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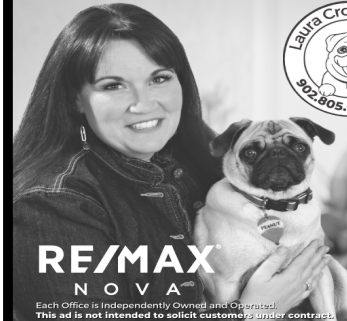
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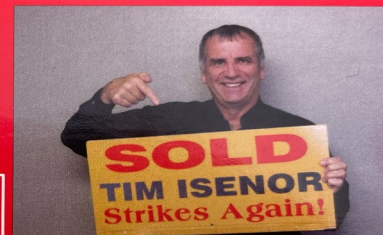


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St. André Bessette Parish

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

Pastor
Fr. Gerald David
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Rev. Mr. Dan Bowden
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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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Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time – February 11, 2024

There many stories in the Gospels of Jesus' healing ministry, and his Mission of proclamation of the Gospel and call to conversion. This Sunday, it's the healing of the marginalized man with leprosy. Jesus lets nothing hold back a person who desires in faith for something which is good. The words "If you choose, you can make me clean." are words containing Faith, filled with Hope, lived and expressed in Love. Jesus always wills the good for others – there is no magic, only mystery of Faith. The closer we come to Jesus, the more we have the opportunity to get to know Him and the more He chooses to heal and give life. Our lives need to be lived with the kind of Faith this man with leprosy had – know what Jesus can actually do and believe we can receive it, if only we would ask with a heart and mind of Faith.

Holy Cross Church Take-Out Pancake Supper — Holy Cross is once again preparing for a take-out pancake supper on **Tuesday, February 13**. Pick-up is between 4 and 5:30 pm at the church. The meal includes pancakes, sausages, beans, plus biscuits and dessert. Adults: \$10, ages 5-12: \$6, children under 5 eat free! Please pre-book with Betty Lou (902-384-2961), Judy (902-384-2183) or Irene (902-236-2088).

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.

Ash Wednesday Masses (February 14, 2024) — 9 am @ Holy Cross, 12 noon @ St. Bernard and 7 pm @ St. Rose of Lima

The Way of the Cross — This Friday, February 16, we will gather at St. Rose of Lima 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.

Here I Am Lord, Send Me!

The St. Rose of Lima CWL, St. Bernard CWL and Holy Cross Ladies Association invite parishioners of St. André Bessette to support two important initiatives, which the ladies are hoping will help to protect two vulnerable segments of Canadian Society as well as align with our Catholic values.

The first initiative is a petition to support Bill S-210: Protecting Young Persons from Exposure to Pornography Act. This Act is supported by the CCCB (Canadian Council of Catholic Bishops). The CCCB stated: "The Catholic Women's League of Canada would be better positioned to protect young persons from exposure to pornography, including possibly to support Bill S-210."

The second initiative is a postcard campaign to advise the Government of Canada of Canadians' concern that the waiver for accessing MAiD (Medical Assistance in Dying) for people suffering with mental illness will be lifted on March 17, 2024. While a January 29 CBC news brief reported the government may delay lifting the waiver beyond March 17, the intent remains steadfast to include those with mental illness under the MAiD governance.

This Sunday, the ladies of St. André Bessette Parish will have available:

1. the petition for those parishioners who wish to support the protection of children from pornographic internet content, and
2. the postcard to discourage the government from lifting the waiver for mentally-ill persons to access MAiD.

Please consider the significance of these important actions and support the essence of the CWL's motto of *Catholic and Living It*.

Weekday Masses during Lent — Often we will see a growth in the number of attendees at weekday Masses during Lent.

- If we come to a point where the Fr. Granville S.J. Room at **St. Bernard** is not able to accommodate on Tuesday evening and Thursday morning, we will move Mass to the Church during the week. For the time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during the week at St. Bernard, we will transfer the Eucharist on Thursday morning after Mass to the Fr. Granville S.J. 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.

Prayer and Spirituality: Lent 2024 — We will be offering the **Way of the Cross each Friday during Lent**, alternating between St. Bernard and St. Rose of Lima. This will be an opportunity to have all three churches come together to pray and reflect on the journey of Jesus' Way of the Cross. The **Forgiveness Video Program** will be offered this year at St. Rose of Lima on Wednesday evenings following the 6:30 pm Mass. Stay tuned for further updates.

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!

Small Groups (Lent) — During Lent, we would like to invite parishioners throughout St. André Bessette Parish to gather in home groups for a time of prayer - scripture study, faith formation, Lectio Divina (praying with the Gospel of the Sundays of Lent). **If you are interested in forming a small group during Lent, could you please let us know by contacting Lynette at the Parish Office.** Hopefully, sometime after Lent, you will be able to share with Father or any member of the Parish Leadership Team (Phil Francis, Shannon McDonald, Sarah White, and Deacon Dan) how things went with your small group. Sometimes (most times) stepping out of our comfort zone, which is not always easy, can result in some wonderful, good and healthy relationships to grow and give Glory to God.

Mass Intentions for the week of February 12 to 18, 2024
 Tuesday, February 13 @ 6:30 pm (St. Bernard) - **Raymond Benere †**
 Wednesday, February 14 - **Ash Wednesday**
 Thursday, February 15 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - **Tom Bagley †**
 Friday, February 16 @ 9 am (St. Rose of Lima) - **Dorothy Lutz**
 Saturday, February 17 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) - **Christena Tsimikles**
 Sunday, February 18 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - **Joseph Young †**
 Sunday, February 18 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) - **For the people**

Family Faith Formation News

- February 11 Parent/Student Classes p-8 @ St. Bernard (following the 9 am Mass)
Home Lesson for St. Rose of Lima
- 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)

Student and Family lead Stations of the Cross

Friday, February 16 @ St. Rose and Friday, February 23 @ St. Bernard

We are looking for students and families to sign up to lead The Way of the Cross. On Friday, February 16, the jr./sr. high school students will lead at St. Rose of Lima. On Friday, February 23, the primary through grade 6 aged students/families will lead at St. Bernard. Anyone who signs up to help is asked to be at the church by 6:30 pm for a 7 pm start. Please contact Maria McDonald for more information and to sign up.

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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/
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