



The Parish of the Good Shepherd

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Welcome To Our Parish Community – Kwe’ aa’qa’tuk aqq na’kmaq aqqi’kik - Bienvenidos a Nuestra Comunidad de la Iglesia – Maligayang Pagdating sa Aming Komunidad ng Simbahan

September 27th & 28th – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C - Gospel of Luke)

1st Reading: Amos 6:1a,4-7 2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

CHURCH TODAY

WOMEN FOR PEACE: VOICES OF HOPE AND HUMANITY

“Women for Peace” is a unique concept-concert that unites voices from around the world to promote reconciliation, hope, and solidarity and peace. The initiative blends opera and story telling to highlight women as agents of peace. It uses music as a universal language capable of bridging cultures, inspiring reflection, and sending a clear message: peace is not a luxury, it is a human necessity.

Rome’s Palazzo Farnese opens its doors on Monday evening to host Women for Peace, a special concept-concert produced by the non-profit organization, *Opera for Peace*. Far more than a traditional concert, the event is designed as an immersive experience: a blend of music, storytelling, and stage design that highlights the voices of women with a message of resilience, reconciliation, and hope.

Vatican Radio joined a rehearsal in the run-up to the event and was treated to a sneak preview featuring singers Serena Malfi, Pumeza Matshikiza and Forooz Razavi, coached and accompanied on piano by Kamal Khan, the co-founder and Musical Director of the organization, and Michel El Ghoul, Art & Production Design Director.

“This is not only a concert,” says Julia Lagahuzère, general director and co-founder of Opera for Peace. “This is a moment for us to honour women all around the world who have done such incredible actions for the next generation. To be able to pass forward this kind of message is such an important venue is really a very special moment.”

A “Concept-Concert” For Peace

South African soprano Pumeza Matshikiza explains that Women for Peace is not a standard recital: “Usually in concerts you come in and you sing,” she explains. “But this one has a script that’s tailored particularly for this performance. We are talking about women of peace, such a poignant issue at this terrible time in the world.”

For Matshikiza, opera has always been a space where cultural diversity thrives. “I remember once I was doing Aida in Germany, and we had 34 different nationalities. Opera has been able to always bridge these ethnic difference. And now, when the world is in such a precarious and sensitive time, it’s time to call for peace,” she says.

It emerges that her contribution to the evening is deeply personal: “Amongst the three of us, we celebrate women from our origins and what they stood for. From my side I am representing Miriam Makeba, a South African activist and singer. We need more people who advocate for peace, who stand up when it’s not fashionable to do so.”

**“This is the main message of the music:
peace, peace peace.
It is enough.**

**Let us put the guns down,
turn off the buttons for bombs,
and find other ways.”**

DID YOU KNOW

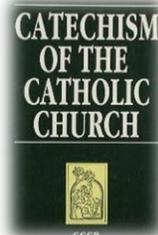
According to Christian tradition and a human understanding of what God does in his wisdom and love, the spiritual benefits are three-fold:

1. The universal Church is graced.
2. The person/intention for whom the Mass is offered is graced.
3. The priest who offers it is graced.

The Fruits of the Eucharist:

1. Causes and intimate union with Christ.
2. Preserves, increases, and renews the life of grace received at Baptism.
3. Cleanses past sins and preserves from future sins.
4. Strengthens the unity among members of the Church.
5. Foster’s a commitment to those who are poor.

For more information on this topic you can consult the Catechism of the Catholic Church 1391.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Truth & Reconciliation Day-September 30th: The Parish Office of The Good Shepherd will be closed on Tuesday, September 30th.

Feast of the Guardian Angels: Thursday, October 2nd we celebrate the Feast of the Guardian Angel. Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 noon at Sacred Heart Cathedral. The Anointing of the Sick will be offered by Father Keith and Father Anthony, giving spiritual and sometimes physical strength to those who are seriously ill, the elderly, and the forgiveness of sins. The Oil of the Sick is a special oil blessed by the bishop at the Chrism Mass during Holy Week and symbolizes the healing & strengthening presence of the Holy Spirit.

Catechism Class: If you would like your child to attend Catechism class, please register online at goodshepherdparish.faith or call the office at 506-547-4736. We will have classes for children preparing for their First Communion and Confirmation. The first class will be held on Sunday, October 5th at 2:00 pm at Holy Family Church. If your child was not baptized at a church in our Diocese, please provide a copy of his/her baptismal certificate. Registration fee is \$20.00.

Bible Class- Gospel of St. Matthew: Bible class with Father Keith every **Friday at 10:00 am at Holy Family Church basement.** Please bring your own Bible. For those who live outside of Bathurst and want to participate via Zoom to please email the office to register at churchesgoodshepherd@gmail.com or call 506-547-4737.

Chaleur-Chase the Ace: Chase the Ace has resumed. Tickets are now on sale with the weekly draws every Tuesday in the basement of Beresford Church at 8:15 pm. Please visit the Chaleur Chase the Ace Facebook page for all information such as locations to purchase tickets, prize amounts etc. Thank you for your support.

Baptisms 2025: Parents who wish to have their child baptized can complete and submit the online registration form and complete the baptism preparation course; both are found on our webpage at goodshepherdparish.faith.

Weddings 2025/2026: Couples who wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the Parish Office before making any other arrangements at **506-547-4737**. Please note that only the couple themselves can book their wedding date and make the necessary arrangements.

Bulletin Announcements: Announcements for the upcoming weekly bulletin must be received by Wednesday at 11:00 am by email at churchesgoodshepherd@gmail.com

Cemetery Notices: Please contact the Administrative Office of The Parish of the Good Shepherd at 506-547-4737 to arrange all burials in the cemeteries allowing us to complete the mandatory paperwork.

Development and Peace Turn Debt into Hope Campaign: The national webinar campaign is on Saturday, October 4th at 1:30 pm (ET) or (2:30 Atlantic time) along with guests from the Global South including Grieve Chelwa, professor and member of the Jubilee Commission on Debt and Development Crises in the Global South and Patricia Miranda, Global Advocacy director of Latinidad, a South American climate and socioeconomic justice network. For more information/register, visit devp.org/events.

IN LOVING MEMORY

- ✠ **Marie Murphy** (Willis Murphy) **STA**
✠ **Arnold Clevette** (Jeannette Clevette & Family) **STA**
✠ **James Jalbert** (Phyllis Caplin) (St. John Bosco Choir) **SJB**
✠ **Jacqueline Guitar** (Ladies Auxiliary Branch #77) **SG**
✠ **Dennis Guitard** (Judy Devereaux & Roney LaPointe) **SJE**
✠ **Roman White** (Pat & Louise Elhatton & Family) (Cletus & Cathie Boucher) (Janice Cameron) (Charles Sweet) (Ann Marie Doucet) (Genevieve O'Connell) **HF**
✠ **Karin LeBouthillier** (Genevieve O'Connell) **HF**

FAMILY CONNECTION



Ways to Nurture Your Child's Faith Gifts to Encourage a Strong Spiritual Life:

•**Explain to your child why you gave him or her the name you did.**

In the Bible, names carry a lot of meaning, Jesus changed Simon's name to Peter (Greek for "rock"), which indicated Peter's vocation as the leader of Christian community. Be telling your child how you chose his or her name, you can highlight the spiritual hopes you have for your child and emphasize his or her connection to the larger community.

•**Tell stories about your ancestors.**

Explain, for example, how their grandparents or great-great grandparents came to this country if they are of immigrant heritage. Such stories, of the strength, perseverance, and faith of their forebears, will help them know that they are part of a larger, grander story than just their own.

•**Share with your child who your favorite saint is and why.**

Describe how you receive inspiration from the example or teaching of this saint (or saintly person, whether canonized or not). Explain to your child the reason you are devoted to this saint and talk about other people whom you admire.

•**Offer a story about how your faith helped you in a difficult time in your life.**

Think back to a time when you made an important decision and, if you are comfortable, share how your faith shaped the decision. Set aside time to also talk about how your faith helps you on a daily basis.

•**Give your child your time and attention; listen to their hopes and dreams.**

The care and concern you express for your child provides a foundation upon which you child can accept God's love and the love of others. Every day you help to shape the attitude your child brings to prayers and worship. The loving attention you share with your child prepares him or her to encounter Jesus in their heart, in the Eucharist, and in other people.

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION SEPTEMBER 30TH

Each year September 30th marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

The day honours the children who never returned home and Survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process.

Both the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day take place on September 30th. Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous-led grassroots commemorative day intended to raise awareness of the individual, family and community inter-generational impacts of residential schools, and to promote the concept of "Every Child Matters". The orange shirt is a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations.

On September 30th, we encourage all Canadians to wear orange to honour the thousands of Survivors of residential schools.

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL
123 Saint Andrew Street, Bathurst, NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Deceased Parents (*Nancy Boucher*).

New Mass Time for the English Weekday Mass: The English weekday mass on Tuesday and Thursday will now be at 12:00 noon.



The Holy Sacrament will be exposed every Thursday, after the English 12:00-noon Mass and on the first Friday of each month (**October 3rd**) after the French 9:00 am Mass.

Sacred Heart Cathedral – St. Frère André Parish Office: Please note that the Parish Office has moved to 645 Murray Avenue adjacent to the Diocese office. Please use the Mgr. Godin door. The telephone number has not changed. Office hours are Monday to Thursday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. The office is closed on Friday.

Thank You: On behalf of the Management Council and Father Landry, we thank Mr. Mario Bryar for organizing a musical fundraiser to defray heating costs. Thank you to the performers and volunteers who made the September 14th fundraiser such a success.

Sacred Heart Cathedral – Church Security Door locks: Please note that the locks of all the Cathedral doors will soon be changed for greater security. We must comply with our insurance requirements to ensure that there are no break-ins, theft, or vandalism. We do not have a list of everyone who has a key. Whether as an individual, group, or organization, you must make a request in writing for a new key. Arrangements will be made for this in the near future.

Sacred Heart Cathedral CWL: Next meeting will be on Monday, October 6th at 1:30 pm. The executive will meet at 1:00 pm. Please remember to bring non-perishable food items for the Food Bank.

Heating Collection: Our next collection will be at the weekend masses on October 17th and 18th.

HOLY FAMILY

430 St. Peter Ave. Bathurst, NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Jim Packard (*Nicole*).

50/50 Draw: Congratulations to **Irene Robichaud** winner of the August 50/50 in the amount of \$290.50.

Holy Family Volunteers: A revised list of the volunteers for Sunday mass, with their phone number, is available in the gathering room. If you are unable to attend mass at Holy Family on your scheduled date as a **Sacristan, Reader, Greeter or Eucharistic Minister** please contact someone on the list to replace you and mark the changes on the schedule to ensure all are aware. **Thank you for all you do for your parish church.**

Knights of Columbus Fall Yard Sale: Saturday, October 25th from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon. If you're into spring cleaning or downsizing, we will gladly accept items you no longer use or want. No large appliances, heavy furniture, big tube TV's, clothing, or footwear. Items may be dropped off at the church from Monday, October 20th to Friday, October 24th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Pickups are on Wednesday, October 22nd from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and can be arranged by calling Allie Power at 506-546-4827 or Charles Sweet at 506-252-2224.

Toonie Weekend: Sunday, September 28th.

ST. ANTHONY

14000 Route 17 Glen Levit, NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Special Intention (*Jeannine Ouellette*).

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

43 Andrew St. Campbellton, NB

The House of Agape Prayer Group: Our prayer group held every **Tuesday at 10:00 am** in the church basement. For more information call Mike at 506-753-5805.

Toonie Weekend: Sunday, September 28th.

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed to pass the collection baskets at mass. We would like 4 parishioners each Sunday and ideally have 16 parishioners so that you would only have to commit to one Sunday every 4 weeks. All parishioners are welcome to volunteer.

Church Security: We are having a difficult time with exterior doors being left unlocked. This can only happen when someone with a key unlocks it. We cannot afford to have a vandalism claim if someone enters through an unlocked door and causes damage. Please make sure if you unlock the door to ensure it is locked when you leave.

St. Thomas is in need of a Pianist or Keyboard Player: If you or anyone you know would be able to help us please contact Clare Shalala or Nancy Arseneault at Sunday Mass.

Yard Sale: Drop off times are Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. If the door is locked, please knock. Yard sale dates are October 25th, November 8th, November 29th and December 13th.

ST. JOHN BOSCO

470 Victoria St. Dalhousie NB

Weekday Mass: Mass is celebrated every Tuesday at 9:30 am. Holy hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction will be every last Thursday (October 30th) of each month at 6:00 pm.

Visits and Communion for the Sick & Shut-Ins: Please call Deacon Chris at **506-684-2810** to make arrangements.

Toonie Weekend: Sunday, September 28th.

50/50 Fundraiser & Coffee Party: Our 50/50 fundraiser will take place Sunday, September 28th immediately following the 9:00 am Mass. The CWL council will be hosting a Coffee Party, everyone is welcome to join us for coffee/tea, muffins, biscuits, and many other goodies. Good luck to all and thank you for your support.

St. John Bosco Choir: We are looking for new members who like to sing. We practice every Friday at 1:00 pm upstairs in the Church. You will be welcomed with open arms!

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

2601 Main Street, Belledune, NB

Rosary & Benediction: Join us Monday evening, September 29th at 6:00 pm for recitation of the Rosary and Benediction. In October we will have the recitation of the Rosary & Benediction **every Monday at 6:00 pm starting on October 6th.**

St. John the Evangelist CWL: A meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 1st at 1:30 pm. We welcome new and existing members to attend this meeting.

Card Play: Welcome as we begin another season of Card Play on Monday evening at 7:00 pm. Entry fee is \$3.00. Please share with all your friends who like to play cards. For more information call Nancy at 506-226-3933.

Toonie Weekend: Saturday, September 27th.

ST. GABRIEL THE ARCHANGEL

4118 Main St. Belledune NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Health Intentions (*Family*).

Wednesday Morning Mass: Mass will be celebrated every Wednesday at 9:00 am with fellowship and lunch after mass.

Toonie Weekend: Saturday, September 27th.

Community Food Drive: Saturday, October 4th, St. Gabriel's CWL will host a community food drive for our local food bank at our church from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm. Donations of non-perishable food items, cash or food-gift-certificates are greatly appreciated. Items can be dropped off at mass (Wednesday or Saturday) up until October 4th.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION – THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

<u>September 20th & September 21st</u>	Holy Family	Sacred Heart Cathedral	Saint Gabriel the Archangel	Saint John the Evangelist	SMG/SJ Cemetery	Saint John Bosco	Saint Thomas Aquinas	Saint Anthony
Collection	2183.45	2870.00	470.75	440.00		1085.50	1372.00	165.00
Needs Canadian Church/Peter Pence	220.00	330.00	135.50	70.00		87.00	235.00	30.00
Fundraising	25.00/290.50 <small>(window project and 50/50 draw)</small>							
Donations	30.00							20.00
Cemetery/Memorial	105.00	20.00/		5.00		20.00	15.00	20.00/
Heating	175.00	405.00	20.00	240.00		200.00	75.00	
Candles	111.40	175.00		60.00		112.00	552.00	30.00
Living Christ/Missal		50.00						

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS (SEPTEMBER 27TH - OCTOBER 5TH)

Holy Family	Sunday, September 28th at 11:00 am + Garry Imhoff (<i>Wife, Veronica</i>)	Sunday, October 5th at 11:00 am + Leonard Arseneau (<i>Wife, Joan</i>)
Sacred Heart Cathedral	Saturday, September 27th at 4:00 pm + Norman Lavigne (<i>Jean, Eleanor & Patti Jo</i>) + My Parents (<i>Ernest & Kathleen</i>) + Joseph Hannon (<i>Lorraine & Lindsay Hannon</i>)	Sunday, September 28th at 9:00 + John & Dorothy Poirier (<i>Lorraine Hannon</i>) + Ethel Chiasson (<i>Ralph & Junior</i>)
Weekly Masses	Tuesday, September 30th at 12:00-Noon (English) + Regina Calnan (<i>McLaughlin Family</i>)	Thursday, October 2nd at 12:00-Noon (English) +
	Wednesday, October 1st at 9:00 am (French) +Alliénié Boudreau (<i>Daniel & Marie Rita Roy</i>)	Friday, October 3rd at 9:00 am (French) + Deceased Parents (<i>Louise Chiasson</i>)
	Saturday, October 4th at 4:00 pm + Clinton & Leona Laffoley (<i>Donald & Nancy</i>) + Deceased Relatives (<i>Lynn Bialy-Neville</i>) + Deceased Family Members (<i>Carm & George</i>)	Sunday, October 5th at 9:00 am + + +
St. Gabriel the Archangel	Saturday, September 27th at 4:00 pm + Frank Grennan (<i>Donnie Gallen</i>) Wednesday, October 1st at 9:00 am +Paul Guitard (<i>Mary Guitard & Family</i>)	Saturday, October 4th at 4:00 pm + Philomene Firlotte (<i>Virginia & Martin Guitard</i>) Wednesday, October 8th at 9:00 am + No Mass
St. John the Evangelist	Saturday, September 27th at 6:00 pm + Loza, Antoine & Paula (<i>Georgette & Family</i>)	Saturday, October 4th at 6:00 pm +Delphus (Buck) Gray (<i>Marie Gray & Family</i>)
St. John Bosco	Sunday, September 28th at 9:00 am + For All Parishioners (<i>The Pastor</i>) Tuesday, September 16th at 9:30 am + Martha McLaughlin (<i>Kathleen LeCouffe</i>) Tuesday, September 30th at 9:30 am + Elizabeth (Betty) LaPointe (<i>Eugene & Family</i>)	Sunday, October 5th at 9:00 am + Lucille Philippe (<i>Sisters, Rita & Pauline & Richard</i>) Tuesday, September 23rd at 9:30 am + Norman Mallais (<i>Leona Roussel</i>) Tuesday, October 7th at 9:30 am + Suzanne Poirier (<i>Marcelline Diotte</i>)
St. Thomas Aquinas	Sunday, September 28th at 11:00 am + Jan Guitard (<i>Gerald Dancause</i>)	Sunday, October 5th at 11:00 am + For All Parishioners (<i>The Pastor</i>)
St. Anthony	Sunday, September 28th at 1:30 pm + Paul & Pat Murray (<i>Lynn, Paula, Mamie & Theresa</i>)	Sunday, October 5th at 1:30 pm + Jan Guitard (<i>Georgina Babcock</i>)

Pope's Prayer Intention September/2025	Weekly Readings September 29th – October 4th	Quote of the Week
<p align="center"><u>For our relationship with all creation:</u></p> <p>Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.</p> <p align="right">Amen</p>	<p>Monday – Saints Michael, Gabriel, Raphael • Revelation 12:7-12a / John 1:47-51</p> <p>Tuesday – St. Jerome • Zechariah 8:20-23 / Luke 9:51-56</p> <p>Wednesday – St. Therese of the Child Jesus • Nehemiah 2:1-8 / Luke 9:57-62</p> <p>Thursday – The Holy Guardian Angel • Exodus 23:20-23a / Matthew 18:1-5,10</p> <p>Friday – Weekday • Baruch 1:15-22 / Luke 10:13-16</p> <p>Saturday – St. Francis of Assisi • Baruch 4:5-12,27-29 / Luke 10:17-24</p>	<p align="center">When you pray, God listens. When you listen, God talks. When you believe, God works.</p>