

God Does Not Need My Vote

“Oh Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? ... Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.” Whether it is news about environmental degradation, or about the undermining of the democratic process, news about migrants dying as they try to reach a place of safety or news about the violence in Yemen or Syria or Hong Kong, news about increases in gun violence in Toronto or about the recent spate of suicides in New Brunswick, my response echoes the cry that Habakkuk gave voice to over 2500 years ago. Over and over I read articles or hear interviews asking if there is any way to counter the growing societal despair. Like Habakkuk, we are questioning whether there is anything for us to look at other than wrongdoing and trouble. And today, like Habakkuk we receive the response that God still has a vision and a plan and the counter to despair is to keep working toward that vision and that plan no matter how impossible it seems.

We have been named children of God. That identity is enough to assure us that no matter how difficult life may get, there will come a time when, in the words of Julian of Norwich, “all will be well, and all will be well, and all manner of things will be well.” Every choice that we make should be with that certainty in our mind.



In the gospel reading the apostles appear to have lost that certainty. They ask Jesus to increase their faith. Based on Jesus’ response, it appears that they were asking for an increase in faith as reward for what they had done and as motivation to keep going. Jesus compares their request to that of a slave who wants to sit down and relax before the master has eaten, something no master would offer. Since we do not live in a society that accepts slavery, I will suggest an alternative comparison for today. When we feel like giving up on the gospel and say that we need more from God to keep us motivated to make sacrifices to care for the poor or reach out to the stranger or act as good stewards of

creation, when we threaten to stop trying because we have “been there and done that,” we are like employees who work for the morning and then say to the boss, “I’ve done as much as I feel like doing for the day, I will need a bonus if you want me to do anything other than play computer games for the afternoon.”

When I complain to God, I’m acting as if I expect God to work a little harder to earn my vote. Today’s scripture readings remind me that God is not a politician up for reelection and faithfulness is not a vote for me to bargain with. It is not God who has stopped working to change the world and bring about a kingdom of peace, justice, compassion and equality. It is me who becomes so caught up in my own perspective that I want the rest of the world to change around me without having to change myself. “Look at the proud person! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous person lives by their faith.”

Pam Driedger



October 6, 2019
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time



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
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Justice and Solidarity: Marilyn McCleary

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE—HEURES DES MESSES

St. Augustine's:	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
	Friday	12:00 noon	
	Saturday	4:00 p.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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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

Monday Memorial: Our Lady of the Rosary
Jonah 1:1-2:1, 10; Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 10:38-42


Wednesday Jonah 4:1-11; Luke 11:1-4


Thursday Malachi 3:13-4:2; Luke 11:5-13

Friday Joel 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Luke 11:15-26

Saturday Joel 3:12-21; Luke 11:27-28

Sunday **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:14-17; 2 Timothy 2:8-13; Luke 17:11-19





St. Vincent de Paul Society
Indoor Yard Sale

Saturday October 26th
8:00 am until 1:00 pm
113 Norwood Ave

Many Flea Market Items,
New and Good Quality Used Clothing,
Purses & Shoes,
Toys Books & More.

Funds raised will help the Needy of our Community


QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS SENIORS GROUP extends an invitation to Seniors and Retirees for an afternoon of socializing, board games or cards Monday, October 21st 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.



ST. AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE will collect mittens again this year and deliver them to local schools. Just a reminder to get those knitting needles clicking as the **MITTEN TREE** will be spreading it's branches early November.



MASS INTENTIONS						
Sat	05	4:00p.m. 7:00p.m.	St. A OLM	Late Archbishop Daniel J. Bohan Late Dot Doiron	Tim & Bernardine Moore Marion & Boyd Hendrickson	
Sun	06	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	SLOT St. A	Late Sidney Falconer Late Normand Comeau	Gary & Delina Girouard Ida & Family	
Tue	08	7:00p.m.	St. A	Late Genoveffa DeBiasi	IHMC Prayer Group	
Fri	11	12:00noon	St. A	Late Bridie & Bill O'Neill Jr	Patricia Jardine	
Sat	12	4:00p.m. 7:00p.m.	St. A OLM	Late Diane Boudreau Late Robert & Adrienne Gautrea	Charlotte McKenna Mr. & Mrs. Ted Kresky	
Sun	13	9:00a.m. 11:00a.m.	SLOT St. A	Special Intention Anniversary Late Julienne Cormier	Jim & Betty Cail Barry Cormier & Candace Wright	

 **PLEASE NOTE:** There will be a French Mass at Saint Lawrence O'Toole on Wednesday, October 16th and Wednesday, October 23rd at 4:00 p.m.


LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: **\$4,606.25** (194 env); Loose: **\$795.75**; Needs of the Canadian Church: **\$620.00** (30 env); Ray of Hope Kitchen: **\$9.00** (2 env,); International Outreach: **\$1,750.00** (17 envelopes); \$; Pre-Authorized: **\$1,390.00** (28 env.).

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes: **\$831.20** (42 env.); Loose: **\$93.30**; Needs of the Canadian Church: **\$65.00** (8 env); Cemetery Fund: **\$25.00**; Candles: **\$192.45**; Pre-Authorized: **\$50.00** (3 env.).

Our Lady of Mercy: Not available at time of print.


Thank you for your generosity!

 **HEARTFELT SYMPATHY** is extended to Ray Doucet and family on death of his brother **John Doucet**

May he rest forever in the loving embrace of God

 **ST. BERNARD'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE HOLLY TEA & SALE** will be held on Saturday November 2nd from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the church hall, 43 Botsford St. Bake sale, craft table, white elephant table & door prizes. Tickets, adults \$15.00, children (under 12) \$5.00. Tickets are available at the door, Parish office or by calling Donna Shaw @ 382-0503 or Norma Gibson at 855-8236.

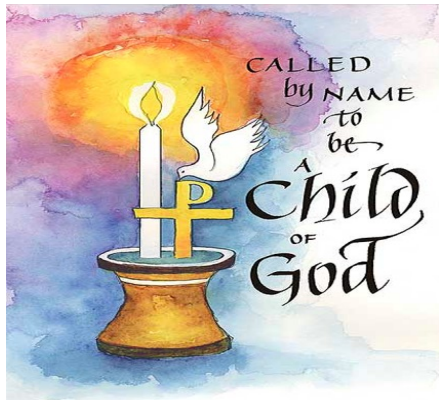
ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE will take place in Fredericton on Thursday October 10th. Free transportation by car from Burger King, Paul St, Dieppe. Departure at 8:00 a.m. and returning at 5:00 p.m. Mass at 10:00 a.m. and there will be activities after. Welcome to all! For information contact Sr. Cécile at 857 9414.

 **SAINT LAWRENCE O'TOOLE:** Local Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday October 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

IRISHTOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE will hold their **20TH ANNUAL LADIES DIAMOND DINNER** on Friday, October 25th. For tickets or information, contact Shirley 382-9340 or Sheila 383-7919.



Recently the following children were welcomed into our Christian Family through the **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**



Saint Lawrence O’Toole

Julie Marie Josée Dehaven
daughter of Zachary and Mélanie

St. Augustine’s

Jace Lewis Escasinas
son of Jose and Lorna

Yoonji Oh
daughter of Kwangeun and Kyungnam

Yoonhan Oh
son of Kyangeun and Kyungnam

*May the example of their parents,
Godparents and all of us lead these
children to a greater love of God.*



Tuesdays 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, October 6th
9:15 am—St. Augustine’s Basement: **Level
1-3 Faith Development**

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

Tuesday, October 8th
6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine’s Basement: **Level
4-6 Faith Development**

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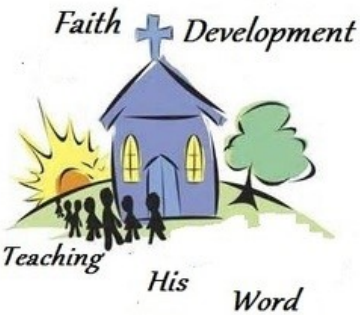
Monday, October 21st
1:00 p.m.—St. Augustine’s Basement:
Senior’s Group

Tuesday, October 22nd
6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine’s Basement: **Level
4-6 Faith Development**

Tuesday, October 22nd
9:00 a.m.—Saint Lawrence O’Toole: **Local
Pastoral Council Meeting**

St. Augustine’s Faith Development families will gather in St. Augustine’s Church basement—Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. for Levels 1-3; 12:15 p.m. for Levels 4-6; and Tuesday evening sessions for Level 4 to 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Level 1-3 9:15 a.m.	Session #2 Session #3 Session #4	Sunday, October 6th Sunday, October 20th Sunday, October 27th
Level 4-6 12:15 p.m.	Session #2 Session #3 Session #4	Sunday, October 6th Sunday, October 20th Sunday, October 27th
Level 4-6 6:30 p.m.	Session #2 Session #3 Session #4	Tuesday, October 8th Tuesday, October 22nd Tuesday, October 29th



PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE: ALL YOUTH PREPARING TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION AND THEIR PARENTS will meet in St. Augustine’s Church basement on **Thursday, October 24th** at 6:30 p.m.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT AT SAINT LAWRENCE O’TOOLE will be held following Mass Sunday, October 13th



THE ROSARY FROM COAST TO COAST
Sunday, October 13th at 5:00 p.m., the churches of Bouctouche, Rogersville and Baie Ste-Anne will be open to welcome the faithful who want to be in communion of prayer with millions of Christians in 56 countries.

HOLY HOUR on Friday, October 11th—The church of Bouctouche will be open from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for a time of prayer, adoration, worship and procession of the Blessed Sacrament. For information contact Leona Belliveau at 381-0045..

GATHERING:The Good Shepherd is calling, let us celebrate November 2nd, 2019 at the Moncton Cathedral, starting at 8:30. Day of prayer, praise, reconciliation and healing in unity and love. All welcome – First Nations, Francophones, Anglophones from the province of NB and neighboring provinces. As God’s people, let us open the doors to the Holy Spirit and may the drums of the love of God resound in us. For more information: Roberta Brine 386-5175, Monique Martin 624-8304 or Gisèle Thériault 228-3360. The day will close with the Eucharistic Celebration presided by Mgr Valéry Vienneau, Archbishop of the Moncton Diocese.

Would you like to have the **WEEKLY BULLETIN DELIVERED DIRECTLY TO YOUR INBOX?** Simply send your email address to parish.office@qasmoncton.com

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Two presentations regarding end of life:

Redefining Palliative Care for the 21st Century with Pamela Mansfield, MD, Palliative Care Division Head, Moncton Hospital, Horizon Health Network, and Assistant Professor, Dalhousie University takes place on Saturday, October 19th from 9:30 a.m. to noon at St. Bernard's Church Hall. Dr. Mansfield will help us understand that Palliative Care is for anyone with a life limiting illness; explain what we can do to help someone with a life limiting illness; and discuss what leads to the request for medical assistance in dying.

End of Life Issues and Estate Planning: Thinking Outside the Box with Eileen Dennis, B.A., LL.B. a lawyer specializing in family, property and estate law, takes place on Thursday, October 24th from 6:30-8:30 p.m., also at St. Bernard's Church Hall. Ms. Dennis will help us to understand what Advance Care Planning is and the importance of it; speak about the need to have conversations with loved ones to ensure our end of life decisions are respected; and explain what should be in the will, and what should be clarified beforehand.

Pre-registration for one or both sessions is necessary and may be done by contacting Ellen.

Baptism Preparation

The revised diocesan-wide Baptism Preparation for parents presenting their children for Baptism was implemented in the archdiocese in March 2015 and has now been used by our parishes for 4 years. With the hands-on experience of those who facilitate these sessions for the parents, it is time to gather and dialogue with one another about the rewards and challenges of being involved in this ministry; what's working and (maybe) what's not; ways we can be more effective. Therefore, as a member of your parish baptismal preparation team, you are asked to join Archbishop Valéry Vienneau and Ellen on Saturday, October 26 from 9:30 – noon at St. Bernard's. Archbishop Vienneau will also offer a session on the Holy Spirit. Please contact Ellen to confirm your attendance.

Due to security concerns, the English diocesan offices on York Street will no longer be answering the door after 4:00 p.m. unless arrangements have been made beforehand.



The **ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN** will be held this Sunday, October 6th, from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Champlain Street between Acadia Avenue and Paul Street. Park and meet for the signs at St. Theresa's Church at 2:15 p.m. Sr. Cécile F at 857-9414.

PRAYER GARDEN – The last night of prayers for the season is on Sunday October 13th. Thank you to all who came! Info. : Normand 850-3841



**It starts with Scouts.
Tout commence avec les Scouts.**

Young people in Scouts have fun adventures discovering new things and experiences they wouldn't have elsewhere. Along the way, they develop into capable, confident and well rounded individuals, better prepared for success in the world. Scouts is the start of something great.

Jack is a 12 years old Scout and he says "Scouts a great place to have adventures and meet new friends. Backpacking and wilderness camping is awesome"

To enroll youth in an exciting outdoor adventure with St. Michael's Scouting, visit www.Scouts.ca, or to find out more information about opportunities for children ages 5-18 years old, contact Darlene Tower at 388 9420 photobug2010@hotmail.com

Are you an outdoor person looking for opportunities to volunteer.... outdoors? Looking for opportunities to hike, camp, ski, snowshoe, canoe, and travel? Perhaps you can consider Scouts Canada. St. Michaels Scouting offers programming for young people ages 5 to 18 years old, and are recruiting Scouters. Visits www.scouts.ca or contact Darlene Tower at 388-9420 or photobug2010@hotmail.com

COMMUNAL CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: It is important that those who are sick and those around them understand the significance of the Anointing of the Sick as a **sacrament of healing**. Who should celebrate this sacrament?



Those who are elderly and whose frailty is becoming more pronounced. Those adults and children who are suffering from a major illness. Illness comes in many different forms; physical, mental, psychological, emotional, and spiritual. Those who are facing or recovering from surgery or serious medical tests. Those suffering from a serious accident. Those who suffer from chronic illness such as arthritis or diabetes. Those who care for the sick, especially those who are closely bound in love to them.

The English churches of the Moncton Diocese work together to offer this communal celebration. Please join us on **Wednesday, October 30th at 7 p.m. for Mass and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to be held at Holy Family Church, 52 Falkland Street, Moncton. Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate in this celebration.**



The Catholic Women's League of Canada
Pornography Hurts Everyone

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE will hold their annual **ANTI-PORNOGRAPHY CAMPAIGN** the weekend of October 19th and 20th. As a call to government to strengthen its' resolve to protect children and adults whose dignity has been attacked, members will be asking parishioners to sign postage paid post cards that will be mailed directly to the House of Commons. Thank you in advance for your support!