



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

November 22nd & 23rd – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Year C - Gospel of Luke)

(1st Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:12-20 Gospel: Luke 23:35-43)

CHURCH TODAY

During his weekly General Audience, Pope Leo XIV reminds the faithful that God calls on us, as people of faith, to offer our voices to help those in need and to protect the environment.

We are called “to reverse course,” as Jesus asks us, and to “change history,” Pope Leo XIV insisted during his Wednesday General Audience in St. Peter’s Square, as he continued his catechesis series on “Jesus Christ, Our Hope.”

The Holy Father began his remarks considering Christ’s Resurrection and its impact on the challenges of today’s world, pointing out that if we allow it, Christ’s salvific act can transform all our relationships, especially those with God, other people, and creation. Pope Leo said that as Mary Magdalene on Easter morning turned around to look at Jesus, “We, too, must allow the seed of Christian hope to bear fruit, convert our hearts, and influence the ways we respond to the issues that we face.”

DIFFICULTY RECOGNIZING CHRIST IN OUR MIDST

He recalled how St. John the Evangelist draws to our attention a detail not found in the other Gospels; namely that as Mary Magdalene was weeping near the empty tomb, she did not immediately recognize the Risen Jesus, but thought He was the gardener.

The Pope observed that she “was not entirely mistaken then, believing she had encountered the gardener!”

“Indeed,” he said, “she had to hear her own name again and understand her task from the new man, the one who in another text of John says: “Behold, I make all things new”.

JESUS ASKS US TO REVERSE COURSE

Pope Leo highlighted that the late Pope Francis, with his 2015 encyclical (*Laudato si'*) “showed us the extreme need for a contemplative gaze: “if he is not the custodian of the garden, the human being becomes its destroyer.”

Thus, Pope Leo insisted, “Christian hope responds to the challenges to which all humanity is exposed today by dwelling in the garden where the Crucified One was laid as a seed, to rise again and bear much fruit.”

“Paradise is not lost, but found again,” he said. “In this way, the Death and Resurrection of Jesus are the foundation of a spirituality of integral ecology, outside of which the words of faith have no hold on reality and the words of science remain outside the heart.”

“For this reason,” the Pope affirmed, “we speak of an ecological conversion, which Christians cannot separate from the reversal of course that Jesus asks of them.”

SPIRITUAL PASSAGE THAT CHANGES HISTORY

Mary’s turning around on that Easter morning, the Holy Father explained, is a sign of this, for “only by conversion after conversion do we pass through that vale of tears to the new Jerusalem.”

“This passage, which begins in the heart and is spiritual,” he underscored, “changes history, engages us publicly, and activates solidarity that now protects people and creatures from the longings of wolves, in the name and power of the Lamb-Shepherd.”

“In this way,” he continued, “the sons and daughters of the Church can now meet millions of young people and other men and women of good will who have heard the cry of the poor and the earth, letting it touch their hearts.”

Pope Leo concluded by praying, “May the Spirit give us the ability to listen to the voice of those who have no voice. We will see, then, what the eyes do not yet see: that garden, or Paradise, which we will only reach by welcoming and fulfilling our own task.”

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Commonly referred to as the Feast of Christ the King, Christ the King Sunday or Reign of Christ Sunday, is a feast in the liturgical year which emphasises the true kingship of Christ.

The Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Anglican, Moravian, Methodist, Nazarene, Reformed and United Protestant churches celebrate the Feast of Christ the King.

The feast emphasises the true kingship of Christ after the upheavals resulting from the First World War and the end of all four major monarchies in mainland Europe. It was meant to respond to the rise of atheism and secularization. For the Roman Rite, it was instituted by Pope Pius XI.

In 1970, its observance was moved from end of October to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time and thus to the end of the liturgical year. The Methodist, Anglican and Presbyterian Churches often observe this as part of the liturgical season of Kingdomtide, which runs between the Fourth Sunday before Advent and the Feast of Christ the King. The earliest date on which the Feast of Christ the King can occur is November 20th and the latest is November 26th. It heralds the end of Ordinary Time, which continues up until the First Sunday of Advent. Depending on the year, Saint Andrew’s Day, significant in some cultures, may fall prior to the First Sunday of Advent.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

2025 Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – Wednesday – December 24th

- 4:00 pm - St. Thomas Aquinas – Campbellton
- 4:00 pm - Sacred Heart Cathedral – Bathurst
- 4:00 pm - St. Gabriel the Archangel – Belledune
- 6:00 pm - St. John Bosco – Dalhousie
- 6:00 pm - Holy Family – Bathurst

Christmas Day – Thursday – December 25th

- 10:30 am - St. John the Evangelist – Belledune
- 11:00 am - Holy Family – Bathurst

New Year's Eve -Wednesday – December 31st

- 4:00 pm - St. Thomas Aquinas – Campbellton
- 4:00 pm - Sacred Heart Cathedral – Bathurst
- 6:00 pm - St. John the Evangelist – Belledune
- 6:00 pm - St. John Bosco – Dalhousie

New Year's Day – Thursday – January 1st

- 11:00 am - St. Gabriel the Archangel – Belledune
- 11:00 am - Holy Family – Bathurst

•**Marian Prayer:** Marian prayers are Catholic prayers that invoke the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, join us on **Thursday, November 27th at 6:00 pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral.**

•**Catechism Class:** Class at St. John Bosco Church in Dalhousie on Sunday, November 23rd from 3:30-4:30 pm.

•**Catechism Class:** Our next class at Holy Family Church in Bathurst will be on Sunday, November 23rd at 2:00 pm.

•**Bible Class- Gospel of St. Matthew:** Friday, November 28th at Holy Family Church at 10:00 am. **Please note class on Friday, December 5th will be cancelled.**

•**Baptisms 2026:** 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 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:** 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.

Diocesan Invitation for the 2025 Jubilee Advent: In these days as we are entering a time of vigil, a time of waiting which is Advent, let the Lord teach us Himself the path, as the prophet Isaiah invites us to do, from the First Sunday of Advent. "Come let us go up to the mountain of the Lord!" Let Him teach us his ways, and we will go by His paths. It is good for us to adopt the attitude of vigilance of Jesus himself to his Father in heaven. Prayer occupies a central place in His life. He was nourished by the psalms from an early age, praying them in the synagogue, during his pilgrimages to Jerusalem and with his disciples. To pray the Psalms today is to engage with the official prayer of the Church: The Liturgy of the Hour, also called the Divine Office, Prayer of the Present Time or Breviary. The daily life of the Church is spread throughout the day. She is the source of spiritual and apostolic life for everyone. Four occasions are offered to us for a Celebration of Advent Vespers. They will take place in the Christian communities in our Diocese and will be presided over by our Bishop, Mgr. Michel Proulx O. Praem. Come and share this experience of a Church in prayer. Join us on each Sunday of Advent at 3:00 pm at the following Churches throughout the season of Advent:

November 30th at St. Michael's Church in Inkerman (French)

December 7th at St. John Bosco Church in Dalhousie (English)

December 14th at St. Isidore's Church in Saint Isidore (French)

December 21st at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Bathurst (French)

FAMILY CONNECTION



Understanding today's Feast of Christ the King may be particularly challenging. While we may not have a direct experience of kings or royalty, we have some sense of what these mean. We know that royalty have sovereignty over their kingdom. We know that those who are subjects to royalty offer them allegiance and honor. Christ is King in a way that is different from traditional understandings of royalty. Christ's kingship extends to all places, all people and all times. Christ manifests his kingship through his death on the Cross, in which he offers salvation to all.

Recall with your children, stories that you may have read about royalty. Talk with your children about what they have learned from these stories about what it means to be a king and a subject.

Tell your children that this Sunday is the last Sunday in the Church Year, and on this Sunday, we celebrate a special feast called the Feast of Christ the King. Read today's Gospel, Luke 23:35-43. Reflect together on how the various people in this Gospel respond to Jesus on the Cross. Who in this Gospel recognizes Jesus as King? (The thief.) What does Jesus promise the thief as a result? (The thief will be with Jesus in paradise.)

Talk about how your family will recognize and honor Christ the King. Pray together the Lord's Prayer and ask God to help your family to act in ways that show you to recognize and honor Christ the King.

RECOMMENDED TO YOUR PRAYERS

May the Lord console their families and lead them safely home

† Please pray for **Margaret (Peggy) Roy** of Bathurst who passed away on October 24th at the age of 84. A Funeral Mass was held at Holy Family Church.

† Please pray for **Leandre Goulette** of Dalhousie who passed away on September 29th at the age of 82. A Graveside Service was held at St. Francois Xavier Cemetery.

IN LOVING MEMORY

✠ **Eleanor Kiss** (Sharon & Jacques) **SA**

✠ **Barbara Aubie Harris** (Betty, Tyson, Katelyn, Raymond Aubie) **STA**

✠ **Michel McGregor** (Cadie & Nathan Gallen) (Brenda & Raymond Gauthier) (Nelson, Patsy Talbot & Family) (Jimmy, Holly Talbot & Family) (Charles & Joan) (Heather, Alex & Zachary) (Fidele & Joan Legacy) (Debbie & Tim Culligan) (Frank & Cathy Guitard) (Romeo & Doris Guitard) (Jeannine Dionne) (Jeanette Pitre & Girls) (Theresa Cormier) (Monica & Jean Guy) (Victor & Glenda Moriarty) (Robert & Theresa Dempsey) (Loza Guitard) (Sharon Guitard) (Mark Dempsey) (Lise, Logan, Grace & Hunter) (Raymond & Mea McGregor) (Meryl & Monica Loubert) (Neil & Family) (Janice & Tommy Landry) (Theresa McDonnell) **SG**

✠ **Denise Guitard & Anna Lavigne** (Lise, Logan, Grace & Hunter) **SG**

✠ **Ann Marie Richard** (Louis & Joan Firlotte) **SG**

✠ **Chester Mazerolle** (Judy Spurrell) **SG**

✠ **Tom Culligan** (Theresa McDonnell) **SG**

✠ **Chester Mazerolle** (Lawrence & Irma Doucet) **SJE**

✠ **Rolande Roy** (St. Pierre Family) **SJE-Cemetery**

✠ **Rolande Roy** (Patty Ann, Mary Ann, Pauline & Camille) **SJE**

✠ **Nathalie Paulin** (Jean-Eudes & Joan Parent) **SJE**

✠ **Bonnie Van der Pluijm** (Norma LaPointe-Clement) **HF**

✠ **Timmy Garrette** (Norma LaPointe-Clement) **HF**

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL
123 Saint Andrew Street, Bathurst, NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Souls in Purgatory.

St. Brother Andre Candle: Rhéal Thibodeau (*His Sister, Paulette*).

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: The Holy Sacrament will be exposed every Thursday, after the English 12:00-noon Mass and on the first Friday of each month (Dec. 5th) after the French Mass.

Heating Collection: This weekend masses, November 22nd/23rd.

Marian Prayer: Marian prayers are Catholic prayers that invoke the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, often asking for her help or offering her praise. **Join us on Thursday, November 27th at 6:00 pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral.**

Volunteers Needed: Fall cleaning of the Cathedral prior to the Christmas season. We will meet at the church on Wednesday, November 26th at 10:00 am and bring a packed lunch. Refreshments and a light snack will be available. If you are able to help, sign up sheets will be at the back of the church. Thank You!

Indoor Yard Sale: Saturday, November 29th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm in the church basement of Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Sacred Heart CWL: Our Christmas supper will be on Monday, December 1st at Joey's Restaurant at 4:30 pm; the phone committee will be contacting members. The 2026 membership fee (\$25.00) can be paid at the supper or for your convenience placed in the church collection. Please clearly mark your envelope Sacred Heart CWL and include your name and contact information. Thank You!

HOLY FAMILY

430 St. Peter Ave. Bathurst, NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Garry Imhoff (*Daughter*).

50/50 Draw: Congratulations to Margaret Doucet winner of our November 50/50 draw in the amount of \$295.00.

Holy Family Parish Fundraiser: Please join us for a Christmas Concert and Lighting of the Christmas Tree, Monday, December 1st from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Tickets are now on sale for \$20.00/person and can be purchased from Darlene Labonville at (506)544-0689. If you cannot attend, please donate \$10.00 "In Memory" of a loved one, with all the names being read aloud at the concert.

Holy Family Knights of Columbus: Will hold a food drive for the Bathurst Volunteer Centre on Friday, November 28th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and Saturday, November 29th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in the parking lot of Holy Family Church. Non-perishables or cash donations gratefully accepted.

Christmas Flowers: Donations in memory of a loved one can be placed in the collection in an envelope marked "Christmas flowers". Along with your donation please include your name, envelope number and the name of your loved one. A card with the name of your loved one will be display with the flowers. Thank you for your support.

Holy Family CWL- Children's Gifts for the Volunteer Centre: Once again we are asking parishioners and friends to donate a toy, puzzle, game or craft item to be added to the family's Christmas food basket from the Bathurst Volunteer Centre. Choose a tag or two from the Gift Tree at the front of the Church and return it with the tag attached to the outside of an appropriate wrapped gift. Please have the gift back under the tree by Sunday, December 7th. Thank you.

Holy Family CWL: Our annual Christmas luncheon will be at the Atlantic Host on Friday, December 12th at 12:00 noon. Members will be contacted to confirm their attendance.

ST. ANTHONY

14000 Route 17 Glen Levit, NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Jan Guitard (*Georgina*).

Mass Book: St. Anthony's mass book is now open and in need of masses.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
43 Andrew St. Campbellton, NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Special Favor (*Margaret Guimond*).

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.

ST. JOHN BOSCO
470 Victoria St. Dalhousie NB

Weekday Mass: Morning mass every Tuesday at 9:30 am. Holy Hour at 6:00 pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction held every last Thursday (Nov/27th) of the month.

Christmas Flowers: Parishioners are invited to share in the cost of Christmas Flowers. You may do this in memory of your loved ones by putting your donation in an envelope with written particulars and drop it in the Sunday collection. Thank You.

50/50 Draw: All are welcome on Sunday November 30th following the 9:00 am mass for the 50/50 draw and CWL coffee/tea party with muffins, biscuits and many other goodies. Good Luck to all!

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

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
2601 Main Street, Belledune, NB

Rosary & Benediction: Monday, November 24th at 6:00 pm join us for recitation of the Rosary and Benediction.

St. John the Evangelist CWL: Members are invited to a Christmas Turkey Supper on Sunday, December 7th at 5:00 pm at St. John the Evangelist church hall. Cost is \$20.00 a person and you may invite a guest. We ask those who are attending to purchase your ticket by November 29th. Tickets are available from Georgette Boulay at 506-522-5766.

Card Play: Monday evening at 7:00 pm. Entry fee is \$3.00. Please share with all your friends who like to play cards.

ST. GABRIEL THE ARCHANGEL
4118 Main St. Belledune NB

Sanctuary Lamp: Pamela Wilson (*Mom, Opal Lundy Boudreau, Stephanie, Marc, Jaden*).

Special Thank You: The family of Michael McGregor send a big heartfelt Thank You to all for your support in our difficult time of loss: the facebook messages, cards, gifts, visits, phone calls, food, hugs, flowers, condolences, candles and trees planted. Special thanks to MacMillan & Drapeau Funeral Home, Legion and Ladies Auxilliary branch #77, Father Anthony, ACRC Local 1386, NB Power employees, and to our caring community, family and friends.

St. Gabriel's CWL: CWL members are invited to attend a Christmas Turkey Supper at St. John the Evangelist Church hall on Sunday, December 7th at 5:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.00 a person and you may invite a guest. We ask if your attending to purchase your ticket by November 29th from Patsy Turple at 506-237-2751.

CWL- Christmas Tree Lighting: CWL members will be hosting our annual Christmas Tree Lighting fundraiser "*In Memory of our Loved Ones*" on Sunday, December 13th. Blessing of the tree and reading of names will be during mass followed by fellowship and lunch. Members will be available every Saturday before mass to receive names and donations. You may also call in your request to Patsy at 506-237-2751 or Darlene at 506-237-5562. We look forward to this special time during Advent as we pray together and prepare for Christmas while remembering our loved ones.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION – THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

<u>November 15th</u> & <u>November 16th</u>	Holy Family	Sacred Heart Cathedral	Saint Gabriel the Archangel	Saint John the Evangelist	Cemetery	Saint John Bosco	Saint Thomas Aquinas	Saint Anthony
Collection	1750.60	1833.00	537.75	385.00		1072.60	1299.00	225.00
Pastoral Needs		20.00						
World Mission						15.00		
Fundraising	295.00 (50/50 draw)							
Donations	325.00	40.00						
Cemetery/Memorial	/20.00	60.00/	/390.00	30.00/80.00				/20.00
Heating	200.00	135.00	60.00	20.00		175.00	100.00	20.00
Candles	135.90	207.00		36.30		73.10		20.00
Living Christ/Missal		85.00/	/10.00	/130.00		/245.00	/75.00	

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS (NOVEMBER 22ND - NOVEMBER 30TH)

Holy Family	Sunday, November 23rd at 11:00 am + Glenda Chiasson (<i>Donna Newberry</i>)	Sunday, November 30th at 11:00 am + Rev. Jean Robert Légère (<i>Rev. Croteau</i>)
Sacred Heart Cathedral	Saturday, November 22nd at 4:00 pm + Anne Marie Aubie (<i>Hélène</i>) + Leona White (<i>Emmanuel & Ralph</i>) + Dorine Doucet (<i>David Doucet</i>) + Cletus Doucet (<i>Ralph & Emmanuel</i>)	Sunday, November 23rd at 9:00 + Elizabeth Landry (<i>Emmanuel & Ralph</i>) + Vincent & Mary Garrett (<i>Harvey & Joan Boucher</i>) + Gérald, Estelle & Gerry Cormier (<i>Bernard & Family</i>) + Souls in Purgatory (<i>Carole Irving</i>)
Weekly Masses	Tuesday, November 25th at 12:00-Noon (English) + Tom Kyte (<i>Friends in Song</i>) Wednesday, November 26th at 9:00 am (French) + Yvonne (Bourdage) White (<i>White Family</i>)	Thursday, November 27th at 12:00-Noon (English) + Souls in Purgatory (<i>Ralph & Emmanuel</i>) Friday, November 28th at 9:00 am (French) + Florella Drisdelle (<i>Raymond</i>)
	Saturday, November 29th at 4:00 pm + Leona White (<i>Regina & Chesery Venerus</i>) + Cletus Doucet (<i>Audrey & Denis</i>) + Adelaar Chiasson (<i>Ralph Emmanuel</i>)	Sunday, November 30th at 9:00 am + Donald Buttimer (1 st Ann.) (<i>Wife & Family</i>) + Leona White (<i>Sister, Jeanne & Family</i>) + For Our Children (<i>Roger & Patricia</i>) + Omer & Jeannette Doucet (<i>Ralph & Emmanuel</i>)
St. Gabriel the Archangel	Saturday, November 22nd at 4:00 pm + For All Parishioners (<i>The Pastor</i>)	Saturday, November 29th at 4:00 pm + Joey Lavigne (<i>Gerald Lavigne</i>)
St. John the Evangelist	Saturday, November 22nd at 6:00 pm + Rose & Horace Boulay (<i>Georgette Boulay & Family</i>)	Saturday, November 29th 6:00 pm + Deceased Members of Lanouette Family (<i>Dorothy Basque-Phillips</i>)
St. John Bosco	Sunday, November 23rd at 9:00 am + Lisa Morin (<i>Gail & Ron Morin</i>) Tuesday, November 25th at 9:30 am + Alphonse Doucet (<i>Gerald Doucet</i>)	Sunday, November 30th at 9:00 am + For All Parishioners (<i>The Pastor</i>) Tuesday, December 2nd at 9:30 am + Diane Parent (<i>Barbara Bowes</i>)
St. Thomas Aquinas	Sunday, November 23rd at 11:00 am + Ellory Dickenson (<i>Nancy Currie & Family</i>)	Sunday, November 30th at 11:00 am + Charlene Gerrard (<i>Diane Broome-Caissie</i>)
St. Anthony	Sunday, November 23rd at 1:30 pm + St. Anthony (<i>Joan Guitard</i>)	Sunday, November 30th at 1:30 pm + Jan Guitard (<i>Denise & Roger Gallant</i>)

Pope's Prayer Intention November/2025	Weekly Readings November 24th – November 29th	Quote of the Week
<p>For the prevention of suicide:</p> <p>Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.</p>	<p>Monday – St. Andrew Dung-Lac • Daniel 1:1-6,8-20/ Luke 21:1-4 Tuesday – Weekday • Daniel 2:3, 9a, 10a, 27a, 31-45+/ Luke 21:5-11 Wednesday – Weekday • Daniel 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28 / Luke 21:12-19 Thursday – Weekday • Daniel 6:11-28 / Luke 21:20-28 Friday – Weekday • Daniel 7:1-14+/ Luke 21:29-33 Saturday – Weekday • Daniel 7:15-27 / Luke 21:34-36</p>	<p align="center">Faith IS NOT KNOWING WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS, BUT KNOWING who holds the future.</p>