

Today's Gospel according to John is the familiar story of Jesus appearing to the disciples after His death. But Thomas, who was called the Twin, was not with them at the time and doubted that this was indeed true. Hence the term "doubting Thomas" one of few biblical references that retains instant recognition. In "The Genesee Diary" Henri Nouwen recalled that Didymus, the name of Thomas, means "twin" and that the Fathers of the Church had commented that "all of us are 'two people': a doubting one and believing one.

We need the support and love of our brothers and sisters to prevent our doubting person from becoming dominant and destroying our capacity 'for belief.'" And so, we might say that the Church is inviting us to reflect not so much on "Doubting Thomas" as on the living and dynamic faith of the community - the Church - of which Thomas was a part. While we know that faith is a gift, believing is not automatic or easy. In fact, it is often easier for us to relate to the doubt of Thomas than to the sublime prayer and contemplation of the great pray-ers and mystics of the Church. Acts of terror, the threat of war, violence within our communities and families, discrimination, illness and enduring hunger put our faith to the test.



Easter reminds us that there is something more powerful than suffering and death: the love of God who, in Christ, has taken upon himself our broken humanity. Doubt stubbornly exists. It's an unshakeable part of life that we can't seem to get rid of. We doubt ourselves, we doubt whether or not we've made the right decisions; we're full of doubts about the future. It is our nature to choose control over faith almost every time. When it feels that we can't control our faith, we can easily give up, especially if it feels like God has given up on us which is how Thomas may have felt. Faith is hearing God's clear message in Scripture that we are not alone, that God is with us and He is for us. He gives us peace, peace that comes from knowing that while we may be uncertain about God, God is certain about each of us.

As I was preparing these reflections for the 2nd Sunday of Easter I found a few quotes that seemed to tie into the theme of faith/doubt. "Doubt discovers difficulties, which it never solves. Believe is the word which speaks life." "Doubt is a virus that attacks our self esteem, productivity and confidence. Faith that you and your life are perfectly unfolding is the strongest vaccine." "Love is strongest when we learn to trust in spite of the doubts." Pope Francis reminds us that "the Risen Jesus passed on to His Church his own mission of bringing to all the concrete message of forgiveness on the Divine Mercy Sunday. The visible sign of this mercy brings with it peace of heart and joy of the renewed encounter with the Lord."

Cathy Keirstead



April 28th 2019
Divine Mercy Sunday



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

Priest-Moderator: Rev. Allison Carroll
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Rev. Jean Bernard (JB) Mallais
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Liturgy: Claire Hachey
Justice and Solidarity: Marilyn McCleary

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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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

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

<i>Monday</i>	Memorial: St. Catherine of Siena Acts 4:23-31; John 3:1-8
<i>Tuesday</i>	Memorial: St. Marie De L'Incarnation Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7-15
<i>Wednesday</i>	Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21
<i>Thursday</i>	Memorial: St. Athanasius Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36
<i>Friday</i>	Feast: St. Philip and St. James 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14
<i>Saturday</i>	Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21
<i>Sunday</i>	Third Sunday of Easter Acts 5:28-32, 40-41; Revelations 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

Blessed are Those who have not seen and yet have believed.
John 20:29

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday May 7th. **Please note the 6:30 p.m.** start time with the Prayer service **"12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care"** in the Father Peter McKee Room. All ladies welcome. Please use the elevator entrance. For more information please contact Patsy Murray at 388-9620.

INTERNATIONAL WORKER'S DAY is celebrated May 1st in many countries. This can be a day to recognize the value of human work, defend the dignity of working people, encourage all to be responsible in their work, and celebrate the role that human work has in God's plan for creation.

CLASS of 2019 **ST. AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** is offering a **\$500.00 BURSARY** to a June 2019 High School graduate who is a parishioner of St. Augustine's and who will pursue post-secondary studies. Applications are available at St. Augustine's Church entrance and will be accepted until May 31st. Please submit applications to the parish office.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Riverview will host a silent and live auction and Variety Show Sunday, April 28th at the Dan Bohan Centre. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. and Auction begins at 7:00 p.m. Auctioneer will be Mark Mahoney. Join us for an evening of Fundraising, friendship and laughter!



MASS INTENTIONS						
Sat	27	4:00p.m.	St. A	In Honor of Our Lady of Good Counsel	St. Augustine's CWL	
		7:00p.m.	OLM	Charline O'Brien	Marueen Leman	
Sun	28	9:00a.m.	SLO	Late Ronald Lowry	Boyd Biddiscombe	
		11:00a.m.	St. A	L. (Jenny) Genoveffa di Biasi	Tamburri Family	
Fri	3	12:00noon	St. A	Ann. Late Robert Lowry	The Family	
Sat	4	4:00 p.m.	St. A	Late Rod Vincet	Lorraine Vincent	
		7:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Gilles Bourque	Majella & Rudy Gautreau	
Sun	5	9:00 a.m.	SLO	Late Irene Baron	Clarence, Julie Gagnon & Laurel	
		11:00am	St. A	Late Leo Furlong	Patricia Jardine	

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: **\$3,971.50** (152 env); Loose: **\$1,867.00**; Lenten Folders: **\$267.50** (13 env); Share Lent: **\$810.00** (37 env); Good Friday/Chaplains: **\$1,603.00** (86 env); Good Friday Loose: **\$1,167.00**; Easter Offering: **\$4,073.50** (130 env); Pre-Authorized: **\$495.00** (16 env.).

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes: **\$790.00** (374 env.); Loose: **\$281.70**; Easter Offering: **\$369.35** (34 env); Good Friday/Chaplains: **\$30.00** (2 env); Lenten Folders: **\$61.00** (2 env); Pre-Authorized: **\$30.00** (2 env).

Our Lady of Mercy: Envelopes: **\$695.00** (28 env); Loose: **\$121.60**; Candles: **\$48.95**; Easter: **\$460.00**; Share Lent: **\$295.00**; Good Friday: **\$95.00**

Thank you for your generosity!

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

is extended to the families of **Jack Keeley** and **Ethel LeBlanc**

May they rest forever in the loving embrace of God

THE REXTON CATHOLIC CHURCH'S Annual Spring Turkey Supper will be on Sunday, May 5th from 4:00 p.m. To 6:00 p.m. at the Catholic Hall on 12 School Street. Cost is \$13 for adults & take outs and \$6 for children under 10. Everyone Welcome!

A DONATION TOWARDS FLOWERS for the Easter Season has been received from Lee LeBlanc and Family in memory of Rene LeBlanc and Brenda McDonald.

Caregiver Support Group starting Wednesday May 1st, 6:30 to 8:00 pm in Moncton for 4 weeks. Facilitated by Eleanor Kreplin. If you are taking care of a family member or a friend with a life threatening illness, this group is for you. Please Register at 854-9530, 383-2404 or volunteer@hospicegm.ca with Debbie Landry-Jaillet at no charge.

Church EVENTS

Tuesdays Please note time change:
1:00 p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Adoration and Rosary**

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, April 28th
9:15 a.m.—St. Augustine's: **Faith Development**

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

Monday, April 29th
6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's Church basement: **Gathering for 1st Eucharist**

Tuesday, April 30th
6:30p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Faith Development**

Saturday, May 4th
1:00 p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Confirmation Retreat and Blessing at mass**

Sunday, May 5th
9:15 a.m.—St. Augustine's: **Faith Development**

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

Sunday, May 5th
10:15 a.m.—Saint Lawrence O'Toole: **Faith Development**

Monday, May 6th
6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Rehearsal for 1st Eucharist**

Tuesday, May 7th
6:30p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Faith Development**

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH There will be an informational meeting directly after mass on Sunday May 5th. We are looking to form a committee to support our immigration of an Iranian family of four who has turned Christian and been exiled to Turkey. Please join us to find out more about this amazing opportunity. If you can't attend and are interested then please leave your name at the Parish office and you will be contacted.



ST. AUGUSTINE'S WELCOMES all couples and facilitators who have recently completed their marriage preparation course and who are in attendance this weekend at Saturday's 4:00 p.m. liturgy. May God Bless you in your married life together.



NEW PERMANENT DEACON

As is the case for many Catholic dioceses throughout Canada, the Archdiocese of Moncton has called upon a few of its faithful to share the Gospel of Christ as permanent deacons. The Church of Moncton is indeed happy to announce our second ordination in the French Sector since the restoration of the diaconate as a full and permanent order in the Church. It will take place on Saturday, May 11th, at 10:30 am, when the candidate, **Armand LeBlanc**, ready to accept the mission entrusted to him by his bishop, will become a deacon. The celebration, presided over by the Most Reverend Valéry Vienneau, will be held at the Christ-Roi church in Moncton. Everyone is cordially invited to participate in this happy event.

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

Level 1-3	9:15 a.m.	Session #15 Session #16	Sunday, April 28th Sunday, May 5th
Level 4-6	12:15 p.m.	Session #15 Session #16	Sunday, April 28th Sunday, May 5th
Level 4-6	6:30 p.m.	Session #15 Session #16	Tuesday, 30th Tuesday, May 7th



A GATHERING FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS PREPARING TO CELEBRATE 1ST EUCHARIST will be held in St. Augustine's Church basement Monday, April 29th at 6:30 pm.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CONFIRMATION RETREAT will be held Saturday, May 4th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm, followed by blessing at 4:00 p.m. mass.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT AT SAINT LAWRENCE O'TOOLE will be held following mass on Sunday, May 5th.

A REHEARSAL FOR 1ST EUCHARIST will be held in St. Augustine's Church basement Monday, May, 6th at 6:30 p.m.

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



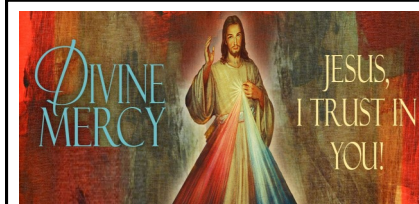
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LECTORS WORKSHOP – APRIL 29th

All Ministers of the Word (Lectors) from the English parishes and those considering this ministry are asked to attend a workshop on Monday, April 29th, from 7:00-9:00pm, at St. Bernard's Church, 43 Botsford Street, Moncton. This workshop will be facilitated by Deb Gillespie (Liturgy Coordinator for the English parishes) and by Mark Mahoney (Pastoral Associate at St. Elizabeth of the Trinity).

To register, contact Deb at: liturgymoncton@gmail.com, or by calling 857-9531, ext. 1262



Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday - Annual Celebration

to be held April 28th, 2019 at St. Bernard's, 43 Botsford Street Moncton, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Adoration to commence at 2:00 pm. Confession available. All are welcome! Info. (506) 871-3912