

On the Road, Again

You may have noticed, or you will notice as you compare this Sunday’s gospel account with next Sunday’s, that the readings do not follow one another chronologically. In fact, they are in reverse. This Sunday’s gospel begins with “**After the wise men left...**” (Mt. 2:13 and following), but next Sunday’s gospel is about the **arrival** of the wise men (Mt. 2:1-12). I don’t know the entire reason historically or liturgically for this cart-before-the-horse reordering except to offer the following.

Copts (Coptic Christians primarily of Egypt) are proud of their land that protected the Child Jesus and Holy Family and equally proud of how they fostered the growth of the Church from the earliest days. Legend has it that the Holy Family spent three to four years in Egypt waiting out the death of wicked King Herod before returning to Palestine. The flight of the Holy Family into Egypt and the feast of the Holy Family has always been observed by the Copts from earliest time. Western Christianity, of which we as Roman Catholics belong, has a long history of venerating Jesus, Mary and Joseph individually but not so long a history of venerating the Holy Family as a group. As Western Christians, the Church informally venerated the Holy Family beginning in the 17th century, but it only became a formal feast in 1921 under Pope Benedict XV. Originally it was celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany, but in 1969 the Feast of Holy Family was moved to the Sunday immediately after Christmas, bringing it within the Christmas Season.

I like this feast for the humanness that is portrayed. There was nothing glamorous about pulling up stakes because your child’s head was on a wanted poster, “dead or alive but preferably dead.” Pope Francis wrote in *Amoris Laetitia* (*The Joy of Love*) in 2016, “...no family drops down from heaven perfectly formed.” His words remind me of a family therapist who when asked by the host, at the end of a radio talk show, whether there is such a thing as a “normal” family. The psychologist, after answering call-in questions for two hours pertaining to dysfunctional families said, “Oh, yes. There is such a thing as a normal family; the normal family is the family that is able to talk about its dysfunctions.”

I suspect the Holy Family itself knew firsthand how dysfunctional, displacing, and downright cruel this world can be. Unfortunately, after 2000 years, families are still on the run. They are the refugees, the victims of human trafficking and slave labour. Sometimes the “exiles” are within our own family. A few years ago, on the Feast of the Holy Family, Pope Francis said, “I frequently think that a sign of exactly how a family is doing is exactly how the children and old individuals in the family are dealt with.” He went on to say that God always finds a way to be with the little, the power-less, and the vulnerable. Upheld by that truth, I entrust all families to God. Egypt was is just a stopover. Only in God do we find our true home.

Fr. Phil





Welcome to ...

Queen of All Saints Parish

December 29th, 2019

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



Saint Augustine's
340 Dominion Street
Moncton, NB
E1C 6H8



Saint Lawrence O'Toole
2340 Route 115
Irishtown, NB
E1H 2L6



Our Lady of Mercy
11 St. Andrews Street
Pointe-du-Chêne, NB
E4P 5E4

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM

Priest-Moderator: Rev. Angus Johnston
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Liturgy: Claire Hachey

Justice and Solidarity: Marilyn McCleary

| REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE—HEURES DES MESSES | |
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| St. Augustine's: | Tuesday—7:00 p.m. Friday—12:00 noon Saturday—4:00 p.m.; Sunday 11:00 a.m. |
| St. Lawrence O'Toole: | Monday—9:30 a.m.; Wednesday 4:00 p.m.(French) Sunday —9:00 a.m. |
| Our Lady of Mercy: | Thursday—9:30 a.m.; Saturday 7:00 p.m. |

Parish Office: 340 Dominion Street, Moncton, NB E1C 6H8
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Facebook: Queen of All Saints Parish Grouping
St. Augustine's Local Pastoral Council: staugustine.lpc@gmail.com

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@qasmoncton.com

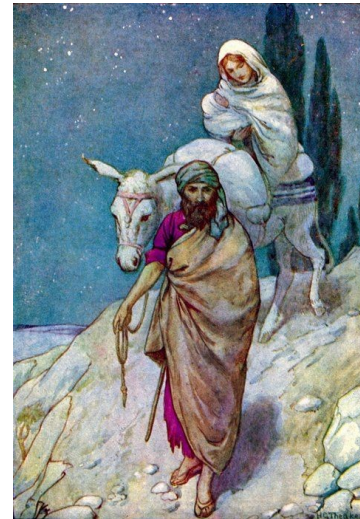
St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery: Linda Evans 389-9300

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

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

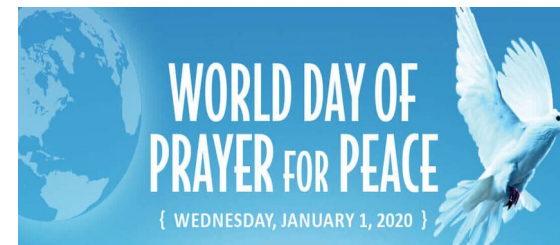
Daily Readings

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| <i>Monday</i> | Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity 1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40 |
| <i>Tuesday</i> | The Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity 1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18 |
| <i>Wednesday</i> | The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21 |
| <i>Thursday</i> | Memorial: St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen 1 John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28 |
| <i>Friday</i> | 1 John 2:29; 3:1-6; John 1:29-34 |
| <i>Saturday</i> | 1 John 3:7-10; John 1:35-42 |
| <i>Sunday</i> | Epiphany of the Lord Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3; 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12 |



2020 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES for St. Augustine's and St. Lawrence O'Toole parishioners are available for pick up at the church entrance. Please remember to include your name and donation amount on the envelopes to ensure proper credit. Please contact the parish office if a box has not been assigned to you and you wish to receive envelopes, or if there are any changes required to your information. **PLEASE NOTE All contributions for income tax purposes for 2019 must be received by the parish office prior to the New Year.**

THANK YOU to all the members of the Environment Committees and parishioners who came together to decorate our churches for the Christmas Season so beautifully.



QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS SENIORS GROUP extends an invitation to Seniors and Retirees for an afternoon of socializing, board games or cards Monday, January 13th 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.



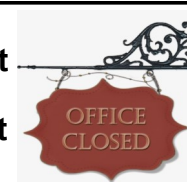
Mass Intentions

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| Sat | 28 | 4:00p.m. | St. A | Late Josephine and Calvin Picone | Anne Marie and Family |
| Sun | 29 | 7:00:p.m. | OLM | Ron Browne | Wife Genevieve |
| | | 9:00a.m. | SLOT | Clarence Gagnon | Laurel Cliff |
| Mon | 30 | 11:00a.m. | St. A | Ann. L. Clarence Gauvin | Alma and Family |
| Tue | 31 | 9:30a.m. | SLOT | Late Laurise Maillet | Guy and Gisele Maillet |
| Wed | 1 | 4:00p.m. | OLM | Marie Léa LeBlanc | Odette and Family |
| | | 9:00a.m. | SLOT | Late Lloyd Swan and Irene Gagnon | Clarence, Julie and Laurel |
| Thur | 2 | 11:00a.m. | St. A | Late Eddie and Betty Melanson | Bill and Marina Murphy |
| Fri | 3 | 9:30a.m. | OLM | Patricia Goldman | Agnes Rodgers and Family |
| Sat | 4 | 12:00noon | St. A | Late Dorise Duff | Judy Landry |
| | | 4:00p.m. | St. A | Late Leith Watts | Bert and Myrna |
| Sun | 5 | 7:00p.m. | OLM | Kerrilynnne McInnis | Agnes Rodgers |
| | | 9:00a.m. | SLOT | Special Intentions Clarence Gagnon | Gary and Delina |
| | | 11:00a.m. | St.A | L. Hazel and Charlie Fillatry | Irene and John |



Please take note that **ADORATION** at St. Augustine's will be **CANCELLED** December 31st.

Tuesday December 31st
Closed at noon
Wednesday January 1st
Closed



The Following Memorial donations have been received for Christmas Flowers

In Memory of Matthew Murray from Mom and dad, James and Monique

In Memory of Mike MacCormick from John and Dolores MacCormick

In Memory of deceased members of Stillman and d'Entremont families from Lisa, Olive and Vic d'Entremont

In Memory of Frank and Ethel Walsh from Dee Francis and Family



LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: **\$5,695.00**; Loose: **\$804.00**; Building Fund: **\$45.00**; Christmas Flowers; **\$190.00**; Needy at Christmas; **\$51.00**; Ray of Hope: **\$5.00**; International Outreach: **\$60.00**; Needs of the Canadian Church: **\$140.00**; Pre-Authorized: **\$435.00** (16 env.).

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes: **\$830.00** : Loose: **\$151.60**; Christmas Boxes; **\$200.00**; Christmas Offering: **\$30.00**; Missals: **\$16.00**; Donation: **\$500.00**; Cemetery Upkeep; **\$50.00**; Pre-Authorized: **\$30.00** (2 env.).

Our Lady of Mercy: Not Available at time of Print



Thank you for your generosity!

St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Depot Holiday Hours.

December 30th - Open
January 1st - Closed



New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December 31st

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| Holy Ghost | 4:00 p.m. |
| Our Lady of Mercy | 4:00 p.m. |
| St. Bernard's | 5:00 p.m. |

New Year's Day, Wednesday January 1st

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| St. Lawrence O'Toole | 9:00 a.m. |
| IHMC | 10:30 a.m. |
| St. Bernard's | 11:00 a.m. |
| St. Augustine's | 11:00 a.m. |



RCIA invites you to begin a journey of faith with a group of Catholics who are members of this parish community, and with other men/women who are exploring whether the Catholic faith is right for them. The people of Queen of All Saints offer you support in your search for a deeper relationship with God. A new week day session will be begin on Tuesday, January 7th at 10:30 a.m. Contact the parish office at 857-4223 if you are interested in more information.

Attention Ministers of Environment and Liturgy Committee Members: Please save the date. Monday, January 27, 2020 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. at St. Bernard's Church, Eileen Luedee will be doing a presentation for all those who serve in the ministry of environment or serve on liturgy committees within our diocese. Eileen will be providing formation and ideas around the upcoming seasons of Lent and Easter. There is no charge for this formation and all are welcome. Please contact Mark Mahoney at markmahoney@rogers.com or call 386-6178 to register.



Tuesdays 5:45p.m. — St. Augustine's:
Adoration and Rosary at 6:30p.m.

Fridays 11:00a.m.—St. Augustine's
Adoration and Rosary at 11:30 a.m.

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.—St. Augustine's:
Living Word Community Prayer Group

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

Sunday, January 12th
9:15 am—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 1-3 Faith Development**

12:15pm—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 4-6 Faith Development**

Sunday, January 12th
10:00 am—St. Lawrence O'Toole: **Goodie Sunday**

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10:00 am—St. Lawrence O'Toole: **Faith Development**

Monday, January 13th
6:30 pm—St. Augustine's Basement: **1st Reconciliation gathering**

Monday, January 13th
1:00 pm—St. Augustine's: Fr. Peter McKee Room: **Seniors Group**

Tuesday, January 14th
6:30 pm—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 4-6 Faith Development**

Sunday, January 26th
9:15 am—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 1-3 Faith Development**

12:15pm—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 4-6 Faith Development**

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

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| Level 1-3 | Session #8 | Sunday, January 12th |
| 9:15 a.m. | Session #9 | Sunday, January 26th |
| Level 4-6 | Session #8 | Sunday, January 12th |
| 12:30p.m. | Session #9 | Sunday, January 26th |
| Level 4-6 | Session #8, | Tuesday, January 14th |
| 6:30p.m. | Session #9, | Tuesday, January 28th |



FAITH DEVELOPMENT AT SAINT LAWRENCE O'TOOLE will be held following Mass on January 12th.

A GATHERING FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS PREPARING TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION will be held in St. Augustine's basement on Monday, January 13th at 6:30pm.

THERE WILL BE A GATHERING FOR YOUTH PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION and parents / sponsors in St. Augustine's basement on Monday, January 27th at 6:30p.m.

From the Diocesan Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development 45 York Street

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UPCOMING MEETINGS: Adult Faith Commission: Tuesday, January 7th, 2020 at 6:30pm Archbishop Valéry Vienneau will be joining us for this meeting.

PARISH CATECHETICAL COORDINATORS: Thursday, January 9th, 2020 at 6:00pm. Dr. Fiona Black will be providing the information at the start of the meeting.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION COMMITTEE: Monday, January 13th at 1:30pm.

YOUTH FAITH COMMISSION - Monday, January 13th at 6:30 pm, rescheduled from the November meeting. All meetings take place at the Diocesan Offices on York Street. Please use the Dominion Street entrance.

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 Sunday, January 12th, 2020. **Candidates need to arrive between 1:30 p.m. and 1:45 p.m.** for registration. The afternoon will conclude between 4:30 – 5:00 p.m.