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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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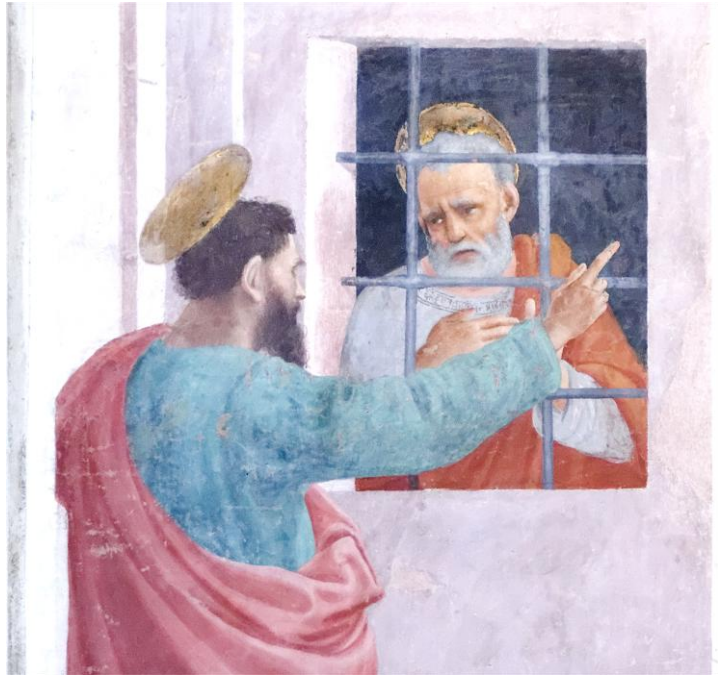
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*The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
June 29, 2025*

Bonnie News

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure



St Paul Visiting St Peter in Prison (c. 1424-28) detail, Filippino Lippi (1457-1504). Fresco. Brancacci Chapel. Public Domain. Photo: Marie-Lan Nguyen. Source: Wikicommons.

XXXIV Benedicam Domino by Malcolm Guite

He raises and delivers us from death,
And even now he shows us how to live
That we might savour life with every breath,

That we might taste and see, might truly thrive
Might see the good days that he wants for us
And make the best of all he has to give.

And so he comes to live as one of us
And teaches us afresh the ways of peace.
He lives the fullest life in front of us

And shows us how to break the bonds, release
The captive, seek the truth that sets us free
To choose the right and do it, to increase

The reach of love, the possibility
Of fruitful life together, and to hear
The poor cry out and help them speedily.

Please note: the *Bonnie News* will be produced bi-weekly during the summer months.

LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

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| Monday, June 30 | 9 AM | † Hutton Shillingford |
| Tuesday, July 1 | 9 AM | † Peter Glowczewski |
| Wednesday, July 2 | 9 AM | † Deceased members of the Ilar Family |
| Thursday, July 3 | 9 AM | † Emilia Cusimano |
| Friday, July 4 | 9 AM | Vocations † Randolph Fung † Derek Henderson † John Marquess † Mercedes Alon † Joseph Pereira † Marguerite Watson |
| Saturday, July 5 | 5 PM | † Bea Woloshen |
| Sunday, July 6 | 8:30 AM | † Rev. Sr. Fung Yee Man Teresa |
| | 10 AM | † Susanna Yip |
| | 12 PM | The Parishioners |
| Sanctuary Lamps | Bl. Sac. | † Mary Lou Gray |
| | Bl. Sac. | Intention for the healing of Angela |
| | Our Lady | † Vinodh Loganathan |

NEXT WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

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| Monday, July 7 | 9 AM | † Frances Fong |
| Tuesday, July 8 | 9 AM | † Leonila Deios Reyes |
| Wednesday, July 9 | 9 AM | † Deceased members of the Newbold Family |
| Thursday, July 10 | 9 AM | † Lino Ammaturo |
| Friday, July 11 | 9 AM | The Friars In thanksgiving, the Leong Family † John Ung † Jude Weerasinghe † Everest D'Souza † Sheila Richardson |
| Saturday, July 12 | 5 PM | In thanksgiving, the Fernando Family |
| Sunday, July 13 | 8:30 AM | The Parishioners |
| | 10 AM | † Demetrio Beltran |
| | 12 PM | † Eugenie Obeyesekere and † Jude Weerasinghe |
| Sanctuary Lamps | Bl. Sac. | Intention for the healing of Angela |
| | Bl. Sac. | Delia Alon |
| | Our Lady | † Eamonn Nolan |

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AT ST. BONAVENTURE PARISH

Confessions are heard on a weekly basis on Saturdays from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Confessional Room. In addition, you can always make an appointment with Fr. Peter or Fr. Tom.

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

Liturgy of the Word with Children is celebrated at the 10 a.m. Mass for children ages 4-9.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Our parish has an active Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound. Our Eucharistic Ministers provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are unable to attend church because of illness, disability or age. If you or someone you know might benefit from this ministry, please contact us at homebound@st-bonaventure.ca or at 416-447-5571 ext. 590 and let us know.

SCRIPTURE SHARING GROUP AT ST. BONAVENTURE'S

The Scripture Sharing group meets every Wednesday from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Oak Room of the Parish Centre to prepare for the readings for the upcoming Sunday. Reflecting on the spirituality of the scriptures before Mass can have a great impact on hearing the Word proclaimed on Sunday. Participation via ZOOM is available. For more information, please contact Tom: tom.burns6727@gmail.com

SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL ~ JUNE 29

One of the oldest saints' days in Rome, June 29 was dedicated to the memory of the apostles Peter and Paul as early as the fourth century. This day the Church remembers two disciples who differed greatly in style and background, but who shared a tireless energy in spreading the gospel.

Rough-hewn and impulsive Peter left his fishing nets immediately to answer Jesus's call. Later, during the Passion of Jesus, Peter made his denials just as impulsively, though he had pledged his loyalty to Jesus only that evening. Receiving Christ's gracious forgiveness after the Resurrection, Peter went on to become the rock-steady and faithful leader of the disciples. Imprisoned three or four times, he eventually was crucified during the reign of Nero. Legend has it that he was hung on a cross head down because he told the soldiers that he was not worthy to die in the same manner as Christ.

Once Paul, who had been a rigid and violent persecutor of Christians, experienced the love of Christ, he grew meek—though never shy. He founded many churches and was able to affirm the fledgling communities of believers even when he was admonishing them. Paul's writings are the first Christian scriptures; they are older than the gospels. After many imprisonments, Paul was executed during the reign of Nero. Since he was a Roman citizen, he was beheaded instead of crucified.

Coastal countries like Chile and Paraguay remember Peter the fisherman with nautical parades. In Hungary and in rural England, people braid straw from the wheat harvest into crosses and crowns to honour the two martyr saints.

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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:

+ James Long, + Bernard Nottage, + Anna Szatmary, + Christopher Harris, + Blanca Graciela, + Martin Frank,
+ Thelma Jonathan, + Jeanette Bertheau, + Edward Baker, + Joyce De Gannes, + Rochelle Labrador,
+ Vinodh Loganadhan, + Barbara Makowicz, + Anne Clune, + Antonino (Tony) Cravero, + Frances Fong,
and + Mary Lou Gray.

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

CWL INITIATIVE FOR 2025: SHARE THE WORDS



INNOVATION

Members of the Catholic Women's League bring innovative ideas to develop resolutions for change. We read the signs of the times and propose creative solutions. Be a part of the process.

CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE



As always a Thank You to all who prepared a casserole in the month of June. There was less time to get the casseroles to the Ministry Centre because of how the calendar fell; we were a little short this month. Our target is 65+. This would supply one meal to people who are very hungry. Some even are eating their food before they sit at a table. The need is so very great and only visible to the eyes of those present at the Refuge. Please accept this challenge to

help feed the poor and see Christ in the faces of those who desperately need a meal. The next casserole drop-off is by July 28.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



"Lord, help us to recognize that you are always with us and to reach out for help when we're struggling. Send your grace into our hearts, that we might also serve others who are [in] need of your love and healing. Help us all to move toward the holiness and happiness for which you created us." ~ Bishop James Conley

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 CanadaHelps 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/>

SHARELIFE

Your Faithful Heart is the Foundation of the Church

ShareLife reaches beyond our local community, extending its mission across borders to share the Gospel and support evangelization in developing countries. Your gift extends mercy and justice internationally, on behalf of vulnerable groups suffering from poverty and injustice.

By sharing your blessings and welcoming those in need, you embody the spirit of community and care. Thus far we have raised **\$53,025** or **48%** toward our goal of **\$109,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



THANK YOU TO THE SUNDAY COFFEE TEAMS



*"Speech and even thought cannot always do justice to the gratitude the heart feels."
~ St. Thérèse de Lisieux*

To each and everyone who helped out in any way with the Coffee Ministry, THANK YOU!. To the Ministry Centre, CWL, and Knights of Columbus, thank you for your continued support. ~ Larry and Maria Small

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!



We wish all students, teachers, and school administrators a safe, relaxing and restorative summer vacation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



Ministry With Maturing Adults with the Focus on Nurturing our spirituality in Body, Mind and Spirit in the Second Half of Life

We aim to provide you with helpful and relevant information from our own presentations and our partners in the community while meeting and enjoying our Tuesday morning gatherings, usually twice monthly, September to June. We look forward to welcoming you and feel free to invite a friend! If you would like more information, e-mail Trena Finnegan Coordinator Ministry With Maturing Adults: trena@st-bonaventure.ca

Tuesday July 8th - 10:00AM to 11:30AM Francis Room

A Morning Meditative Stroll

Join us in the beautiful church grounds of St. Bonaventure as we bring awareness to the act of walking and consciously engaging with the sensations, sounds, and sights around you while paying attention to your body's movements. This practice will encourage you to be intentional with each step while appreciating the beauty of your surroundings. We will then enjoy coffee, snacks and a time of reflection on our experience in the Francis room.

The facilitator is Whitney Hilts, Regional Manager of Living Well Services who is trained in healthy aging including healthy eating, exercise, and mental health.

Tuesday August 5th - 10:00AM to 11:30AM Main Hall

A Morning in Bordeaux

Bienvenue à Bordeaux! Community spaces are not built in a day, but Bordeaux does it right! Enjoy an afternoon exploring the architecture, history, food and culture of this walkable pedestrian city. Visit the Darwin Eco-système, stroll down the Rue Sainte-Catherine, enjoy delicious French treats and more, all from Toronto!

Presentation by: Jane Teasdale, Joint Owner and Director Business Development and Community Relations, Mosaic Home Care Services & Community Resource Centre & accompanying her is Lauren McNair Senior Community Resource and Social Engagement Coordinator. Website: www.mosaichomecare.com

JOYCE'S JOYFUL KNITTERS



This is an invitation to come and see what the Knitting Group is all about. Our next get-together is on Wednesday, July 9 following the 9:00 Mass. You will find us in the Francis Room of the Parish Centre with coffee, tea, a treat and friendly knitters. We support a number of agencies with several knitted items just before Christmas. These items will serve all winter when children and adults are in need of a warm hat or scarf and other items provided by this Knitting Guild. As of late, Rosalie Hall has been added to the agency list. Single Mom's who have nothing may receive a layette and baby clothes supplied by someone who cares. Come and see even if you don't knit. There are other ways to help.

HAPPY CANADA DAY! THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2025

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Wishing you a relaxing week and a wonderful summer!



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REFLECTION

“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ~ Matthew 16:16

Peter and Paul, with their contrasting charisms put at the service of one and the same gospel, illustrate the nature of the Church of Christ and of the ministry entrusted to those whom the Lord chooses. Through the faith of which the apostles are witnesses and guides, the community of believers is solidly founded on Christ, “the cornerstone” that nothing can dislodge. Whatever may happen, despite all the trials, God delivers his friends as he freed his Christ from “the power of death.” Like their Master and Lord, those who exercise their responsibilities in the Christian community have only one ambition, to “stay the course,” to remain faithful to their mission as stewards of the mysteries of salvation, and to make themselves, without counting the cost, the servants of the servants of God, the messengers of his love....

On the day of the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, all the Christian communities of the East and West join in the same prayer for the Church of Christ spread out in the universe, and for those whose task it is to be stewards of the kingdom of heaven among their brethren, with the power of binding and unbinding.

Different as they were in temperament, social, cultural, and religious origin, Peter and Paul nevertheless share a number of similar characteristics. One denied his Master during the passion, while the other persecuted Jesus in the persons of his disciples. Peter was a man of impetuous generosity, to the point of presumptuousness, sometimes hesitant, but of solid loyalty. Paul was proud of his Roman citizenship and did not hesitate to demand his title as Apostle, but was conscious of being as fragile as a “pot of clay.” The former was attached to the old reassuring institutions but did not resist the Spirit who upset his convictions and led him where he did not want to go. The latter resolutely turned to the nations but was torn within by the resistance of his own people.

Won over by Christ to whom they gave their faith and their love, both gave the supreme witness of martyrdom. In them the Church sees what it should and would be, by its faith and its love of Christ, and its mission.

(Excerpt from *Days of the Lord*. Vol. 7 “Solemnities and Feasts” (Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 1994), 182-183.

May the Lord bless you and keep you!