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## St. André Bessette Parish

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

### 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 Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament until noon, Benediction and close  
Friday 9:00 am at St. Rose of Lima followed by Adoration of the  
Blessed Sacrament until noon, Benediction and close

### Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:00 pm at St. Bernard  
6:30 pm at Holy Cross  
Sunday 9:00 am at St. Bernard  
11:00 am at St. Rose of Lima (Live Stream)

### Confessions:

Tuesdays from 6:00 to 6:20 pm - St. Bernard Church  
Wednesdays from 6:00 to 6:20 pm - St. Rose of Lima Church  
Saturdays from 3:15 to 3:45pm - St. Bernard Church  
or by Appointment

### Parish Offerings:

To register with our parish Pre-Authorized Debit program, please  
contact Claire at the St. Bernard office. You can also etransfer  
contributions using stbernardsenfield@gmail.com. These are  
alternatives to the traditional collection envelopes, which of course  
are still available.

**Pastor:** Fr. Gerald David  
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**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Dan Bowden  
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### Parish Staff

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**APRIL 16, 2023**

**Second Sunday of Easter: Divine Mercy Sunday** — This Sunday we continue to enjoy the peace and graces of Easter! Our Lord Jesus Christ is Truly Risen ... Alleluia! The beautiful words of Jesus to his apostles – "Peace be with you." are words which contain so much Hope, so much Love to strengthen our Faith. His appearing to the Apostles did that very thing, including Thomas. Fear can too often override the Joy and Hope that comes from Peace. The Apostles then continue their mission with a boldness and a greater ardour – confronting many who question and much persecution as true followers of Christ. I pray that each and every one of us, after celebrating the most beautiful time of the year in the Christian Calendar, will live out our mission with greater ardour and deeper Faith. Jesus is Risen from the dead, and we can live in the light now because of Him. Happy Easter!!

**A Big Thank You** – I feel the need to once again express my deepest gratitude for all who made our Holy Week celebrations wonderful. To all who participated in our Holy Week and Easter celebrations, thank you. I would also like to thank those who assisted in the ministries for our celebration – the Music ministry, Altar Servers, Readers, Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Hospitality/Greeters, those who assisted in organizing the liturgies and the many set-up, take-down and redecorating of the Churches in preparation for the celebrations. I pray that God's Choicest Blessings be yours. Also a big thank you as well for continuing to financially support our Parish of St. André Bessette.

## Messages from Father Gerald

**Divine Mercy Novena and Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour** — The nine-day Novena, which began on Good Friday and concluded on Saturday, helped us to focus on the deeper meaning of God's mercy as was recorded in a diary of Saint Faustina Kawalska. The souls God wants brought to Him so that they may experience and receive God's unfathomable Mercy. This **Sunday afternoon (April 16)** I invite all who wish to join us at St. Rose of Lima Church for a Holy Hour dedicated to Divine Mercy. We will begin at **3pm** with the Blessing of the Image of Mercy and reverencing the image. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Litany of Mercy will follow, concluding with Benediction. Please plan to join us for this beautiful celebration to offer our Praise and Thanks to God for His unfathomable Mercy and unconditional Love. (Incense will be used for Benediction).

**Congratulations and Blessings** – We extend congratulations and blessings to Tianjun Su and Thomas MacGillivray on their marriage celebrated this past Friday afternoon at St. Rose of Lima. Thank you also for joining our Parish of St. André Bessette. We look forward to walking with you as companions on our journey of Faith. May God Bless your Love and sustain you all the days of your life.

**Parish Logo and Parish Mission Statement** — The Pastoral Council has been working diligently on a new logo for our Parish. We entered into a 'branding exercise' with the assistance of Tanya White, who took our various descriptions of the character of our three Communities that comprise St. André Bessette Parish. We are close to making a decision on that logo and are also formulating a Mission Statement that speaks best to the way in which we will be God's Church in this portion of the Vineyard. Thank you to the Pastoral Council for this work. Thank you to Tanya White for guiding us through the branding exercise and to Krystal Kristiansen for helping design a logo that speaks to us of St. André Bessette.

**Archbishop Dunn's Visit to St. André Bessette Parish** — Since the weekend of March 4/5, when Archbishop Dunn celebrated the Masses in all three of our churches, we have been tremendously busy with formation programs during Lent and getting ready for Holy Week and Easter. There were a number of points that Archbishop Dunn shared with me as a result of his visit to St. André Bessette. Overall, the Archbishop was very pleased with the sharing from the various active Committees, Councils and Organizations of our Parish. I will share the his remarks/comments with the groups addressed. He did ask that we strive to have a consistent flow with postures in the liturgy. Kneeling at the epiclesis (when the priest places his hands over the gifts on the Altar – just prior to consecration). The servers will ring the sanctuary bells at the time appropriate to kneel and I will pause to allow people time to kneel before continuing with the words of consecration. Each Eucharistic Prayer has a different time when the Epiclesis happens, so your indication to kneel will be when the servers ring the bells. If people are unable to kneel, I would ask that you be seated. The other posture is after coming back from receiving Communion. Remain standing until the Eucharist is placed back in the Tabernacle. Following this you may be seated or kneel taking a time for a prayer of thanksgiving for receiving Jesus' Body & Blood.

**Singing Gregorian Chant: An Introductory Workshop** — Presented by the Holy Heart Schola Cantorum and hosted by the **Atlantic School of Theology**, this workshop will introduce participants to Gregorian chant and its nature, forms, and functions in the liturgy. They are geared towards anyone who wants to learn how to sing Gregorian Chant and introduce it to others. Participants will sing 12 examples of chant.

**Date and Location:** Saturday, April 29 from 2 to 6 pm, In-Person at the Atlantic School of Theology Chapel  
**Registration Fee:** \$15.00 per adult (18 and over) plus Eventbrite fee  
 Learn more and register here: [www.eventbrite.ca/e/singing-gregorian-chant-an-introductory-workshop-tickets-597783445377](http://www.eventbrite.ca/e/singing-gregorian-chant-an-introductory-workshop-tickets-597783445377)

**Beacon House Top 10 for April** — boxed cereal, canned fruit, canned soup, canned vegetables, pudding cups, baby food, juice, mayonnaise, peanut butter, and nut-free granola bars.

For those interested in delving more deeply into Holy Scripture and the Mass, please check out the following sites (also listed in more detail and linked on the website):  
<https://stpaulcenter.com/studies-tools/journey-through-scripture/parousia-the-bible-and-the-mass/>  
<https://stpaulcenter.com/streaming/>

## Family Formation News

### St. Rose of Lima P-8

April 30 (wrap up class and First Communion rehearsal at 9:45 am in the Church)  
 9:45 to 10:45 am

### St. Bernard P-8

April 16 and 30 (First Communion rehearsal at 10:00 am in the Church)  
 10 to 11 am

### Confirmation Classes for April (6:30 pm at St. Rose of Lima)

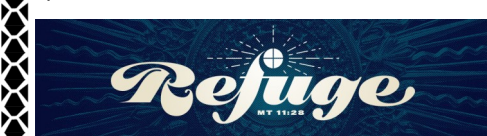
April 16 - no Class  
 April 23 - final Class/preparation for Confirmation  
 April 30 - Confirmation rehearsal and parent/student meeting at 12:15 pm, St. Rose of Lima (lunch provided)

### May dates to note:

Sacrament of First Holy Communion is Sunday, May 7 at the 11 am Mass at St. Rose of Lima Church.  
 Confirmation is Sunday, May 14 at the 11 am Mass at St. Rose of Lima Church, Archbishop Dunn presiding.

### Attention Youth ages 14-17!!

### STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC: July 7-9, 2023



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