishioner	
Fri.	June30	9:30 AM	Late Viola Parsons	Marie Therese Surette
5Sat.	July 1	4:00 PM	Anniv. Late Robert Fergusson	Chris, Heather & Katie
Sun	July 2	11:00 AM	For the people	
	St. Clement's			
Sat.	July 1	7:00 PM	Late Frank Juryn	Doris Gunputrav and family
St. Vincent's				
Sun.	July 2	9:00 AM	Late Ralph & Ruth Cormier	Edmee Cormier



Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession Saturdays, 1:00 PM at St. Bernard's

OFFERING	S	une 17 & 18, 2023 - RECEIVED B	BY MAIL & ONLINE	
	St. Bernard's			
Envelopes	\$ 2,828.20	Loose	\$ 525.80	
Karing Kitchen	\$ 100.00	Building /Capital Campaign	\$ 180.00	
Reconnect	\$ 40.00			
St. Clement's				
Envelopes	\$ 415.00	Donations with Receipt	\$ 75.00	
Loose	\$ 10.00	Fundraiser	\$ 640.15	
St. Vincent's				
Envelopes	\$ 2,155.00	Loose	\$ 14.00	
Maintenance	\$ 35.00			
Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!				



During the summer months church contributions normally decrease while parishioners are travelling and vacationing. However, the expenses to run our churches remain constant and increase as necessary maintenance / repairs are completed. Please give consideration to "making up" missed contributions. Thank you for your continued generosity! God Bless!

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Parish Contributions through the pre-authorized payment system:

For those who contribute through pre-authorized payments – please note: if you wish, when entering the church, you may pick up a "Contribution through the pre-authorized payment system" laminated card. At collection time, simply drop into the collection basket.

Pre-authorized payments are a convenient and easy way to make parish contributions automatically. Our lives are busy and the intention to give is there, but life has a way of throwing us off our plans. A simple and easy way to contribute to St. Bernard's is pre-Authorized Payments (PAP). PAP giving allows your "intention to be generous" to be realized. It is safe, reliable, easy to keep track of, and easy to set-up. You can choose the frequency of your gift weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly; whatever works best for you. Once set up it may be stopped at anytime if necessary. If you would like more information or to set up a PAD, please contact the parish office.



St. Bernard's Summer Office Hours: Monday to Friday: 9:00AM to 12:00 noon



A time to mourn.....

Sincere sympathies to the family of:



And to all who mourn the loss of a loved one.

Gary VanBuskirk	Husband of (late) Bernadette, father of Todd (Joanne), (late)		
	Krista, grandfather of Molly & William		
Marion "Melvina" Glidden	Wife of Paul		
Irene Muketiwa	Mother of Blessed (Josephine), grandmother of Alvin & Allison		

	Ecclesíastes 3
Prayer	Under every season there is a timeA 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	Ed Muise				
Diana Bathurst	Mike Grant	Marie Godin				
Norm Gallant	lan MacLeod					
	St. Clement's					
Vina McGraw	Gerard McGraw	Ophelia McGraw				
Shadra McGraw	Arabella McGraw	Carol Murphy				
Hudson Sweeney	Beverly Melanson	Pam Gagnon				
St. Vincent's						
Mary and Art Chase	Leone Campbell	Victor Laundry				
Victor Tower	Vince Wood					
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</u> <u>or email your letter of application, including your future plans, to arrive no later</u> <u>than Friday, June 30, 2023</u>, to: 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 5 bursaries, valued at **\$200.00 each**, to student entering or attending postsecondary studies. Mail or email your personal letter of application, including your future plans to: The Irish Association, PO Box 26022, Moncton, NB E1E 4H9 or email: watchdog@nb.sympatico.ca Deadline: June 30, 2023.

St. Clement's

Successful Fundraiser - We had a very successful yard sale and bake sale last Sat. Joining in with the whole of Strait Shores we raised \$640.15. Thank you to all who donated items, especially Jan Legere who took the lead in this fundraiser.

St. Vincent's

Faith Formation - During the summer months, while there is a pause in catechism sessions, we would like to offer social activities to our younger parishioners, and we need volunteers with a recent Vulnerable Sector Check. Contact Cathy Crinnion to get involve so that we can provide fun and nurturing activities in the summer – email or call <u>ccrinnion@yahoo.ca</u> / (506) 536-4470.

Prayerful Condolences- We extend prayerful condolences to Charles and Susan Lafford and their children, Patrick and Annie, on the death of Susan's mother, Beverly Mills, on June 16, 2023. May she rest in the arms of our loving God.

Help Needed – St. Vincent's Parish is committed to bringing Holy Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass at Church. Currently, we bring Communion to Catholics who reside at the Drew Nursing Home and the Autumn Lee Special Care Home following mass on Sundays. We have four dedicated and committed volunteers, but we are in need of one or two more individuals who would like to participate in this ministry. If you are interested, or think you might be interested, please contact the Parish Office at 536-1460 or stvince@nbnet.nb.ca or Lynn Sitland Isitland@live.com. With more people to help with this ministry, the residents of these homes will be able to count on us to receive Communion once per week, throughout the year. They are so appreciative of this!

Congratulations to Meg Gates, daughter of Steve and Yoshie Gates, and Akarsh Pai on the celebration of their marriage in Saint John, NB, on June 10, 2023! Best wishes from you St. Vincent family!

Baptism – St. Vincent's celebrated the Baptism of Sami Joannah Tariao Velasco, daughter of Samuel Velasco and Jo-an Tariao on Sunday, June 18, 2023. St. Vincent's parishioners were invited to enjoy of beautiful luncheon with her family and friends in the Parish Hall following the baptism. Welcome Sami Joannah!!



St. Vincent's parish recognizes the achievements of our high school graduates, Class of 2023, and wishes them the best on their future endeavors!

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What is ReConnect?

The ReConnect Street Intervention Program is part of the YMCA. They have been providing short term and long-term assistance for several years, through outreach to youth and adults who are homeless or at risk of being homeless.

Through immediate charitable action and work to help individuals develop choices and approaches in their life that will help them be more self-sufficient. ReConnect partners with downtown merchants, community organizations and local churches to ensure that overall community needs are being addressed as well as the needs of those they are helping. ReConnect often meets individuals and families at times of crisis, so they are addressing issues with food, safe housing, employment, and counseling. The downtown churches gather monthly with ReConnect to receive updates on their interventions, hear about services and resources available and consider ways that we can be of assistance.



For all of us, the Church; to love and care for one another, to proclaim the gospel to those who have never known Christ, and to pray for those who repent and long for transformation. *We pray:*

For world leaders and those in highly influential positions. May the Lord grant them wisdom to make the right decisions for the safety and wellbeing of all. *We pray:*

For all countries suffering from humanitarian crisis – drought, famine, fires, floods, and wars; also, for the dead and all those affected by the bus accident in Manitoba, and the train accident in India. *We pray:*

For all Christians, to be gentle and kind, leading by example, bringing people closer to God. *We pray:*

For all churches serving the greater Moncton area. We pray.



No Scent Policy

Out of respect for those with sensitivities, please avoid wearing scented products in the Church, Parish Office & the Church Hall. Thank you.



May God's blessings be with you. Have a great week.

Dear Padre,

A friend of mine wants to be cremated. Does the Church permit it?

The Church permits cremation when extraordinary circumstances warrant it. There was never a direct canonical ban on cremation until 1886, simply because it was not widely practiced by the Christian Church; its members preferred inhumation-the traditional form of burial-in hopeful imitation of Christ, whose body was resurrected from the dead. The Church reacted to a proliferation of nineteenth-century cremation societies, primarily in Europe, with a decree that forbade Catholics from membership



in these societies or from cremation (with obvious exceptions made in times of public crisis, plaques, wars, etc.). The Church restated the ban as late as 1926 out of concern that these groups were anti-religious in promoting cremation as an argument against belief in the resurrection.

The Vatican has allowed cremation as an acceptable alternative to burial since 1963, except in cases where irreligious motives are apparent (Canon 1176, No. 3). Nevertheless, "although cremation is now permitted by the Church, it does not enjoy the same value as burial of the body. The Church clearly prefers and urges that the body of the deceased be present for the funeral rites, since the presence of the human body better expresses the values which the Church affirms in those rites" (No. 413, Order of Christian Funerals, "Appendix 2, Cremation," 1997). Moreover, while the Church permits cremation, the scattering of ashes is forbidden. They are to be reserved with reverence in a sacred place.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS



The great danger in today's world, pervaded as it is by consumerism. is the desolation and anguish born of a complacent

yet covetous heart, the feverish pursuit of frivolous pleasures, and a blunted conscience.... God's voice is no longer heard, the quiet joy of his love is no longer felt, and the desire to do good fades.

> APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION, JOY OF THE GOSPEL (EVANGELII GAUDIUM), **NOVEMBER 24, 2013**

MONDAY

June 26 Weekday Gn 12:1-9 Mt 7:1-5

TUESDAY

June 27 Weekday Gn 13:2, 5-18 Mt 7:6, 12-14

WEDNESDAY

June 28 St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr Gn 15:1-12, 17-18 Mt 7:15-20

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

THURSDAY June 29 Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles Acts 12:1-11 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 Mt 16:13-19

FRIDAY

June 30 Weekday Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 Mt 8:1-4

SATURDAY

July 1 Weekday Gn 18:1-15 Mt 8:5-17

SUNDAY

July 2 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Mt 10:37-42

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