



*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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*The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 25, 2025*

Bonnie News

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure



The Last Supper (La Cène légale), 1886-1894. James Tissot (1836-1902). Opaque watercolor over graphite on gray wove paper. Brooklyn Museum. Public domain.

Peace by Malcolm Guite

Not as the world gives, not the victor's peace,
Not to be fought for, hard-won, or achieved,
Just grace and mercy, gratefully received:
An undeserved and unforeseen release,
As the cold chains of memory and wrath
Fall from our hearts before we are aware,
Their rusty locks all picked by patient prayer,
Till closed doors open, and we see a path
Descending from a source we cannot see;
A path that must be taken, hand in hand,
Only by those, forgiving and forgiven,
Who see their saviour in their enemy.
So reach for me. We'll cross our broken land,
And make each other bridges back to Heaven.

~ <https://malcolmguite.wordpress.com/2020/03/13/lent-with-herbert-day-14-peace/>

LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, May 26	9 AM	† Bernardino and Eduviges Abued
Tuesday, May 27	9 AM	† Patrick and Eva Mok
Wednesday, May 28	9 AM	† Virginia Wong
Thursday, May 29	9 AM	† Mackie Ortega
Friday, May 30	9 AM	Brothers, Sisters, and Benefactors of the Order Intentions of Christine Votruba and Family Intentions of Mercedes Alon † Maria Esperanza Godoy † Grazia Maida
Saturday, May 31 Sunday, June 1	5 PM	In Thanksgiving from the Diazgranados Family
	8:30 AM	† Peter Glowczewski
	10 AM	The Parishioners
	12 PM	† Fernando Godinho
Sanctuary Lamps Bl. Sac. Bl. Sac. Our Lady		Intentions of the Leong Family
		† Teodorico Sicat
		Personal Intentions

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.

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.

"WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD AND DRINK THIS CUP" ~ RESUMING COMMUNION FROM THE CHALICE

We have resumed distributing Communion from the chalice at the Sunday Masses. To be sure, the fullness of Christ's presence is given to us when we participate in Holy Communion through either partaking of the Body or the Blood of the Christ. Nevertheless, the mysteries of Christ's self-offering and our "taking up" of his self-emptying are more fully expressed and experienced when Holy Communion is given under both the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation. The manner of reception from the chalice is to take and drink. After replying "Amen", carefully receive the chalice from the Minister of the Communion. Take a sip. Then, carefully return the chalice to the Minister. Please do not intinct with the Host. The Ministers of Communion have been trained to distribute with care and reverence. Common sense tells us that if we have either a contagious illness, a mild cold, or a compromised immune system, we must refrain from receiving from the chalice. Children who have made their First Communion may receive with the permission of their parents.

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

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, and + Frances Fong.

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

HOPE



Hope is the essence we hold onto during times of adversity and is the beacon of light in the darkness. Anyone seeking refuge and hope can find it in the Catholic Women's League. Members find hope in one another. Join us and be a woman of hope.

Save the Date: CWL Potluck, Sunday, June 1 at 1 p.m.

CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE



In answering the Lenten Challenge parishioners prepared 121 casseroles in April. This is the collective response from new cooks and the continuous support from those who have prepared casseroles for many years. This plea for help during Lent shows that we can, as a parish, support those who are in great need of a meal. Please consider keeping this Mission of Mercy as part of your routine throughout the year. A huge THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this donation to the Good Shepherd our best to date. Recipes and pans are available in the cupboard at the back of the church. Please drop off your frozen casserole to the Ministry Centre during office hours. Last drop off date for May is Monday the 26th.

MARYGROVE CAMP AND CAMP OZANAM

Providing a subsidized overnight camping adventure for eligible children.

Marygrove Camp welcomes girls ages 5-13 for an 8-day camping adventure on the shores of Georgian Bay.

Camp Ozanam welcomes boys, ages 7-12 for a 7-day camping adventure on Deer Lake in South River.

For more information, eligibility requirements, and to register, please contact Judy at **416-390-9495**.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



"Lord, be present in the hearts of the rich and the lives of the poor. Inspire us to care for one another, whatever their needs. Comfort your Church and make us grateful."

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 love can help others thrive

Mental health challenges can impact anyone, whether you're personally navigating them or supporting someone who is. These struggles transcend age and circumstance. Brenda was weighed down by shame, having battled anxiety and depression for decades. Through your support, she found a new perspective at a Catholic Family Services agency funded by ShareLife, where counselling lifted her up and allowed her to see her own worth. Your compassion is instrumental in helping others see themselves as God sees them: loving, important, and enough. Thank you for living the Gospel by helping relieve the pain of those facing silent battles.

Thus far we have raised **\$36,286.95** or **\$33%** 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.



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 look forward to seeing you soon at one of our upcoming gatherings!

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 June 3rd - 10:00AM to 11:30AM Main Hall

Ways to get Stronger and Healthier at Home

Getting stronger, building muscle and having more energy is possible for everybody. You don't need to go to a fitness centre or invest in expensive equipment. You can exercise when you want in the comfort of your own home. A chair, broomstick and some simple fitness equipment can help you kickstart your day or give you the mid-day break you need. In this talk, Deacon Michael Carrera, a professional fitness trainer and wellness coach will walk you through some practical home-based exercises and answer questions you may have.

Presenter: Michael Carrera has a masters degree in exercise science and has authored and co-authored four books: Periodization Strength Training for Sports (2nd ed.), The Catholic Workout book and DVD, Conditioning Young Athletes and Soul Winner. Soul Loser. A Remarkable Story of Finding Meaning in the Wisdom of the Day. Two of his books have been translated into multiple languages. Michael was recently ordained a Permanent Deacon for the Archdiocese of Toronto. He lives in Toronto, Canada, with his wife and four children.

Tuesday June 17th - 10:00AM to 11:30AM Main Hall

Exploring Our Need to Give Back by Sharing Our God Given Talent

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In our eldering years, we grow in our awareness of our need to give back and to try and make the world a better place while using our gifts and charisms that God has given to us individually. We will learn the difference between gifts and charisms and explore ways of using our time and talent in order to give back for all the blessings we have received. *“We are gifted in certain ways and sometimes we don’t even realize it. Perhaps this is an occasion, an opportunity, to ask, ‘How am I gifted?’”* - Archbishop Francis Leo on Stewardship Sunday.

Presented by: Trena Finnegan, Coordinator - Ministry with Maturing Adults

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

JOURNEY OF ENCOUNTER ~ JUNE 15-18, 2025

Are you interested in dialogue with fellow Catholics about the challenges and the joys, the hopes and the fears that go with trying to follow Jesus in our place and time? On June 15-18, 2025, at St. Jerome's University in Waterloo, Ontario, lay, clergy, and religious Catholics from across Canada will gather to experience first-hand the idea of synodality. Guided by Canadian Synod delegates who attended the meetings in Rome in 2023 and 2024 and supported by a Steering Committee of leaders from many Canadian Catholic organizations, we will gather, pray, listen, speak and celebrate! If you are aged 18 to 90+ and want to learn more about synodality, this gathering is for you. Visit www.synodalchurch.ca for more info.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE ~ JUNE 27-29, 2025

Uncover the Secrets to a Lasting, Supportive, and Transformational marriage. Reconnect. Renew. Rekindle. The Marriage Encounter experience is a heart haven that helps you listen, share and connect more deeply. There's no group discussion. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be. Join us on June 27-29 at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre (1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga, ON) for a weekend that could change your life. This weekend is for couples, whether you are newlyweds or have been married for decades. For more information or to register, contact: Christian & Elizabeth Arroba, 416-554-4439 OR 416-554-7062 OR e-mail: christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org

“Awe-inspiring, in truth, are the mysteries of the Church; awesome, in truth, her altar. A fountain sprang up out of paradise, sending forth sensible streams; a fountain arises from this table, sending for spiritual streams....

Many are the streams of this fountain, streams which the Paraclete sends forth; and the Son becomes its Custodian.”

~ St. John Chrysostom

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REFLECTION

“Jesus said to his disciples: ‘Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.’”

~John 14:23-24

This is the great promise of the gospel: that the Lord of all things, who had appeared outwardly to his disciples, would come to dwell in their hearts. Such was, as we ought to remember, the language commonly used by the prophets. And it was also used by our Saviour when he came upon the earth: “I will love him,” he said, speaking of the man who loves and obeys him, “and reveal myself to him...We will come to him and make our dwelling with him.”

Although the Lord was incarnate to the point of being able to be seen and touched, this was still not enough. He was exterior and separated. But after his ascension, he descended again through and in his Spirit, and then the promise was finally fulfilled. He came into the souls of those who believe and, by taking possession of them, he who was unique united them as one.

By becoming incarnate, Christ provided an exterior and seeming unity, the sort that existed under the Law. He gathered his apostles into a visible society. But when he came again in the person of his Spirit, he made them one in a real sense, and not only in name.

Thus, Christ came, not to make them one, but to die for them. The Spirit has come to make us one in the One who died and was resurrected, that is, to form his Church.”

~John Henry Newman, *Parochia and Plain Sermons*, t. 4, sermon 11 (London: Revingtons, 1869), pp 168-69, as quoted in: *Days of the Lord: The Liturgical Year*. Vol. 3, Easter Triduum Easter Season (Collegeville: The Liturgical Press, 1993), 200.

May the Lord bless you and keep you!