

## **Build Love Not Walls**

#### FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

n Robert Frost's poem "Mending Wall," he tells how each spring he meets with his farming neighbor, and the two of them walk along on either side of the stone wall that marks their property to replace the stones toppled by the ice of winter. His neighbor loves the idea of a wall, inspired by his father's advice that "good fences make good neighbors." Frost, however, is not convinced and keeps suggesting that "something there is that doesn't love a wall," as if walls are not intrinsic to God's creation.

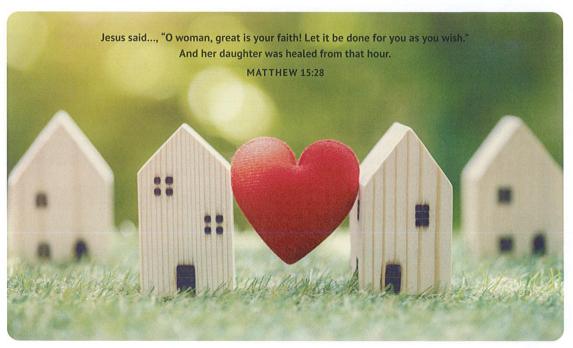
We humans seem to like our boundaries. As children, we divide ourselves between girl germs and boy germs and draw imaginary lines in the back seats of cars. Later we build walls everywhere—the Great Wall of China, the Berlin Wall, the structures at Mexico's border, backyard fences, and gated communities. We set up national boundaries, build emotional walls, relegate people to ghettos and the other side of the tracks, and we differentiate among religions, arguing over which is God's preference. We seem to use walls rather than love to give us our identity.

Some Scripture scholars suggest that this Sunday's Gospel event was a turning point where it became clear that Jesus came to save not only the Jewish people but all people, believers and unbelievers alike. Seeing her faith, Jesus

willingly cured the Canaanite woman's daughter. With God there are no boundaries or walls—not those of nations, not those imposed by languages and customs, not those we use to divide people of faith.

#### Reflect-

Have you ever felt isolated by a wall? Who built it—you or someone else?



#### **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

August 20, 2023

#### **Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit**



St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford St., Moncton, NB E1C 4W9

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St. Vincent's

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St. Clement's

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Mass times / Intentions: August 21 - 27, 2023					
St. Bernard's					
Mon.	Aug 21	9:30AM	Late Silvia Rocca	Michelina, Nicola & Family	
Thur.	Aug 24	9:30 AM	Late Charles (Chuck) Kinney	Jessie & Peter	
Fri.	Aug 25	9:30 AM	Late Paul Emile LeBlanc	Claire Hachey	
Sat.	Aug 26	4:00 PM	Late Jeffrey Ermen	Sam & Donna Ermen	
Sun	Aug 27	11:00 AM	For the people		
St. Clement's					
Sat.	Aug 26	7:00 PM	Late Ted Carroll	Parishioner	
St. Vincent's					
Sun.	Aug 27	9:00 AM	For the People		



Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession Prior to weekday masses, 8:30AM – 9:20AM Saturdays, 1:00 PM at St. Bernard's

OFFERING	S	RECEIVED BY MAIL & C	DNLINE			
St. Bernard's - July 22 & 23, 2023						
Envelopes	\$ 2,561.25	Loose collection	\$ 635.70			
Karing kitchen	\$ 48.60	Reconnect	\$ 10.00			
Indigenous	\$ 5.00	Capital campaign	\$ 115.00			
St. Bernard's - July 29 & 30, 2023						
Envelopes	\$ 4,435.00	Loose collection	\$ 618.25			
Easter offering	\$ 50.00	Karing kitchen	\$ 5.00			
Reconnect	\$ 40.00	Capital campaign	\$ 810.00			
St. Bernard's - August 5 & 6, 2023						
Envelopes	\$ 4,680.06	Loose collection	\$ 606.00			
Karing kitchen	\$ 44.75	Syrian relief	\$ 35.00			
Indigenous	\$ 70.00	Capital campaign	\$ 1,542.00			
St. Bernard's - August 12 & 13, 2023						
Envelopes	\$ 6,416.67	Loose collection	\$ 682.50			
Karing kitchen	\$ 99.00	Indigenous	\$ 170.00			
Capital campaign	\$ 945.00					
St. Clement's - August 12, 2023						
Envelopes	\$ 260.00	Loose collection	\$ 67.10			
Donations	\$ 360.00	Bake Sale Donation	\$ 50.00			
St. Vincent's - August 13, 2023						
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 920.00	Maintenance	\$ 100.00			
Loose	\$ 152.00	HST Rebate	\$ 1,135.31			
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:

<u>For those who contribute through pre-authorized payments</u> – 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 setup. 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 @ 506-857-0425.



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



Jeanne Melanson Mother of Rachelle (Leigh) Donovan & grandmother of Mary, Adrianna & Ellie

### 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			
Karen Catubig	Al Gallant	Shirley Clement				
		St. Clement's				
Vina McGraw	Gerard McGraw	Ophelia McGraw	Shadra McGraw			
Arabella McGraw	Carol Murphy	Hudson Sweeney	Beverly Melanson			
Pam Gagnon	Margaret Shriver					
St. Vincent's						
Vince Wood	Mary & Art Chase	Leone Campbell	Victor Landry			
And for all who care for them.						

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St. Clement's Parish Staff					
Parish Secretary	Pam Van Egmond				



#### St. Bernard's

Carmelites	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. of the 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	To resume in the fall	Meeting Room



#### **Farewell Deacon Frank Quinn**

Deacon Frank will be leaving the Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit to return to St. Peter's Seminary in London, ON to complete his studies as a Transitional Deacon journeying toward the Priesthood.

Please take a moment to come to St. Bernard's Parish Hall

(After St. Bernard's 11 AM Mass, August 27th - approximately 12 noon)

to wish him well and thank him for his contributions to

The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit. All are invited. Light refreshments will be served.

Best wishes on your next assignment Deacon Frank. God bless you :)



### Prayer of the Faithful

For the whole church: may we be a community ever open to God's call. *We pray:* 

For those who continue to advocate for the less fortunate, the working poor, and the homeless, despite setbacks. *We pray:* 

For those who feel unworthy, or doubt God's love for them. We pray:

For those who suffer from the summer heat or the effects of climate change. We pray:

For the openness and willingness to help others when they are afraid or anxious. **We pray:** 

Fr. Broderick will be away for the period August 23 – September 4, 2023.

#### St. Vincent's

**CONGRATULATIONS** – Congratulations and God's blessings to Liam Wilson-Black, the recipient of the \$500 bursary from St. Vincent's Parish. An avid soccer player, Liam will be attending Mount Allison University in the fall. The parishioners of St. Vincent's wish you the very best on your future endeavors!

Thank you to all applicants for their applications. We wish you a successful year in your fields of study!

**PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES** – We extend our prayerful condolences to Sherma Terrio and her family on the death of her husband, James Terrio, who died on August 12, 2023, at the Moncton Hospital. <u>May he rest in the arms of our loving God.</u>

**2023-2024 ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSAL** – If you wish to order, please notify the Parish Office by no later than September 17<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be approximately \$3.50 plus shipping.

**FRAME FOR DONATED PAINTING** – St. Vincent's parish is looking for someone to frame the beautiful painting that has been donated by a parishioner to our church, located on the left as you enter the church. If you can do this, or if you know of someone who we could contract to do this, please contact Lorraine at the Parish Office 506-536-1460 or <a href="mailto:stvince@nbnet.nb.ca">stvince@nbnet.nb.ca</a>.

**DONATIONS FOR MASS OFFERINGS** – As of April 10, 2023, please note that a donation of \$15 is now requested per Mass Intention.

**ANNIVERSARIES/BIRTHDAYS/SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS** - Parishioners are encouraged to notify the Parish Office of milestone anniversaries and birthdays, as well as special celebrations of family and friends. Please call 506-536-1460 and leave a voice mail if no one is in the office or email stvince@nbnet.nb.ca.

**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 involved so that we can provide fun and nurturing activities in the summer -- email or call <a href="mailto:ccrinnion@yahoo.ca">ccrinnion@yahoo.ca</a> / (506) 536-4470

**PRESENTATION OF GIFTS** - We have resumed the practice of parishioners bringing the gifts of bread, wine, collection, and food bank donations to the altar during the liturgy of the Eucharist. As a way of contributing to the life of our parish, you are encouraged to offer to assist with this practice. A sign-up sheet is located at the entrance to the church. Thank you!

**CHALICE** – Luhombero, Tanzania – John Blakely, St. Vincent's contact for Chalice, writes: "I would like to thank our generous donors, those who are regular donors and those who are occasional. Google maps shows that there are no roads, bridges, or few tracks in this area of Tanzania, which is one of the most desolate areas of Africa. For this project, St. Vincent's has to date donated \$900 and will be forwarding an additional \$500 in the near future. Thank you all for your generous donations to Chalice Charity." Please note the Chalice donation box is located on the left as you enter the church.



# From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis To contact us:

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**Monday @ The Movies** - Our next film discussion will take place on Monday, August 21st at 10:30 am via Zoom. We will be discussing the 1942 film Casablanca, starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman. Mondays @ The Movies is a film discussion group designed to spark conversation about issues of faith and spirituality found in popular films. Please contact Trevor at 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com if you are interested.

**"THE WAY OF BEAUTY" WEBINARS** - In September 2023, the CCCB Office for Evangelization and Catechesis will host a webinar series, titled "The Way of Beauty" inviting leaders of catechesis and evangelization to reflect on the way of beauty and its powerful witness in the life of the Church.

The three sessions of "The Way of Beauty" webinar series will be:

- 1) "Beauty and Catechesis" Dr. Jem Sullivan Thursday 7 September from 1: :00-2:30 pm EDT
- 2) "Beauty and Evangelization" Mr. David Dayler Thursday 14 September from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT
- 3) "Beauty and Liturgy" Fr. Paul Massel
  Thursday 14 September from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT

If you wish to attend any of the webinar sessions contact Trevor at <a href="mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com">trevord.diocese@gmail.com</a> or 857-4879

**SAVE THE DATE! TENDING THE SOIL, TENDING THE SOWER 2023 CATECHIST FORMATION –** Will take place on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am – 2:00pm (brunch provided) at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Riverview. This year's facilitator will be Charlene Peters from the Diocese of Charlottetown who will offer a session entitled "He Restores my Soul". This formation is open to anyone serving in parish ministry. Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or <a href="mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com">trevord.diocese@gmail.com</a> to register.

JOB POSTING – FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR (24-35) HOURS PER WEEK – The Archdiocese of Moncton is seeking a Financial Administrator. Interested candidates must demonstrate financial management, project management, decision making skills and be bilingual. Candidates may submit their CV to the Archdiocese of Moncton reception office, 224 St. George Street, Moncton, to the attention of Mgr Valéry Vienneau, no later than September 5, 2023. A job description is available at annettel.diocese@gmail.com

## Dear Padre,

Why are the Scripture readings for Mass so piecemeal? We read part of a verse then jump to another part. Doesn't reading it like this distort the meaning of the passage?

The readings for Mass are in a book called the Lectionary. Our current Lectionary was set up after the Second Vatican Council. It uses a three-year cycle for the Sunday readings, so over three years we hear the majority of the Bible at Mass. Its introduction states, "The present Order of Readings for Mass, then, is an arrangement of biblical readings that provides the faithful with a knowledge of the whole of God's word, in a pattern suited to the purpose" (General Introduction to the Lectionary, Second Edition, 60).

So the readings are not "piecemeal" but rather arranged so that we are exposed to the whole of God's word within three years. At times a given reading may not be complete—for example, the second reading for today is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, chapter eleven, verses 13-15 and 29-32. This is

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR / DearPadre.org

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY August 21 August 22 August 23 August 24 August 25 August 26 August 27 St. Pius X, Queenship of the Weekday St. Bartholomew, Weekday Weekday Twenty-first Blessed Virgin Apostle Pope Jgs 9:6-15 Ru 1:1, 3-6, Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; Sunday in Mary 14b-16, 22 Ordinary Time Jgs 2:11-19 Mt 20:1-16 Rev 21:9b-14 4:13-17 Jqs 6:11-24a In 1:45-51 Mt 22:34-40 Mt 23:1-12 Is 22:19-23 Mt 19:16-22 Mt 19:23-30 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20

done not only for brevity but for clarity. Those who organized the Lectionary thought that this excerpt made the message clearer or gave better emphasis to a point in the reading. It certainly is good to get out your Bible and read the whole section so you can see what is missing, but when the word is proclaimed at Mass, the current arrangement

#### Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

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#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Each one of us has our own story and...it is not always a clean story.... Many times it is a difficult story, with a lot of pain....What do I do with my story? Do I hide it? No! We must bring it before the Lord. "Lord, if You will it, vou can heal me!"

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is most effective.

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