Lent - A Journey of Love

Lent has come to us a little later this year than usual as Easter is only four days short of the latest it can be. On a side note, if you were wondering how the date for Easter is determined; it is always the first Sunday after the first full moon after the first day of Spring. That information and \$2.00 will get you a coffee at Tim Horton's. With Lent starting so late, it has given us much time to think about what we may want to "give up", "take on", "change about ourselves", etc. to help us enter more deeply into this most holy of seasons.

When I was young, it was always a challenge to (a) figure out what I was going to give up for Lent, and then, (b) to actually be able to stay faithful to my decision. I can remember finding out that Sundays were not technically part of Lent, so there was a loophole there should I decide to wander from my commitment without feeling too much guilt. Looking back, I think my thought process was flawed.

My ideas around Lent started to change significantly when I became a parent. On December 14, 1989 when my son was handed to me at the Moncton Hospital, it gave me my first taste of what unconditional love is. Whether I was aware of it or not, every other relationship in my life had conditions, but not this one. Not now, not ever. I then connected that to my relationship with God. Up until that point my dealings with God were very formal. God was watching over me, but from afar. I needed to earn God's favour to receive blessings and anything that went wrong in my life was God wrapping my knuckles for something bad that I had done. I worshipped God, but I'm not sure that I loved God. So, naturally, this shaped how I lived my faith, especially in the important seasons like Lent. My "giving up" was more about obligation than it was about love. That's why loopholes seemed so appealing.



Now, my thoughts around Lent are much more centered on gratitude as opposed to obligation. If I decide to deny myself of something, or if I should decide to take something on such as additional time in prayer, it is my way of saying to God; "I love you too". Recently, Matthew Kelly's book, "The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity" has been made available to us in the diocese to read as a good preparation for Lent. In the book, he talks about creating "Holy Moments". Holy moments are any time you put someone else's needs ahead of your own.

WOW! Can you imagine what life would be like if we all put ourselves and our egos second and other people's needs (physical, emotional and spiritual) first? I think the world would be a much different and better place.

Lent is all about repentance and conversion. It's about exchanging our old ways for new ways. But most especially it's about the journey toward the Triduum and Easter and the experience of the greatest love anyone has ever shown. For me, Lent has become figuring out how to respond to that kind of love. Like any good parent, all God asks for in return is some quality time spent together and for us to share what we've learned from the source of all love. Happy Lent to all.

Mark Mahoney



Priest-Moderator: Assistant Priests part time:

Pastoral Associate:

Liturgy: Justice and Solidarity:

REGULAR MASS SCHED		
St. Augustine's:	Friday—1 Saturday-	
St. Lawrence O'Toole:	Sunday –	
Our Lady of Mercy:	Saturday	

PARISH OI to Fridav 9:00 a.m.

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St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery:

Ray of Hope Needy Kitchen:857-4224Meals served:Monday to Friday 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 857-2088 Regular Depot Hours Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.



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March 10th,2019 First Sunday of Lent

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ULE—HEURES DES MESSES

l2:00 noon —4:00 p.m.; Sunday 11:00 a.m.

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4:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00, 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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	Daíly Reading	<i>JS</i>	
Monday	Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18: Matthew 25:31-46		
Tuesday	Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15		
Wednesday	Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32		
Thursday	Esther 14:1, 3-5, 12-14; Matthew 7:7-12		
Fríday	Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26	The The	
Saturday	Deuteronomy 26 :16-19; Matthew 5:43-48	Temptation of Jesus	
Sunday	Second Sunday of Lent Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1		



"Chicken Fricot Soup to Go"

Will be available <u>Saturday March 9th and</u> <u>Sunday March 10th</u> at the main entrance of the church after all the masses.

Chicken Fricot, Crackers, and Cookies all for just \$5.00 cost

In support of the Ray of Hope Kitchen, as always, your support is greatly appreciated.

QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS SENIORS GROUP extends an invitation to Seniors and Retirees for an afternoon of socializing, board games or cards on <u>Monday, March</u> <u>11th</u> from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The elevator will be

available for this gathering which is held in the Fr. Peter McKee room in St. Augustine's Church basement. For information, contact Norma at 384-0605.

Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference is now accepting registrations for their upcoming Conference taking place in Halifax from <u>July 5th-7th, 2019</u>. If you are in high school and or 14 years of age to 18 or 19 years of age please consider this wonderful faith filled weekend. For further information please contact the church office or Theresa at 204-7440 or visit the website Steubenville Atlantic 2019. Deadline for applications is May 26th 2019.

MASS INTENTIONS						
Wed	6	12:00noon	SLOT	Late Rita Melanson	M & Mme Aurele Belliveau	
		7:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Ken McCarthy	Agnes Rodgers	
Sat	9	7:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	St.A St. A	Ann. Late Gary Pickard Late Edmond Cormier	Robert & Claudette Pickard Wife Nora and Family	
Jai	3	4:00 p.m.	OLM	Late George Robins	Wife Pauline	
Sun	10	9:00 a.m.	SLOT	Gary Girouard	Clarence and Julie Gagnon	
		11:00 a.m.	St. A	Ann. Late Roderick Stewart	Charles Cail and Stewart Families	
Tues	12	12:00noon	St. A	Late Betty Stafford	Bernard & Family	
Fri	15	12:00noon	St. A	Late Bill and Irene Griffin	Bob and Alice Esson	
Sat	16	4:00 p.m.	St. A	Thanksgiving	Anne Marie & Kalabhar Reddy	
		4:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Ron Browne	Wife Genevieve	
Sun	17	9:00 a.m.	SLOT	50th Ann. Clarence and Julie Gagno		
		11:00 a.m.	St. A	Late Hampford & Celia Hachey	Family	
LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: \$2,127.00 GOODIE SUNDAY will be held at St. Lawrence O'Toole immediately						

Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: \$2,127.00 (134 env); Loose: \$604.00; Building Fund: \$445. (30 env); Ray of Hope; \$5.00; Holy Land; \$100.00 (9 env); International Outreach: \$200.00 (1 env); United Way; \$117.00; Pre-Authorized: \$1,218.00 (33 env.).

<u>March 1</u> welcome.

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes: **\$987.00** (39 env.): Loose: **\$84.00**; Cemetery Upkeep; **\$5.00**; Legacy Fund; **\$36.15**; Pre-Authorized: **\$50.00** (3env).

<u>Our Lady of Mercy</u>: Envelopes (37): **\$605.00**; Loose: **\$57.60**; Candles: **\$42.00**

Thank you for your generosity!

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Saint Lawrence O'Toole Local Parish Council meeting will be held <u>Tuesday,</u> <u>March 19th</u> at 10:00

The **ST.PATRICK'S** mass will be celebrated at St. Bernard's Church on <u>Saturday, March</u> <u>16th</u> at 11:00 a.m. Irish music starting at 10:30. The offering will be used for the Fr. Peter McKee and Gerry McCarthy bursaries given by the Irish Canadian Cultural Association,Westmorland-Albert-Kent Chapter.

GOODIE SUNDAY will be held at St. Lawrence O'Toole immediately following mass <u>Sunday,</u> <u>March 17th</u>. All are welcome.





COME JOIN THE FUN the next gathering for youth group will be held in St. Augustine's basement on our new night <u>Thursday March</u> <u>14th</u> at 6:00 p.m. For further details please contact Pastoral Associate Charlie Farrell at charlie.farrell@qasmoncton.com or 857-4223.

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MEDICALLY ASSISTED DEATH AND CHALLENGES TO A GOOD DEATH

This session takes place with Dr. Nuala Kenny takes place today, Sunday, March 10th at St. Bernard's Church Hall, Botsford Street, from 2:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

THE CHALLENGE OF HEALING TOGETHER FROM CLERGY SEXUAL ABUSE We are a Church reeling from reports of clergy sexual abuse. We are aware of the overwhelming and long-lasting harm for victims of abuse; we are living the pain, disillusionment, shame and anger as members of Christ's Body. We are invited to come together to see how we can continue to be Church to one another and heal from the devastating effects of this. Sr. Nuala Kenny will speak on The Challenge of Healing together from Clergy Sexual Abuse on Monday, March 11th at the Dan Bohan Family Centre, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Riverview from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Please register with Ellen.

PARISH CATECHETICAL COORDINATORS: are scheduled to meet on Thursday, March 14th, 2019 at 6:00 at the Diocesan Offices on York Street. Please use the Dominion Street entrance.

ADULT FAITH COMMISSION: next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19th, 2019 at 6:30 at the Diocesan Offices on York Street. Please use the Dominion Street entrance.

LENTEN GOD SIGHTINGS

How are you observing the Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and alms giving this year? Share your daily Lenten God Sightings on Instagram with the Office of Youth Faith Development, by using the hashtags #yfdmoncton and #lentengodsightings. Contact Trevor for more info. See you on Instagram!

Wise Woman, Disciple, and Rebel: The Many Faces of Mary Magdalene

Mary Magdalene, often called the apostle to the apostles is an enigmatic presence in the Gospels. All four Gospel writers show Mary Magdalene's presence at the tomb searching for the body of Jesus. There is little we know about her, and much that draws us to her. Join Dr. Fiona Black on Friday, March 29th from 9:30 to 3:30 at St. Bernard's Church Hall as we take a closer look at this woman who clearly was very important to Jesus. Register with Ellen by Wednesday, March 27th. Lunch will be provided.

Faith Development families gather in St. Augustine's Church basement for sessions

Level 1-3 9:15 a.m.	Session #12 Session #13 Session #14	Sunday, March 10th Sunday, March 24th Sunday, March 31st
Level 4-6		
12:15 p.m.	Session #12	Sunday, March 10th
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Level 4-6		
6:30 p.m.	Session #12	Tuesday, March 12th
-	Session #13	Tuesday, March 26th
	Session #14	Tuesday, April 2nd

A GATHERING FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS PREPARING TO CELEBRAT 1ST **EUCHARIST** will be held in St. Augustine's Church basement Monday, March 11th at 6:30 p.m.

1ST RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION will be held at St. Augustine's on Tuesday, March 19th, at 6:30 p.m.

A GATHERING FOR ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES AND SPONSORS OR **PARENTS** will be held in St. Augustine's Church basement on Monday, March 25th at 6:30 p.m.

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A traditional Irish Feast will be held at Our Lady of Mercy Church basement on Saturday March 16th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tickets \$10.00 adults and \$5.00 for children 10 and under. There will be Irish stew, music and stories. (Take-out available). A bake sale and 50/50 draw will also be held. Tickets sold at the back of the church after masses or you may get tickets from Mike 351 -4263, Odette 531-0252 or Frances at 532-5383. All proceeds for upgrades to church equipment. Thank you for your continued support!

ACRAMENT OUR NEXT BAPTISM PREP-ARATION COURSE will he

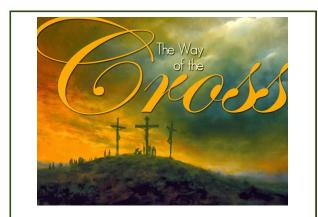


held Saturday, March 16th at 9:30 a.m. and Saturday, March 23rd at 9:30 a.m. at St. Augustine's. For information please call the office at 857-









THE WAY OF THE CROSS will be celebrated each Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m. To make this prayer available to as many as possible, it will be celebrated in different churches according to the following schedule:

<u>Friday, March 15th</u>	<u>Friday, April 5t</u> h
Saint Augustine's	Saint Augustine's
<u>Friday, March 22nd</u>	<u>Friday, April 12th</u>
St. Bernard's	St. Bernard's

Friday, March 29th Immaculate Heart Friday, April 19th Holy Family

Throughout Lent Mass will be celebrated at St. Augustine's each Tuesdav at 12:00 noon.

Lenten Offering Folders are available at the back of the Church

CELEBRATION OF THE WORD – Mark

vour Calendars: In order to ensure that all

our faith communities become more familiar

with the liturgy of Sunday Celebration of the

Word and Hours, the English Diocesan

Pastoral Council has requested that this

ritual prayer of the Church be organized

again this year during the Season of Lent.

Sunday Celebration of the Word and Hours

is the official ritual to be used when no priest is available to preside at Sunday Mass.

Members of all the English parishes (and

encouraged to take advantage of the

opportunity to gather together to pray this

liturgy. This liturgy will be celebrated on

March 18th, 7:00 pm, St. Bernard's Church.

Note: Following each of the liturgy, all those

present, including the liturgical ministers, are

invited to remain to discuss and ask

ROSARY

questions about this ritual.

during Lent at 8:30 a.m.

RECITE THE

St. Lawrence O'Toole will

before Sunday liturgies

are

especially liturgical ministers)

TUESDAYS

Lent is a good time to begin to practise the discipline of sitting with God. of choosing to be in His presence and just *being* with Him, sitting still and silent and recognizing that He is there. A Christian Meditation Group practises this daily discipline and meets as a group once a week for support and discussion. Jesus said, "Where two or more are

gathered in my name, there am I in their midst." Join in this 'recovered' form of prayer of the early Christians and Desert Fathers. Sit still and silent, being present to the will of God. For more information and 'how-to', please call Dianne LeBlanc at 386-6094.

Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 34

LENTEN WALK WITH THE LORD



invites you to do one simple act of kindness for each of the 40 days of Lent—a calendar is at the church entrances to help you with your Lenten journey.

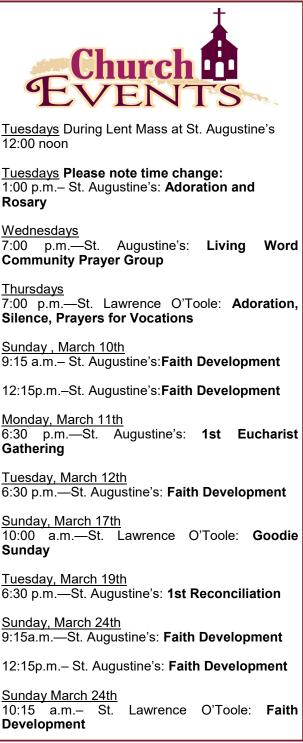


MEMORIAL SERVICE – A Memorial Mass will be held on Monday March 18th 2019 at 6:30 p.m. for the families of persons who died at the Dr. Georges-L. Dumont University Hospital Center during the months of November, December and January 2019 (from main entrance, please go to second floor). This service will take place in the amphitheater of the hospitaldirections provided from main entrance of hospital. Contact information: Janice Cormier at 383-9882 or Boissonnault at 862-4571.



Rosary

Development



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St. Augustine's Church 340 Dominion Street, Moncton, NB

7 p.m. each evening



With Mission Speaker, Fr. Mark Cherry

Beloved, Chosen, Appointed

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