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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 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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Make cheques payable to Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - March 8, 2026

The Scrutinies — During the RCIA process, the adults who have come forward and presented themselves for Baptism and the Sacraments of Initiation go through a process during the Lenten Season known as the Scrutinies. The first of the three scrutinies is celebrated on the Third Sunday of Lent. The second and third scrutinies will be celebrated on the Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent. *The scrutinies are rites for self-searching and repentance and have above all a spiritual purpose. The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. The scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life. These rites, therefore should complete the conversion of the elect and deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all.* (Taken from the Ritual for Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults Book)

Praying the Way of the Cross — Each Friday during Lent at 7 pm we offer the devotion of the Stations of the Cross, alternating between St. Bernard and St. Rose of Lima. This Friday, March 13, will be at St. Rose of Lima. Please come and join us for this devotion during Lent.

The Way of the Cross and the Rosary — These will be prayed on Wednesdays at 1 pm at Holy Cross, weather permitting. All are welcome.

Did you know that the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth has a Vocations Office? When we talk about vocations, the first thought that comes to many is vocations to the priesthood. But how does that come about? Through the Vocations Office! The Vocations Office, led by Fr. Craig Cameron, has a team whose main focus is to promote and support an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our archdiocese. This weekend, we welcomed Fr. Cameron and Maxine Brown, who talked with parishioners about how they can participate in the life of vocations in our local church.



If you're a parishioner and haven't already taken the **Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey**, **NOW is the time!** It's the very important first step in St. André Bessette Parish growing in our discipleship. We are currently assessing our parish's greatest strengths and opportunities, and need your response to help strengthen our parish and better prepare us for the future - as we strive to reflect more of Christ's love in our community.

The survey can be accessed through an online link from **until Tuesday, March 31, 2026**. It can be found at <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/pd81yp>. The link was also sent to the parish email list. Paper copies are available in the churches. You can drop off completed surveys at the office or leave them at the church. They will be forwarded to the Catholic Leadership Institute for processing. *Please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our parish.*

Programs & Lenten Videos — A reminder once again that the Parish of St. André Bessette has subscribed to the Augustine Institute to use **Formed.org** as a tool and resource for formation. This is a wonderful resource for families at home or for groups that wish to form and gain a deeper knowledge of the Catholic Faith. I encourage all parishioners to sign in and use this resource.

Easter Flowers — To prepare our churches for Easter, please consider a monetary donation for flowers (St. Rose of Lima) or a donation of flowers (St. Bernard) in memory of a loved one. Place your monetary donation in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers," include your name and the name of your loved one, and place it in the Sunday collection. Make cheques payable to St. André Bessette Parish. A list of those being remembered will be printed in the Easter bulletin.



Women protecting the Earth

In Brazil, the lives of several rural communities are disrupted by industrial agriculture, mining and the Carajás railway. Women are at the heart of the fight to protect the land and the environment from the air, water and soil pollution that they cause. This pollution damages their kitchen gardens and harms the health of their children, families and neighbours.

Courageously, these women resist to continue to exist on their land. To assert and protect their rights, they formed a women's association called Seeds of the Earth with the support of Justiça nos Trilhos (JnT), a partner of **Development and Peace** — **Caritas Canada**.



Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows: to strengthen our faith, hope, and love in God

The St. Rose of Lima CWL continue to pray the Servite Rosary **every Monday at 10:00 am in the chapel at St. Rose of Lima Church to honour Our Lady of Sorrows**. Copies of the Servite Rosary are available at the entrance of the church. All are welcome. Together we can console Our Blessed Mother for the sufferings she bore for the sake of our salvation.

2025 Official Donation Receipts are ready to be picked up at the churches!

MERCHANDISE BINGO

Friday, May 1, 2026
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SAVE THE DATE!

The St. André Bessette Ways & Means Committee is hosting a Merchandise BINGO on Friday, May 1 at the Waverley Legion. They are accepting prize donations, including gift cards. If you or your business would like to support this event or for more information, please contact Sarah White @ 902-499-7216 or smwhitey@outlook.com, Mary Anne Carew @ 902-430-5559 or carew.maryanne@gmail.com, or Irene Burgess @ 902-236-2088. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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

The Search is being offered:
 • Wednesdays, from February 18 to April 1, at St. Bernard at 10 am.
 • Thursdays, from February 19 to April 2, at St. Rose of Lima/Mitchell Hall at 7 pm.

Thriving Faith: Discipleship in Uncertain Times is being offered:
 • Wednesday evenings at 7 pm from February 25 to April 1 at St. Rose of Lima.

Contact the office for more information.

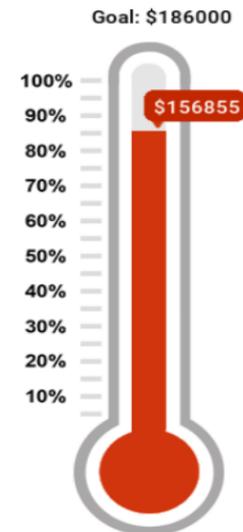
Family Faith Formation Schedule

March 8	Student/Parent Classes (p-8)	St. Bernard following 9 am Mass
March 8	Home Lesson	St. Rose of Lima students
March 15-21	MARCH BREAK	NO CLASSES
March 22	Student Classes (p-8)	St. Rose of Lima/Mitchell Hall at 9:45 am
March 22	Student/Parent Classes (p-8)	St. Bernard following 9 am Mass

Mass Intentions for the week of March 9 to 15, 2026

Tuesday, March 10 @ 6:30 pm (St. Bernard) - **Georgena MacIsaac**
 Wednesday, March 11 @ 6:30 pm (St. Bernard) - **John Manthorne**
 Thursday, March 12 @ 12:00 pm (St. Bernard) - **Garnett Haley †**
 Friday, March 13 @ 12:00 pm (St. Rose of Lima) - **Rose Dehmel**
 Saturday, March 14 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) - **Christena Tsimiklis**
 Sunday, March 15 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - **For the people**
 Sunday, March 15 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) - **Paolo Donadoni †**

Archdiocese Seeking a Salary and Benefits Administrator — The Human Resources team of the Archdiocese is seeking a new team member! Do you know anyone who likes helping people? Has good problem solving skills? Is looking to share their gifts with the Church? We are seeking someone to fill the role of Salary and Benefits Administrator. The Salary and Benefits Administrator ensures accurate and timely payroll processing, benefits administration, and compliance with applicable laws. This role maintains meticulous records, liaises with parishes and external providers, and contributes to process improvements that align with organizational goals and Catholic values.



St. Bernard Church Windows Replacement Project Update

The windows should be ready at the end of March, with a plan for installation after Easter. The parish has raised \$156,000, with **\$30,000 remaining** to reach our goal of \$186,000.

For those who are still planning to donate, there are envelopes as well as window sponsorship forms at the entrances of the churches.

Etransfers can be sent to stbernardsenfield@gmail.com.

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 — Canned soups, canned meat, pasta, canned milk, boxed cereal, oatmeal, granola bars, fruit cups, juice, crackers/cookies. Beacon House is also in need of **gently used winter coats**. 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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