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St. André Bessette Parish

Sunday Masses:

Saturday 4:00 pm at Holy Cross
Sunday 9:00 am at St. Bernard
11:00 am at St. Rose of Lima (Live Stream)

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday 6:30 pm at St. Bernard
Wednesday 6:30 pm at St. Rose of Lima
Thursday 9:00 am at St. Bernard followed by Benediction then Adoration of the the Blessed Sacrament until noon
Friday 9:00 am at St. Rose of Lima followed by Benediction then Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until noon

Confessions:

St. Bernard:

Tuesday 6:00 - 6:20 pm (prior to the 6:30 pm Mass)
Thursday 9:40 - 10:30 am (during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament)
First Friday of the month - 7:00 - 8:00 pm

St. Rose of Lima:

Wednesday 6:00 - 6:20 pm (prior to the 6:30 pm Mass)
Friday 9:40 - 10:30 am (during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament)
First Saturday of the month - 10:00 - 11:00 am

Holy Cross:

Saturday 3:30 - 3:50 pm (prior to the 4:00 pm Mass)
... or by appointment

WELCOMING COMMUNITIES OF FAITH AND WORSHIP

St. Bernard Church, Enfield
St. Rose of Lima Church, Fall River
Holy Cross Church, Middle Musquodoboit

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Parish Offerings:

To register with our parish Pre-Authorized Debit program, please contact Lynette at the parish office. You can also e-transfer contributions using stbernardsenfield@gmail.com. These are alternatives to the traditional collection envelopes, which of course are still available.

Parish Office:

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First Sunday of Lent – February 18, 2024

We gather this Sunday to celebrate our First Sunday of Lent. With the celebration of Ash Wednesday, we begin a 40-day journey. Lent is an opportunity for a kind of retreat. We are invited into a deep essence of the love and mercy and grace of God. This Sunday's Gospel has the shorter version of the temptations of satan, the evil one. Jesus finished the time of temptation and came proclaiming the Gospel ... **"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."** I pray that our 40-day retreat will be one in which we grow closer to the Lord. Let's not allow anything to come between us and the mercy and love of God.



Praying of the Rosary — Each Tuesday night prior to the 6:30 pm Mass at St. Bernard in Enfield, members of the Knights of Columbus will lead the praying of the Rosary. Please join at 6 pm.

The Way of the Cross — This Friday, February 23, we will gather at St. Bernard at 7 pm for the Praying of the Way of the Cross. Some of our young people will be leading us. I invite you all to come and pray with our young people as we reflect on the Way of Jesus' journey with the Cross. Thank you to all who will lead us in this walk with Jesus, for our Salvation.

Formed.org — Just a reminder to all parishioners that we have this site for Faith Formation, family conversation starters, small group discussion, family movie night, and so much more. This gift which is easy to use in the comfort of our own homes. Please take advantage of it!

Holy Week Schedule

This year we are planning to celebrate our Triduum together as a Parish.

The following is the proposed Triduum schedule:

Holy Thursday (March 28) - 7:30 pm @ St. Bernard

Good Friday (March 29) - 1 pm @ Holy Cross; 3 pm @ St. Bernard; 3 pm @ St. Rose of Lima

Easter Vigil (March 30) - 8 pm @ St. Bernard

Easter Sunday (March 31) - 9 am @ St. Bernard; 10 am @ Holy Cross; 11 am @ St. Rose of Lima

Weekday Masses during Lent

- We currently celebrate the weekday Masses at **St. Bernard** in the Fr. Granville S.J. Room. For the time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during the week, we will be in this room where a time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed **until 3 pm, when those gathered will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and close off time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.**
- At **St. Rose of Lima**, we will continue with the Masses in the main Church for both Wednesday evening and Friday morning. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday will remain in the main Church throughout Lent. We will extend the time for Adoration **until 3 pm Friday afternoon, when those who are gathered will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and close off time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.**
- At **Holy Cross**, Deacon Dan and Fr. Gerald will be alternating weeks offering Mass (Fr. Gerald)/Liturgy of the Word (Deacon Dan) at 12 noon on Tuesdays during Lent, followed by a Lenten Program using Lectio: Unveiling Scripture & Tradition on the Eucharist. This will begin on Tuesday, February 20 at 12 noon with Mass - Session 1 of the video series – **Source & Summit: Introducing the Eucharist.**

The Way of the Cross and Rosary at Holy Cross — These will be offered at 3 pm on Fridays during Lent.

The Forgiveness Video Series — We will be offering four sessions of Forgiveness on Wednesday evenings following the 6:30 pm Mass at St. Rose of Lima. We will begin at approximately 7:10 pm.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Catechumen and Candidates — This Sunday, our Catechumen Wayne Hillier will be received through the Rite of Election at the celebration of Mass at 10:30 am at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica in Halifax. We celebrated the Rite of Acceptance with Wayne at the 6:30 pm Mass this past Tuesday evening at St. Bernard. Our Candidates for Confirmation and Eucharist are Shelby Hillier and Alex Carmichael. We look forward to the celebration at the Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 30 at St. Bernard.

Family Faith Formation News

February 18 Student Classes p-8 @ St. Rose of Lima (9:45 am in Mitchell Hall)
Home Lesson for St. Bernard

February 25 Family Social/Activity p-8 @ St. Rose of Lima (9:45 am in Mitchell Hall)
Student Classes p-8 @ St. Bernard (following the 9 am Mass)

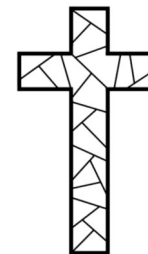
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This is a \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship open to all practicing Catholic residents of Nova Scotia, not just members of the Knights of Columbus and their families.

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Scholarship recipients will be announced during the annual Nova Scotia State Convention, usually held sometime in early May.

For further information, please contact either:

- Rick Karst, KOC Council 8387 Fall River @ 902-456-2744/rajkarst@yahoo.com (students attending St. Rose of Lima/Lockview High)
- John Steele, KOC Council 11625 Enfield @ 902-883-9471/john.steele.67@gmail.com (students attending St. Bernard/Hants East High)



Mass Intentions for the week of February 19 to 25, 2024

Tuesday, February 20 @ 6:30 pm (St. Bernard) - **Mona Maatouk †**

Wednesday, February 21 @ 6:30 pm (St. Rose of Lima) - **Leila O'Connor †**

Thursday, February 22 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - **Allie MacDonell †**

Friday, February 23 @ 9 am (St. Rose of Lima) - **William McGann †**

Saturday, February 24 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) - **Elsie Moss †**

Sunday, February 25 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - **For the people**

Sunday, February 25 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) - **Tena Larson †**

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