## "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you."

I can still recall in vivid detail the memory of the Christmas my older brother let slip that Santa Claus was only "an idea" embodied by my parents. Once he had revealed this new concept, it was impossible to believe or find comfort in the old "truth." This memory has probably stayed with me because it was the first time that I was forced to re-evaluate a very basic and comforting belief. Eventually I discovered a much richer and more meaningful sense of the season, but the transition carried some struggles and a sense of loss. Over time, this kind of growth and unveiling experience would be repeated many times in my life. Although this may be an overly simplistic example, today's readings tell us of what it takes to grow in our faith and understanding of God - and growth is continually needed if our faith is to stay relevant, meaningful and effective.

Perhaps no story in Scripture better describes this growth in understanding God, than the story of Abram in today's first reading. God calls Abram to go to a whole new place (both geographically and spiritually), but in order to fully benefit from this new place, he must leave behind all that is familiar and comfortable. His destination and route are unknown and he is given only the promise of future blessings and the commitment of God's unwavering presence to sustain him through the challenges and doubts he will inevitably face on his journey.

Saint Paul tells us in his letter to Timothy, that as we seek to follow God's will, we must work together in our struggles, "rely on the power of God" and to trust in God's "purpose and grace." We are assured that if we "let go and let God," so to speak, we will be given the fullness of light and life.

In the gospel, Peter, James and John are given a glimpse of Jesus' true and full identity on the mountaintop, and are given the assurance and promise of God's power and constancy if they are willing to let go of their own agendas and follow where Jesus will lead them. We know that their journey was not an easy one, but will lead them to the fullness of a whole new life.

In all the readings, we are reminded that doubt and suffering are usually a part of letting go of old beliefs, attitudes and habits, and that uncertainty and fear will always tempt us to return to our old ways. We are assured, however, that if we trust in God's presence and goodness, we will continually be transformed more and more into the person God created us to be. Lent provides us with an opportunity to take a good, hard look at who we have become and the directions we have allowed our lives to take. If we are willing partners in our own transformation, then we are invited to take a "leap of faith" into God's hands and be guided and shaped into a better, more complete version of ourselves. In allowing Christ to dwell within us and follow where he leads us, we will know deep within us what it is to be God's "beloved child." This knowledge gives us the power we need to help bring to fruition God's kingdom.



March 12, 2017 Second Sunday of Lent



Saint Augustine's

Moncton, NB

340 Dominion Street

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Justice and Solidarity:

Liturav:

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE—HEURES DES MESSES				
St. Augustine's:	Friday—12:00 noon Saturday—4:00 p.m.; Sunday 11:00 a.m.			
St. Lawrence O'Toole:	Sunday —9:00 a.m.; dimanche—9h00			
Our Lady of Mercy:	Saturday 7:00 p.m.			



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Saint Lawrence O'Toole

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# PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Faith Development-Children:

Eileen Caissie eileen.caissie@gasmoncton.com

St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery:

Linda Evans 389-9300

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

Our Lady of Mercy 11 St. Andrews Street Pointe-du-Chêne. NB

Mary Joshi

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



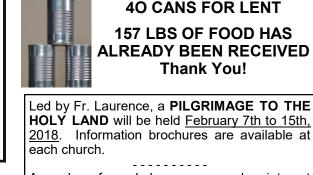
# Daíly Readings

	Monday	Daniel 9:3, 4-10; Luke 6:36-38		
	Tuesday	Isaiah 1:10, 16-20, 27-28, 31; Matthew 23:1-12		
	Wednesday	Jeremiah 18:18-20; Matthew 20:17-28		
	Thursday	Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31		
	Fríday	Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46		
Saturday		Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32		
	Sunday	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b> Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42		

**TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE CATHEDRAL**—Work on the second phase of the repairs to the Cathedral's interior began on Monday. As a security measure, the Cathedral will be **CLOSED** to the public. In order to accommodate the Christian communities of the Cathedral and that of Christ the King Church, masses will be celebrated at Christ the King Church Sundays at 10:00 a.m. and Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m.

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 20th</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 Debbie at 384 -8431.

Knights of Columbus Council 9270 will hold a **MAPLEFEST BREAKFAST** at the Dan Bohan Centre with Pancakes (and Brigg's Maple Syrup), Sausages, Scrambled Eggs, Beans, Toast, Tea, Coffee and Juice on <u>Saturday, April 1st</u> from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Adults: \$6.00, Children 6 to 12: \$3.00, Under 6: Free, Family (2 adults): \$20.00 maximum.



A number of people have expressed an interest in a **PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE**!

Marian Pilgrimages have offered me the dates of October 10th to 18th, 2017. \$2,859 is an estimated cost based on 20 pilgrims travelling. This price includes:

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- Return transatlantic flights from Toronto to Sarajevo via Istanbul.
- Transfers to and from Medjugorje by Coach.
- 7 nights in a Marian Pilgrimage Hotel with breakfast and dinner included. An English speaking guide and visits to all places of local interest.
- All taxes and surcharges

At this stage, I need to have some idea of those who may be interested. Please let me have your name, address and phone number.



	MASS INTENTIONS				
Sat	11	4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	St. A OLM	Anniv. Late Arnold & Doreen Mellon Late George Robins	Family Wife Pauline
Sun	12	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. L O'T St. A	Late Helene Babineau Anniversary Late Roderick Stewart	Lisette & Gerald Grant Charles Cail & Stewart Families
Fri	17	12:00 noon	St. A	NO MASS	
Sat	18	4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	St. A OLM	Anniv. Late Yvonne Laverty-Boisseau Late Elizabeth Clements	Her Children Muriel & Marion
Sun	19	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. L O'T St. A	Late Nettie O'Brien Anniversary Late Freda Bond	Lindsay & Eileen Russell BOnd



MASS will be celebrated Friday, March 17th at 12:00 noon at St. Bernard's Church. St. Bernard's Choir will sing Irish music beginning at 11:30 a.m.

(REMINDER—do not park in private lots on north side of church or across the street)

## OFFERINGS FOR LAST WEEK

Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: \$3,919.25 (196 env); Loose: \$462.75; Building Fund: \$560.00 (31 env.); Donation: \$800.00 ( env.); Ash Wednesday/Holy Land: \$671.00 (41 env.); Candles: \$100.00; Pre-Authorized Payments: \$1,615.00 (37 env.).

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes: \$866.00 (47 env.); Loose: \$412.71: Initial Offering: \$5.00; Ash Wednesday/Holy Land: \$260.00 (23 env.); Ash Wednesday Loose: \$152.80; Cemetery Upkeep: \$20.00; Candles: \$114.25; Pre-Authorized: \$68.00 (3 env.).

Our Lady of Mercy: Envelopes: \$607.00 (37 env.); Loose: \$109.15; Candles: \$69.95; Ash Wednesday: \$45.00.

Thank you for your generosity !

# PLEASE NOT THAT MASS AT ST. AUGUSTINE'S IS CANCELLED FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH.

**INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS** are held at Notre Dame de Grace Church, 854 Mountain Road on the third Saturday of each month from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.



It has already been a full year since the 5 member **AI Khalaf family**, sponsored by Queen of All Saints Parish, arrived in Moncton from Syria. Baian loves to work and has had a variety of experiences. His wife Amal is very content keeping

house, looking after the 3 children and working on her English. Strangers who meet the family marvel at how well everyone is doing. Mohammad is thriving in kindergarten while his brother Qassim is excited to be starting school next year. Their little sister Sham will soon turn 3. The family is eternally grateful to our community. The financial commitment to them has officially ended but we will continue to monitor their needs. Our friendship will continue!

It has been agreed that some of the remaining funds would be used to assist Amal's brother and his wife in their efforts to come to Canada from Jordan. The application is now in the hands of the Canadian government. We will keep you updated!

Queen of All Saints Sponsorship Committee

### From the Diocesan Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development



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The second opportunity to become more familiar with the ritual prayer, **Sunday Celebration of the Word and Hours**, will take place at St. Augustine's on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 4th</u> at 7:00 p.m. Sunday Celebration of the Word and Hours is the **official** ritual to be used when no priest is available to preside at Sunday Mass. The English Diocesan Pastoral Council has requested that two opportunities to celebrate this official prayer of the Church be organized during the Season of Lent. Members of all the English parishes (and especially liturgical ministers) are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity to gather together to pray this liturgy. Following the liturgy, all those present, including the liturgical ministers, are invited to remain to discuss and ask questions about this ritual.

**AMAZING GRACE:** Discovering God's Gifts in our Lives—This year's Lenten Mission begins this Sunday, March 12th at Holy Family Church and continues for the next two Sundays at 6:30 p.m. beginning with prayer, and concluding with a time of fellowship. Sunday's presentation will be made by Dr. Andrew Wilson and Dr. Fiona Black and is entitled: "A Word about Grace: What the Bible tells us about God's Graciousness". Andrew and Fiona have facilitated several workshops in the diocese, independently and together, on various books from the Bible and other religious themes. They are associate professors of religious studies at Mount Allison University. Join us for all three nights, or as many as you can attend. Each mission session is independent of the other, as we take a closer look at God's Amazing Grace.

The next **THEOLOGY ON TAP** for young adults 19 to 39) will be held on <u>Monday, March 13th</u> at 7:00 p.m. at St. James' Gate Fox Creek. The title for this session will be *Walk a Mile in My Shoes* and will address issues of awareness and inclusivity involving disabled persons. Our guest speaker will be Karen Young, an adult educator at St. Nicholas Adult High School, part of the Ottawa Catholic School system. Contact Trevor to register.

The visit *ad limina* means, technically the obligation incumbent on the bishops to visit, at stated times, the "thresholds of the Apostles", Sts. Peter and Paul, and of presenting themselves before the pope to give an account of the state of their dioceses. This visit also includes visits and meetings with different congregations at the Vatican. The visit ad limina is scheduled to take place between March 11th and 22nd. We ask you to pray for the success of this visit.

Archbishop Valéry Vienneau

Did you know the Diocese of Antigonish is hosting the Atlantic Catechetical Association (ACA) conference in October, 2017?



The Atlantic Catechetical Association, (ACA) approved by the Atlantic Episcopal Assembly (the bishops of Atlantic Canada), is a group of diocesan representatives who are at the service of the children, youth and adults for catechesis in the Roman Catholic Church in Atlantic Canada.



GROUP A—level 1 to 6Sunday, March 12thSession 12Sunday, March 26thSession 13Sunday, April 2ndSession 14

GROUP B—level 1 to 6Monday, March 13thSession 12Monday, March 27thSession 13Monday, April 3rdSession 14

GROUP C—level 4 to 6 only					
Tuesday, March 14th	Session 12				
Tuesday, March 28th	Session 13				
Tuesday, April 11th	Session 14				

THE REHEARSAL FOR CHILDREN PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION will be held at St. Augustine's at 6:30 p.m. on <u>Thursday, March</u> <u>16th</u>.

The **SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION** will be celebrated with children from Queen of All Saints at St. Augustine's on <u>Tuesday, March 21st</u> at 6:30 p.m.

La **SESSION DE FAMILLE** à St. Lawrence O'Toole pour les familles francophone est cédulé au sous-sol de l'église <u>dimanche, le</u> <u>19 et 26 mars</u>.

Families registered in the **ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ENGLISH FAMILY SESSIONS** will gather <u>Sunday, March 26th</u> following the 9:00 a.m. liturgy.

## QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS PARISH

THROUGHOUT LENT

Tuesdays 1:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Adoration and Rosary** 

Thursdays 6:30 p.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: Way of the Cross, Adoration and Prayers for Vocations

<u>Sundays</u> 8:30 a.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: **Rosary prior to** mass

Sunday, March 12th 9:15 a.m.—St. Augustine's: Family Session Group A

10:00 a.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: Goodie Sunday

10:15 a.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: Family Faith Session

Monday, March 13th 6:15 p.m.—St. Augustine's: Family Session Group B

Tuesday, March 14th 6:15 p.m.—St. Augustine's: Family Session Group C

<u>Thursday, March 16th</u> 6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's Church: **First Reconciliation Rehearsal** 

<u>Sunday, March 19th</u> 10:00 a.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: **Catechese Familiale** 

11:00 a.m.—St. Augustine's: Family Friendly Mass

6:00 p.m.—St. Augustine's Church Basement: Confirmation Gathering

<u>Tuesday, March 21st</u> 6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Sacrament of First Reconciliation** 

Sunday, March 26th 9:15 a.m.—St. Augustine's: Family Session Group A

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS—For many people who have thought, "There has GOT to be more..." The answer is, indeed there is! Discover a wonderful dimension of your Catholic Faith, by getting to know the Holv Spirit! When you attend our next workshop, you will meet great people and enjoy a casual evening of teaching and music! "The Life in the Spirit" seminar has been attended by thousands of people in our archdiocese both French and English and millions across Canada and the world! Come and see, why!! You will enjoy hearing about wonderful life-experiences, touching stories and inspiring teachings! There are many benefits for yourself and for the people in your life, when you grow in knowledge and begin to apply it in your daily life. There will be several presenters including Fr. Charles Dates: April 10 to May 22 on Broderick. Mondays 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church, \$12:00 includes materials. For information, contact Roberta at 386-5175 or Donna at 386-2072.



A fund raising effort with proceeds to the RAY OF HOPE NEEDY KITCHEN INC. will be held Friday May 5th. Plan to dance the night away with music from a live band—have fun and support a great cause at the same time. Details soon!

The Ray of Hope Needy Kitchen Inc. is now able to accept donations by way of e-transfers at rayofhopekitchen@gmail.com



The new "Keeper of the Keys" for St Lawrence O'Toole Church is Rosemonde Gilmore. She is the only person who can sign out any keys for the Church and if you no longer require your key, kindly return it to her. These keys are numbered and assigned by person, so do not pass along your key to someone else, it is your responsibility to turn it in and be taken off the master list.

The **WAY OF THE CROSS** will be celebrated each Friday during Lent at Holy Family Church at 7:00 p.m.



**IENTEN WORSHIP** 

St. Bernard's will celebrate EVENING PRAYER during Lent Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

The WAY OF THE CROSS AND ADORATION is held at St. Lawrence O'Toole Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

The **ROSARY** will be prayed prior to Sunday Liturgy throughout Lent at 8:30 a.m. at St. Lawrence O'Toole

"Our Sacred Space" practicing the discipline of silence and stillness in the presence of God, is held at 7:30 pm, on Friday evenings of Lent in the Day Chapel at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

**MASS** is celebrated Tuesdays during Lent at St. Bernard's at 12:00 noon.

**CELEBRATION OF THE WORD** will be celebrated at St. Augustine's Tuesday, April 4th at 7:00 p.m.



- Sunday March 12th—Irish Breakfast 11:00 a.m. to11:45 a.m. at the Press Club \$8:00 first come first served
- Sunday March 12th—Irish Ceilidh at the Press Club. 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Artists include Rainbow Choir/Charlie Owens/Steven Boyce/Paul McCloskey/Bernie Houlahan/Eddy and Brian Poirier. Entrance free
- Thursday March 16th—Joyce Murphy Irish Art Display at Forte Law Offices, 77 Vaughan Harvey Boulevard from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 17th—Irish Mass at 12:00 noon at St. Bernard's Church. Choir sings Irish music beginning at 11:30 a.m. (REMINDER-do not park in private lots on north side of church or across the street)
- Friday March 17th—Corned beef and cabbage on the menu all day at Cheers .

To celebrate life after transplant for recipients; to celebrate donors and donor families and to increase organ and tissue donation awareness in our community, THE ANNUAL TRANSPLANT TROT will be held on Saturday, April 29th at 9:00 a.m. at the Moncton Press Club. For information on this 5km and 10 km walk/run and Kids 1 km Fun Run sponsored by the Running Room, or to offer support by sponsoring a participant. check online at www.runningroom.com; click races; NB; April.

A MEMORIAL MASS will be held Monday, March 20th 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 Service will be held in the Januarv. amphitheatre of the hospital.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE** TO ALL ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISHIONERS

- $\Rightarrow$  Do you want to be a vital member of our parish?
- $\Rightarrow$  Do you want to have some input to the organization of our parish?
- $\Rightarrow$  Do you want to be part of increasing the vitality of our parish?

Consider putting your name forward to serve on the Parish Council.

Applications are at the back of the church or see any member of the parish council to get more information.

Bethlehem is a city divided in two by the Israeli separation wall. This film is a decade-long story of life in Bethlehem, revealing an amazing, beautiful city struggling for survival. Open Bethlehem is both a film and an organisation trying to mobilize people around the world to keep the city open. Development and peace invites you to attend one of his two projections of the film OPEN BETHLEHEM

In French at the Dieppe Public Library Saturday, March 18th at 2:00 p.m. In English at the Moncton public Library Saturday April 9th at 2:00 p.m.

For information, call 857-9531 Ext. 239

FREE ADMISSION