



*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**

**9 am: Monday to Friday**

**Sacrament of**

**Reconciliation**

**Saturday: 9 to 10 am**

**Ministry Centre**

**Hours**

**10 AM– 4 PM**

**Monday, Wednesday,**

**Friday**

**and by appointment on**

**Tuesday & Thursday**

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*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 19, 2023*

# Bonnie News

*Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure*

## Revolution

The enemy:

love them

The oppressor:

walk the mile with them

The Master:

turn the other cheek to them

This doormat faith

seems too much to bear

in a world where those who bully

always seem to win

The enemy:

imbalance them with love

The oppressor:

shame the law that oppresses

The Master:

turn the cheek as an equal

This rebellious faith

seems too much to bear

in a world where those who bully

are loved back to justice by the bullied

But this is heaven's revolution

and we are called into it

come let us worship

love's rebel, Jesus

~ written by Roddy Hamilton,  
and posted on *Mucky Paws*

### NEW PARISHIONER 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.

## LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, February 20	9 AM	Intention of Mme. Cles Gustave
Tuesday, February 21	9 AM	Intention of Jean Shaw
Wednesday, February 22 ASH WEDNESDAY	9 AM	Intention of Spencer Withers
	7 PM	Healing & Reconciliation for Indigenous Peoples
Thursday, February 23	9 AM	† Annie Soans
Friday, February 24	9 AM	† Donna J. Haley † Marie Veronica Kolesar † Linda Lobo Intention of Sherwin Chua
Saturday, February 25 Sunday, February 26	5 PM	† Peter Glowczewski
	8:30 AM	The Parishioners
	10 AM	† Aileen Moore
	12 PM	† Kevin O'Sullivan
Sanctuary Lamps		Intention of John Smith
		† Raneer Nadarajah
		† Peter Glowczewski

### ASH WEDNESDAY ~ FEBRUARY 22

Ashes will be imposed during the 9 a.m. Mass (School Mass), at 12 p.m. Liturgy of the Word, and the 7 p.m. Mass on Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday in the Roman Rite is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat. The law of "abstinence from meat" binds those who are 14 and older; the law of "fasting" binds those from 18 to 59 years of age.

### LENTEN PENANCE

Lent has a penitential character. During Lent, penance is an important requirement of Christian life. Fulfillment of this duty involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence.

Emphasis is given to the evangelical (Gospel) discipline that a follower of Christ must do penance. While the heart of penance is hatred for sin as an offence against God, external forms of penance are required to deepen and encourage the internal value....Privileged forms of penance are recommended, especially during Lent. These forms are privileged because they are based on the teaching of the Gospels (fasting, almsgiving, prayer, works of mercy) or because of their traditional value among the people of God (abstinence from meat).

Christian fasting obtains its full meaning when we deprive ourselves of food in order to be more open to prayer, to share more in the suffering of those who are starving and to save money to give to the poor. Fasting is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness to the depth of our faith.

- From Pastoral Note 29, in ORDO 2022-2023: Liturgical Calendar with Guidelines for Pastoral Liturgy, Ottawa: Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2022, p. 54

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: A NEW TIME AND PLACE FOR CONFESSIONS

Confessions are heard on a weekly basis on Saturdays from 9 to 10 am in the Mary Chapel. In addition, during our monthly Eucharistic Adoration (first Monday of each month) confessions are heard from 1 to 2 pm. Finally, 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

**Sundays at the 10 a.m. Mass for children ages 4 to 9** (older children who “missed out” the past two years due to pandemic restrictions may participate.) A parent is welcome to accompany a child who is too shy to participate on their own.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact the Ministry Centre at least one year in advance of the anticipated date. A preparation course is also required.

## HELPING OTHERS

### CASSEROLES FOR GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE

Baking a casserole at home in support of The Good Shepherd is a great way to help feed the hungry and be of service to a stranger. Please consider joining this Ministry. Pans and recipes are available for your convenience.

A few of our cooks are on holiday so we need additional casseroles to meet a generous donation of food for the Good Shepherd. The January casseroles totalled 44. Great!! Thank you!! let's try for 50 in February. Info [casseroles@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:casseroles@st-bonaventure.ca) or call 416-447-5571 ext.580

“Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food...?”  
“Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” (cf Mt. 25:31-46)

### FOOD DRIVE IN SUPPORT OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD CENTRE

Help provide meals for homeless and at risk individuals in our community.  
Most Needed Items:

Tomato Sauce, Canned Tomatoes, Soup and Stews, Mayonnaise and Mustard, Jams, Granola Bars, Beans, Chickpeas, Canned Corn, Beans, 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 in advance for your generosity.

### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Please assist Vincentians to lift the burdens of others, especially those who struggle to afford the basic necessities of life, and to refresh them with humble care and service. Your donations to our three poor boxes and through Canada Helps do make a difference. Thank you! Online donations can be made securely through the following link: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-st-bonaventure-conference/>

CATCHING UP WITH FRIAR DEACON MANNY



Friar Deacon Emmanuel Wenke, OFM Conv., administered his first Baptism, on January 28th, as Logan (the son of two [FrancisCorps](#)11 volunteer alums: Anthony and Kathy) was baptized, at our Syracuse, NY pastoral ministry - [The Franciscan Church of the Assumption](#). May God bless Logan and his family ... and Friar Manny too!

<https://www.olaprovince.org/2023/01/30/catching-up-with-friar-deacon-manny-2/>



LENTEN SCHEDULE

**Ash Wednesday, February 22**

9 AM Mass - School children will be present at Mass. Parents welcome to attend.  
12 Noon - Liturgy of the Word with Impostion of Ashes  
7 PM Mass

**Lenten Retreat: Water, Light & Life**

Presented by Christine Way Skinner  
Saturday, February 25  
9:30 to 12 Noon  
Main Hall

**Stations of The Cross**

Each Friday during Lent after the 9 AM Mass  
March 31<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM

**Parish Day of Reconciliation**

Wednesday March 22  
9:30 to 10:30 AM  
12 to 1 PM  
7 to 8 PM

**Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction**

Monday, March 6 at 12:30  
Monday, April 3 at 12:30



## LENTEN RESOURCES

### The Kid's Bulletin

<https://thekidsbulletin.com/>

### Pray as You Go

Lent Retreat 2023: The Jerusalem Journey

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/series/59-lentretreat2023thejerusalemjourney>

### Virtual Stations of the Cross

Recorded at St. Bonaventure

February 2021

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KK85ybI8L1A>

### Be inspired each day of Lent! Lent with St. Clare reflections

Experience **daily Lenten messages** sent right to your inbox!

Each morning, you will receive:

- a timely **reflection** on the season inspired by the life and legacy of St. Clare of Assisi,
- a **prayer** to inspire you each day, and **videos** to enrich your Lenten experience!

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org>

### Pray

Pray everyday during this Lent

<https://hallow.com/lent>

### Pope Francis' Message for Lent 2023

Salt & Light Media

<https://slmedia.org/blog/popes-message-for-lent-2023>

## 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:

+ Gerald Desjardins, + David Hui, + Teresa Brown, + Patricia Docherty, + Nina Jagaric, + FlordeLiz Noriel,  
+ Donna McGuinness, + Claudine Fox, + Anita Baker, + Cecily Foss, + Madeline Fotyi, + Anthony Narayan,  
+ Dennis Szechy, + Martha Fogh, + Kevin O'Sullivan, + Oliver Figueiredo, + Marcelina Manankil,  
+ Mildred Cope and + Ranee Nadarajah

May heaven be theirs and may peace be to those who mourn their passing.

## PRAYER NETWORK REQUESTS

Network members pray daily for the intentions which are held in confidence. Let the Prayer Network know when a situation is resolved, and members will offer prayers of thanks. New members are welcome! Call Teresa Krijgsman with your intentions: 416-444-4719.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

**Nurturing Our Spirituality in the Second Half of Life**

**TUESDAY MORNINGS: Gatherings on ZOOM at 10:00 - 11:30 am**

Next Meeting Dates: April 11 and, May 9  
Email: [mma@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:mma@st-bonaventure.ca) to register

## SAVE THE DATE - ST. CLARE INN GALA ON APRIL 29, 2023

### St. Clare Inn Fundraising Spring Gala

Join Us on Saturday April 29, 2023  
6:30pm to 10:30 pm  
The Donalda Club  
12 Bushbury Dr, North York, ON M3A 2Z7

Featuring great food, live entertainment, door prize, silent and live auctions, raffle draw, and 50/50 draw.

Tickets are \$115.00 and can be purchased via eventbrite (<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-secret-garden-gala-come-join-the-fun-tickets-554490093797>), or by calling the office at 416.690.0330, or by emailing us at [info@stclareinn.org](mailto:info@stclareinn.org).



GROWING IN *Spirit, Community, and Service*

LENTEN RETREAT - ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOME!

Please join us for this Lenten Retreat.

All are welcome to attend!

Thank you to the CWL for coordinating the retreat!

# WATER, LIGHT, & LIFE

REFLECTING ON JOHN'S LENTEN GOSPELS

WITH CHRISTINE WAY SKINNER



Living Water by Judith Fritzman, Healing of the Blind Man - Bron Zerkel, The Raising of Lazarus by Edward Knapton.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2023

9:30 AM - 12 NOON

ST. BONAVENTURE PARISH HALL

HOSTED BY THE ST. BONAVENTURE CWL PARISH COUNCIL

PLEASE REGISTER WITH JILL TONUS

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Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre, contact  
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Please don't forget to notify us if you have a  
change in either address, phone number or both.  
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REFLECTION

**“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,  
so that you may be children of your Father in heaven. ~ Matthew 5:44-45**

“People guided only by their own reason find it very hard to be patient, peaceful, sweet-tempered and charitable to their neighbours when they treat them badly and wrong them. But true lovers of Jesus have no great difficulty in enduring all this, because love fights for them and kills such movements of wrath and melancholy with amazing ease....

And it is love that does all this, for love opens the eye of the soul to the sight of Jesus, and confirms it in the pleasure and contentment of the love that comes from that sight. It comforts the soul so much that it is quite indifferent to what others do against it. The greatest harm that could befall such people would be to lose the spiritual sight of Jesus, and they would therefore suffer all other injuries than that one alone.

When true lovers of Jesus suffer harm from their neighbours, they are so strengthened by the grace of the Holy Spirit and are made so truly humble, so patient, and so peaceable, that they retain their humility no matter what harm or injury is inflicted on them. They do not despise their neighbours or judge them, but they pray for them in their hearts, and feel more pity and compassion for them than for others who never harmed them, and in fact they love them better, and more fervently desire their salvation, because they see that they will have so much spiritual profit from their neighbours' deeds, though this was never their intention.

But this love and this humility, which are beyond human nature, come only from the Holy Spirit to those whom he makes true lovers of Jesus.”

*~ Walter Hinton (+1396), The Scale of Perfection II, 3, chapter 8—modernized*

**May the Lord bless you and keep you!**