



## The Jesus Question

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

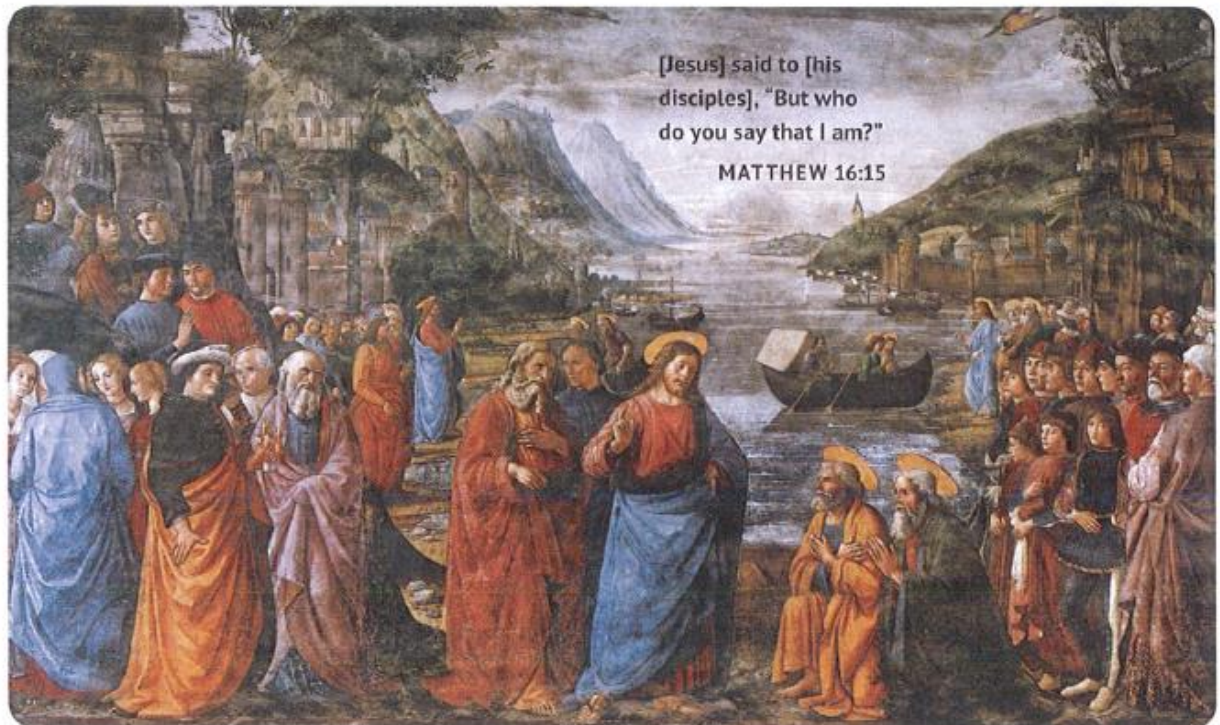
**O**ver the years I've asked many people what they believe about Jesus and who he is for them. I've always nudged them away from the expected answer simply because I was interested in who he was for them down deep in their spirits. It's been a whole wheelbarrow full of answers, yes it has, a full and varied garden.

Some said they thought he was a very good human being, though they hedged when I asked if they thought he was also of God. Others thought he was a prophet, though they also backed away from anything that hinted of the divine. For some, Jesus was God dressed in human skin, as if he were simply playing at being human. Some labeled him a reformer and others a teacher. None of them dismissed Jesus as irrelevant or a remnant of the past. And for many, Jesus is the truth professed by Peter, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." He is the Word made flesh, the wisdom of God among us, the one who lives.

In one way or another all of us must answer the question Jesus asks of his disciples in today's Gospel: "Who do you say that I am?" The question is just as relevant today as it was when Jesus asked it. For some, their yes is without doubt. For others, it is a questioning journey of coming to faith. All of us are faced with that question: Who is Jesus for us today in the way we live our life? ●

### Reflect

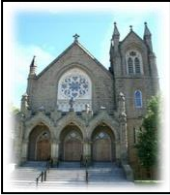
*Who do you say Jesus is and how does your answer make a difference in your life?*



[Jesus] said to [his disciples], "But who do you say that I am?"

MATTHEW 16:15

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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Mass times / Intentions: August 28 to September 3, 2023

St. Bernard's

Mon.	Aug 28, 2023	9:30AM	Late Dr. John Harlan Clark	Frank Quinn
Thur.	Aug 31, 2023	9:30 AM	Late Barrie Bellefontaine	Marie Stone & family
Fri.	Sept 1, 2023	9:30 AM	Special Intention	Roberta
Sat.	Sept 2, 2023	4:00 PM	Late Andrew Perry	Family
Sun	Sept 3, 2023	11:00 AM	For the People	

St. Clement's

Sat.	Sept 2, 2023	7:00 PM	Late Policarpio, Gloria, Balodoy, Juanito, Vicenta, Crispin Jr & Sr, Magdalena, Arcenio, Tersa, & All souls	Tario & Zamora
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St. Vincent's

Sun.	Sept 3, 2023	9:00 AM	The souls in Purgatory	Joanne Carroll
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**Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession at St. Bernard's**  
**Prior to weekday masses: 8:30AM – 9:20AM / Saturdays: 1:00 PM**

# OFFERINGS

## RECEIVED BY MAIL & ONLINE

### St. Bernard's – August 19 & 20, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 3,647.00	Loose collection	\$ 699.50
Karing kitchen	\$ 120.20	Religious education	\$ 20.00
Syrian family	\$ 200.00	Capital campaign	\$ 795.00
Papal charities	\$ 10.00		

### St. Clement's – August 19, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 525.00	Donations with receipt	\$ 135.00
Loose collection	\$ 10.00	Bake sale	\$ 832.00

### St. Vincent's – August 20, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 1,050.00	Loose collection	\$ 80.00
HR-SV Cemetery	\$ 100.00		

*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 your parish is through 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.



39<sup>th</sup> Annual Papal Site Mass: (Magnetic Hill) The Archdiocese of Moncton and the Knights of Columbus invite all to the Annual Papal Site Mass. Come and help us celebrate the **39<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Saint Pope John Paul II** visit to Moncton, NB. There will be a bilingual recital of the Rosary at the Prayer Garden at 10:00 am, followed by a procession to the Papal Site for the 11:00 am celebration of the Mass. Following the Mass, a family BBQ will be at the Prayer Garden. This celebration will be on Saturday, **September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023.** If it rains, the celebration will be at the Notre Dame de Grace Church (Mountain Rd).

# In Sympathy

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



Boyd Clory	Husband of Claire Clory, father of his three sons: Michael, Alan & Mark. and stepsons: Alex, Paul & Chris
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Fr. Gilbert Levesque C.Ss.R

*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

<b>Judy Chiasson</b>	<b>Roger Berube</b>	<b>Ida Caruso</b>	<b>Patricia Devine</b>
<b>Karen Catubig</b>	<b>Al Gallant</b>	<b>Shirley Clement</b>	<b>Gertrude MacInnis</b>
<b>Tim Bathurst</b>	<b>Susan Collette</b>	<b>Alma Barrieau</b>	<b>Nathan Kelly</b>

### St. Clement's

<b>Vina McGraw</b>	<b>Gerard McGraw</b>	<b>Ophelia McGraw</b>	<b>Shadra McGraw</b>
<b>Arabella McGraw</b>	<b>Carol Murphy</b>	<b>Hudson Sweeney</b>	<b>Beverly Melanson</b>
<b>Pam Gagnon</b>	<b>Margaret Shriver</b>	<b>Corrine Allen</b>	

### St. Vincent's

<b>Vince Wood</b>	<b>Mary &amp; Art Chase</b>	<b>Leone Campbell</b>	<b>Victor Landry</b>
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*And for all who care for them.*

## The Good Shepherd Pastoral Ministry Team

<b>Administrator</b>	Fr. Charles Broderick	charlesbroderick1@gmail.com
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<b>Adult Faith</b>	Andrew Wilson	

### St. Bernard's Parish Staff

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### St. Vincent's Parish Staff

<b>Parish Secretary</b>	Lorraine Horyl
<b>Catechetical Coordinator</b>	Cathy Crinnion

### St. Clement's Parish Staff

<b>Parish Secretary</b>	Pam Van Egmond
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You're invited!

### 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 :)**

### St. Bernard's



#### Friday Devotion-Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: Sep. 1 @ St. Bernard's

8:00 AM	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	Sacrament of Reconciliation
9:00 AM	Benediction
	Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9:30 AM	Holy Mass

**Confessions may continue after the Mass.**

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



**Welcome to new and returning families as we embark and continue in our faith journey.** All families whose children are baptised and entering grade one or older and want to grow their relationship with Jesus, are welcome to join our parish family to learn about our faith. In the faith sessions:

- All children are accompanied by a parent.
- All Sessions are on bi-weekly.
- Sunday or Tuesday (year 1-2-3) Sunday or Wednesday (year 4-5-6) Sunday Confirmation (year 7).
- All supplies included.
- Fee: \$30/child or \$50/more than one child.
- All families must be registered with our parish.

**In house registration, Sat., Sep. 9, 1:30-3:30 PM** returning families keep an eye on your inbox! Our start dates: Sunday Sep. 24, Tuesday Sep. 26, or Weds. Sep. 27, 2023.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me @ 506-857-0425 or [lorella\\_st.bernards@hotmail.com](mailto:lorella_st.bernards@hotmail.com)

## St. Clement's

### **CALLED AND GIFTED SEMINAR – ALL SAINTS PARISH @HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

God is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work of love that only you can do. Come to the "CALLED AND GIFTED SEMINAR" and begin to discover this work! You have received gifts through Baptism and Confirmation for the ways God intends His love to reach others through you. The said seminar is designed to give you the Church's teaching and practical knowledge on how to discern and discover your gifts. This one-day seminar is presented by Fr. Mark Cherry of Sacred Heart Evangelization & Healing Ministry, Archdiocese of Halifax/Yarmouth. The day will include a lunch served by Marty, Mother of Mercy Prayer Group along with other refreshments during the day. The date is **Saturday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:00am to 4:00pm at Holy Family Church, Amherst, N.S.** Registration is required and will take place early September. Registration is \$20.00 for the day. Call Deacon Howard Gotell 902-667-9598 or email [hgotell7@gmail.com](mailto:hgotell7@gmail.com).

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**The bake sale** was a big success last Saturday. \$832.00. Thank you to all the bakers and volunteers especially Jan Legere who managed the sale.

## St. Vincent's

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY** – The parishioners of St. Vincent's wish Blaise and Michelle Dobbin congratulations on their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, which they celebrated on August 21, 2023. May God grant them many more years of happiness!

**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.

**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](mailto:stvince@nbnet.nb.ca).

**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!

**FOOD BANK** – If you are able, please remember to donate to our local food bank by placing non-perishable goods in our Food basket which is located on the right as you enter the church.



### **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation – September 1**

In 2015, Pope Francis declared September 1 as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Coinciding with the celebration instituted by the Orthodox Church, it is also a day of ecumenical prayer and unity. The faithful should be encouraged to take practical initiatives to combat earth's environmental crisis.



## From the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

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**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](mailto:annettel.diocese@gmail.com)

**40th Acadieville parish picnic, September 2**, from 1 to 5 and 8 to 10, mass at 7pm and Sunday Sept 3, 2023 from 1 pm to 10 pm. Various games, canteen and local musical talents on location. Bingo Saturday and Sunday from 1 pm. Brunch on Sunday September 3rd from 10 to 1 at the center. There will be no supper at the center this year on Sunday. Welcome to one and all.

**“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 [trevord.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com) or 857-4879

**BEING PRESENT: CAREGIVERS AND THE PEOPLE THEY CARE FOR** The Committee Looking at End of Life Pastoral Care will re-offer a session designed for those who provide care to the sick / infirm, facilitated by Louise Ongo of Immaculate Conception Parish in Rexton. **The session will take place on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at St. Bernard’s Church (43 Botsford Street) in Moncton, from 6:30pm – 8:00pm.** Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or [trevord.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com) to register or register online by going to [www.diomoncton.ca](http://www.diomoncton.ca) → [Adult Faith](#) → [Formation Opportunities](#) and click on the poster for “Being Present.”

**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 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 [trevord.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com) to register, or register only by going to [www.diomoncton.ca](http://www.diomoncton.ca) → [Adult Faith](#) → [Formation Opportunities](#) and click on the poster for “Tending the Soil, Tending the Sower 2023.”

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# Dear Padre,

## Why do Catholics believe they are the only true Church?

Roman Catholics believe our Church has historical continuity with St. Peter and the apostles who were present on the day of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit gave birth to the Church. Catholics believe the work begun by Peter and the other apostles continued under men they appointed and on whom they laid hands—giving them apostolic authority to carry their work into the next generation. Apostolic authority, understood by Catholics to be historical and traceable, is a mark of authenticity and continuity of the Church. For Catholics, this essential mark of the Church is missing if a Christian community rejects apostolic authority and Peter's leadership of the other apostles—carried on by their successors in the persons of bishops and popes—over the last 2,000 years.

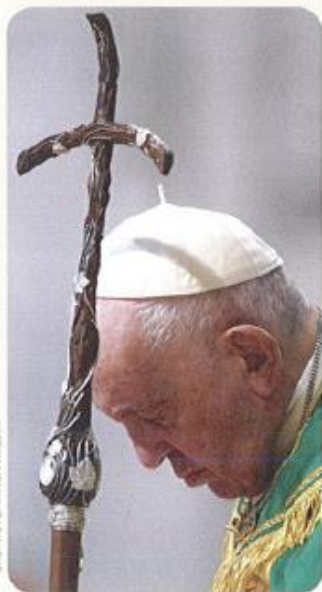
Nevertheless, "numerous elements of sanctification and truth" are present in separated Churches and ecclesial communities, and "the Spirit of Christ has not refrained from using them as instruments of salvation" (*Responses to Some Questions Regarding Certain Aspects of the Doctrine on the Church*, by the Vatican Offices of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 2007).

Dialogue with other Christians continues, and we hope the love and respect we have for one another can grow over time. While our Church leaders have the role of conserving the faith we have received, all Christians should remember that the Law of Love must prevail. If we violate that principle, we fail to comprehend an essential truth of our faith. ●



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From *Catholic and Cornered: Answers to Common Questions About Your Faith* (Liguori Publications, 2011)



### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*Even today, so many people think Jesus may be a great prophet, knowledgeable teacher, a model of justice....And even today Jesus asks his disciples, that is, all of us: "Who do you say that I am?"...Let us pray that God grants us the grace to respond..., "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."*

ANGELUS, ROME,  
AUGUST 24, 2014

#### MONDAY

August 28  
*St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*  
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10  
Mt 23:13-22

#### TUESDAY

August 29  
*Passion of St. John the Baptist*  
1 Thes 2:1-8  
Mk 6:17-29

#### WEDNESDAY

August 30  
*Weekday*  
1 Thes 2:9-13  
Mt 23:27-32

#### THURSDAY

August 31  
*Weekday*  
1 Thes 3:7-13  
Mt 24:42-51

#### FRIDAY

September 1  
*Weekday*  
1 Thes 4:1-8  
Mt 25:1-13

#### SATURDAY

September 2  
*Weekday*  
1 Thes 4:9-11  
Mt 25:14-30

#### SUNDAY

September 3  
*Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Jer 20:7-9  
Rom 12:1-2  
Mt 16:21-27