

# St. André Bessette Parish

4:00 pm at Holy Cross 9:00 am at St. Bernard

11:00 am at St. Rose of Lima (Live Stream)

#### Weekday Masses:

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

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

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

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

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# Pentecost Sunday – May 19, 2024

## **HAPPY FEAST OF PENTECOST!**

Fifty days have passed since the celebration of Easter, and here we have the disciples gathered in the upper room and Jesus appears. On the second Sunday of Easter a longer part of the Gospel was included. This portion of John's Gospel gives a greater emphasis on the coming Holy Spirit and that Spirit being breathed on the disciples to assist them on their continued journey. The reference to Advocate, Counsellor, Comforter, Paraclete, is made to assist the disciples in continuing the Mission of Jesus. Today as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday, we are invited to be renewed in that same life-giving Holy Spirit of God, to enable us to continue the Mission Jesus has entrusted to us. Unfortunately, too often, we treat the Holy Spirit as a ghost, possibly like "Casper the friendly ghost" (a fictitious character). The Holy Spirit is a person belonging to the Trinity, sent by the Father through the Son, to assist us in our Mission and to keep us on our Pilgrim journey, by reminding us to call on Jesus Christ to be with us. May we call upon the Holy Spirit to assist us in continuing the Mission of Jesus, and rely on the Holy Spirit's guidance

**Month of May** — "Through Mary to Jesus." These simple words remind us of the right thinking of our relationship with Mary - , we can pray the mysteries of the rosary and see how true these words really are. When we take the Mysteries of the Most Holv Rosary, we see and experience the Scripture and Tradition of our Church directing our focus and honoring Mary, Our Mother, for Christ her Son. The Glorious Mysteries help us to focus on the Easter Victory – 1. The Resurrection of Our Lord, 2. The Ascension of our Lord, 3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and on our Blessed Mother (at the first Pentecost), 4. The Assumption into Heaven of our Blessed Mother, 5. The Coronation of our Blessed Mother as Queen of Heaven and Queen of our Hearts. Let's spend some time reflecting more deeply on the Mysteries of the most holy rosary and

As By a New Pentecost — *Transformation in Christ* (final session) on Wednesday, May 22 following the 6:30 pm Mass in Mitchell Hall. Come one, come all! We are wrapping up the series called *As By a New Pentecost* this Wednesday evening. We have been on a journey of growing in our understanding and relationship with the Holy Spirit, and we want to invite all parishioners to our final session for a celebration and a sharing on all that we learned and experienced. We are hoping to offer this series again and we want you to join us. Come and See!! **EVERYONE WELCOME!!** 

Heavenly Scoops, the ice cream stand at St. Bernard, will open for the summer on Friday, May 17 at 5 pm. It will be open on weekends until the end of June, when it will open daily for July and August.

**Parish Picnic and Mass** — We are planning a parish picnic/bbq and Mass for **Saturday, June 8, at Holy Cross Church**. The picnic starts at 1:30/2 pm, with a barbeque, facepainting, and children and adult games. Mass will be at 4 pm. Please bring your lawn chair. Consider what you might contribute and speak to one of the members of the Ways & Committee this weekend after Mass. Hope to see you all there!



The St. Rose of Lima Knights of Columbus are selling tickets on two adirondack chairs valued at \$300. The cost for tickets is \$10 each or 3 for \$20. The draw will be held on Father's Day, June 16.

**Presentation on the Parish Pastoral Plan** — The St. André Bessette Pastoral Council is offering to present to any committee, group or ministry a short presentation on our Parish Pastoral Plan and how it relates to each parishioner. The presentation itself, along with time for questions, should take no longer than 15-30 minutes. If you are interested, please call Annette Lewis at 902-440-2246. A copy of the Plan can be found as a link on the main page of the website: standrebessette.net.

**Part-time Job Opportunity at St. André Bessette** – The parish hiring a part-time secretary to work out of the office at 9 Jamieson Drive. A full job posting is available on the archdiocese website: www.halifaxyarmouth.org/admin-services/ human-resources. Deadline for applications is May 29.

This year's **Knights of Columbus Yard Sale** will take place on **Saturday, June 1 from 9 am to 3 pm** at St. Rose of Lima Church, Fall River. Proceeds will be used in support of KoC charitable activities in the community. **The CWL will also host plant and bake sales during the event.** If you have any suitable items you are willing to graciously donate for the sale, please contact one of the following individuals to arrange for pick-up:

Fall River area: Rick Karst - 902-456-2744 or rajckarst@yahoo.com
 Albert Gibson - 902-471-8514 or agibson@caseyltd.ca
 Joel Landry - 902-223-8408 or ljmeci@gmail.com
 David Marshall - 902-580-1600 or troymariem@gmail.com
 Enfield area: Darrell Nicholson - 902-220-9452 or darrell.nicholson68@gmail.com or drop off at 28 Elmwood Drive in Elmsdale

**CWL Mother's Day Baskets Raffle** — The winners of the two baskets were **Carol Obritsch** and **Sarah White**. A huge thank you from the St. Rose of Lima CWL for your support!

**Conscience Protection for Nova Scotia Doctors** — The Nova Scotia medical regulator has a draft policy that will force physicians to refer patients for euthanasia and other controversial procedures. The Canadian Medical and Dental Association Canada created a form letter that you can sign to express your disapproval with this proposed policy. Copies were made available the last two weekends. Signed copies can be left at the church and will be collected and sent to the parties involved in the decision-making. Thanks for your participation in this campaign.



Please pray for the following members of St. André Bessette Parish who will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Sunday, May 26, at the 9 am Mass at St. Bernard. We will welcome Archbishop Brian Dunn to confer the Sacrament on our Candidates!!

Kara Heukshorst Isabelle Kim Giacomo Pogliani Martin Heukshorst Cormac MacDonald Maureen Quinn

### Steubenville Atlantic: For Youth Grades 8-12: July 5-7, 2024

Calling our youth to gather with a number of other youth from across our Atlantic Region to celebrate and be renewed in Faith. The conference will be held in Halifax and this year will be at Saint Mary's University. This year's theme is "**Illuminate**" based on John 1:5 "**The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it**." I would like to ask and especially invite this year and last year's Confirmation candidates to participate in this opportunity to strengthen and further renew the fullness of the gift of their Faith. Please contact Maria McDonald at the Parish Office to register or enquire further.

**Caring and Sharing Foodbank in Enfield** — A reminder to parishioners of St. André Bessette Parish that they can support the foodbank by placing donations in the baskets found at the entrances of St. Bernard church. Baskets are checked weekly.

**Beacon House Top 10 items required:** boxed cereal, pasta sauce, mayonnaise, Kraft Dinner, peanut butter, peanut-free granola bars, crackers, canned fruit, instant coffee/tea, diapers size 4, 5 and 6.

#### Mass Intentions for the week of May 20 to 26, 2024

Tuesday, May 21 @ 6:30 pm (St. Bernard) - **Raymond Benere †** Wednesday, May 22 @ 6:30 pm (St. Rose of Lima) - **Audrey DeMone** Thursday, May 23 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - **Joseph Young †** Friday, May 24 (St. Rose of Lima) - **Funeral Mass for Bill Fraser at 11 am** Saturday, May 25 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) - **Florence Benere †** Sunday, May 26 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - **Pierrette Blok †** Sunday, May 26 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) - **For the people** 

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