



*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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*Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 15, 2023*

Bonnie News

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure



The Wedding Feast (circa 1620), painted by Pieter Breughel the Younger (1564-1638); Oil on panel. Private collection.

You were hungry,
you were thirsty,
for you I have prepared
the wedding feast.

So many other voices
have drowned out your call,
so many lies
have ensnared our hearts.

Lord, call us back to your love!

Your days were spent
far from my joy,
for you I have prepared
festive garments.

So many other joys
scattered our desires,
so many mirages
fascinated our eyes.

Lord, call us back to your love!

Translation of the Commission Francophone Cistercienne, *Tropaires des dimanches*, 125, from Days of the Lord, The Liturgical Year, Vol. 4 (Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 1992), 220-221.

LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

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| Monday, October 16 | 9 AM | Stella Chung |
| Tuesday, October 17 | 9 AM | † Desmond Nugent |
| Wednesday, October 18 | 9 AM | † Grazia Maida |
| Thursday, October 19 | 9 AM | † See Him Chiu |
| Friday, October 20 | 9 AM | † Khaliv Palarca † Herbert Clough † Felicidad Nogra June Rayner Vocations |
| Saturday, October 21 | 5 PM | The Parishioners |
| Sunday, October 22 | 8:30 AM | † Ignatius McHugh |
| | 10 AM | † Sophie Schaaf |
| | 12 PM | † Victor Pappalardo |
| Sanctuary Lamps | 16 th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops | |
| | † Felicidad Nogra | |
| | † Jim Meyer | |

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN: SUNDAYS AT THE 10 A.M. MASS

Through the dedication of volunteers, we are fortunate to be able to invite children to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word with their age and ability in mind. By providing a celebration of the Liturgy of the Word with children, we help our youngest parishioners encounter the Lord, interiorize the message of the Sunday Gospel, and pray together. We hope that this experience of the Liturgy will help our children grow into that full, active, and conscious participation during the Mass to which we are all called. **We provide this ministry to children from 4 to 9. A parent is welcome to accompany a child who is too shy to participate on their own.**

Volunteers are needed! Are you a person of prayer? Do you seek the Lord within the Scriptures? Are you at ease in the presence of children? Are you comfortable in front of a group? Do you have a couple of hours once or twice a month to prepare for the Liturgy of the Word? Are you a young person that would like to read the scriptures, sing, or play an instrument? Are you able to gently assist with keeping a prayerful atmosphere? Then, you probably have the gifts necessary to serve in a variety of ways within this ministry. Please contact Maria to learn more: 437-993-8458. Volunteer Screening is mandatory.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION

The deadline for registering youth (age 12 years and older) in the preparation program for Confirmation this 2023-2024 season is Oct. 15 at 3 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard on a weekly basis on Saturdays from 9 to 10 am in the Mary Chapel. In addition, confessions are heard on the first Monday of the month 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.

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,
+ Raneé Nadarajah, + Douglas Woollings, + George De Gannes, + June Burns, + Neil Pinto, + Geraldine Holen,
+ Dorothy Ying, + Vincent Chaisson, + Neil Buchanan, + Clement Leung, + Andrew Tomcik, + Ross Abbott,
+ Lois Theriault, + Marion Shaw, + Ignatius McHugh, + Giovanni Boscarino, + Emily Cusimano,
+ Wallace Lamerton, + Marie Berndorff, + Sam Savona, + Victor Pappalardo, + John Tasker, and + Jim Meyer.

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 416-444-4719 with your prayer intentions or if you would like to join the prayer network.

PRAYING: “FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION, MISSION”

The First Session of the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops continues to October 29.

Prayer for the Synod

Oh Lord, help us to pay attention to each other,
to spend our time wisely by giving time to each other.

Teach us the art of listening to one another,
receiving others without judgment,
understanding their feelings and what they live in their hearts.

Let us learn to value the experience of being changed by dialogues,
to honestly share our own heart and to receive the other in their singularity
with an open and patient heart.

We leave this Synod in your hands,
make it fruitful and encourage us to walk together in your Church, serving your mission.
Amen.

HELPING OTHERS

SHARELIFE 2023 PARISH CAMPAIGN - LIVING THE GOSPEL

The logo for ShareLife, featuring a green heart icon to the left of the word "ShareLife" in a bold, green, sans-serif font.

Living the Gospel: 2023 Parish Campaign

Thus far our parish has raised **\$81,578.70** toward our goal of **\$94,000**.
you haven’t already done so, please consider donating. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

The logo for "Living the Gospel", with "Living the" in a green sans-serif font and "Gospel" in a large, yellow, cursive font with radiating lines around it.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Sharing God's love with others through acts of service

Our Faith calls us to serve and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul welcomes "all who wish to live their faith by loving and serving their neighbour."



"What can we do? ... We can offer what little we have. We certainly have a few hours of time, some talent, some expertise." - Pope Francis (July 26, 2015) For more information on how you may be able to help, please call our helpline at **416-447-5571 ext. 570** and leave your name and contact information and state that you would like volunteer information. You can also assist others in need by donating to our poor boxes or securely through CanadaHelps: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-st-bonaventure-conference/>

CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE

Great News!! Bonnie Casserole Cooks sent 52 casseroles to the Good Shepherd in the month of September. We reached this goal with the help of a student volunteer and four casseroles donated by teachers of a Catholic School. Please continue or start to cook again if you can participate in this mission of mercy. As always, if you can provide monthly or every other month, it is appreciated. You cannot hear the voice of the hungry person who finds compassion and a meal at the Good Shepherd but we say, "Thank you," for them. Kindly remember to sign for the pans you need. The little book is in the cupboard where you find the pans. May God bless your kind heart for being part of this Mission of Mercy.



UPCOMING EVENTS

PARISHIONER ATTENDANCE SURVEY

The Archdiocese is requesting our participation in its annual parishioner attendance survey for all parish and mission communities, on the weekends of **October 14/15** and **October 21/22**. To participate, the ushers will be counting the number of parishioners at each mass for these two weekends. We ask for your patience and cooperation. Thank you in advance!

2024 PARISH OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES

As most of you are aware, we have been mailing offertory envelopes to parishioners' homes every three months. We will be switching to an annual offertory envelope box that will be available for pick up in the church in December. To help us prepare the boxes, please make sure your contact information including address, telephone number and email address is up to date. Please email any changes to: admin@st-bonaventure.ca or complete the form available at the back of the church. Thank you for your help!

WE WELCOME TRENA FINNEGAN TO OUR MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

We are so very pleased to welcome Trena Finnegan to our Ministry with Maturing Adults, MMA. Trena has just joined the Staff of St. Bonaventure's as the Co-Ordinator for MMA. She comes to this position with a wealth of experience and a great desire to accompany maturing adults on their journey and to tap the depths of their faith and life experiences. Trena is friendly and engaging. Please introduce yourselves to her and have a chat with her, and I suspect - and hope - that you will be participating in the presentations and activities that she will be coordinating. Trena, welcome to St. Bonaventure's!!! *Fr. Tom*

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS ~ NURTURING OUR SPIRITUALITY IN THE SECOND HALF OF LIFE



TUESDAY MORNINGS: Coffee and Conversation: 9:40 - 10:00 am
Meeting: 10:00 - 11:30 am

Walking Together in 2023

Future Dates:

November 14

TOPIC: **Travel to Spain - Photos, Food, Beverages**

Presenter: Richard Strange & Curtis McDonnell

December 12

TOPIC: **To be Announced**

Presenter: TBD

CWL FLEA MARKET - SATURDAY OCTOBER 21, 2023- 9 AM TO 2 PM

Remember to keep your quality, gently used, and in good working condition items to donate to the Flea Market! **We do not accept:** magazines, textbooks, encyclopedia's, VHS or cassette tapes, mattresses, baby furniture and baby equipment, or plants.

We will need volunteers to help with set-up and clean up.

We Need volunteers for the following booths: Books, Odds & Ends

High school students are welcome. What a great way to complete your required volunteer hours for school. Contact: Elfreida at 416-424-4984 or Teresa at 416-200-5733.



All items for the Flea Market should kindly be dropped off at the Parish Centre, Kitchen Entrance ONLY on: October 19th and 20th from 9:30 am to 8 pm.

Baked goods should be dropped off on Friday and on Sat Oct 21 BEFORE 9 am.

HUNGER HURTS: LOCAL AND GLOBAL PATHS TO FOOD JUSTICE

Members of GTA GRAN (Grandmothers Advocacy Network) are planning an educational event on food justice entitled, "Hunger Hurts: Local and Global Paths to Food Justice". It will be held on Thursday, October 19 from 5:30-7:30 pm at the Northern District branch of the Toronto Public Library, 40 Orchard View Blvd. We hope that this location, two blocks north of the Yonge/Eglinton subway stop will be convenient for you and others (parking is available next to the library).

Issues related to food insecurity will resonate with both staff & students. We also believe that it is extremely important to increase our understanding of the issues involved in the right to food and help others to become informed and more engaged in promoting change. We hope you will help us by sharing the attached information (PDF poster with QR code for registration) and posting as appropriate to your networks. Please encourage them to attend. This is a free event.

We welcome students, university colleagues, professionals employed in the area, and representatives of nonprofit agencies, as well as the general public. The event is timed to be after most have finished their workday and not too late into the evening. Light refreshments will be provided.

Our guest speakers will address the issue of food justice from both local and global perspectives. These include the current dimensions of the crisis, its contributing and exacerbating factors, examples of promising projects, and the actions people can take to make a difference. The format is informal and guided by questions from a moderator. Comments and questions will also be encouraged. We hope you can attend!



St. Bonaventure Catholic Women's League

Do you have obsolete electrical and electronic items, big and small cluttering up valuable space in your home?

Help is on the way !



The St. Bonaventure CWL Flea Market is back on October 21st and in the spirit of community and the environment, your CWL has arranged for Goat Transport, an e-waste recycling company, to have a truck on site at the rear of the church parking lot from 9am to 2pm. They will be collecting your old, unwanted, obsolete and non-functioning electronic and electrical items, big and small, to be collected for responsible sorting and recycling.

When you bring your old, end-of-life electronics and electricals to an EPRA-authorized collection event, you're helping to:

- Keep old electronics out of landfills;
- Prevent them from being illegally exported or handled by irresponsible recyclers;
- And recover and recycle valuable resources that can be put back into the manufacturing supply chain.



Goat Transport operates and is facilitating this event in accordance with environmental regulations per the Electronic Products Recycling Association, [visit EPRA.ca for more info.](http://www.epra.ca)

You may start dropping off your old electronics and electricals on Thursday Oct. 19 and Friday Oct. 20 at the Parish Hall during Flea Market set-up. On Flea Market day, Oct. 21st, you may drop your recyclables directly on the Goat Transport truck.

Please see the back for a list of what you may bring for recycling.



What is Recycled in Ontario



Display Devices



Drones



Home Audio/
Video Systems



Desktop Computers



Home Theatre-
In-A-Box (HTB)
Systems



Cameras &
Security Cameras



Vehicle Audio/
Video Systems
(aftermarket)



Portable Computers



Personal/Portable/
Audio/Video
Systems



Musical
Instruments &
Recording
Equipment



Floor Standing
Printers &
Printer Cartridges



Video Gaming
Systems &
Peripherals



Computer
Peripherals,
Routers, Cables,
Chargers, USB



IT & Telecom Equipment
Hard Drives, Servers,
Microfilm Readers,
Binding Machines,
Postage Franking Machines
& Check Filler Machines



Desktop Printing/
Multi-Function Devices,
3D Printers &
Printer Cartridges



Phones
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St. Clare Inn Office:
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416-690-0330
info@stclareinn.org

St Bonaventure School
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416-393-5263
<https://www.tcdsb.org/SCHOOLS/STBONAVENTURE/>

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
416-447-5571 ext 570

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre, contact
casseroles@st-bonaventure.ca

REFLECTION

‘But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, “Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?” And he was speechless.’ -Matthew 22:11-12

If we are puzzled by the king's singling out a guest caught without a wedding garment, we miss the cultural note that the host of such a wedding feast would supply a closetful of festive garments for the guests, and it is this man's fault that he has not cooperated (none of the other “street people” seem to be lacking proper attire).

What was, in Luke [see Luke 14:14-24], an illumination of Jesus' kingdom-preaching ministry becomes, in Matthew's hands, a cautionary tale. As in the parables of the Weeds and the Wheat and the Net (both in Matthew 13), or the Wise and Foolish Bridesmaids and the Sheep and the Goats in Matthew 25, this is a parable about divine judgment aimed at a complacent community.

Having one's wedding garment on is a symbol that is parallel to having your oil-lamp ready for the advent of the Bridegroom. It means having fed the hungry, having clothed the naked, having housed the homeless and so on, as in the vision of the sheep and the goats (Mt 25:35-46), where Jesus gives away the secret.

-Dennis Hamm, SJ

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May the Lord bless you and keep you!