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

Pastor
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.

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - October 12, 2025

Happy Thanksgiving! — On this long weekend in October, may we take some moments to reflect on the many things we have to be grateful for. In this, let us turn to the provident Father we have and place before him our prayers of grateful thanksgiving. May we always be grateful and give thanks for all that the Lord has done, is doing and will always do. Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated this **Monday, October 13, at 10 am** at St. Rose of Lima Church.

Father Gerald Away — Following Thanksgiving Mass tomorrow, Father Gerald will be away for two weeks. As a result, there will be **NO WEEKDAY MASSES or Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this week or next.** Weekday Masses will resume on Tuesday, October 28 at St. Bernard. If there is an emergency, please contact the office.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Note changes) — On the First Thursday (Enfield) and First Friday (Fall River) of the month, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the 12 noon Mass until 3 pm. At 3 pm, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed and Benediction will follow. For the rest of the weeks of the month, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the 12 noon Mass until 1:30 pm with Benediction.

October is the month of Our Lady of the Rosary — On October 7, we celebrated the Memorial Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The feast commemorated a victory at the Battle of Lepanto attributed to the praying of the most Holy Rosary and Mary's intercession. This month make it a part of your daily prayer to pray the Holy Rosary. I invite you to meditate on the many mysteries of the life of Jesus and Mary, seeking the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary for the many intentions you have.

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:

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Pork Roast Supper

Holy Cross Catholic Church
Middle Musquodoboit

Adults - \$15
Kids under 12 - \$10

Pork Roast
Veggies
Mashed Potatoes
Dessert
Tea/Coffee



Sunday, October 19, 2025
4 to 6 pm

Eat in or Take out

Place take-out orders **before October 17th**
by calling Irene at 902-236-2088 or
Debbie at 902-568-2805

Blessing of the Pets — Each October near the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi (October 4) we give thanks to God for the gift of Creation. More specifically we acknowledge and give thanks for the creatures we call our pets. This **Sunday, October 12**, we will have Blessing of the Pets at **1:30 pm at St. Rose of Lima Church** Parking Lot. Please come along and bring your pet for this blessing.

World Mission Sunday - October 19, 2025 — This year’s theme is *Missionaries of Hope among all Peoples*. This celebration of the work of the Pontifical Mission Societies will tie in beautifully with our own diocesan celebration of the Jubilee of Evangelization. Held annually on the second to last Sunday of October, this special day unites Catholics across continents in a singular purpose: supporting the Church where it faces its greatest challenges. When you donate, you join Catholics everywhere in making possible the work of missionaries who build churches, train seminarians, support catechists, and serve vulnerable communities. Together, we fulfill our baptismal call to share the Gospel and become one Church bringing hope to all peoples. Envelopes will be available next weekend at the entrances of the churches.

Parish Jubilee Gathering: Celebrate Our Mission Together! At Mass next weekend we celebrate our parish’s role in the Jubilee Year of the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth! Each month this fall we will host a Jubilee on each of the pastoral priorities of the diocese: Catechesis, Evangelization, Social Justice, and Liturgy. October is the Jubilee of Evangelization - proclaiming the faith in order to bring about transformative conversion and invite people to respond to Jesus’ to relationship with Him and His Church.



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Fun for all ages!!

Sunday, November 2, 2025 from 2 to 4 pm
\$5 for children - \$10 for adults - \$30 for a family

Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance (cash only) by contacting:
Sarah White: smwhitey@outlook.com or 902-499-7216
Penny Francis: 902-861-1629

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, October 19 from 9 am to noon. Menu includes scrambled eggs, home fries, baked beans, toast, pancakes, apple juice, tea or coffee.

Atlantic Marian Gathering – October 24-26, 2025
Theme: “Do whatever He tells you” (John 2:5)
Mary Challenging Hopelessness
Guest Speaker: Rev. Ayodele Ayeni, CSsp
Through Scripture and tradition, he will guide us in deepening our Marian devotion and renewing our hope.
Location: St. Vincent de Paul Church, 320 Flying Cloud Drive, Dartmouth
For more information and to register: www.atlanticmariangathering.ca.



Mass Intentions for the week of October 13 to 19, 2025

Monday, October 13, Thanksgiving Day @ 10 am (St. Rose of Lima) - Joe White
Saturday, October 18 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) - Daniel Thibault †
Sunday, October 19 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - For the people
Sunday, October 19 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) - Bill and Mimi Johnson

CASH BINGO

Holy Cross Catholic Church
St. André Bessette Parish
Middle Musquodoboit

Friday
October 24, 2025
7 pm

Doors open @ 6 pm

50/50 Tickets
Canteen
Fall Basket Raffle

BINGO

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THANK YOU! — Father Gerald and Deacon Dan would like to thank Leslie Rowlands for her donation of several Dalmatics (Deacon’s Vestments) to St. André Bessette Parish. These vestments were worn by her husband, the late Deacon Rod Rowlands. Thank you so much for your generous gift in memory of your husband.

Altar Servers — Anyone interested in becoming an Altar Server at St. Bernard or St. Rose of Lima, please see Fr. Gerald or call the parish office and leave your name and contact information. If you have made your First Communion, please come forward and help us out in this all important ministry.

Happy Episcopal Ordination to Archbishop Dunn! — On October 9, Archbishop Dunn celebrated his 17th anniversary of episcopal ordination. It was on that day in 2008 he became a bishop and served as the auxiliary bishop for the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. He was then appointed to the Diocese of Antigonish, and after 10 years there became coadjutor to Archbishop Emeritus Anthony Mancini of our diocese in 2019. Upon Bishop Mancini’s retirement, Bishop Dunn became the 2nd Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth on November 27, 2020. Happy Anniversary your Grace! May the Lord continue to be your joy and your strength.

St. Bernard Church Windows Replacement Project

We are asking parishioners to consider donating to this project.

There are three options to donate:

- Donate using envelopes available at the churches or send an etransfer to stbernardsenfield@gmail.com (indicate the etransfer is for windows).
- Donate a window. We have created a form that details the prices of the different-sized windows. Plaques will be placed below the donated window acknowledging the donor/in memoriam.
- Purchase a plaque for the Prayer Wall.



Family Faith Formation

October 12	No Classes	HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
October 19	Student Classes (p-8)	St. Bernard following the 9 am Mass
October 19	Student Classes (p-8)	St. Rose of Lima from 9:45 to 10:45 am
October 19	Confirmation Class	Mitchell Hall following the St. Rose of Lima 11am Mass
October 19	Grade 2 Parent Meeting	Mitchell Hall at 10 am
	Students preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion	
October 26	Home Lesson	St. Bernard and St. Rose of Lima students

Upcoming Family Mass
We would like children to form a choir and sing with Heather Jansma at our upcoming Family Mass. Please let Maria McDonald or Julie Gosselin know if you are interested.

AN OLDE FASHION CHRISTMAS

PENNY SALE & BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

Luncheon Bake Table

ST. BERNARD’S CHURCH BASEMENT
HWY #2, ENFIELD
11:00 TO 2:00
DRAWS START AT 2PM

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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 and 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.

Sponsored by St. Bernard’s Catholic Womens League

CASH & TURKEY BINGO

ENFIELD FIRE HALL

FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 21
Doors Open at 6PM
50/50 DRAWS

13 Regular Games + 5 Specials
Last Game is Winner Takes All

4th Annual Pro-Life Conference: Saturday, October 25 — St. Thomas More Church, 15 Caledonia Road, Dartmouth. Nova Scotians United for Life invites you to attend their 4th annual Pro-Life Conference, bringing together people from across the province who are passionate about promoting the dignity of life at all stages. Visit nsul-pr.com for more details.

St. Thomas Anglican Church in Fall River is hosting a Halloween-themed **ROCK-A-THON** on Saturday, **October 25 from 10 am to 2 pm**. Live music (kitchen jamming style) includes Wilf Carr, Marcie Davis and Lauren & Brent Crause. For more information, contact Leslie at lkristiansen@eastlink.ca.





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