

## 28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES - October 9nd, 2022

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### MASS INTENTIONS

**Friday**      **October 7th**  
All souls in purgatory by Bozena Janczarski

**Saturday**    **October 8<sup>th</sup>**  
86<sup>th</sup> Birthday for Noreen Huculak by Peter Huculak Jr.

**Sunday**      **October 9<sup>th</sup>**  
5<sup>th</sup> Birthday for Muna Njidefor by Chinenye Njidefor  
† Anselmo Pereira and Fernando Eusebio by Maria Pereira



THE BAPTISMAL PREPARATIONS will be held on the Thursday evening before the designated date at the end of the month. The Baptisms will now be held on the last Sunday of each month following the 11:00 am mass. Parents, we encourage you to attend Mass on Sunday and meet Fr. Eslin Pereira prior to registering your child for baptism. Please call our Baptism Contact (Shannon Corrigan) at 613-614-0142 or email her at [Shannon\\_ann\\_corrigan@hotmail.com](mailto:Shannon_ann_corrigan@hotmail.com).

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#### YOUR LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

**Mass Collections \$2140.00**

**Thank you for your generosity and support**

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Remember in your prayers all who are in need of our prayers that God's healing and comforting presence may be with them, especially: Chris McEvoy, Peter & Janet Perry, Bob Cameron, Horace & Alice Himbury, Patricia & Charles Jelley, and Fred & Marie William. Please contact the parish office to inform us of those who are ill and in need of God's healing and comfort.

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#### Check the Website

First Communion Information Letter to Parents and Registration Form are now on the parish website for download.



#### Can I help?

St. Bernard Parish is seeking volunteers to participate in all ministries. Please consider joining. Volunteer information is available on the website.

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### Pastor's Message

Beloved Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus, as we have come to the real experience of the fall a hard time to many elderly members of our parish community, I feel that this week's message should be dedicated for them. This is an Inspirational Poem by Patricia A. Fleming

#### I'M STILL HERE

My looks are nothing special, my face reveals my age, my body shows some wear and tear, And my energy's not the same.  
Too often my memory fails me, And I lose things all the time. One minute I know what I plan to do, And the next it may just slip my mind.  
I try hard to avoid my mirror. There are things I would rather not see, and even those times when I just catch a glimpse, I can no longer recognize me.  
The things I used to do with ease Can now cause aches and pains, And the quality of the things I do Will never be quite the same.  
I always compare my older self to those younger versions of me, And I know I'm wasting too much time Missing who I used to be.  
But the thing that really makes me sad Is despite what people see, underneath my tattered, worn-out shell, I'm still the same old me.  
My heart can still feel endless love, and at times it still can ache. My heart can fill with so much joy, and then it can suddenly break. My soul can still feel sympathy and longs for forgiveness and peace, and there are times its light shines boldly through, and times when it longs for release.  
It's true, maybe now that I'm older, feeling lonely may be status quo, But it also has made me more willing to forgive and let past conflicts go.  
So maybe to some I look ugly and old, A person who barely exists. I'm still quite aware of the beauty inside, and my value should not be dismissed.  
So, although not as strong and no beauty, it's true, I'm still here and want so much to live, And I know that there's no one in this world quite like me, and no one who has more to give.

*Fr. Eslin Pereira cmf.*

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**Rosary Coast to Coast 2022:** This year, Rosary Coast to Coast will be held on Sun., Oct. 9, 4:00pm Eastern. Pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, the holy rosary and consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Info: Angela Carboni, 416-871-3908, [marsha.c@stbernadettesfrc.org](mailto:marsha.c@stbernadettesfrc.org), <http://www.rosarycoasttocoast.ca/>.

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**Save the Date** - Special Collection November 5/6 Dioceses across Canada, in their continuing journey of seeking reconciliation with Canada's Indigenous Peoples, have committed to contributing \$30 million over five years in new funding to facilitate further reconciliation efforts. The Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall has pledged to raise \$1.2 million. The name of our campaign is "*A Christ-Centred, Co-Journey Towards Healing*." Please read Archbishop Marcel's Pastoral Letter which speaks about the reasons for our involvement in this important work. We will be providing additional information over the coming weeks in the lead-up to a special collection on November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.

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**Annual Roast Beef Dinner at Our Lady of the Visitation:** Dine in or take out a homemade roast beef dinner. Dine in round tables of 8 with a served meal-no buffet. Bar available. Sittings 4pm & 6 pm. Takeout 4 - 6 pm. Tickets \$25 at 613-822-2007. Email: [events@olvottawa.ca](mailto:events@olvottawa.ca). Proceeds to church building restoration fund. At 5338 Bank St., Sun., Oct. 16. Cost: \$25 pp, children 10 & under \$10. Hosted by Our Lady of the Visitation. Info: 613-822-2007.

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**St. Bernard Parish** is looking for **volunteers** to manage St. Bernard Cemetery. Our current administrators are resigning at the end of this year and will be available to work with the new volunteers to: Transfer knowledge; Turn over financial and registry spreadsheets; Contracts, certificate of Rights and By-Laws Word documents; Contact details for landscaping and interment services provided by 3<sup>rd</sup> parties; Transfer signing authority for the bank account; and Annual financial reports. If you are interested in becoming part of this fulfilling ministry, please contact the parish office at 613-738-1943, or by E-mail to [stbernard@rogers.com](mailto:stbernard@rogers.com).

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**Are you already volunteering in the parish?** Please fill out a Volunteer Information Form and return it to the office as soon as possible. It is available in the vestibule or on the website [Click here](#)

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**Employment Opportunity at the Miriam Centre:** Full-time position available: Accounts Manager. Salary \$17.00/hour. Miriam Centre, a Christian ministry, is seeking a compassionate pro-life person whose primary responsibility will be to help pregnant women and their families. **Must be fluently bilingual (oral and written)** and possess good accounting and computer skills (QuickBooks, MS Word, Excel and database). Please submit your resume to: Nicole Beaudin, 107 - 1803 St-Joseph Blvd., Orléans, ON K1C 6E7, or by email at: [dir.centremiriam@gmail.com](mailto:dir.centremiriam@gmail.com), Tel. 613-830-8623. For more information and job description: <https://miriamcentre.ca>

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**Office Manager - Our Lady of Fatima Parish:** Permanent full-time position. A great opportunity! No phone calls please. Full details available at [fatimaparish.ca/employment-opportunities](http://fatimaparish.ca/employment-opportunities)

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**DONATIONS BY CREDIT CARD OR INTERAC** to make weekly, monthly, or one-time donations: Visit, [saintbernardparish.com](http://saintbernardparish.com), click on Canada Helps to give. Canada Helps will instantly issue you a tax receipt and will forward your donation into our parish account.

**CRA CHARITY NUMBER** - Our parish is registered with CRA as: PAROISSE ST BERNARD 128967353RR0020. This number is needed to setup payroll charity giving.

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**Direct Your United Way Contributions to St. Bernard Parish:** Did you know that you are able to direct your United Way contribution to St. Bernard Parish? Simply mark the appropriate section on the reverse of your form to direct your monies to **PAROISSE**

**ST BERNARD**, 1720 St. Bernard Street, Gloucester, Ontario. K1T 1K8. You not only give to United Way but you help your church as well.

**Charity Name: PAROISSE ST BERNARD**  
**BN/Registration Number: 12896 7353 RR0020**

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**A warm welcome to new parishioners.** You are invited to fill out a parish registration form found on the table in the foyer or on our parish website: [www.saintbernardparish.com](http://www.saintbernardparish.com).

Please put the completed form into the collection basket during Offertory at Mass.

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