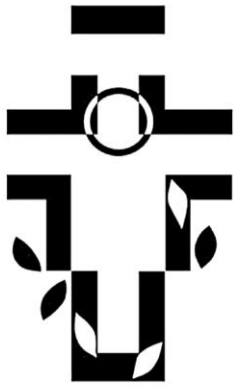


*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 7, 2024*



*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



Nazareth, April 28th, 1839, Painted by David Roberts (1796-1864), engraved by Louis Haghe (1806-85), plate 28 from Volume I of 'The Holy Land', Published in 1842 © Christian Art Today

"A Prophet is not without honour; except in his hometown, and among his own kin, and in his own house." Mark 6:4

The Anointed Ones by J. Janda

Called to disgust

their honours are
accolades of abuse
and ridicule

their acknowledgement
a dime or quarter

their burden
to live Truth
in passing

Truth—hidden and dumb
speechless as marrow

at Baptism
branded by
the Trinity

before they were
born—Yahweh pronounced their name

LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, July 8	9 AM	† Linda and Louis Tong
Tuesday, July 9	9 AM	† Ginny Doty
Wednesday, July 10	9 AM	Intention for Sheila
Thursday, July 11	9 AM	† Pablo Ungab Sr.
Friday, July 12	9 AM	Brothers, Sisters and Benefactors of the Order Intention of Anton and Ranee Perera Intention of Gwen Fitzgerald † George de Gannes
Saturday, July 13	5 PM	† Tinny Cheddie
Sunday, July 14	8:30 AM	† Elizabeth Connolly
	10 AM	† Grazia Maida
	12 PM	The Parishioners
Sanctuary Lamps	Bl. Sac.	† Chi Cheung
	Bl. Sac.	† Patricia Thompson
	Our Lady	† Joey Rosario

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.

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 a new theme “Anchored in hope”:

18. Hope, together with faith and charity, makes up the triptych of the “theological virtues” that express the heart of the Christian life (cf. *1 Cor 13:13; 1 Thess 1:3*). In their inseparable unity, hope is the virtue that, so to speak, gives inward direction and purpose to the life of believers. For this reason, the Apostle Paul encourages us to “rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, and persevere in prayer” (*Rom 12:12*). Surely we need to “abound in hope” (cf. *Rom 15:13*), so that we may bear credible and attractive

witness to the faith and love that dwell in our hearts; that our faith may be joyful and our charity enthusiastic; and that each of us may be able to offer a smile, a small gesture of friendship, a kind look, a ready ear, a good deed, in the knowledge that, in the Spirit of Jesus, these can become, for those who receive them, rich seeds of hope. Yet what is the basis of our hope? To understand this, let us stop and reflect on “the reasons for our hope” (cf. *1 Pet 3:15*).

19. “I believe in *life everlasting*”. So our faith professes. Christian hope finds in these words an essential foundation. For hope is “that theological virtue by which we desire... eternal life as our happiness”. The Second Vatican Council says of hope that, “when people are deprived of this divine support, and lack hope in eternal life, their dignity is deeply impaired, as may so often be seen today. The problems of life and death, of guilt and suffering, remain unsolved, so that people are frequently thrown into despair”. We, however, by virtue of the hope in which we were saved, can view the passage of time with the certainty that

the history of humanity and our own individual history are not doomed to a dead end or a dark abyss, but directed to an encounter with the Lord of glory. As a result, we live our lives in expectation of his return and in the hope of living forever in him. In this spirit, we make our own the heartfelt prayer of the first Christians with which sacred Scripture ends: “Come, Lord Jesus!” (Rev 22:20).

20. The death and resurrection of Jesus is the heart of our faith and the basis of our hope. Saint Paul states this succinctly by the use of four verbs: “I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas and then to the twelve” (1 Cor 15:3-5). Christ *died, was buried, was raised and appeared*. For our sake, Jesus experienced the drama of death. The Father’s love raised him in the power of the Spirit, and made of his humanity the first fruits of our eternal salvation. Christian hope consists precisely in this: that in facing death, which appears to be the end of everything, we have the certainty that, thanks to the grace of Christ imparted to us in Baptism, “life is changed, not ended”, forever. Buried with Christ in Baptism, we receive in his resurrection the gift of a new life that breaks down the walls of death, making it a passage to eternity.

The reality of *death*, as a painful separation from those dearest to us, cannot be mitigated by empty rhetoric. The Jubilee, however, offers us the opportunity to appreciate anew, and with immense gratitude, the gift of the new life that we have received in Baptism, a life capable of transfiguring death’s drama. It is worth reflecting, in the context of the Jubilee, on how that mystery has been understood from the earliest centuries of the Church’s life. An example would be the tradition of building baptismal fonts in the shape of an octagon, as seen in many ancient baptisteries, like that of Saint John Lateran in Rome. This was intended to symbolize that Baptism is the dawn of the “eighth day”, the day of the resurrection, a day that transcends the normal, weekly passage of time, opening it to the dimension of eternity and to life everlasting: the goal to which we tend on our earthly pilgrimage (cf. Rom 6:22).

The most convincing testimony to this hope is provided by the *martyrs*. Steadfast in their faith in the risen Christ, they renounced life itself here below, rather than betray their Lord. Martyrs, as confessors of the life that knows no end, are present and numerous in every age, and perhaps even more so in our own day. We need to treasure their testimony, in order to confirm our hope and allow it to bear good fruit.

The martyrs, coming as they do from different Christian traditions, are also seeds of unity, expressions of the ecumenism of blood. I greatly hope that the Jubilee will also include ecumenical celebrations as a way of highlighting the richness of the testimony of these martyrs.

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.

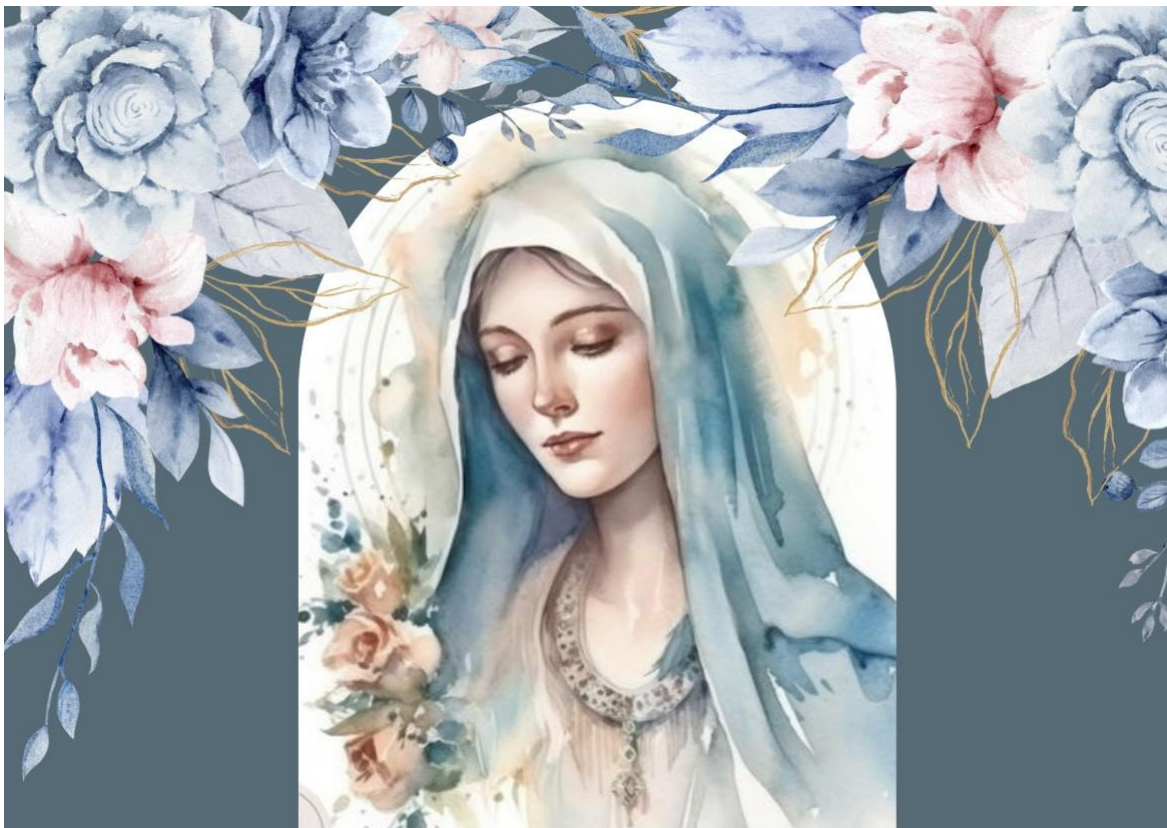
PRAYER



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, + Celia Lyne,
+ Patricia Thompson, and +Chi Cheung



Daily Rosary

Starting July 2

Monday to Friday

9:45am

St. Bonaventure's Mary Chapel

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.

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!

HELPING OTHERS

MISSION COOPERATIVE PROGRAM APPEAL 2024

Last weekend, we raised \$4268 for the pastoral and charitable works of the Diocese of Punalur, Kerala, India. Thank you for your generosity!

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 through ShareLife

ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need.

"If I can help even one person at this difficult time, I'm doing my part. Through ShareLife we assist those who need it the most." - A ShareLife supporter

Thank you for showing your love and compassion through ShareLife!



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/>

CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES ~ BLOOD DONATION DRIVE AT ST. BONAVENTURE'S

Upcoming blood donation event at our parish on:

Friday, July 12, 2024 from 3pm to 7 pm.

Join Canada's Lifeline

Book now at blood.ca or call 1 888 2 Donate

St. Bonaventure's Parish
1300 Leslie St, Toronto

Friday, July 12
3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

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.



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! trena@st-bonaventure.ca

The 9 a.m. Mass on July 9th will be offered for the repose of the soul of Ginny Doty, who was a longtime member and contributor to this ministry. May She Rest in Peace.

In Person Meetings:

Tuesday, July 9, 10-11:30 a.m.: Presentation by Year-Round Travel

Join us on July 9th for an informative talk on travel for the “over 55 age group” The owner of Year-Round Travel, Joe Kennedy, will host our talk and give us a general overview of up-and-coming trips and tours. We’ll enjoy a multimedia presentation and light refreshments.

Tuesday, August 13, 10-11:30 a.m.: 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.

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.

Save the Date: September 3 and September 24. More information coming soon!

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

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION - JULY 6/7 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The Second Collection is for the Construction Project. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

SPECIAL INVITATION FOR ECOART SUMMER ART CAMP - JULY 15 - 19



SUMMER CAMP

Special Invitation to Our Unique EcoArt Summer Camp! ☀️

Thanks to generous supporters and partners, we are thrilled to extend an exceptional opportunity for children who love art, crafts, and nature. Join our one-week EcoArt Summer Camp for only **\$150** (regular price \$350)!

Limited Offer: We have a limited number of \$200 coupons available. To apply and receive the coupon, parents should email info@orfeart.com with the subject "I would like the Summer Camp Coupon," We will confirm coupon availability.

Camp Highlights:

- **EcoArt Projects:** Creative and fun art projects using recyclable materials to promote environmental awareness.
- **Values-Based Learning:** Emphasis on kindness, collaboration, and respect.
- **Expert Guidance:** Led by passionate environmental artists.

Camp Details:

- 📅 Date: Week of July 15 to 19
- 🕒 Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
- 📍 Location: St. Bonaventure Parish Centre, 1300 Leslie Street, North York
- 🌟 Grades: 1-8

An unforgettable experience for your child!

Do not miss out on this opportunity for your child to ignite their creative skills and make lasting memories. Our unique Summer Camp is for young artists to thrive, explore their imagination, and foster a love for art and the environment.

Many Thanks!

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REFLECTION

“And Jesus could do no deed of power there....[He] was amazed at their unbelief.” (Mark 6:5)

Augustine was lucky, the clock never ran out on him. He realized this before it was too late: “Late have I loved you!” Sometimes we aren’t as lucky, our health and our lives must be radically threatened or taken from us before we realize how rich these in fact already are, if only we made ourselves more present to them. If everything were taken away from us and then given back, our perspective would change drastically.

Victor Frankl, the author of *Man’s Search for Meaning*, like Augustine, also was lucky. He had been clinically dead for a few minutes and then revived by doctors. When he returned to his ordinary life after this, everything suddenly became very rich: “One very important aspect of post-mortem life is that everything gets precious, gets piercingly important. You get stabbed by things, by flowers and by babies and by beautiful things—just the very act of living, of walking and breathing and eating and having friends and chatting. Everything seems to look more beautiful rather than less, and one gets the much-intensified sense of miracles.”

The secret to prayer is not to try to make God present, but to make ourselves present to God. The secret to finding beauty and love in life is basically the same. Like God, they are already present. The trick is to make ourselves present to them. Rarely are we enough inside of our own skins, present enough to the moment, and sensitive enough to the richness that is already present in our lives. Our experience comes brimming with riches, but too often we are not enough inside of it. Like the young Augustine, we are away from ourselves, strangers to our own experience, seeking outside of ourselves something that is already inside of us. The trick is to come home. God and the moment don’t have to be searched out and found. They’re already here. We need to be here. Karl Rahner was once asked whether he believed in miracles. His answer: “I don’t believe in them, I rely on them to get through each day!” Indeed, miracles are always present within our lives. Are we?

~ Excerpt from Ron Rolheiser, OMI, “Being Present to God and Life”.
For the full reading, go to: https://liturgy.slu.edu/140rdB070724/reflections_rolheiser.html

May the Lord bless you and keep you!