

Growing
in Spirit,
Community,
and Service

Mass Times Sunday Eucharist Saturday Vigil: 5 pm Sunday: 8:30 am, 10 am and 12 noon

Weekday Eucharist Monday to Friday: 9 am:

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday: 9 to 10 am

Ministry Centre
Hours
Sunday:
9:30 am to 2:30 pm
Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday:
9:30 am to 4 pm
Thursday: Closed,
appointments only.
Saturday:
3 pm to 7 pm

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Bonnie News

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure



Appearance While the Apostles are at Table, (1308-1311), detail, by Duccio di Buoninsegna (c.1255-1260 - c.1318-1319, Siena), Tempera and gold on wood. Duomo Museum, Siena.

Risen One, come, meet me in the garden of my life.

Lure me into elation.
Revive my silent hope.
Coax my dormant dreams.
Raise up my neglected gratitude.
Entice my tired enthusiasm.
Give life to my faltering relationships.
Roll back the stone of my indifference.
Unwrap the deadness in my spiritual life.
Impart heartiness in my work.

Risen One, send me forth as a disciple of your unwavering love, a messenger of your unlimited joy.

Resurrected One, may I become ever more convinced that your presence lives on, and on, and on, and on.

Awaken me! Awaken me!

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LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, April 15	9 AM	Intention of Andrea Chaisson
Tuesday, April 16	9 AM	† Ainsworth Feltman
Wednesday, April 17	9 AM	† Mrs. Doris Longman
Thursday, April 18	9 AM	† Annette Bourgeois-Bent
Friday, April 19	9 AM	Vocations
		† Ellen Marie Hughes
		Intention of Andrea Chaisson
		† Barbara Holding
		Intention for Helen Ng
		† Barbara Lizette
		Intention of Gwen Fitzgerald
Saturday, April 20	5 PM	† Dolores and Gregorio Sr. Torres
Sunday, April 21	8:30 AM	† Nimfa Chua
	10 AM	† Joseph E. Talbot
	12 PM	The Parishioners
Sanctuary Lamps Bl. Sac.	Personal Intention	
Bl. Sac.	Intention of Beth Johnson	
Our Lady	Intention of Ignatius Ng	

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard on a weekly basis on Saturdays from 9 to 10 am in the Mary Chapel. You can always make an appointment with Fr. Peter or Fr. Tom to celebrate this Sacrament in which we encounter our merciful God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN AT THE 10 AM SUNDAY MASS

For children ages 4 to 9. A parent is welcome to accompany a child who is too shy to participate on their own.

PRAYER



In our charity we remember those who are ill and all who have requested a remembrance in our prayers.

We commend to the Lord the members of our parish who died recently:

- + Jim Meyer, + Marjorie McGinty, + Gerry Devlin, + Alice Eaglen, + Deanna Andrew, + Norman Bell, + Jean-Gabriel Castel, + Romi Walsh, + Brigid O'Rourke, + Joyce Dias Lamoureux, + Joan Watson,
- + Matt Gleeson, + Denise Baranecki, + Jhonny Mujica, + Alberto Samonte, + Marilyn Sher, + Mary-Lou Gleeson.

PRAYER NETWORK REQUESTS

Network members pray daily for your prayer intentions which are held in confidence. New members are welcome! Please call Teresa Krijgsman at 416-709-8150 with your prayer intentions or if you would like to join the prayer network.

PRAYER WITH THE EASTER STORIES

"Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread." (Lk 24:35)

Rise One, Sacred Teacher, you send me forth with blessing. You bid me tell the powerful story of your risen life. May I tell this story again and again through the witness of my life, by the quality of my love, and by the courage of my words.

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HELPING OTHERS

CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE



By now most of us know where the casseroles are donated. The amazing work of The Good Shepherd carried out daily, no day off, is subsided with the casseroles donated by a number of churches. The Bonnie's cooks contributed 61 casseroles in the month of March. A BIG thank you from those you may never meet who enjoy a hot meal. Someone will not go hungry because of your efforts in this mission of mercy. Please open your hearts and your kitchen to keep up this much needed support for The Good Shepherd Refuge. May God bless your kind heart for participating.

The cupboard at the back of the church has pans and recipes. Kindly remember to sign for the pans you need. Next due date is Monday, April 29.

FOOD DRIVE FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD



The weekly food drive at St. Bonaventure helps provide meals for the homeless and at-risk individuals in our community. The Good Shepherd is again asking for food donations to assist in feeding the homeless. Thank you for your ongoing support.

THE MOST NEEDED ITEMS

Tomato Sauce Canned Tomatoes Soup & Stews Mayonnaise Pasta Granola Bars Beans and Chickpeas Canned Corn Breakfast Cereals Peanut Butter & Jam Salmon & Tuna Tea / Coffee

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



SERVING IN HOPE. Vincentians 'Serve in Hope' because we are called to bring the love of God and the compassion of Jesus to people in need. St. Vincent said, "God demands first the heart, then the work". It is only with our heart that we can bring compassion, respect and devotion to members of our community who are vulnerable and marginalized.



By visiting people in need in their homes and walking alongside to guide them to resources to break the cycle of poverty, we give them hope for the future.

Your generous donations to our poor boxes and through Canada Helps do help us make a difference. Thank you!

Our confidential helpline is: 416-447-5571 Ext. 570. In addition to donating through our poor boxes located at our three main exits, online donations can be made securely through our QR code or the following link: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-st-bonaventure-conference/

SHARELIFE 2024 PARISH CAMPAIGN

Living the Gospel: 2024 Parish Campaign **ShareLife Sunday Collections** March 17 | April 28 | June 2



Through ShareLife, you help refugees find safety and freedom

Your generous gift to ShareLife is crucial for immigrants and refugees establishing a new life in Canada. Your love and support have not only provided them with safety and freedom, but have also given them the opportunity to create a brighter future in our community.

Thank you for living the Gospel through ShareLife!

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME

We warmly welcome new members to our parish community and encourage you to register as parishioners. Please complete a parish registration form, which may be obtained at the back of the church or by contacting the Ministry Centre at 416-447-5571.

SPIRITUAL BOUQUET OFFERINGS



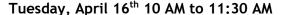
Dear Parishioners, on behalf of our CWL Council I would like to extend our gratitude for your contribution to the Spiritual Bouquet Offerings for the Ordinandi 2024. We were able to collect Three Hundred and Thirty-three (333) offerings for the Eight Seminarians from St. Bonaventure's Parish.

Thank you. Natalia Zamora-John, Faith Chair CWL

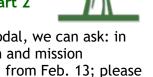
UPCOMING EVENTS

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

Nurturing Our Spirituality in the Second Half of Life With a Focus on Care of the Body, Mind and Spirit In Person Meetings



Eucharistic Worship and Synodality: The Mass as Central to our Journey Together ~ Part 2 Presented by Gregory Beath



As the Bishops and lay representatives discern how to develop a Church that is more synodal, we can ask: in what ways does our celebration of Eucharist help us to live the communion, participation and mission envisioned in a Church that journeys together? This is a continuation of the presentation from Feb. 13; please feel free to participate even if you were not present for Part 1.

Greg is your "resident" pastoral associate responsible for developing faith formation at St. Bonaventure's Church. Presently, he is focused on helping people enter the life of the Church through the evangelization and catechesis envisioned by the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. He also supports parents in their vital role in the sacramental preparation of their children and their fostering faith in the home. He doesn't do this alone but works with dedicated groups of fabulous volunteers. He has been supporting parish ministry here and throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto for over 22 years. He and his family became parishioners of St. Bonaventure's in the early 1980's.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL



"The Knights of Columbus Council 5080 would like to invite all Catholic Men of the St. Bonaventure parish who would like to find out more about the Knights of Columbus and what we do in this parish to contact us". You can connect with us in a number of ways:

FaceBook - KoC SF C5080 E-mail - kofcCouncil5080@outlook.com

Instagram - kocc5080 Online - www.kofc.org

COURTYARD AND WALKWAY PROJECT

As you can see, our project is underway! The walkways near the back of the Parish Centre and Ministry Centre have been removed and the area has been excavated. We are proceeding with repairs to the foundation walls and then they will be waterproofed. This area is not accessible.



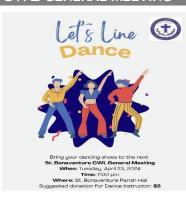
Currently, the following doors are closed and off limits:

The South side front door of the church is closed.

- 1. The North side Sacristy & back corridor of the Church is closed. Please use the back south side door, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel door and the North side front door.
- 2. The Ministry Centre front doors are closed. Please use the back door closest to the church. A doorbell has been installed.
- 3. The Parish Centre back doors are closed. Please use the front doors.

We want to ensure everyone's safety. Please be extra cautious while walking around the property and the parking lot. The Knights of Columbus will be available to assist with directions and assistance in the parking lot. We thank you for your cooperation and patience during the construction.

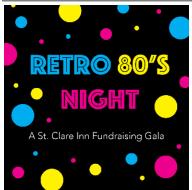
CWL GENERAL MEETING - APRIL 23, 2024



Put on your dancing shoes!

The Catholic Women's League is inviting you to an evening of line dancing. Come join us for our General Meeting and some fun on April 23, 2024 at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

ST. CLARE INN GALA - APRIL 27, 2024



Join us on Saturday April 27, 2024, at the Donalda Club for our annual spring gala, Retro 80's Night.

Tickets can be purchased on the St. Clare Inn website at www.stclareinn.com. Tickets are \$115 per person or after each Mass this weekend.

The evening will include wonderful food, entertainment, silent and live auctions, a raffle and much more. We hope to see you there!

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https://www.tcdsb.org/SCHOOLS/STBONAVENTURE/

Society of St. Vincent de Paul 416-447-5571 ext. 570

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre, contact casseroles@st-bonaventure.ca

REFLECTION

"While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence." ~ Luke 24:41-43

<u>ARE YOU REGISTERED? IF NOT, ASK AN USHER</u>

I love this story for the way it grounds divine revelation in the concrete and the ordinary. It is in the presence of skin and bones, taste buds and nerve endings that the disciples come to faith. Indeed, all of Jesus's postresurrection appearances in the Gospels center on the physical. Jesus doesn't manifest as a disembodied voice that waxes eloquent on the philosophical implications of death and life. He shows up with hands and feet, scars and wounds. He receives the tearful embrace of Mary Magdalene, who doesn't want to let him go. He makes footprints on the Emmaus road with two of his bewildered friends. He tears into hunks of bread with his scarred hands. He chews on a piece of tilapia. He makes a campfire on the beach and cooks breakfast for his friends.

For me, this embodied Jesus of Easter is the Jesus I recognize from the whole witness of the Gospels - and that recognition is both precious and essential. The Jesus of Easter is the Jesus of the Incarnation. The Jesus who grows in a womb, enters the world through a birth canal, sleeps in a feeding trough, and nurses at Mary's breast. The Jesus who scrapes his knees, roughhouses with his playmates, loses his parents during Passover, and goes through puberty in the backwaters of Nazareth. The Jesus who soaks in the waters of baptism, hungers for bread in the Judean wilderness, weeps at his friend's grave, flings a whip around the temple, appreciates scented oils on his feet and head, sweats blood in the garden of Gethsemane, and suffers asphyxiation on a Roman cross. "It is I myself," Jesus tells his wonderstruck disciples as they struggle to reorder all that they know about life and death, souls and bodies, in the aftermath of his astonishing appearance. It is I myself. Me. The one you know. The one you love. The one you trust. Touch me and see.

-Excerpt from Debie Thomas' "Embodied". To read the whole essay, go to: https://www.journeywithjesus.net/essays/2982-embodied