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Holy Cross Church, Middle Musquodoboit

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Fr. Gerald David
frgerald@standrebessette.net

Deacon
Rev. Mr. Dan Bowden
dangbowden@gmail.com

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.

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 12 noon at St. Bernard followed by Benediction then Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 1:30 pm
Friday 12 noon at St. Rose of Lima followed by Benediction then Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 1:30 pm

Confessions:
St. Bernard:
Tuesday 6:00 - 6:20 pm (prior to the 6:30 pm Mass)
Thursday 11:30 - 11:55 am (prior to the noon Mass)
First Saturday of the month following the 9 am Mass at St. Bernard
St. Rose of Lima:
Wednesday 6:00 - 6:20 pm (prior to the 6:30 pm Mass)
Friday 11:30 - 11:55 am (prior to the noon Mass)
Holy Cross:
Saturday 3:30 - 3:50 pm (prior to the 4:00 pm Mass)

Parish Office:
Carla Donadoni 902-860-0475 Ext 2 office@standrebessette.net
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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - January 25, 2026

Come, follow me... Jesus calls us wherever we are, regardless of who are. He breaks into our world through our ordinary daily lives and activities. Those in the gospel dropped everything they were doing and followed Jesus when he called them. Our response may not be as quick and decisive. The important thing to remember and realize is that Jesus never stops calling us by our name. We are the ones who are not only called, we are also sent out to proclaim the gospel through how we live; through what we say and do. What is your response? *(excerpts from Michael Moore OMI, The Oblates)*

World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life — Each year on February 2, we celebrate The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This day is also designated World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. To honour those who have said yes to this particular vocation, Archbishop Dunn will recognize in a particular way those in our Archdiocese who live the consecrated life at the 12:15 pm Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica on that day. Clergy and religious who belong to the various religious orders serving in the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth have been invited to be present at this Mass. All are welcome to celebrate with these communities who contribute greatly and generously to the life of our local Church.

Mass Intentions for the week of January 26 to February 1, 2026

Tuesday, January 27 @ 6:30 pm (St. Bernard) - Georgena MacIsaac
Wednesday, January 28 @ 6:30 pm (St. Rose of Lima) - Irene LeFort †
Thursday, January 29 @ 12:00 pm (St. Bernard) - Khore Lunn †
Friday, January 30 @ 12:00 pm (St. Rose of Lima) - Dolores McNeil
Saturday, January 31 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) - Josephine Rood †
Sunday, February 1 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - For the people
Sunday, February 1 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) - Barry and Marie Irvine

You are invited...

All parishioners are invited to join in upcoming faith formation programs covering *The Search* and Father James Mallon's *Thriving Faith: Discipleship in Uncertain Times*.

The Search will be offered on Thursdays during Lent, from February 12 to 26, at both St. Bernard and St. Rose of Lima locations.

For people who have previously been involved in *The Search*, we will be offering a book club format of *Thriving Faith: Discipleship in Uncertain Times*. Participants will read chapters of the book and the recommended scripture readings associated with them. The group will then get together for discussion. This will be offered at St. Rose of Lima from February 21 to April 1.

Please seriously consider getting involved. More information will be placed in the parish bulletin and on the website in the coming weeks.

Parish Bulletin Advertising — This is the time when bulletin ads are being renewed for the year. If you feel you or your business could benefit from this opportunity, call Lynette at the office. The cost is \$500 for the size of a business card and \$900 for a double ad.

Knights of Columbus 2026 Calendars — Cash calendars are now available. Cost is \$20 and gives you a chance to win multiple draws. Contact Rick Karst (902-456-2744) or Gerry MacDonnell (902-883-8148) to get yours.

Knights of Columbus Council 11625 of St. Bernard Community Breakfast — The next breakfast will be held at the Enfield Fire Hall (257 Highway 2) on **Sunday, February 1** from 9 am to noon. Menu includes scrambled eggs, home fries, baked beans, bacon, toast, pancakes, juice, tea or coffee. Cost: \$10 for adults (13 and older) and \$5 for children (ages 5 to 12). Make sure to also pick up some goodies from the **St. Bernard CWL Bake Sale** which will take place during the breakfast!



Archbishop Emeritus Currie: 25th Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination — Congratulations to Archbishop Emeritus Martin Currie who, on January 31, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of his episcopal ordination. The are a couple of opportunities for the faithful of the Archdiocese are to celebrate this ministry milestone:

- On Sunday, **February 1**, Archbishop Currie will preside the 10:00 am Mass at St. Peter's Church (Saint John of the Cross Parish) in Sheet Harbour. A reception will follow at the Sheet Harbour Legion.
- On Tuesday, **February 3**, Archbishop Dunn has invited Archbishop Currie to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at the 12:15 pm daily Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica. A reception will follow in the Cathedral hall. All are welcome to both events!

We thank Archbishop Currie for his faithful leadership and bold witness of the goodness of our God. May the Lord continue to be his joy and strength!

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

SOUP LUNCHEON

Holy Cross Catholic Church
Middle Musquodoboit



Thursday, January 29, 2026
11:30 am to 1:30 pm
Eat in or Take out!

Family Faith Formation Schedule

January 25	Student Classes (p-8)	St. Bernard following the 9 am Mass
February 6	Youth Group	Mitchell Hall at 6:30 pm (Friday)
February 8	Family Mass	St. Bernard at 9 am

New Members Welcome to the St. Rose of Lima Knights of Columbus Council 8387 — The St. Rose Knights are looking for Catholic men to join their council. If you are a practicing Catholic and at least 18 years old, you can become a Knight. The Knights of Columbus is a worldwide catholic men's organization focused on the core principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Membership is not onerous, but spiritually and socially rewarding. Please contact Gary Curtis at 902-229-8404 or go to www.kofc.org for more information on how you can become involved in our charitable activities.

May 13– 24, 2026: Pilgrimage to Medjugorje with Hector Caissie — Cost of \$2795 (plus taxes) includes airfare from the Moncton/Halifax, twin or triple accommodation, daily breakfast & dinner and experienced local guide (optional single room supplement, \$250/person). Payment by e-transfer, bank transfer or cheque gets a rebate of \$250.00 INFO: Hector Caissie at hectorcaissie@gmail.com or 506-857-2295.

Cathedral Seeking a Music Director — Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica is seeking a part time Director of Music Ministries. A full job description can be found at this link: <https://halifaxyarmouth.easyapply.co/>.

Parish-Supported Food Banks

The Musquodoboit Valley Food Bank — The food bank is always in need of non-perishable food. Items can be dropped off at Holy Cross Church at Mass on Saturdays. Financial donations can also be e-transferred to mvfoodbank2020@gmail.com.

Beacon House Top 10 Most Wanted — mayonnaise, pasta sauce, juice boxes, cookies, granola bars, fruit cups, Kraft Dinner, canned beans in tomato sauce, diapers sizes 4, 5 & 6, shampoo/conditioner. Your donations are very much appreciated!

Caring and Sharing (Enfield) food bank — All non perishables accepted. Baskets and donation envelopes can be found by both St. Bernard Church entrances.



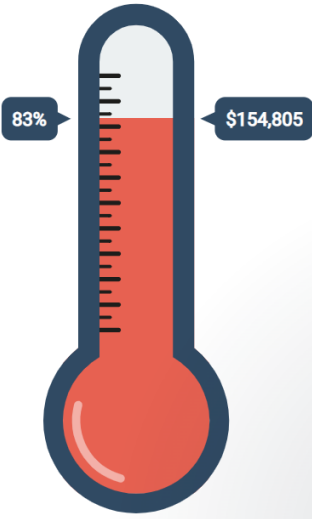
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