

THE BESSETTE GAZETTE

HOLY CROSS CHURCH/ST. BERNARD
CHURCH/ ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH



Mass Times:

Saturday:

Holy Cross @ 4:00 PM

St. Rose of Lima @ 4:00 PM

Sunday:

St. Bernard @ 9:00 AM

St. Rose of Lima @ 11:00 AM

To attend mass at St. Bernard, please contact
Claire at 902-883-2660 or
stbernardsenfield@gmail.com.

To attend mass at St. Rose, please contact Linda at
902-860-0475 or strose@eastlink.ca. Please
indicate if you wish to attend the Saturday (4pm)
or the Sunday (11am) mass.

Office Hours:

St. Bernard's - Tuesday to Friday (9AM-12:30 PM)

St. Rose of Lima - Tuesday to Thursday
(9AM-2:00 PM)

Please be sure to visit the parish website for Fr.
Michael's weekly messages, updates to the Mass
schedule, previous and current recorded masses and
information regarding upcoming parish events and
activities. (<https://www.strosefallriver.com>).

Sacrament of the Sick: The Sacrament of the Sick will
be made available upon request for individuals
following appropriate safety procedures. Present
restrictions do not permit pastors to go into the
hospital to anoint sick parishioners; however, there
are designated priests to anoint parishioners in
hospital.

Communion to the Homebound/Sick by parishioners
is not permitted at this time. Requests for viaticum
(communion for the dying) should be made to Fr.
Michael.

Holy Cross Catholic Church

Annual Pancake Supper - TAKE OUT ONLY -



Tuesday Feb 16TH, 2021

4:30-6PM

Adults \$10.

Children 5-12 yrs \$6.

**Pancakes-Sausages-Baked Beans-
Biscuits and Dessert**

TO ORDER CALL - Debbie -902-225-4379

Irene - 902- 236-2088



Lent will soon begin and the parish will be adding extra opportunities for prayer as we all prepare for the celebration of the Easter.

ASH WEDNESDAY (February 17):

9:00 AM at St. Bernard - Mass with Distribution of Ashes

4:00 PM at Holy Cross - Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes

7:00 PM at St. Rose - Mass with Distribution of Ashes (live-stream)

The 7:00 PM Mass will be live-streamed for those who are unable to attend mass in person. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at mass on Sunday, February 14 (weekend before Ash Wednesday) and may be used at home when the Distribution of Ashes takes place during the live-streamed Mass or at a family time of prayer.

WEEKDAY MASSES DURING LENT

- Wednesday at 9:00 AM at St. Rose of Lima
- Thursday at 9:00 AM at St. Bernards followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 11 AM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed during Lent on Fridays (7 PM) at St Rose of Lima Church. Pre-registration will not be required but contact information will be collected at the door. Usual COVID guidelines apply.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION DURING LENT:

Holy Cross- to be confirmed

St. Bernard- For the month of March, Saturdays 9:30-10:30 AM/ Location: outside the present Confessional Room

St Rose of Lima- For the month of March, Saturdays 11 AM-12 Noon/ Location: room outside restrooms (Crying Room)

LENTEN PARISH LIFE GROUPS:

The Lenten Life Group series will take place via Zoom on Monday evenings at 7 PM beginning February 22 and running up to and including March 29.

This series, based on the Eucharist, will lead us to Holy Thursday. Parishioners from the three churches within St. Andre Bessette parish are invited to take part in this prayerful reflection. If you are not already participating, it is not too late. Please go to the parish website to join:

<https://www.strosefallriver.com>

PARISH HAPPENINGS

2021 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Envelopes are to be picked up at both church offices or at mass. Additional information for each person in the household is required to meet new Canada Revenue Agency requirements so charitable tax receipts can be processed.

St. Bernard and St. Rose parishioners are asked to fill out the form with the required information and leave it in a basket by the Exit when leaving mass. Your assistance in doing this will ensure we have the required information to issue tax receipts.

ST. ANDRE BESSETTE LIVE-STREAMED MASS - A NEW WAY TO CONNECT

Since we began recording Masses last summer, the St. Andre Bessette "technical team extraordinaire" have worked diligently to make improvements to our broadcast providing an opportunity for all parishioners to stay connected and worship together weekly. To dramatically improve the video quality, however, we are looking to purchase and install much needed new equipment.

The equipment and installation will cost approximately \$3,000 and to date we have raised \$1,000. We are closer to our goal every week!

Donations of any amount would be welcome to help cover the cost and improve the quality of our live-stream broadcasts.

Please consider making your contribution and including your name and address on an envelope with "Technology" clearly noted. Thank you

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

Attention high school graduates. Applications are open for the *Simon J. Khattar Scholarship*. This is a \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship to successful applicants undertaking first year studies at any recognized university or community college beyond the secondary level. Applicants must be practicing Catholics and residents of Nova Scotia.

Application forms can be picked up at the Parish Office or downloaded on the website and must be returned no later than FRIDAY, MARCH 12.

For further information, please contact:
Lockview High School - Rick Karst (902-456-2744)
Hants East High School - John Steele
(john.steele.67@gmail.com)





The St. Bernard's CWL is delighted to offer mentorship to the St. Rose of Lima CWL as they begin a Prayer Shawl Ministry. This ministry collects and distributes shawls to individuals who would be comforted by receiving one. We are asking anyone who knits or crochets and would like to be involved to contact MaryAnne Carew (carew.maryanne@gmail.com). If you would like to help, but are not a knitter, donations of soft acrylic yarn would be welcome.

Knights of Columbus Council 8387 St. Rose of Lima Spring Yard Sale

We have started planning for our yard sale in the Spring and are accepting donations so if you are Downsizing? Empty nester? Spring Cleaning? then please call Francis White at 902-860-1981 to arrange drop-off or pick-up.

St. Rose of Lima Church: Urgent need of greeters

For our weekend masses- in particular, the Saturday 4 PM mass. Please contact Ron Hutchins for more information (902-483-7353).



Virtual Marriage Encounter weekend

March 26-28

For more information contact:
renewmarriage@gmail.com or 506-856-9485

The mission of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to proclaim the value of Marriage and Holy Orders in the Church and throughout the world.



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organization whose mission is to live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy.

Our Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be doing a Lenten Food Drive for Beacon House beginning Ash Wednesday. Giving is a part of our Lenten journey and for many in our communities food insecurity and isolation are not new. We ask for your support to help our brothers and sisters who are in need. The Beacon House bin will be placed at the back of the Church before Mass and donations from all three churches will be brought to Beacon House. All donations of non-perishable items will be appreciated.

Below is a list provided by Beacon House representing the Top 10 needs at this time.

1. Kraft Dinner
2. Canned Soups
3. Canned Stew
4. Canned Fruit
5. Pasta Sauce
6. Broth
7. Diapers (Size 4, 5 & 6)
8. Granola Bars
9. Oatmeal Packets & Healthy Cereal
10. Crackers

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE BASED ON THE BEATITUDES

The Beatitudes are an excellent resource to prepare for confession, to examine ourselves to see if we are living an authentic Christian life.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Do I strive – with my time, passion, and resources – to accumulate more temporal goods and honours, instead of seeking to obtain true spiritual goods? Do I recognize my spiritual poverty and humbly acknowledge my need to continually seek and be filled with the Spirit of Christ?

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Do I sorrow over the sins committed by myself and others, considering how much they offend God and how they bring more evil and disorder into the world? Do I do sufficient penance for my own sins, and reparation to God for the sins of others?

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Am I obstinate and quarrelsome, always trying to assert my will over others in regard to petty and unimportant things? Do I strive to overcome evils with good, by responding to offences with gentleness and a good will, instead of retaliating in anger and spite?

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Am I trying to become more holy by conquering my habitual sins and diligently practicing acts of virtue? Do I love Jesus and strive to do His will above all things, instead of my own?

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Are my eyes and my heart open to the mental, physical, or emotional sufferings of others? Do I try to relieve their pain and misery through spiritual and corporal works of mercy?

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Do I try to keep my heart, mind, and soul untainted by the evil influences of this fallen world? Do I guard the purity of my senses by being cautious and discriminatory about what I allow myself to see, watch, and hear?

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.

Do I strive to keep my soul in the peace of Christ? Do I look for ways to bring greater order and harmony among persons in my family or place of work, or do I participate in perpetuating discord and strife?

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Do I count it a joy when I suffer wrongs for the sake of doing good? Do I offer up my trials to God for the salvation of souls?

Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Am I living my Catholic faith authentically so that others can see that I am a devout follower of Jesus Christ? Do I avoid living and proclaiming the truths taught by His Church for fear of being disliked, ridiculed, or persecuted?

The word beatitude means happiness. We can also read this list as “happy are those who . . .” Only when we are living in the light of the teachings of Jesus Christ will we find true happiness in this life and the next. From goodcatholic.org (slightly amended)

CATECHISM CORNER



The St. Andre Bessette Catechism team has been hard at work to ensure all families within our parish are supported in the passing of the Catholic Faith to our children and youth. Catechists are working with parents to prepare children for First Reconciliation and First Communion as well as preparing youth for the sacrament of Confirmation. Both programs are well underway.

We held the first Family Mass on Sunday, February 7 at St. Rose of Lima Church. This was possible through the reintroduction of the 4:00 pm Saturday Mass on February 6. The next Family Mass will be on Sunday, March 7 at 11:00 am at St. Rose of Lima Church. We encourage Families not on the current parish registration list to register to attend the Family Mass. You need only register once. Those who are not registered can do so by emailing the St. Rose Parish Office at strose@eastlink.ca. Please provide the names of ALL family members who will be attending.

Children not in sacrament preparation this year will begin to receive emails this week with activities for home related to the readings in upcoming Sunday Liturgy. These activities are one way the whole family can explore the Sunday readings through age- appropriate and fun activities.

Youth Alpha will begin on Thursday, February 18 at 8:00 pm on Zoom. This Alpha program is for those youth who prepared for Confirmation last year but, due to COVID-19 restrictions, were not Confirmed.

Youth at the grade 8 level are also invited to participate in this Youth Alpha. Notification has been sent to families of youth who were registered in catechism programs last year at St. Bernard's or St. Rose of Lima.

We ask all parishioners to pray for the children and youth of St. Andre Bessette parish as they and their families continue on their faith journey.

Family Activities for Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday



Shrove Tuesday or "Pancake Tuesday" is celebrated on the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. In the early church, pancakes provided a good way to use up the remaining milk, butter and eggs before the Lenten fast. Planning your Shrove Tuesday meal together is a great way to prepare the family for Lent. You can close your meal with the following prayer to lead everyone into a time of quiet and repentance.

"Dear God, who calls us both to feast and to fast, help us to grow closer to you and to one another through this Lenten fast. Teach us to forgive others as you have forgiven us. Call us all to new life in the resurrection of your Son. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen."

Ash Wednesday is the first day in the season of Lent. On Ash Wednesday, if you go to Mass, you can receive ashes on your forehead. The ashes remind us that without God we are nothing. They symbolize the dust that God created us from; the 40 days Jesus spent praying and fasting in the desert; and are a visible sign that a person is sorry for their sins and mistakes. During Lent, we do extra prayers, fasting and almsgiving.

"During this Lent then, brothers and sisters, let us all ask the Lord, 'Make our hearts like yours.'"

-Pope Francis



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
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