



*Growing
in Spirit,
Community,
and Service*

*Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 14, 2024*

Bonnie News

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure



Detail of "He Sent Them Out Two by Two" (1886-1894) by James Tissot (1836-1902), gouache on gray wove paper. © Brooklyn Museum.

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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For the Traveller

When you travel,
A new silence
Goes with you,
And if you listen,
You will hear
What your heart would
Love to say.

A journey can become a sacred thing:
Make sure, before you go,
To take the time
To bless your going forth,
To free your heart of ballast
So that the compass of your soul
Might direct you toward
The territories of spirit
Where you will discover
More of your hidden life,
And the urgencies
That deserve to claim you.

May you travel in an awakened way,
Gathered wisely into your inner ground;
That you may not waste the invitations
Which wait along the way to transform you.

May you travel safely, arrive refreshed,
And live your time away to its fullest;
Return home more enriched, and free
To balance the gift of days which call you.

LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, July 15	9 AM	† George Della Rocca
Tuesday, July 16	9 AM	† Christopher Sullivan
Wednesday, July 17	9 AM	Alfred (Fred) Chaisson Jr.
Thursday, July 18	9 AM	† Fr. Lawrence Dugo
Friday, July 19	9 AM	The Friars The Parishioners Intention of Anton and Raneer Perera † Konstantinos Floros
Saturday, July 20 Sunday, July 21	5 PM	† Oleg Gruzyski
	8:30 AM	Sherwin Alan Chua
	10 AM	† John Soans
	12 PM	† Nestor Peracale
Sanctuary Lamps	Bl. Sac.	Intention of Terezia Geryove
	Bl. Sac.	† Demetrio Beltran
	Our Lady	† Demetrio Beltran

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.

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 in which we encounter our merciful God.

SOLEMNITY OF ST. BONAVENTURE ~ JULY 15

In anticipation of the feast of St. Bonaventure, you are invited to celebrate Evening Prayer with the Friars and parish community on Sunday, July 14 at 7 p.m.

On Monday, July 15, we celebrate the feast day of our parish's patron as a solemnity with Mass at 9 a.m. followed by Coffee in the Main Hall. Please join us!

ST. BONAVENTURE ~ FRANCISCAN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH (1221-1274)

Born to a wealthy family in Bagnoregio (in central Italy), Bonaventure joined the Franciscans around 1238 in the midst of his studies at the University of Paris. St. Francis had died only some dozen years before, but already his order was rapidly changing the face of the Church in Europe. Franciscan simplicity might not have seemed an attractive fit for a learned scholar. In fact, Francis had held learning in great esteem so long as it was subordinated to the pursuit of holiness. In this spirit, Bonaventure received support from the order to continue his studies. In 1257, along with his Dominican counterpart St. Thomas Aquinas, he received his doctorate in theology.



Image: from the Sacristy of San Francesco della Vigna (Venice). *San Bonaventura nello studio* by Palma il Giovane (1550-1628). Photo: Didier Descouens. Source: Wikicommons <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/deed.en>

Bonaventure was immediately elected to serve as minister-general of the Friars Minor, a role in which he left a lasting mark. Among other things, he tried to steer a middle course between contending factions within the order—those who insisted on strict adherence to Francis’s spirit of poverty and those who took a more relaxed attitude. For his success in establishing the direction of the Franciscans, Bonaventure was later known as a Second Founder.

Aside from writing an influential life of St. Francis, Bonaventure wrote a number of other works. In 1265 he respectfully declined an appointment as archbishop of York. In 1273, however, Pope Gregory X ordered him to accept the title of cardinal-bishop of Albano. He died the following year. Canonized in 1482, Bonaventure was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1588. In recognition of his angelic virtue, he is known as the Seraphic Doctor.

“A spiritual joy is the greatest sign of the divine grace dwelling in a soul.”—St. Bonaventure

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PROCLAIMING THE COMING JUBILEE YEAR 2025



In the papal bull “Hope does not disappoint” announcing the Jubilee Year 2025, Pope Francis continues his guiding reflection under the theme “Anchored in hope”:

21. What, then, will become of us after death? With Jesus, beyond this threshold we will find eternal life, consisting in full communion with God as we forever contemplate and share in his infinite love. All that we now experience in hope, we shall then see in reality. We are reminded of the words of Saint Augustine: “When I am one with you in all my being, there will be no more pain and toil; my life shall be true life, a life wholly filled by you”. What will characterize this fullness of communion? Being happy. *Happiness* is our human vocation, a goal to which all aspire.

But what is happiness? What is the happiness that we await and desire? Not some fleeting pleasure, a momentary satisfaction that, once experienced, keeps us longing for more, in a desperate quest that leaves our hearts unsated and increasingly empty. We aspire to a happiness that is definitively found in the one thing that can bring us fulfilment, which is love. Thus, we will be able to say even now: I am loved, therefore I exist; and I will live forever in the love that does not disappoint, the love from which nothing can ever separate me. Let us listen once more to the words of the Apostle: “I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord” (*Rom 8:38-39*).

22. Another reality having to do with eternal life is *God’s judgement*, both at the end of our individual lives and at the end of history. Artists have often attempted to portray it - here we can think of Michelangelo’s *magnum opus* in the Sistine Chapel - in accordance with the theological vision of their times and with the aim of inspiring a sense of awe in the viewer. We should indeed prepare ourselves consciously and soberly for the moment when our lives will be judged, but we must always do this from the standpoint of hope, the theological virtue that sustains our lives and shields them from groundless fear. The judgement of God, who is love (cf. *1 Jn 4:8.16*), will surely be based on love, and in particular on all that we have done or failed to do with regard to those in need, in whose midst Christ, the Judge himself, is present (cf. *Mt 25:31-46*). Clearly, then, we are speaking of a judgement unlike any handed down by human, earthly tribunals; it should be understood as a rapport of truth with the God who is love and with oneself, within the unfathomable mystery of divine mercy. Sacred Scripture states: “You have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins, so that... when

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we are judged, we may expect mercy” (Wis 12:19.22). In the words of Benedict XVI: “At the moment of judgement we experience and we absorb the overwhelming power of his love over all the evil in the world and in ourselves. The pain of love becomes our salvation and our joy”.

Judgement, then, concerns the salvation in which we hope and which Jesus has won for us by his death and resurrection. It is meant to bring us to a definitive encounter with the Lord. The evil we have done cannot remain hidden; it needs to be *purified* in order to enable this definitive encounter with God’s love. Here we begin to see the need of our prayers for all those who have ended their earthly pilgrimage, our solidarity in an intercession that is effective by virtue of the communion of the saints, and the shared bond that makes us one in Christ, the firstborn of all creation. The Jubilee indulgence, thanks to the power of prayer, is intended in a particular way for those who have gone before us, so that they may obtain full mercy.

The Jubilee Year will begin with the opening of the Holy Door on the 24th of December 2024 at St. Peter’s Basilica. Pope Francis has asked that 2024 be a year of prayer in anticipation of and preparation for the Jubilee Year.

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 and + Celia Lyne.

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.

HELPING OTHERS

CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE

The Bonnie’s Casserole Cooks provided [43 casseroles](#) for The Good Shepherd Refuge in the month of June. Please keep your hearts and kitchens open during the summer months as the need never goes away to help provide a meal for a hungry person. Your support to this service is very much appreciated. Pans and recipes are available in the cupboard at the back of the church. Please remember to sign for the pans you need.

Next due date is July 29.

SHARELIFE 2024 PARISH CAMPAIGN

Living the Gospel: 2024 Parish Campaign



Your love paves the way for second chances in life

Through your support, ShareLife agencies are able to provide people struggling with homelessness, mental illness and substance use challenges with specialized care. Your generosity brings them hope for a second chance in life. Thank you for living the Gospel!

We have raised \$62,100 of our goal of \$109,000 or 57% of our goal.

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/>

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.

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, August 13, 10-11:30 AM

Rejoicing in God's Goodness and Love

Sr. Francis, cps, will share her life journey with us and how her call into the religious life unfolded while showing us the importance and medicinal benefit of experiencing humour and laughter in our life. "Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say Rejoice." Philippians 4:4

Sr Francis was born and raised in Scotland. She entered the Missionary Sisters of the Precious Blood in 1976 and is currently serving the residents and her religious community at the St. Bernard's Retirement Residence in Toronto as the Spiritual Coordinator.

Tuesday Sept. 3rd 10:00 to 11:30AM *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 17th 10:00 to 11:30AM *Brain Fitness Presented by Jill Hewlett.*

Please see poster on the next page.

Ministry with Maturing Adults Presents...

BRAIN FITNESS!

Tuesday Sept 17th, 2024 @ 10am - 11:30am

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 & functions!

You will:

- Increase energy levels
- Reduce stress & tension
- Access calm & relaxation
- Improve memory & recall
- Increase focus & mental clarity
- Problem solve more effectively
- Support health & wellbeing
- Reverse cognitive decline



Jill Hewlett is a nationally recognized speaker, author, Brain Fitness Expert & Wellness Authority. Combining user-friendly neuroscience and inspired common sense strategies, Jill draws out the natural leadership, resources and resilience in individuals & organizations to support them in reducing stress and achieving greater levels of productivity, wellness, and success. www.jillhewlett.com



Tuesday October 8th 10:00 to 11:30AM **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.

Dr. Sandra Sagrati is a clinical psychologist, who works with children, teens and adults. She obtained her doctoral degree at the University of Toronto, worked at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, and now works in her own private practice, Toronto West Psychology. She has published research in the areas of depression and anxiety, and has recently published a book, Pivot Self-Talk: Stop Asking All the Wrong Questions.

Save the Dates: October 22nd November 5th November 19th

More information coming soon!

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



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=oddtcreator>

UP DATE ON THE MAINTENANCE COLLECTION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The Second Collection last weekend for the Construction Project raised: **\$41,828**. We have now raised a total of \$79,984 towards our \$130,000 or 61.5% of our funding raising goal for this project. We have completed three of the six (6) Maintenance Fund Collections in 2024. **The fourth collection will take place on Sept 6/7.**

Thank you for your generosity!

A SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT - WHAT'S NEXT?

What's Next? Several years ago, when the decision was made to remove the tower and cross from the courtyard, it was decided not to replace the cross immediately. The thought was to see what the space in the front of the church would look like without them, and then to plan to move forward. It is not too soon to convoke a committee of individuals who would like to join such a project. Some of you were part of the first group who began to address this question; you are most welcome to step forward now. Some of you are new to the parish and might enjoy such an endeavor; you, too, are most welcome to step forward now. Still others among you might be those who love what is beautiful and whose faith is pointing you in this direction; you are most welcome to step forward now.

If you would like to help plan the replacement for the cross that was taken down and the beautification of the courtyard and surroundings, please contact connie.durante@st-bonaventure.ca and join the committee. Many thanks to all for your prayers and financial support of this project!

Fr. Thomas

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FOR A PARISH REGISTRATION FORM TO COMPLETE

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REFLECTION

“But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.’” (Mark 5:33-34)

There are experiences that seem to come as interruptions, stories that shoulder their way into the story we think we are living. Intent upon my individual tale, face turned toward the destination I am bent upon, I can resent the intrusions, the ways that other stories sometimes press upon, break through, waylay my own.

A woman is bleeding. Exhausted. Spent. For years her life has been draining from her. Twelve years, if we'll be precise: the exact span of time that the child—the girl, the daughter of Jairus—has been alive. The daughter who now hovers near death, her father pleading with Jesus to come and make her well.

Jesus goes to the girl and is halted midway by the woman. With one gesture, one desperate reaching out of her hand toward the hem of Jesus' robe, the bleeding woman breaks into the narrative. She interrupts the tale of healing that the gospel is seeking to tell. With her aching gesture, the woman compels us to see that our stories do not come to us unbroken and discrete, spinning out in tidy and autonomous arcs. The story of the healing of the woman becomes bound with the story of the healing of the girl, their individual stories becoming one story. An interruption becomes an intertwining: a story made more whole by the joining of its parts. A story that is still being pieced together in the living of our own tales, and in the telling of them.

What stories will we allow to break through, to interrupt, to intertwine with our own? What stories are bound with ours, their fragments joining to create a tale more complete than the one we could tell alone? What story do you need to receive or to tell in order to become more whole: to be made well?

- Jan Richardson, “I will be made well” from <https://paintedprayerbook.com/2012/06/24/i-will-be-made-well/>

May the Lord bless you and keep you!