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**Pastor**  
Fr. Gerald David  
frgerald@standrebessette.net

**Deacon**  
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.

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - November 23, 2025

Today we celebrate the reality of the Kingship of Christ, a Kingship unlike any other Kingship known in this world. Christ's Kingship is one that transforms people's hearts and minds ... a Kingship that assists every one of us to discover the Mission God created us for if we give God that place of prominence and priority in our lives.

**Book of Remembrance** — The Book of Remembrance is on the altar for the month of November. Parishioners are encouraged to record the names of their deceased loved ones in the Book as the prayers of the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass are offered in remembrance of them.

**Christmas Flowers** — Please consider making a donation in your deceased loved ones' names to the cost of the flowers and decorations that will adorn the churches this Christmas. Names will be posted in the churches, thus marking their presence for all of the Masses from Christmas Eve until the Epiphany. To make a donation, simply place it in an envelope with the name of your deceased family member or friend and drop the envelope in the collection at Sunday Mass.

### Mass Intentions for the week of November 24 to 30, 2025

Tuesday, November 25 @ 6:30 pm (St. Bernard) - **Maureen Corrigan †**  
Wednesday, November 26 @ 6:30 pm (St. Rose of Lima) - **Lillian Steel**  
Thursday, November 27 @ 12:00 pm (St. Bernard) - **Roddie MacDonnell †**  
Friday, November 28 @ 12:00 pm (St. Rose of Lima) - **Mary Gannon**  
Saturday, November 29 @ 4 pm (Holy Cross) - **Deacon Dan**  
Sunday, November 30 @ 9 am (St. Bernard) - **For the people**  
Sunday, November 30 @ 11 am (St. Rose of Lima) - **Bernard Hanlon †**

## 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:

Carla Donadoni 902-860-0475 Ext 2 office@standrebessette.net  
Lynette McMullin 902-860-0475 Ext 3 businessoffice@standrebessette.net  
Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

### Faith Formation

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Deadline for submissions is Wednesday at noon.

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**The 2025-2026 Missals have arrived. Cost is \$6.**  
There are also a few youth missals available for \$8. Place payment in an envelope marked "Missal" and put it in the collection.



**Holy Eucharist to Sick or Homebound** — If you, or someone you know, are sick or elderly and cannot be present at Mass but would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact Audrey DeMone to make arrangements for a visit. Audrey can be reached at 902-860-1798.

**Children's Liturgy at St. André Bessette Parish** — We are hoping to be able to offer the Children's Liturgy at the Sunday morning Masses at St. Bernard and St. Rose of Lima. This will be an opportunity for the children to be able to hear the Word of God on their level and have some kind of activity associated with that particular Sunday liturgy. In order to be able to offer this opportunity for the young children we need to form a few teams at each site to be able to lead this portion of the liturgy each Sunday. If you enjoy working with children and are interested in helping us out with the Children's Liturgy, please call the Parish Office or see Fr. Gerald after Sunday Mass. We are hoping to begin to offer the Children's Liturgy on the First Sunday of Advent (November 30).

**Offering Envelopes** — Envelopes for 2026 are here and are ready to be picked up. The boxes have been labeled and placed in alphabetical order by last name. If you don't currently have envelopes, there are a number of boxes that have not yet been assigned to anyone. Take one! Please fill out the box's registration slip with your full name (including middle initial) and contact information and place it in the collection. If you no longer want envelopes, don't take them! They can be reassigned to someone else. Contact the office and let Lynette know. Please remember to include your name and the donation amount on your weekly envelope to ensure the charitable tax receipt can be produced for the accurate amount. Thanks!



**An Invitation to a Day of Reflection** — Do you know that you are the Beloved of Christ? He longs to spend time with you and as we await His Nativity. The ladies of the St. Rose of Lima CWL invite you to an afternoon of prayerful reflection of this awesome event to help prepare our hearts, minds, and souls for the birth of Our Lord. Join them on **Sunday, November 30 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm** to listen to sacred music, hear sacred scripture, and to pray the Rosary together.

**Thank you from the St. Rose of Lima CWL** — The ladies of the CWL would like to thank all for their contributions, patronage and prayers for the Christmas Bazaar, and for always being there when needed. God bless!

These are the winners of the CWL raffle. Thanks for your support!

- \* Christmas Quilt - Pam Clarke
- \* The Cottage Painting - Karen Heukshorst
- \* \$100 Gift Certificate from Clearwater - Joanne Clarke



**The Remembrance Christmas Tree** — Pope Francis once stated that: *The Christmas tree with its lights reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world, the light of the soul that drives away the darkness of animosity and makes room for forgiveness.* Gazing upon the Christmas Tree, we should be reminded through its beauty and symbolism that it embraces all of our hope in Christ and His mercy and love - and especially for our deceased loved ones, as Christ promises that more souls are released from purgatory on Christmas Day than on any other day.

The Christmas Tree

- **Evergreen nature:** Represents God's eternal love and the promise of everlasting life through Jesus.
- **Triangular shape:** Symbolizes the Holy Trinity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- **Lights:** Symbolize Jesus as the light that shines in the darkness and enlightens the world.
- **Ornaments:** Can symbolize the gifts and graces of Christ, or the angels who announced His birth.
- **Wood:** Reminds people of the cross on which Jesus was crucified.



The St. Rose of Lima CWL is continuing its Christmas tradition to remember and pray for our deceased loved ones during the liturgical Christmas Season. Christmas ornaments with loved ones' names can be ordered and will be placed on a Christmas Tree located in the church. These dear ones will be remembered and prayed for in all of the Masses offered from the first Christmas Mass until the Epiphany Mass. After the Epiphany Mass, those who ordered an ornament can collect and take it home to place on their own Christmas Tree next year. The CWL ladies will be accepting donations for the ornaments and will be at the entrance of St. Rose of Lima church beginning next **Sunday, November 30 until Sunday, December 21** to accept the names of your deceased loved ones.



**St. Rose of Lima Knights of Columbus "Socks for Souls" Campaign** — The Knights have once again put out a box at the entrance of the church to collect new socks, hats and gloves for those in need this winter. The deadline to give is **Sunday, December 7**, as your donations and a hot meal will be brought to Hope Cottage later that week. They greatly appreciate your support!



**Archdiocesan Feast Day: December 8, 2025** — Our Archdiocesan Feast Day is December 8, the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**. It is also the day that we became the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth. Archbishop Dunn invites the faithful to celebrate this important date in the life of our local Church by joining him for a special 7:00 pm Mass on **Monday, December 8, 2025** at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica. A reception will follow in the hall. All are welcome!

In preparation for this important day, all are encouraged to pray for our Archdiocese through the **Immaculate Conception Novena**. The Novena begins November 29 and concludes on December 7. A few copies have been made and can be found with the bulletins. Contact the office for additional copies. Immaculate Mary, pray for us!

## Family Faith Formation

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| November 23 | Home Lesson/Homework       | St. Rose of Lima Students                    |
| November 23 | Gr. P-8 Class for Students | St. Bernard Students following the 9 am Mass |

**First Reconciliation** for Gr. 2 students will take place on **Saturday, December 6**, at 10 am at St. Rose of Lima Church. Please pray for our young people preparing for this sacrament.

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP)** — This international organization is formed mainly of Catholic volunteers. St. André Bessette Parish members assist those living in poverty in our area. They assist individuals and families with expenses such as groceries, gas, rent, power, oil and other necessities. Special envelopes are available now for you to support the work of St. Vincent de Paul. Donations of cash, grocery cards and gas cards would be most appreciated. Many are struggling and every little contribution helps. Thank you!!

**Opening Mass for Frassati Academy** — Archbishop Brian Dunn will celebrate the opening Mass for Frassati Academy, Halifax's new independent Catholic school, on **Friday, November 28 at 12:10 pm** at **St. Agnes Church**, part of Good Shepherd Parish (6903 Mumford Road). All are warmly invited to join this joyful celebration as they give thanks to God for the gift of Catholic education and entrust this new school to the Lord's care. After Mass, guests are welcome to see the school and meet the faculty. Join them in praying for the students, families, and teachers of Frassati Academy. Go and see what God is doing! Find out more: frassati.ca.

### Beacon House Christmas Hampers

This year, St. Rose of Lima Church parishioners have been asked to provide **one litre sized fruit juice** for the 300+ hampers being prepared. Please leave donations in the Beacon House Bin near the washrooms.

### 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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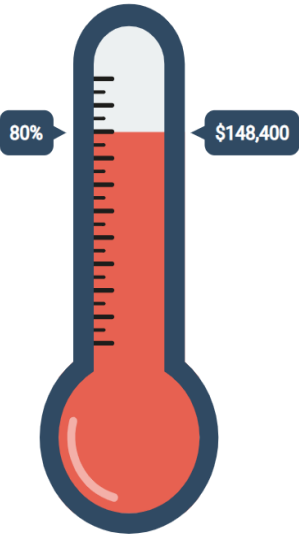
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## St. Bernard Church Windows Replacement Project

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. ...Fr. Gerald

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