



Tweaked by God

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

While the Scripture readings this week remind us we are responsible for one another, do any of us really want someone serving as our conscience, telling us what to do? A national insurance company once aired a TV ad in which "Cynthia" takes it upon herself to make sure everyone was abiding by the established regulations of the subdivision. She checks to make sure everyone is breaking down cardboard, cuts down hanging flower baskets that are contrary to regulations, and takes a chainsaw to mailboxes that are even two inches too high.

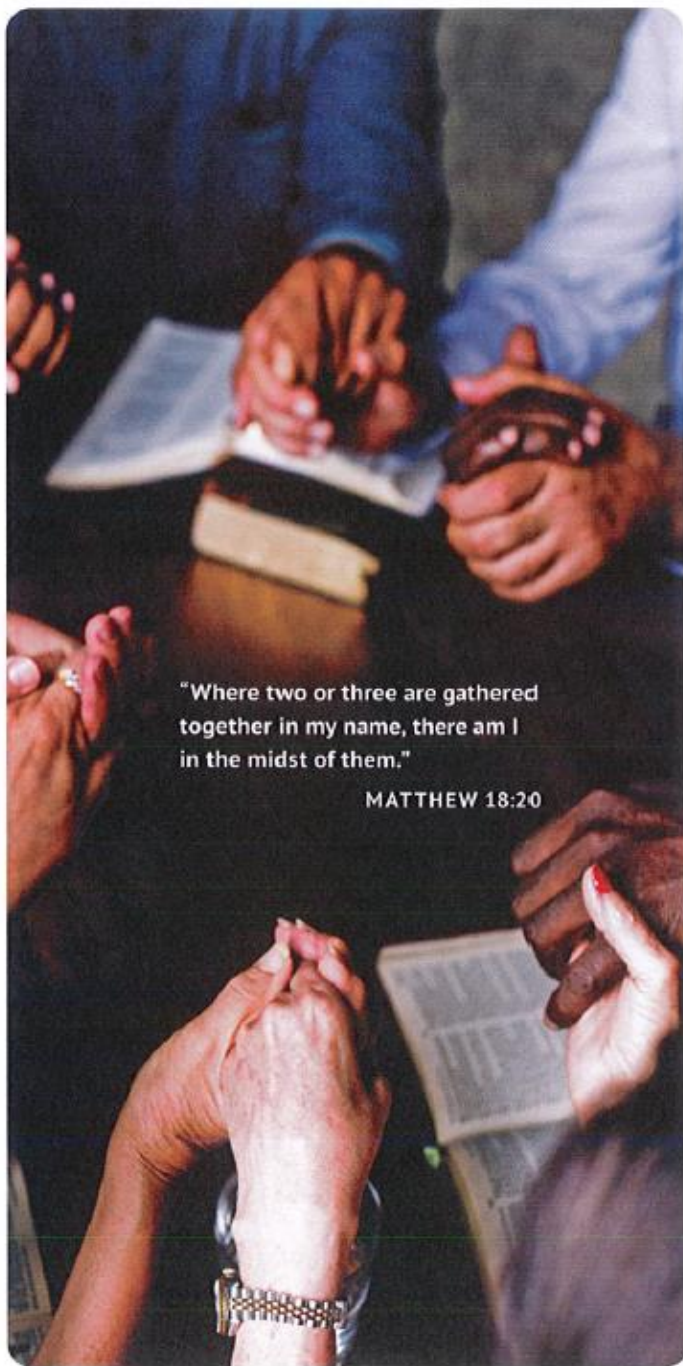
None of us want a "Cynthia" for a neighbor. It may be that it takes a community to raise a child, but once we have become adults—well, thanks but no thanks. So what do we do with these readings?

The Gospel adds the ingredient of community to the "cake batter." Praying with a faith community can help correct our personal opinion, remind us what we might be blind to, and broaden our vision by affirming that we are a part of a larger world, all from the perspective of faith.

A faith community that reflects "Cynthia" thinking is a church that seeks to control. It motivates by fear, discourages prayerful reflection, and expects everyone to march in unison. A healthy faith community is a church that respects everyone as serious individuals of faith, encourages study and dialogue to seek out truth, and recognizes that growth in faith occurs in different ways. Prayerful, respectful communities of faith are how God tweaks our lives. ●

Reflect

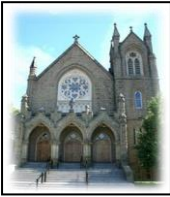
What role does the faith community play in your religious practice and your spirituality?



"Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

MATTHEW 18:20

Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit



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Mass times / Intentions: September 11-17, 2023

St. Bernard's

Mon.	Sept 11, 2023	9:30AM	Special Intention	JoAnn McLaughlin
Thur.	Sept 14, 2023	9:30 AM	Late George Martin	Bob & Loraine LeBlanc
Fri.	Sept 15, 2023	9:30 AM	Late Rosaire Barrieau	Family
Sat.	Sept 16, 2023	4:00 PM	Anniv. Late Inez Kervin	Heather
Sun	Sept 17, 2023	11:00 AM	For the People	

St. Clement's

Sat.	Sept 16, 2023	7:00 PM	For the People	
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Sun.	Sept 17, 2023	9:00 AM	Heidi Lafford	John & Family
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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 – September 2 & 3, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 3,135.00	Loose collection	\$ 665.25
Karing kitchen	\$ 48.10	Reconnect	\$ 10.00
Easter	\$ 20.00	Capital campaign	\$ 427.00
Papal Charities	\$ 10.00	Parish Religious Education	\$ 407.00
Donation	\$ 60.00	Needs of Canadian Church	\$ 35.00

St. Clement's – September 2, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 460.00	Loose collection	\$ 5.00
With receipt	\$ 185.00		

St. Vincent's – September 3, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 2,185.00	Loose collection	\$ 90.00
Maintenance	\$ 290.00	Needs of Canadian Church	\$ 45.00
Faith Formation	\$ 50.00		

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.



39th 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 **39th 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 16th, 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 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	Gertrude MacInnis	Tim Bathurst
Susan Collette	Alma Barrieau	Nathan Kelly	Norm Gallant
May Smith			
St. Clement's			
Vina McGraw	Gerard McGraw	Ophelia McGraw	Shadra McGraw
Arabella McGraw	Carol Murphy	Hudson Sweeney	Beverly Melanson
Pam Gagnon	Margaret Shriver	Corrine Allen	
St. Vincent's			
Vince Wood	Mary & Art Chase	Leone Campbell	
<i>And for all who care for them.</i>			

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THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2023 – For people living on the margins.
We pray for those people living on the margins of society, in inhuman life conditions: may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

St. Bernard's



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 basis. **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 and 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



QR Code for the parish registration



The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit is on Facebook!

Like and follow our Facebook Page for updates and faith-sharing.

There are three ways to locate our Facebook Page:

1. In the Facebook search bar, type **Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit of the Archdiocese of Moncton**; or
2. In your Google or Safari search bar, type **facebook.com/gsmoncton**; or
3. Simply scan this QR Code:



St. Bernard's Council Catholic Women's League

Our council has been active since 1921 and we are looking forward to beginning another year of prayer, fellowship, and care. The executive for 2023-24 are: Past President- Carolyn O'Brien, President- Claudia McCloskey, President Elect- Hazel Robichaud, Treasurer- Sheila Gorman, Secretary- Louise Ongo, Membership- Donna Shaw, Calling Committee- Therese Dowd. Our fall meeting will take place on **Sun., Oct.1 in the church hall. Rosary at 2 PM, followed by meeting and refreshments from 230-4 PM.** A welcome is extended to those ladies wishing to learn

more about CWL. For questions about membership, contact Donna Shaw at 506- 382-0503.

St. Vincent's

PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES - St. Vincent's extends prayerful condolences to Edgar Landry on the death of his brother, Victor Landry, who died on September 4, 2023, at the Drew Nursing Home. *May he rest in the arms of our loving God.*

CONGRATULATIONS – St. Vincent's Parish wishes to congratulate Bea and Leonard LeBlanc on the occasion of their amazing 67th wedding anniversary, which they celebrated on September 3, 2023! We wish them many more years of good health and happiness!

SEEKING NEW FAITH FORMATION CATECHISTS – St. Vincent's is seeking new catechists to help guide our youth and their parents during our Faith Formation sessions on Sundays after Mass, and/ or for Sacramental preparations. The diocese has prepared easy-to-follow plans and all activity materials will be ready to go ahead of each session. We welcome anyone who would like to attend our sessions as a helper to see how the sessions run and perhaps to lead some sessions once you are comfortable!

The catechist formation day ("Tending the Soil, Tending the Sower") for the diocese is Saturday, September 16, 2023, which will be an enriching day for all but for new catechists, especially. Pre-registration is required, so please consider your participation and contact Cathy Crinnion to discuss at 536-4470 or ccrinnion@yahoo.ca

FAITH FORMATION – St. Vincent's will continue to provide the diocesan catechism program for children in grades 1-3 (Primary Group) and grades 4+ (Elementary Group), as well as specific preparation for the Sacraments. Please email or call Cathy Crinnion to inquire about the program and confirm your family's participation: ccrinnion@yahoo.ca or 536-4470.

In-person sessions will begin September 17th for both age groups, and will take place in our church hall (basement) on Sunday mornings following Mass.

Adults of the parish, no previous experience is necessary for you to share your time with our Faith Formation families, as a helper or as a catechist!

2023-2024 ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSAL – If you wish to order, please notify the Parish Office by no later than September 17th. 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.

Employment Opportunity (Full-Time) → For details pls see Parish Bulletin Board or Parish Website <http://www.stbernardschurch.ca> under Bulletin/Notices-Notices
Parish Administrative Assistant @ Our Lady of Hope Pastoral Grouping –Rexton, New Brunswick



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ALL THE FAITHFUL of the Archdiocesan are invited to a celebration of thanksgiving in honor of Msgr Valery Vienneau who will be retiring after eleven years serving the Archdiocese of Moncton. To mark his departure, a Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Assumption Cathedral on Sunday, September 24th at 2:00 pm, followed by a reception in the community hall on the lower level of the Cathedral. May there be many gathered to wish Msgr Vienneau well upon his departure and we encourage everyone to offer their own personal good wishes (a card, handshake, etc.) to a Pastor who has tirelessly served the faithful of the diocese. **WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24th.**

FUNDRAISING DINNER (Moncton Chapter) – Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 9270 on Sunday October 15th, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at the Dan Bohan Centre, 5 Fatima Drive Riverview. Guest speaker: Father Carlos Jacinto - Cost: 25\$. Tickets are available at parish offices of Immaculate Heart of Mary, Saint Bernard's, and Saint Augustine's. Info.: Lise (506 854-4209) Diane (506 387-7377) Karl (506 229-0740).

"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 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 28th 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 to register or register online by going to 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 16th 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 intitled "He Restores my Soul." This formation is open to anyone serving in parish ministry. Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com to register, or register only by going to www.diomoncton.ca → [Adult Faith](#) → [Formation Opportunities](#) and click on the poster for "Tending the Soil, Tending the Sower 2023."

Dear Padre,

Recently our new pastor relocated the rectory away from the church and parish office. Why is this becoming more common?

"The laborer deserves his payment" from Luke 10:7 has been traditionally interpreted to suggest that ministers for the Lord engaged in pastoral service are provided with certain basic necessities, such as a place to call home. Some priests are now choosing a distinct location in which to live that is apart from where their ministry is primarily conducted. A reason for this move is often attributed to rectories that have no clear boundaries between the private living space and the parish office.

While clergy in apostolic ministry are not necessarily seeking a cloistered existence, they do deserve the fundamental privacies enjoyed by everyone else. Sometimes this courtesy is not respected by those who have an unhealthy curiosity about the lives of their parish priests or by those who are preoccupied with being "in the know" (and sharing what they know with the rest of the congregation).

Dedicated priests can be accessible and available at various hours during the day or night without having to live in a fishbowl. Sometimes this may warrant a new rectory location or facility, especially if the pastor in stocking feet on his day off can't pour his morning coffee without stumbling into a DRE staff meeting! ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

The great gossip is the devil, who always goes about saying bad things about others, because he is the liar who seeks to separate the Church to distance brothers and sisters and not create community. Please, brothers and sisters, let us make an effort not to gossip. Gossip is a plague more awful than Covid!

ANGELUS, ROME, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020



MONDAY

September 11

Weekday

Col 1:24-2:3

Lk 6:6-11

TUESDAY

September 12

Weekday

Col 2:6-15

Lk 6:12-19

WEDNESDAY

September 13

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Col 3:1-11

Lk 6:20-26

THURSDAY

September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9

Phil 2:6-11

Jn 3:13-17

FRIDAY

September 15

Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14

Jn 19:25-27

or Lk 2:33-35

SATURDAY

September 16

Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1 Tm 1:15-17

Lk 6:43-49

SUNDAY

September 17

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30-28:7

Rom 14:7-9

Mt 18:21-35

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