



*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,

Saturday:

3 pm to 7 pm

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*Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 25, 2024
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 1, 2024*

Bonnie News

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure



Christ standing at left indicating to a flock of sheep, before him kneels St. Peter holding the keys to the church, behind him to the left stand the Apostles (1530-1560), Master of the Die (fl. 1525-1560, Italian), after Raphael. Engraving. The Elisha Whittelsey Collection, Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Let us take the words that Love says;
here is the time when God shows favour to our earth.
Jesus died,
the Book has been read;
here is the time to give thanks to our Father.
One same Spirit speaks to our hearts;
*let us take the time
to live in grace with our brothers and sisters.*
Let us take the bread that gives everything;
here is the time when God shows favour to our earth.
Jesus died,
Jesus comes to us;
here is the time to give thanks to our Father.
Let us dwell in the body where all are bonded together;
*let us take the time
to live in grace with our brothers and sisters.*

D. Rimaud, Des grillons et des anges, 58 (Fiche de chant T 42) as translated in *Days of the Lord* vol. 5 Year B (Collegeville, MN: 1993), 198-99

This is a "Double Bulletin". There will be no bulletin printed next weekend. Throughout August, the Ministry Centre will be closed on Thursdays, with no appointments or casserole drop off. Thank you!

LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 26	9 AM	† Victor Pappalardo
Tuesday, August 27	9 AM	Intentions of Radek and Christine Votruba
Wednesday, August 28	9 AM	† Iginio Durante
Thursday, August 29	9 AM	Intentions of Jacob Votruba
Friday, August 30	9 AM	Intentions of the Shellberg Family For the healing of Melvin Bergantinos † Virginia Wong † Laurence Murray † Bernadino and Eduvigis Abued † Nancy Fernandes † Andy Tomcik
Saturday, August 31	5 PM	† Frances Macdonald
Sunday, September 1	8:30 AM	† Celedonia Calingasan
	10 AM	The Parishioners
	12 PM	† Peter Glowczewski
Sanctuary Lamps	Bl. Sac.	† Irene Devlin
	Bl. Sac.	For our parishioners returning to university and college
	Our Lady	† Victor Pappalardo

NEXT WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, September 2	9 AM	† Monique Popiel
Tuesday, September 3	9 AM	† Norm Bell
Wednesday, September 4	9 AM	† Lily F.W. Chiu
Thursday, September 5	9 AM	Intentions of Lucy Xie and Dave Alon
Friday, September 6	9 AM	Vocations † Catalina Garcia † Mr. Brian † Caridad Liboro † Holy Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, September 7	5 PM	Raisa Price, 75 th birthday
Sunday, September 8	8:30 AM	† Caridad Tan
	10 AM	† Yvonne Mitchell
	12 PM	The Parishioners
Sanctuary Lamps	Bl. Sac.	For the intentions of Connor Campbell and Bianca Ciungu
	Bl. Sac.	For the intentions of John Giannopoulos and Amy Deacon
	Our Lady	† Julia Smith

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

The volunteers facilitating Liturgy of the Word with Children are enjoying their summer holidays. They will return to help the children pray with the Word on Sunday, September 22 at 10 am. To enquire about volunteering for the 2024-25 season, contact Maria at 437-993-8458.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard on a weekly basis on Saturdays from 9 to 10 am in the Mary Chapel. In addition, you can always make an appointment with Fr. Peter or Fr. Tom to celebrate this Sacrament of God's mercy.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND



Dear Parishioners, we are re-establishing the Eucharistic Ministry for the Homebound. Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will bring the Eucharist to homebound members of the parish who are ill or otherwise unable to attend church. If you or someone you know might benefit from his ministry, please call the Ministry Centre at 416-447-5571 and let us know.

PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

Roman Catholic children may begin to prepare for celebrating their First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Communion (Eucharist) around the age of 7. If you are parishioners of St. Bonaventure Church and a parent of a 7-year-old child or older who is baptised Roman Catholic, and you think he or she is ready to prepare for these Sacraments, then it will be important for you to attend one of the following Parent Information Meetings in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre. You will learn about our parish's sacramental preparation program and how to register your child for this 2024-2025 season:

- Sunday, September 22 at 1 p.m. in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre **OR**
- Tuesday, September 24 at 7 p.m. in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre

PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION (YOUTH)

Information about the Confirmation 2024-25 program and how to register our parish's youth (age 12 +) to prepare for and celebrate the Sacrament will be made available shortly.

CONFIRMATION AS AN ADULT

If you are a baptized adult Catholic (18+) who has yet to be Confirmed, let us lead you to full initiation in the life of Christ by preparing you to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. We are aiming to provide a short preparation program for adult Catholics in the autumn. Please contact Greg at 416-447-5571 Ext. 258, to make an appointment no later than September 4, 2024. Be prepared to provide a copy of your baptismal certificate recently issued by the Roman Catholic parish where you were baptised. Note: this program is separate from our annual Confirmation preparation program for the parish youth.

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,
- + Virginia (Ginny) Doty, + Shirley Hynd, + Maureen Shanahan, + Edith Munro, + Celia Lyne, + Chi Cheung,
- + Albert Mihaly, and + Stanley Kee.

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.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION SEPTEMBER 2024: FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of the victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.
~ Pope Francis

A STUDENT'S PRAYER FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year. Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before me. Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings. Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers. Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and courage to accept new opportunities. Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience Your presence in my new friends. Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year! Amen.
~ From the Saskatchewan Catholic School Board Association www.scsba.ca

A PRAYER FOR EDUCATORS

As I step into a new academic year: restore my spirit, renew my passion for sharing your wisdom, and nurture my compassion for those You put in my charge. Transform me as I seek to transform. Guide me as I seek to guide. Open my mind and heart as I seek to open minds and hearts to the Good News of justice and peace. Help me listen more deeply to the world and to your Word, so I can walk with my students attentive to the Wisdom that calls us all to the Kingdom of God. Amen.
~ From the Saskatchewan Catholic School Board Association www.scsba.ca

HELPING OTHERS

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



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

You extend compassion to grandparents and the elderly through ShareLife. On World Grandparents' Day, we are called to show our love to grandparents and the elderly - to honour them and recognize their many contributions to society. Through your support, ShareLife agencies are able to provide seniors with security, companionship, and connectedness. Thank you for sharing your blessings and ensuring seniors hold a vital space in the soul of our community. **We have raised \$62,100 of our goal of \$109,000 or 57% of our goal.**



FOOD DRIVE IN SUPPORT OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD CENTRE

We continue to collect food weekly and will accept all food donations, especially: Tomato Sauce, Canned Tomatoes, Soup and Stews, Mayonnaise and Mustard, Jam, Granola Bars, Beans, Chickpeas, Canned corn and peas, Breakfast Cereals, Peanut Butter, Canned Tuna, and Salmon. Please place non-perishable food items into the baskets at the back of the church. *Thank You!!!*

CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE

Many, many thanks to the Bonnie Casserole Cooks who contributed in the month of July to the Good Shepherd Refuge. Actually, an increase from the past month to **52** casseroles being sent to subsidize the meal program. Summer is a time when some of our cooks are on holiday, but we came through to help those who need a breath of kindness in their lives.

We are always in need of more cooks. Please join in this mission of mercy. Pans and recipes are available in the cupboard at the back of the church. Kindly sign for pans needed. **The August deadline is Monday the 26th. The September deadline Monday the 30th.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

AN UPDATE ABOUT THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Dear Parishioners,

Peace and every blessing! You may have noticed that on Monday, August 19th work resumed on the installation of the drainage component of our walkway construction project. Work came to an abrupt halt in July when excavations unearthed an immovable communications line that necessitated a new trajectory for the principal drainpipes. The new strategy has been approved and is well underway. We should regain the use of our principal entry to the church building sometime in September.

As many of you have inquired about the progress of the project, I am amazed at your understanding of the situation and, above all, at your patience. You have taught me so much; I am grateful to you. You can see from the photos the progress that is being made. **On Saturday/Sunday 31 August/1 September we have our fourth maintenance collection for the funding of this project. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.**

~ Fr. Thomas



MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

**Nurturing Our Spirituality in the Second Half of Life
With a Focus on Care of the Body, Mind and Spirit.**



These are in Person Meetings. There is no need to pre-register for these events. Just come and you will be warmly welcomed! And feel free to invite a friend!

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Tuesday, Sept. 3, 10-11:30 AM

Maturing Adults - Messengers of Hope in a Confusing Time

Deacon Mike Walsh will present on the 4 Non-Negotiables of Faith which speaks to some of the challenges the younger generation are facing and show how Maturing Adults could be a source of hope in a world that many see as hopeless.

Deacon Mike Walsh is a husband, father and ordained deacon of the Archdiocese of Toronto. He serves as the permanent deacon St. Patrick's Parish in Markham and has been very active in many parish and archdiocesan ministries. He is the executive director at the National Catholic Broadcasting Council who provides us with the Daily TV Mass.

Tuesday, September 17, 10-11:30 AM

Brain Fitness Presented by Jill Hewlett

Learn fun, empowering and user-friendly neuroscience, along with easy and effective strategies that you can use to support current and long-term brain health and functions. Use it, don't lose it!

Jill Hewlett is a nationally recognized speaker, author, Brain Fitness Expert and Wellness Authority.

Combining user-friendly neuroscience and inspired common sense strategies, Jill draws out the natural leadership, resources and resilience in individuals and organizations to support them in reducing stress and achieving greater levels of productivity, wellness, and success.

Tuesday, October 8 10-11:30 AM

10 Ways to Improve Mental Health as we age

In this workshop, participants will learn to identify depression and effective ways to care for themselves and others.

Save the Dates: October 22, November 5, and November 19. More information coming soon!

40TH ANNUAL ROSARY SUNDAY - A LIVING PILGRIMAGE, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

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SUNDAY, SEPT 8TH 2024
MARTYRS' SHRINE, MIDLAND, ON

The Cardinal McGuigan Assembly #0865 of the Knights of Columbus will be available after Mass on Saturday August 10 and Sunday, August 11, to make tickets available to persons wanting to attend the Rosary Sunday celebration at Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario.

We will be travelling by Passenger Coach. The cost is \$25 per person. The seating is limited so book your tickets to avoid disappointment. Pick-up: St. Bonaventure Church Parking 8:00 a.m. and leaves at 8:30 a.m. sharp with a short stop in Barrie. You can register at assembly865@gmail.com

There will be a 12 noon outdoor Mass followed by a Procession of a Living Cross with the Blessed Virgin Mary to the Papal Altar for a Living Rosary and Benediction at 2:30 p.m. Departure Time from Martyrs' Shrine is at 6 p.m.. **Celebrant and Homilist: Bishop John Boissonneau**
Please join us. We look forward to seeing you there!

*We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our petitions in our necessities,
but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.*

2024 LINDA'S WALK - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

2024

Linda's
Walk

The 15th Annual Linda's Walk will be taking place on Saturday September 28, 2024 at St. Bonaventure Church.

Registration for the walk is now open! You can find the link to the online registration page below. A free t-shirt will be included with every registration. There will also be a lunch following the walk in the St. Bonaventure Church Hall. Thank you for your kind and continued support! If you have any questions, please reach out to us at info@stclareinn.org.

Saturday September 28, 2024:

- Registration: 10:00am
- Walk Starts: 10:00-10:30am
- Lunch: 12:00pm

Registration Fees: Adult: \$25.00 Youth (Ages 12 to 15): \$15.00 Children (Under 12): Free!

You can also find the walker registration and pledge form for download on our website: <http://www.stclareinn.com/events/>. Please register online using the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/lindas-walk-2024-tickets-929170763767?aff=odtdtcreator>

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION 2024: SEPTEMBER 1



"Hope and act with creation"

World Day of Prayer for
the **Care of Creation**

1-IX-2024

In preparation for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, which takes place on September 1, 2024, the Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development recently released the message for this special occasion from Pope Francis as well as numerous resources to help promote this important initiative. The theme of the message is "Hope and Act with Creation", which drew its

inspiration from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (Rom 8:19-25). In his message, Pope Francis encourages us "to live an **incarnational faith**, one that can enter into the suffering and hope-filled "flesh" of others; to **join forces** to help to rethink, "among other things, the question of human power, its meaning, and its limits; to extend harmony among humanity and to creation in the sense of **responsibility for a humane and integral ecology**, the path of salvation of our common home". With the assistance of the Holy Spirit seek to live "a life that becomes a song of **love for God, for humanity, with and for creation**, and that finds its fullness in holiness." The full message from Pope Francis can be accessed at:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/cura-creato/documents/20240627-messaggio-giornata-curacreato.html>

In addition to the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, the Season of Creation is an ecumenical initiative promoted by various groups, including the World Council of Churches, the Lutheran World Federation (LWF), the Anglican Communion and the Laudato Si' Movement. The Time of Creation lasts from September 1 to October 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. A prayer for the *Time of Creation*:

Good Father, the cry of the earth strikes in the Heart of your Son Jesus, and cries out to us "I want mercy and not sacrifices". Our Common Home implores us a bold and radical change in our way of life. We need courage, and a holy indignation to commit ourselves to a cultural change that welcomes the cry of the earth and the poor. We need the fire of your Holy Spirit to burn in our hearts, to contemplate and give thanks, to welcome and to care, so that we may all feel as one in you. May our gestures of love and care for everyone and everything, rise up to You as a universal prayer of adoration, of thanksgiving and forgiveness. May our daily living reflect a temperate, and modest lifestyle that moderates how excessively greedy we tend to be with the world and each other. May we embrace this cry for help transforming it with our decisions into a loving and consoling melody. Amen.

Source: The Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development www.humandevlopment.va

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REFLECTION

“Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, ‘Do you also wish to go away?’ Simon Peter answered him, ‘Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life’.” (Jn 6:66-68)

Let us look briefly at the attitude of those who withdrew and decided not to follow Jesus any more. Where does this disbelief come from? What is the reason for this rejection?

Jesus’ words enkindled great scandal: he was saying that God decided to manifest himself and accomplish salvation in the weakness of human flesh. It is the mystery of the incarnation. The incarnation of God is what provoked scandal and presented an obstacle for those people – but often for us too. Indeed, Jesus affirms that the true bread of salvation, which transmits eternal life, is his very flesh; that to enter into communion with God, before observing the laws or satisfying religious precepts, it is necessary to live out a real and concrete relationship with him. Because salvation came from him, in his incarnation. This means that one must not pursue God in dreams and in images of grandeur and power, but he must be recognized in the humanity of Jesus and, as a consequence, in that of the brothers and sisters we meet on the path of life. God made himself flesh. And when we say this, in the Creed, on Christmas Day, on the day of the Annunciation, we kneel to worship this mystery of the incarnation. God made himself flesh and blood; he lowered himself to the point of becoming a man like us. He humbled himself to the extent of burdening himself with our sufferings and sin, and therefore he asks us to seek him not outside of life and history, but in relationship with Christ and with our brothers and sisters. Seeking him in life, in history, in our daily life. And this, brothers and sisters, is the road to the encounter with God: the relationship with Christ and our brothers and sisters.

- Excerpt from Pope Francis’ Angelus message delivered on August 21, 2021 at St. Peter’s Square, Vatican City.

May the Lord bless you and keep you!