



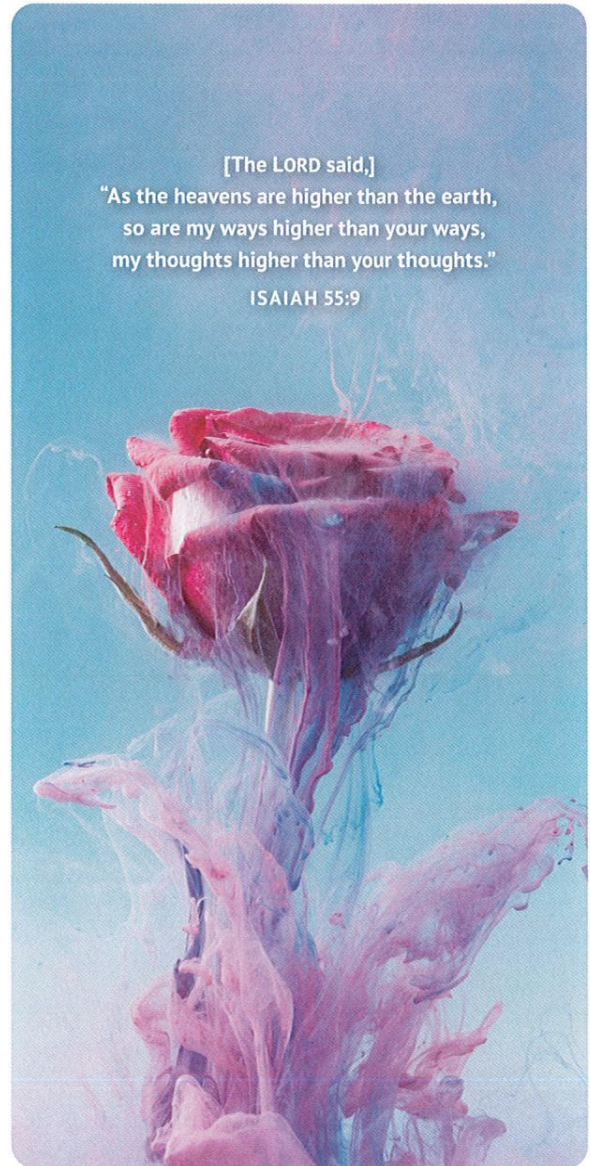
## Late Bloomers

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**H**uman beings grow and mature at different paces. Turning twenty-one is no marker of maturity. We've all known the ten-year-old whom people say is already an old man because of how he thinks and acts. Just as surely, we've known the forty-year-old who still acts and dresses like a teenager. If this is true with human growth, would it not be true as well with growth in faith?

This Sunday's parable of the landowner who pays all his laborers the same even though they have not all worked the same amount of time often sparks the comment that it's not good business sense. But the parable is not about business. It's about how we all come to faith at different times in life, all according to God's plan, not ours. Why then do some complain about deathbed conversions as being unfair? Who's to say when someone finally catches up to God's love and goodness? Too often human wisdom and divine wisdom spin in different worlds.

Pope Benedict XVI once commented on this Gospel's wisdom and how we should be patient with young people as they seek the sacraments. Jesus was patient with us, he said, so we should follow his lead. Federico Lombardi, SJ, the Vatican spokesman for Pope Benedict, reported that the pope had commented, "I used to be more strict about this, but the example of Christ led me to become more welcoming in cases in which, perhaps, there is not a mature and solid faith, but there is a glimmer, a desire of communion with the Church." ●



[The LORD said,]

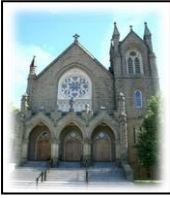
"As the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
my thoughts higher than your thoughts."

ISAIAH 55:9

### Reflect

***Has your faith matured over the years, or have you stopped growing?***

**Welcome to The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit**



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**Mass times / Intentions:**

**St. Bernard's**

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Sep 25</b>	<b>9:30AM</b>	Belliveau family	Charlotte Belliveau
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>Sep 28</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	Late Blain Guigmond	Mary
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Sep 29</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	Late Rosaire Barrieau	Family
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Sep 30</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	Anniv. late Herman Vringer	Martha, David, Dennis & family
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Oct 1</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	For the People	

**St. Clement's**

<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Sep 30</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	Special intention	Joanne Carroll
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**St. Vincent's**

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Oct 1</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Mary Andrews	Irene & Bob LeClair
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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

September 16 & 17, 2023

## St. Bernard's

Envelopes	\$2,200.00	Loose	\$ 418.45	Catechism Registration	\$ 275.00
Karing Kitchen	\$ 18.15	ReConnect	\$ 40.00	Capital Expenditure	\$ 170.00

## St. Clement's

None: Mass cancelled due to storm

## St. Vincent's

Envelopes	\$625.00	Loose	\$15.00	Maintenance	\$ 55.00
Needs of Canadian Church	\$ 10.00				

Online donations for St. Bernard's and St. Vincent's will be reported later.

*Thank you for your generous and continued support!!!*



**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:**

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

## RCIA

*Rite of  
Christian  
Initiation  
for Adults*



Interested in becoming Catholic?

**Do you believe? About Jesus? About the Sacraments?**

**About Salvation? Interested in becoming Catholic?**

**Then please feel welcome to join the RCIA team (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children) here at St. Bernard's.** The RCIA team here at St. Bernard's exists to

welcome individuals who are wondering about the Roman Catholic Church and to help them in their search for spiritual guidance and a sense of church community. We also welcome those Catholics who haven't yet completed their preparation for Confirmation and Eucharist and wish to do so. Whether adult or child inquirer, candidate or catechumen, the team provides the elements for preparation including prayer, reflection on the Sunday liturgy of the Word, education about our faith and mutual support during the ups and downs of our individual journeys of faith. If you know someone who is thinking of becoming a member of the Catholic Church, please invite him or her to call St. Bernard's parish office at 857-0425 for more information on RCIA.

# 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
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

Lowell Brine	Vince Wood	Mary & Art Chase	Leone Campbell
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*And for all who care for them.*

## The Good Shepherd Pastoral Ministry Team

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<b>Adult Faith</b>	Andrew Wilson	

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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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# St. Bernard's

## Mark Your Calendar

<b>CWL meeting</b>	Sunday, Oct. 1: Rosary @ 2PM, meeting/refreshments: 2:30- 4PM
<b>Baptism Prep</b>	Sunday, Oct. 15: 1-3:30 PM.
<b>Parish Potluck</b>	Sunday, Nov. 19 – detail to be announced



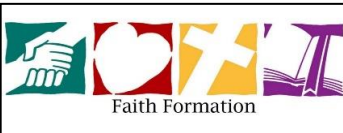
**WE ARE  
HIRING**  
JOIN OUR TEAM

## JOB OPPORTUNITY

**Receptionist/Bookkeeper:** As Receptionist, the duties include, but are not limited to receiving the public in person or via phone, email; preparing and printing the weekly bulletin; maintaining various parish records, ordering office and building supplies. As Bookkeeper, the duties include, but are not limited to: data entry of all funds received; maintenance and reconciliation of bank records; supervision of the

counting of weekly donations; preparing and issuing cheques and invoices; preparing payroll; preparing financial statements; processing of income tax receipts. The successful applicant will have respectful and professional communication skills, comfort with / working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Outlook) and Quickbooks (or equivalent). Hours: 30 hours weekly. Salary to be negotiated based on experience.

**Applications received via email ([sbhf@rogers.com](mailto:sbhf@rogers.com)) or hard copy by noon, Friday, September 29, 2023.**



**St. Bernard's catechism start date is the week of Sunday  
September 24, 2023**

<b>Years 1-2-3</b>	Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM or Tuesday evening at 6 PM
<b>Years 4-5-6</b>	Sunday afternoon at 12:15 PM or Wednesday evening at 6 PM
<b>Confirmation</b>	Sunday afternoon at 2 PM

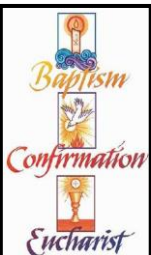
If you have not yet sent in your registration for this year, please do so prior to our start date. If you have any questions, contact: Lorella at [lorella\\_st.berndards@hotmail.com](mailto:lorella_st.berndards@hotmail.com) or 506-857-0425

## Sacraments received - September 17, 2023, at St. Bernard's Church

**Damian Zowam**, child of Edward & Ginika was welcomed into St. Bernard's Parish community through the Sacrament of Baptism.

**Ginika Zowam** was fully initiated into the Roman Catholic family through the Sacraments Confirmation & Eucharist.

**Congratulation to both! May they and their family always know the peace of Jesus and the light of His great love.**



## St. Vincent's

**DEADLINE TO ORDER EXTENDED – 2023-2024 ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSAL** – If you wish to order a 2023-2024 St. Joseph Sunday Missal, please notify the Parish Office by no later than September 25, 2023. Cost will be approximately \$3.50 plus shipping.

**PRAYING THE ROSARY** – We invite you to join us in the Chapel on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. to pray the Rosary for the intentions of our Pope and our parish/parishioners. All are welcome!

**FAITH FORMATION** – In-person sessions, beginning on September 24th (for both age groups), will take place in our church hall (basement) on Sunday mornings following Mass. Next, the Primary group (grades 1-3) will meet on October 1st, and the Elementary group (grades 4+) will meet on October 8th (Thanksgiving weekend). Please email or call Cathy Crinnion to inquire about the program and confirm your family's participation: [ccrinnion@yahoo.ca](mailto:ccrinnion@yahoo.ca) or 536-4470. 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!

**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).

**FOOD BANK** – If you are able, please remember to donate non-perishable food items to our local food bank, including toilet paper, kleenex, baby diapers, soap, etc. The basket is located on the right as you enter the church.



**International Day of Older Persons:** Mayor Dawn Arnold and the Seniors Advisory Committee invite Moncton seniors to attend a celebration in honour of the International Day of Older Persons. Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2:00 PM, City Hall, 655 Main St. Entertainment by Linda & Joey Howe. Door prizes, cake & refreshments. Free.



Each year, Pope Francis declares Sep. 1 - Oct. 4 to be the **Season of Creation...**a time for our Christian family to unite in a worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect Mother Earth, our common home. This year, the theme for the season is '**Let Justice and Peace Flow**'. There is a global movement underway, asking all governments at all levels to stop any further oil, gas and/or coal investments. To see what you can do, please go to this website

<https://fossilfuel treaty.org> or visit: <https://laudatosimovement.org/season-of-creation/>



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**MONDAYS @ THE MOVIES:** Our next film discussion will take place on Monday, Oct. 16 at 2 PM via Zoom. We will be discussing the 1989 film *Dead Poets Society*, starring Robin Williams. 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](mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com) if you are interested.



**WELCOME TO SENIORS CONNECT**, a safe space for seniors to gather, socialize, learn about and discuss issues related to aging in New Brunswick. Our first gathering will take place on Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am in the St. Bernard's Parish Hall, 43 Botsford Street. Contact Karen with any questions at 387-4198 or [karen.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com).

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



**QR Code for St. Bernard's parish registration**

**Holy Family Evening of Music and Supper Event!** We are very excited about an upcoming fundraiser happening at Holy Family Church on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>! Tickets are now on sale and are \$15 each great entertainment by Ivan and Vivian Hicks, Laurie and Fernande Belliveau and more. a lovely meal of spaghetti and dessert! Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Limited number of tickets will be sold, so please don't wait! We have tickets at the Immaculate Heart of Mary parish office and Marian Albert of Holy Family has tickets also. She can be reached at (506-830-1909)

# Dear Padre,

*When can I take photographs in church? During my niece's baptism, I was told to put my camera away. We have a confirmation and a wedding coming up, and I don't want to get in trouble again.*

Reverence and courtesy are the issues here. Reverence keeps in mind that what is real about baptism and all the sacraments does not come out in photos. Courtesy notes that other folks are trying to enter into the awe and joy of the mystery, and people taking photographs can get in the way or distract.

Parishes differ in rules and regulations. Many parishes prohibit the taking of pictures. Certainly taking flash pictures is annoying in a way that taking available-light photos is not. But even with nonflash pictures, the photographer is trying to get around people and into a good spot.

Weddings call for photos from approved photographers. In most United States cultures, photos at funeral Masses are out of place. However, there are exceptions, such as the situation of an infirm woman who was unable to attend her sister's funeral. She was extremely upset until her niece thought to record it with her phone. The pastor had no problem with this solution.

No matter what the situation, it is always best to check with the parish office before the event. If it is permitted, get a few good pictures and then be sure to close your eyes in prayer so you can see what is really going on. ●

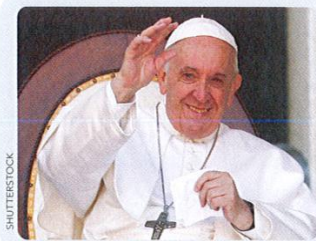
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
September 25	September 26	September 27	September 28	September 29	September 30	October 1
<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Vincent</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Sts. Michael,</i>	<i>St. Jerome, Priest</i>	<i>Twenty-sixth</i>
Ezr 1:1-6	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b,	<i>de Paul, Priest</i>	Hg 1:1-8	<i>Gabriel, and</i>	<i>and Doctor of</i>	<i>Sunday in</i>
Lk 8:16-18	14-20	Ezr 9:5-9	Lk 9:7-9	<i>Raphael,</i>	<i>the Church</i>	<i>Ordinary Time</i>
	Lk 8:19-21	Lk 9:1-6		<i>Archangels</i>	Zec 2:5-9,	Ez 18:25-28
				Dn 7:9-10,	14-15a	Phil 2:1-11
				13-14 or	Lk 9:43b-45	or 2:1-5
				Rv 12:7-12a		Mt 21:28-32
				Jn 1:47-51		



## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*Jesus wants to make us contemplate the gaze of that landowner: the gaze with which he looks upon each of the laborers searching for work and calls them to go to his vineyard....It is a gaze which calls, invites one to get up and begin a journey because he wants life for each of us.*

ANGELUS, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017