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## St. André Bessette Parish

**Weekend 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 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

**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  
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.

**Communications (Bulletin):** standrecommunication@gmail.com  
Deadline for submissions is Wednesday at noon.

<b>Enfield Office:</b> Claire Guyette 902-883-2660 stbernardsenfield@gmail.com Tues. to Fri. 9:00 am to 12:30 pm	<b>Fall River Office</b> Lynette McMullin 902-860-0475 strose@standrebessette.net Tues. to Thurs. 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Fri. 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
<b>Coordinator, Faith Formation</b> Maria MacDonald 902-576-2192 maria.mcdonald@standrebessette.net	

Office Closures - Please note the St. Rose of Lima office will be closed on Tuesday, August 1 and 8, 2023.

**17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 30, 2023**

**The Tragedy of the Floods** — Last weekend, we saw in a part of our province a real tragic and devastating loss for people during the big rainfall. Flooding, washed out roads and bridges, made travel very challenging or almost impossible for some. The greatest tragedy of course was the loss of lives when cars were submerged in water and swept away in areas where water would not normally be. I ask you to pray for the families most affected by this reality - those lives lost as a result - that they may be at Peace with God. These realities are impossible to explain and often difficult for us to speak words that help to make sense.

**Summer Time** — I pray that this note in the middle of our summer finds you all getting time with family and friends, a time to relax from regular activity. This weekend's bulletin is intended to bring some reminders of activities to come for the fall.

**Fall Mass Schedule** — We will be extending the 4:00 pm Saturday Mass (anticipated Sunday Mass) at Holy Cross Church past the end of August, into the fall.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** — This fall we are hoping to offer in the Parish of St. André Bessette a course for those who are asking to enter into the Catholic Church. We invite those who may be considering entrance into the Catholic Church to call the parish office and leave you name and contact information and I will get back to you before the fall. If anyone of you knows of someone (family member, friend, neighbor) who might be considering this, please pass this information along to them.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** — Adoration continues on Thursday and Friday mornings during the summer months. There should be two (more is better) people present in Adoration at all times, spending quiet time in prayer with our Lord Jesus Christ. There is a book located at the entrance of St. Rose of Lima church, on the table behind the pews, where you can sign up for specific time periods there. *The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth.* — St. Teresa of Calcutta

**Baptisms** — Let us pray for Ruby Mary Rose Gouthro, who was baptized at St. Rose of Lima this weekend, and for her parents Erik and Emily. Prayers also for Rowan Angus MacGillivray and his parents Colin and Cindy. Rowan was baptized this weekend at St. Ninian's in Antigonish. We offer our love and support and ask that God's goodness and blessings be poured out on them.

**Wedding Blessing** — Congratulations to Ardy and Royna Pagnamitan, who celebrated the blessing of their marriage on July 28, 2023. May they be strengthened by God's blessing and may their lives bear witness to Christ's love for his Church.

**Parish Picnic and Variety Show** — Mark your calendar! St. André Bessette Ways & Means Committee is making plans to have an outdoor Mass followed by a parish picnic at Holy Cross the weekend of **September 16, 2023**. More information to come. A family variety show is planned for **Sunday, November 26 from 2 to 4 pm** at the Enfield Legion. If you would like to share your talent or know of anyone else who would, please contact Sarah White at [smwhitey@outlook.com](mailto:smwhitey@outlook.com).

**Fall Adult Faith Program** — Our 10-week fall adult faith program, *Metanoia*, will begin on **Thursday, September 21**. Stay tuned for more information.

**St. Bernard Prayer Wall** — The Ways & Means Committee is creating a prayer wall at St. Bernard. This is raising funds for the parish and will provide a peaceful area to pray. Plaques will be engraved and placed on the bricks. They can be purchased in memory of a loved one or on behalf of a person/family. There are 3 levels of donations - Gold is \$1000, Silver is \$500 and Bronze is \$250. For more information, please contact Sarah White at [smwhitey@outlook.com](mailto:smwhitey@outlook.com).

**Annual Masses for the Faithful Departed** — Each year, Masses for the Faithful Departed are celebrated in our Catholic Cemeteries over the summer months. Details for the Masses this summer are as follows:

- **Mount Olivet Cemetery**, Mumford Road, Halifax: **Saturday, August 12 at 10:00 am**. Rain location is Saint Agnes Church, 6903 Mumford Road, Halifax
- **Gate of Heaven Cemetery**, Sackville Drive, Lower Sackville: **Wednesday, August 23 at 6:00 pm**. Rain location: Saint John Vianney Church, 4 Beaverbank Road, Lower Sackville
- **Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel**, Holy Cross Cemetery, Halifax: **Friday, September 15 at 5:15 pm**

Please note that the Masses at Mount Olivet and Gate of Heaven cemeteries are outdoors on the cemetery grounds and attendees are asked to bring a lawn chair.

**Diaconal Ordination of William Grady** — All are invited to join the diaconal ordination of William (Bill) Grady. Bill is a long-time parishioner of Christ the King Parish. Archbishop Dunn will ordain him on **Thursday, August 10 at Saint Mary's Cathedral at 7:00 pm**. Gather with people from across the whole diocese to pray for Bill and celebrate this step in his faith journey!

**Diocesan Feast Day** — On the Feast of the Assumption, **August 15**, we celebrate our diocesan feast day! We also recognize and celebrate with our Acadian parishes, La Fête nationale de l'Acadie! To celebrate Archbishop Dunn will preside at a Mass at 12:00 noon. The Mass will be followed by a BBQ in the courtyard between the church and the glebe. All are welcome!

On November 14, 2022, the settlement of the class action suit against the Episcopal Corporation of Halifax and the Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth was approved. Now we are in the Claims Period. This period of notification to the public requires action on the part of the Archdiocese as well as the parishes. This notification period began on Monday, December 19, 2022 and concludes on Thursday, December 14, 2023. Individuals who want to make a claim of abuse can do so for the next 6 months.

### Mass Intentions for the week of July 31 to August 6, 2023

- Tuesday, August 1 @ 6:30 pm (St. Bernard) — **Eugene Bradley** — Deceased
- Wednesday, August 2 @ 6:30 pm (St. Rose of Lima) — **John MacDonald** - Deceased
- Thursday, August 3 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) — **Beverley McIntyre** — Deceased
- Friday, August 4 @ 9 am (St. Rose of Lima) — **Dook Kim** — Deceased
- Saturday, August 5 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) — **Howie Hasiuk** — Deceased
- Sunday, August 6 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) — **Allie MacDonell** - Deceased
- Sunday, August 6 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) — **For the people**

*This notice was approved by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia*

### NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT IN CLASS ACTION

To all individuals who were sexually abused by a priest of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth between April 14, 1954 and March 31, 2020 and have not previously settled or otherwise released either the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth.

The Court has approved a settlement which provides compensation to eligible class members who file a claim for sexual assault and meet the requirements of the claims process.

If you opted out of the class action, the settlement will not impact you.

If you are part of the lawsuit as a Class Member, you can submit a claim for a payment of money as compensation. The amount of money that you may receive will depend on the specifics of the claim you submit. The potential amount of money to be paid to a Class Member whose claim is accepted will likely range from \$30,000 to \$350,000.

For further information, visit <https://kmlaw.ca/cases/catholic-priest-sexual-abuse-class-action/> or call 1-833-630-1785, or email [catholicabuseclassaction@kmlaw.ca](mailto:catholicabuseclassaction@kmlaw.ca).

You must submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023. If you do not submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023, you will lose your right to compensation.

## Family Formation News

### Catechists/Teachers Needed!

Are you a Catechist at Heart? Do you enjoy and feel elevated when you share and witness to who Jesus Christ is and the teachings of the Church? The Last instruction that Jesus gave to his disciples was: 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.' (Mark 16:15) By volunteering to be a catechist, you are doing one of the most important tasks that Jesus asks us to do. Besides helping the children and families of our parish to grow in their understanding of our Faith, you will find that you also will grow in your relationship with God.

**Interested?** Please contact Maria McDonald with the parish for more information: [maria.mcdonald@standrebessette.net](mailto:maria.mcdonald@standrebessette.net) or at 902-576-2192.



**Beacon House Top 10** — Boxed cereal, canned stew, baby food, diapers, male and female hygiene products, mayonnaise, peanut-free school snacks, juice, canned milk, canned ham or chicken, cookies

**Caring and Sharing Angel Tree Foodbank** — July's wish list includes pasta sauce, instant coffee, canned veggies and fruit, toilet paper and cereal (place in the drop off area at the church). Gardeners who wish to donate extra produce can do so between the hours of 1:00 and 3:00 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays, in the basement of the Enfield Legion. The phone number for Caring and Sharing is 902-471-4733.



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