

Wouldn't we all want to know the future. Let me rephrase that ... wouldn't we all want to know the future if everything in the future were going to be okay! The psalmist sings, "Lord, make me know your ways." It's a little like asking, 'Let me know the future.' Maybe ... but not if it's bad news.

Good news is what Jesus is speaking when he arrives in Galilee. Mark tells us that "Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God." Jesus is asking us to believe in his message – "repent," he says, "and believe in the good news." And yet, our society doesn't appear to see what Jesus proclaims as good news. Why not? It's a question I ask myself over and over. We seem challenged today to get the message out. Does it have something to do with the way we are proclaiming it? Are we presenting the message from the Gospel, or are we presenting our interpretation of the Gospel? In a world that seems filled with bad news, or at least where media attention seems focused on the bad news, wouldn't good news go a long way to making us feel happier? Anne Murray sings "I sure could use a little good news today." Couldn't we all?

The story Mark presents us is slightly different than John's version of the same story we heard last week, but the essential ingredient is the same: Jesus invites Andrew to "come" and he does. "Come and see," John says; "come follow me," Mark says, but 'come.' Something about Jesus was so charismatic that Simon, Andrew, James and John "immediately" left everything and followed Jesus – a Nazarian and a carpenter. Did they know him? One writer suggests that if they didn't know him, they at least knew **of** him. What was it about Jesus that captured their imaginations and their attention, causing them to leave everything behind and follow him?

The invitation Jesus gave those men 2000 years ago has not changed. Jesus is still preaching the Good News of God, the kingdom of God has come near, and we are still called to repent and believe.

I have a dear aunt who will be 89 years old next month. She is a Sister of Presentation in St. John's, NL; in fact, has been a nun for 72 years. Not shy about speaking her mind, she will say to me: "Are we (and by 'we' she means the Church) even preaching the Gospel anymore? Are we so bound by what we think the message of the Gospel is, that we are unable to see that maybe what we are speaking is not what the Gospel is actually saying?"

Very early in his pontificate Pope Francis invited Christians everywhere to a "renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them," (*Evangelii Gaudium* #3) because he feared that "God's voice is no longer heard, the quiet joy of his love is no longer felt." (EG#2) "The joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus," (EG#1) Francis begins. This is what Andrew, Peter, James and John were mesmerized by, and why I believe they were so quick to accept his invitation. We need to listen for that Good News, because Francis says: "The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk; whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms." (EG#3)

Take the step. Come and see.

Ellen Bennett Diocesan Office of Faith Development

Welcome to ... Queen of CAll Saints Parish

January 21, 2018 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint Augustine's 340 Dominion Street Moncton, NB



Saint Lawrence O'Toole 2340 Route 115 Irishtown, NB



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

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM

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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 4:00 p.m.

Effective January 6th to March 24th

Parish Office: 340 Dominion Street, Moncton, NB E1C 6H8

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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

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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

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 857-2088 Clothing Depot Regular Hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Daily Readings

Monday 2 Samuel 5:1-7; 10; Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday 2 Samuel 6:12-15, 17-19; Mark 3:31-35

Wednesday Memorial: St. Francis DeSales 2 Samuel 7:1-17; Mark 4:1-20

Thursday Feast: The Conversion of St. Paul

Acts 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18

Friday Memorial: St. Timothy and St. Titus

2 Timothy 1:1-8; Luke 10:1-9

Saturday 2 Samuel 12:1-7, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Sunday Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28





DISMISSAL

All adults preparing to be baptized into the Catholic Church and those candidates preparing for reception into the Catholic Church will now

be dismissed at the end of the Liturgy of the Word. This Dismissal continues at each liturgy until the Triduum, and at the Easter Vigil, those who are ready, will join their parish community at the Table of the Eucharist for the first time.

The Parish is not sending them out because they are somehow "unworthy" to stay for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Though they cannot yet come to the Table of the Eucharist, Mother Church still has an obligation to feed those who have entered a relationship with her through the Rite of Acceptance.

God's Word is their only food during this period. Instead the participants depart from the Mass with an RCIA Team Member or Catechist to discuss the Mass readings for that Sunday, and to experience more fully the impact of the Scriptures in their lives. This time is known as "Reflection on The Word."



There is a great need for MASS COORDINATORS at St. Augustine's. If you would like to offer 1/2 hour of your time at the liturgy that you normally attend then please contact the office at 857-4223. Coordinators help ensure that the mass runs smoothly by checking that all ministers are in attendance for that particular mass. Training will be provided.



A number of St. Augustine's **2018 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES** are still available at the church entrance. Please remember to pick yours up! If you would like to receive a box of envelopes or if you wish to start a Pre-Authorized Payments please contact the parish office at 857-4223 or parish.office@gasmoncton.com

MASS INTENTIONS						
Sat	20	4:00 p.m.	St. A	Late Vincent Myatt	Bob and Alice	
		4:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Marie Léa LeBlanc	Odette and Family	
Sun	21	9:00 a.m.	St. L	Ann. Late Len Dupuis	Wife Odette and Marc	
		11:00 a.m.	St. A	Late Rodney Perry	Jeanne	
Fri	26	12:00 noon	St. A	Late Samuel Capara	Bill and Marina Murphy	
Sat	27	4:00 p.m.	St. A	Late Gerard Biddiscombe	Sandra and Gerry Cluney	
		4:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Elizabeth Clements	Ross and Doris Wilson	
Sun	28	9:00 a.m.	St. L	Late Anita Cormier	Edouard Cormier	
		11:00 a.m.	St. A	Late Alphonse LeBlanc	Wife and family	

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: \$3,507.00 (164 env); Loose: \$449.90; Building Fund: \$265.00 (16 env.); Needy at Christmas: \$20.00 (1 env.); New Year \$80.00 (5 env.); Missals: \$91.10; Ray of Hope: \$115.06; Needs of the Canadian Church: \$10.00; Candles: \$110.00; Pre-Authorized Payments: \$445.00 (16 env.).

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes: **\$710.00** (34 env.); Loose: **\$135.45**; New Year: **\$30.00** (2 env.); Initial Offering: **\$25.00** (4 env.); Pre-Authorized: **\$50.00** (3 env.).



OurLadyofMercy:Envelopes:\$390.00(20 env.);Loose:\$73.00;Candles:\$39.00;Missals:\$15.00;InitialEnvelope:\$20.00;Pre-Authorized:\$20.00(1 env.).

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church at 5 Fatima Drive will hold a **LUNCHEON AND CARD PARTY** on <u>Tuesday, February 6th</u> at 12:00 noon. Come out and enjoy some great cards, shuffling in fine friends and food! For information, contact Shirley at 387-7122 or Anne at 872-4906!

QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS PARISH

Tuesdays

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

Thursdays

7:00 p.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: Adoration, Silence, Prayers for Vocations

Sunday, January 21st

9:15 a.m.—St. Augustine's: Faith Development

10h00—St. Lawrence O'Toole: **Session de Famille**

12:15 a.m.—St. Augustine's: **Faith Development**

Monday, January 22nd

6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's Basement: Confirmation Gathering

Tuesday, January 23rd

6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's: Faith Development

Sunday, February 4th

9:15 a.m.—St. Augustine's: Faith Development

12:15 a.m.—St. Augustine's: Faith Development

Tuesday, February 6th

6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's: Faith Development

Monday, February 12th

6:30 p.m.– St. Augustine's Basement: **1st Reconciliation Gathering**

Wednesday, February 14th Ash Wednesday



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As parents of children who will be receiving First Holy Communion this spring, we ask that you attend **TRANSFORMED THROUGH EUCHARIST** Thursday, January 25th beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church Hall, Falkland Street. During the session, we will talk about the Liturgy of the Eucharist and what the Church believes and teaches about Eucharist. In fact, anyone interested in attending is welcome to join us, we simply ask you contact Ellen or your parish catechetical coordinator to register.



THE FEMALE MYSTICAL TRADITION: Devotion or Delusion—What is Mysticism? What makes a Mystic? Can anyone be a Mystic? Join Dr. Fiona Black on Saturday, February 3rd from 9:30-3:30 at St. Bernard's Church Hall as she delves into the female mystics which the Church honors. The cost of the session is \$12.00. Dr. Black is an associate professor of Religious Studies at Mount Allison University, and has conducted research in the areas of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament literature, poetics, gender issues and history of interpretation. A regular presenter for the Office of Faith Development, Dr. Black has looked at women honored in Scripture in previous sessions. Pre-registration is necessary by Tuesday, January 30th and may be done by contacting Ellen. Lunch will be provided.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES from various parishes of the English Deanery will meet with Archbishop Valéry Vienneau and the other young people who are preparing for Confirmation at Our Lady of the Assumption Cathedral on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>February 4th</u>. Candidates need to arrive between 1:30 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. for registration. The afternoon will conclude approximately 4:30 p.m.





The **BOOKS FOR BREAKFAST** reading group for young adults will meet at Jean's Restaurant (1999 Mountain Road) on <u>Saturday, February 24th</u> at 10:00 a.m. The reading selection is *Born a Crime*, by Trevor Noah. For more information, contact Trevor at the Youth Office.

QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS FAITH DEVELOPMENT



St. Augustine's Faith Development families will gather in the church basement:

Level 1-3	9:15 a.m.	Session #9	Sunday, January 21st
Level 4-6	12:15 p.m.	Session #9	Sunday, January 21st
Level 4-6	6:30 p.m.	Session #9	Tuesday, January 23rd
Level 1-3	9:15 a.m.	Session #10	Sunday, February 4th
Level 4-6	12:15 a.m.	Session #10	Sunday, February 4th
Level 4-6	6:30 p.m.	Session #10	Tuesday, February 6th
Level 1-3	9:15 a.m.	Session #11	Sunday, February 18th
Level 4-6	12:15 a.m.	Session #11	Sunday, February 18th
Level 4-6	6:30 p.m.	Session #11	Tuesday, February 20th

English **FAMILY SESSIONS AT ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE** will be held next <u>Sunday</u>, <u>January 28th</u> at 10:00a.m.



La **SESSION DE FAMILLE** â St. Lawrence O'Toole pour les familles francophone est cédulé au sous-sol de l'église <u>dimanche</u>, le 21 janvier à 10h00.



A GATHERING FOR ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES will be held in St. Confirmation Augustine's Basement on Monday, January 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

A GATHERING FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF 1ST RECONCILIATION will be held at St. Augustine's Monday, February 12th at 6:30 p.m.