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frgerald@standrebessette.net

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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 etransfer contributions using stbernardsenfield@gmail.com. These are alternatives to the traditional collection envelopes, which of course are still available.

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - October 19, 2025

Today is World Mission Sunday. This year's theme is *Missionaries of Hope among all Peoples*. Envelopes for this collection are available at the entrance of the church. 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. For more information on the work of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, visit www.missionsocieties.ca.

Parish Jubilee — This fall, parishes across the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth have been invited to celebrate this Jubilee Year of Hope by recognizing the many ways our parishes are signs of hope for their communities and our whole diocesan Church. The Parish Jubilee Gathering in September focused on Catechesis, the call to pass on and deepen our Catholic faith. October is the Jubilee of **Evangelization** - proclaiming the faith in order to bring about transformative conversion and invite people to respond to Jesus' call to relationship with Him and His Church. Social Justice and Liturgy will be featured in the coming months.

Father Gerald Away — Father will be away again this week. A reminder that there will be **NO WEEKDAY MASSES** or Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this week (October 20-24). Weekday Masses will resume on Tuesday, October 28 at St. Bernard. If there is an emergency, please contact the office.

Please note the parish office will be closed on Tuesday, October 21.
Staff will be participating in a retreat day organized by the archdiocese.

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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Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

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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 — October 7 was the Memorial Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. This month, make it a part of your daily prayer to pray the Holy Rosary. 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.

Annual Memorial Masses — On **Tuesday, November 4** at St. Bernard and on **Wednesday, November 5** at St. Rose of Lima, we will celebrate Mass to remember all who died this past year. The names of those who had funerals or were buried from the parish, as well as those close family members of parishioners who were celebrated elsewhere, will be read and a candle will be lit in their memories. Invitation letters will be going out soon. Please contact the office if you don't receive a letter but would like to add a name to the list. We would also like to know Memorial Mass you will be attending so the names may be mentioned at that particular Mass.

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.

St. Rose of Lima CWL Christmas Bazaar — **Saturday, November 15, 2025**
The CWL ladies are holding a bazaar and drop-in again this year. Profits from this event go toward supporting the parish and other charitable causes, as well as funding annual scholarships. They would like your help with donations for the craft table (sewing, knitting or crafts), bake table (baking/preserves/pickles), silent auction table (a new gift with a value of \$15 or more), religious items table (gently-used or new items, including religious books and holy cards). There will also be a children's corner (donation of small items that cost less than \$3 for the fishpond). Helpers are also needed. Thank you for your support!!! Please see any CWL member for inquiries or donations!

St. Bernard Church Windows Replacement Project Update

As we continue with our Window Project Fundraising to hopefully reach our goal, this note will serve as a little update. We have paid 50% of the stipulated amount of \$186,000 for Metro Windows and Doors to begin the project. The windows are on order. The windows are scheduled for installation towards the end of November. I would like to thank those who have been so supportive through your contributions toward this project. Thank you also to those who are giving of their time and talent actively soliciting much-needed funds to support this project. We still have a ways to go to achieve the full amount for this project.
...Fr. Gerald

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 weekend of October 25/26, 2025
Saturday, October 25 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) - Catherine White †
Sunday, October 26 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - Bernard Thompson †
Sunday, October 26 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) - For the people



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Family Faith Formation

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

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.

Arimathea Funeral Cooperative Open House — Arimathea is holding an open house on **Tuesday, October 28** from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, 8741 Highway 224 in Upper Musquodoboit. Stop in and meet the board of directors and staff who will be there to answer any questions you may have. Everyone is welcome!

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.

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.



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