



*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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***Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 19, 2025***

Bonnie News

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure



The Unjust Judge and the Importunate Widow (1864), after Sir John Everett Millais, engraved and printed by Dalziel Brothers. Wood engraving on paper. MET, New York. Public Domain. Source: Wikicommons.

The wait is long, in the night, Lord,
and the bitter wind of weariness
threatens the flame in our hearts;
will it glow again,
to shine on your face,
when you knock at the door?

Watch in prayer,
I will come on you suddenly
in the night, like a thief.

When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?

Watch in prayer
that you may not fall into temptation;
who holds fast to the end will be saved.

When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?

Watch in prayer,
the one who is ready,
I myself will serve in my kingdom.

When the Son of Many comes, will he find faith on the earth?

LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, October 20	9 AM	† Khaliv Palarca
Tuesday, October 21	9 AM	Special Intention Pat Macdonald
Wednesday, October 22	9 AM	† Andre Cabral
Thursday, October 23	9 AM	Intention Dave Alon
Friday, October 24	9 AM	† Edita & Cirib Torres † Narciso Gabriel † Maria Posuta † Marjorie McGinty † Claudette Wingell † Malcolm Ross & Bruce Vachon † Joyce Chong
Saturday, October 25	5 PM	† Hilton Mason
Sunday, October 26	8:30 AM	† Corazon Paredes
	10 AM	† Maria Prieto
	12 PM	The Parishioners
Sanctuary Lamps	Bl. Sac.	Intention Dave Alon
	Bl. Sac.	† Thomas Votruba
	Our Lady	Intention Dave Alon

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

All children aged 4-9 are invited to participate in this parallel, age-appropriate celebration of the Liturgy of the Word during Sunday Mass. A parent is welcome to accompany a child who is too shy to participate on their own.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD FROM 12:30 - 2:00PM

Join us along with one grade of students from St. Bonaventure School for Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

- 12:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, hymn, incensation, greeting and opening prayer
- 12:35 Scripture reading
- 12:40 Reflection on the Scripture reading
- 12:45 Intercessions concluded with the Lord's Prayer
- 12:50 Children head back to school



Adoration continues with others who are present. This is open to all. A particular invitation is extended to the children's parents, grandparents, and godparents.

- 1:00 Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available in the Mary Chapel from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm.
- 2:00 Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament (hymn and incensation) followed by reposicion.

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 call Mary Catherine at 416-303-0269.

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,
+ Mary Lou Gray, + Teresa Hui, + Peter D'Brass, + Angela Buchanan, + Cynthia D'Cruz,
+ Rene Calingasan, + James Durbano and + Joyce Chong.

HELPING OTHERS

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE OCTOBER 11/12



The Good Shepherd Thanksgiving Food Drive was a tremendous success, thanks to the response of our parish community and the St. Bonaventure School students and staff.

Together we collected and shipped over
TWO THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED & TWENTY-THREE POUNDS OF FOOD.

This will help provide a special meal for those struggling with hunger in our community.

With food insecurity, the Good Shepherd Ministries serves upwards of 950 meals per day to combat this issue. We are truly grateful for all your support and only together it is possible for us to provide help to those less fortunate in our community.

THANK YOU also to the Knights of Columbus who helped in organizing this food drive in conjunction with the Good Shepherd Ministries.

CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE

The need to help feed those in need of a hot meal will not go away. We are called, if we can, to support the hungry. The opportunity to do so is in providing a casserole for the Good Shepherd Ministries.

How many ways can we say "Thank you" to all those who contribute to this mission of mercy. Yet, we repeat "Thank you" each month. In September, we sent 56 casseroles to the Good Shepherd.

This helps supplement the meal to all those who come to their door. If you help each month or once in two months or when you can it ALL helps. Pans and recipes are available in the cupboard at the back of the church. "Thank you" for your kindness in supporting those less fortunate in our community.

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.

CWL INITIATIVE FOR 2025: SHARE THE WORDS

Sisterhood



In this world today, everyone yearns for connections. The Catholic Women's League provides so many ways to form a sisterhood with other women, be it at home, in a parish or through servant leadership. Come join a family of sisters across the country.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: MOVED BY MERCY, SERVING IN HOPE



The option for the poor and vulnerable protects fair treatment of all members of society, especially those in greatest need. It is the responsibility of every one of us to care for those who have less and to provide a healthy lifestyle and a sense of well-being for all members of society. This is the foundation of the Kingdom of God and the fulfillment of Jesus's essential teaching.

Loving God, open our eyes to see You in the faces of the poor, the forgotten, and the suffering. Help us to move beyond mere sympathy into real, self-giving love. Give us the grace to offer not just what is easy to give, but what truly costs us—our time, our attention, our comfort. Strengthen our hearts so that we may respond with compassion. Let us be bold in kindness, faithful in service, and joyful in sacrifice. Teach us to love as You love, so that through us, others may know Your mercy. Amen.



Thank you for your continuing prayers, support and generosity. New members warmly welcomed. Vincentians stand with two St. Vincent de Paul boxes after weekend masses. You may also donate through CanadaHelps: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-st-bonaventure-conference/>

NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

🌹 Roses for Life 🌹

Each rose represents our commitment to the protection of human life — from conception to natural death. Through the *Roses for Life* campaign, the Knights of Columbus raise awareness about the dignity of every human person and collect donations that support local programs helping mothers and families in need. Every rose is a sign of love, hope, and respect for the gift of life. On **October 18 and 19**, the Knights of Columbus will be distributing *Roses for Life* and Rosaries after all Masses. Donations collected on those days will be given to **St. Vincent de Paul** to support their charitable work.

SHARELIFE



You support our community in countless ways through ShareLife
Learn more about the people you have helped at sharelife.org/impact.

Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need! Thus far we have raised **\$78,277 or 72%** 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 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 Ministry with Maturing Adults at: [mma@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:mmma@st-bonaventure.ca)

Tuesday October 21, 2025, 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM Main Hall

Documentary and Discussion on St. Carlo Acutis presented by Fr. Thomas Reist, OFM

Carlo Acutis, canonized this year by Pope Leo XIV on September 7, is the first millennial saint. He is popularly dubbed as the "Patron Saint of the Internet." St. Carlo had a profound devotion to the Holy Eucharist that he endeavored to share worldwide. He died at the age of 15 from leukemia. Please join us on Tuesday, October 21 for a viewing of a documentary on the life and influence of this new saint. A discussion will follow the showing of the film.

Save the Dates: November 4, November 18, December 2 and December 16, 2025

COFFEE MONDAYS FOR SENIORS AT HAWTHORN SCHOOL



As a gesture of respect and gratitude for senior citizens in the community, the students at Hawthorn School would like to invite all seniors to Hawthorn's monthly Coffee Mondays. Join us! Enjoy complimentary coffee & snacks at 3:15 pm on the following Mondays: October 20, December 15, February 9, April 13. For more information: Contact Queenie Yu at 416-444-3054 or gyu@hawthornschool.com Hawthorn School, 101 Scarsdale Rd, Toronto. www.hawthornschool.com

HAWTHORNE SCHOOL - FREE LEAF CLEANING FOR SENIORS

If you are a senior who would like your leaves raked and put to the curb for the next collection date, Hawthorn School for Girls students would be happy to volunteer!

Please contact Queenie Yu at 416-444-3054 or ovu@hawthornschool.com or visit www.hawthornschool.com



SAVE THE DATE: THE PROMISE, NOVEMBER 28 & 29, 2025

Do you love to sing? You're invited to join the chorus of our production of The PROMISE to be staged at St. Bonaventure on November 28 and 29. The show is being presented in support of [St. Clare Inn](#). The PROMISE is an all-ages show of original music, written and produced by Dave Trafford. It tells the story of Advent, Christmas and the Epiphany. And you're invited to join the chorus.

We can accommodate up to 15 voices. Put your voice to use for a good cause and help us help the Inn.
contact Dave Trafford dave@davetrafford.com

BUNDLE-UP WEEKEND FOR THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: OCTOBER 25-26, 2025

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will have a truck located in the rear parking lot to collect your donations on the weekend of Oct. 25-26, 2025. The focus is on the collection of textiles, shoes, clothing, bedding, draperies, and small household goods.



We DO NOT ACCEPT
appliances, baby or regular furniture,
books, mattresses, dishes,
construction material or video tapes
For more information visit
www.ssvptoronto.ca



SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL FLEA MARKET, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

Saturday October 25, Open from 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Drop off your donations at the Parish Hall Kitchen entrance on
October 23 & 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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 and for watching over the booths. High school students are welcome. What a great way to complete your required volunteer hours for school!

RECYCLE YOUR ELECTRONIC AND ELECTRICAL ITEMS RESPONSIBLY



The St. Bonaventure CWL Flea Market is back on October 25th. 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
- 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.

You may start dropping off your old electronics and electricals for recycling between 9:30 am and 6:30 pm on Thursday Oct. 23 and Friday Oct. 24 at the Parish Centre during Flea Market set-up.

Display Devices, TV's	Home Audio	Video Systems	Drones
Desk Top Computers	Cameras	Security Systems	Vehicle Audio
Portable Computers	Home Theatre Systems	Musical Instruments	Recording Systems
Printers & Print Cartridges	Floor Standing Printers	Routers, Cables, Charges	IT & Telecom Systems

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC - WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 29, 2025 FROM 3 - 7 PM - MAIN HALL

Your donation Matters!



It matters to every patient across Canada because it's something we can do today to help others wake up healthier tomorrow. Please consider being a blood donor.

Join Canada's Lifeline: Book now at blood.ca or call 1-888-2 DONATE

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE SURVEY - OCTOBER 18/19 AND OCTOBER 25/26

This year's annual weekend Mass attendance survey for all parish and mission communities within the Archdiocese of Toronto will be held on the weekends of **October 18 and 19, 2025** and **October 25 and 26, 2025**. We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this process.

**MEMORIAL MASS COMMEMORATING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED OF THE PARISH
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2025 AT 5 PM**

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed - Memorial Mass
Saturday, November 1, 2025, at 5 pm in the Church
Followed by light refreshments in the Main Hall

St. Bonaventure Parish will remember those who have gone before us this past year by reading their names and lighting candles for each of them.

God of might and tenderness,
your Son underwent death to break its fetters.
Nothing now can separate us from you.
Keep us ever in your love,
so we will always be with those whom you gave us,
and who have gone before us to be with you.
This we ask through Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

(* A Word of Consolation is taken from Robert M. Hamma's *In Times of Grieving*, published by Ave Maria Press, Notre Dame, IN, 2004, page 87.)



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FOR A PARISH REGISTRATION FORM TO COMPLETE

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REFLECTION

“Will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night?” ~Luke 18:7

Behind this lies an age-old and almost world-wide experience which we have been spared. In most places and times it has been very difficult for the “small man” to get his case heard. The judge (and, doubtless, one or two of his underlings) has to be bribed. If you can’t afford to “oil his palm” your case will never reach court. Our judges do not receive bribes. (We probably take this blessing too much for granted; it will not remain with us automatically.) We need not therefore be surprised if the psalms, and the prophets, are full of the longing for judgment, and regard the announcement that “judgment” is coming as good news. Hundreds and thousands of people who have been stripped of all they possess and who have the right entirely on their side will at last be heard. Of course they are not afraid of judgment. They know their case is unanswerable - if only it could be heard. When God comes to judge, as last it will.

Dozens of passages make the point clear. In Psalm 9 we are told that God will “minister true judgment,” (v. 8), and that is because he “forgetteth not the complaint of the poor, (v. 12). He “defendeth the cause,” (that is, the “case”) “of the widows,” (68:5). The good king in Psalm 71:2, will “judge” the people rightly; that is, he will “defend the poor.” When God “arises to judgment,” he will “help all the meek upon Earth,” (76:9), all the timid, helpless people whose wrongs have never been righted yet. When God accuses Earthly judges of “wrong judgment,” he follows it up by telling them to see that the poor “have right,” (82:2, 3).

The “just” judge, then, is primarily he who rights a wrong in a civil case. He would, no doubt, also try a criminal case justly, but that is hardly ever what the psalmists are thinking of. Christians cry to God for mercy instead of justice; *they* cried to God for justice instead of injustice. The Divine Judge is the defender, the rescuer. Scholars tell me that in the *Book of Judges* the word we so translate might almost be rendered, champions”; for though these “judges” do sometimes perform what we should call judicial functions many of them are much more concerned with rescuing the oppressed Israelites from Philistines and others by force of arms. They are more like Jack the Giant Killer than like a modern judge in a wig. The knights in romances of chivalry who go about rescuing distressed damsels and widows from giants and other tyrants are acting almost as “judges” in the old Hebrew sense: so is the modern solicitor (and I have known such) who does unpaid work for poor clients to save them from wrong.

C.S. Lewis “Judgment in the Psalms” Reflections on the Psalms. (London: Geoffrey Bles, 1958) as quoted on:
<https://thevalueofsparrows.wordpress.com/2018/10/30/psalms-judgment-in-the-psalms-part-1-by-c-s-lewis/>

May the Lord bless you and keep you!