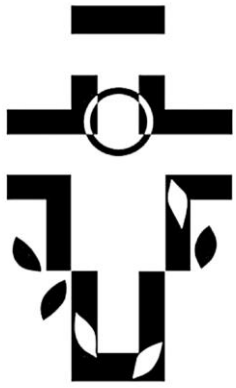


*Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 20, 2024*



*Growing
in Spirit,
Community,
and Service*

Bonnie News

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure

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

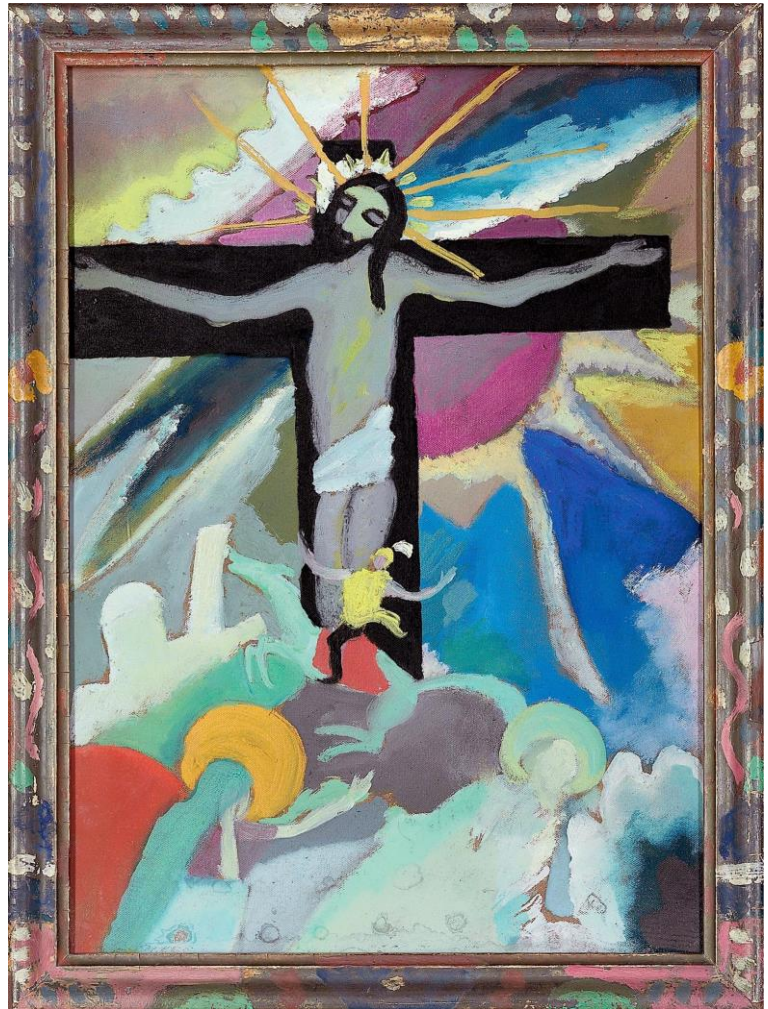
Thursday: Closed

Saturday:

3 pm to 7 pm

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Crucified Christ (1911), Wassily Kandinsky (1866-1944). Oil on cardboard. Public domain.

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Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust him for his grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.

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His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding ev'ry hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flow'r.

Light Shining out of Darkness, stanzas 4 and 5 by William Cowper.

LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

NEXT WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, October 21	9 AM	Intention of Samantha Mary Mwinyele Dale
Tuesday, October 22	9 AM	† Mary and Ernie Carpenter
Wednesday, October 23	9 AM	† Antonia Ortuoste
Thursday, October 24	9 AM	† Feliciano, Inocencia and Cirilo Torres
Friday, October 25	9 AM	Intention for Frances Fong † Josef Sitar † Jean Crawford † Ross Abbott † Gerlie Caballero † Feliciano Carolina
Saturday, October 26	5 PM	† Frances Macdonald
Sunday, October 27	8:30 AM	In healing and thanksgiving for Cynthia Trinidad
	10 AM	The Parishioners
	12 PM	† Andre Cabral
Sanctuary Lamps	Bl. Sac.	Intentions of Frances Fong
	Bl. Sac.	Personal Intentions
	Our Lady	Intentions of Olivia Tano

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN AT THE 10 AM SUNDAY MASS

For children ages 4-9. 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 two hours once or twice a month to prepare for and lead 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. To enquire about volunteering for the 2024-25 season, contact Maria at 437-993-8458.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION (YOUTH)

Registration deadline for the Confirmation 2024-2025 program is October 22 at 3 p.m.

NOVEMBER 2: THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED ~ MASS AT 11 A.M.

All Souls' Day falls on Saturday this year. We will celebrate a Mass for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed at 11 a.m. on November 2nd. Our celebration of the Eucharist this day expresses more clearly the paschal character of Christian death and our continued communion with all those who have gone before us. Instead of grieving "as others do who have no hope" (1 Thess 4:13), we proclaim the paschal mystery of Christ—His death and resurrection—as the foundation of our hope. Our faith in the Easter mystery includes our prayer for the deceased: that they may share fully in Christ's triumph over sin and death. Join together as a community of faith for Mass on Saturday, November 2nd at 11 a.m., and pray for all our deceased loved ones. There will be a special recognition of our parishioners who died this past year. Those who receive Holy Communion at this Mass of Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed may also receive Holy Communion at the anticipated Lord's Day Mass at 5 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, you can always make an appointment with Fr. Peter or Fr. Tom to celebrate this Sacrament of God's mercy.

PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples who want to marry at St. Bonaventure's Parish or are planning a marriage outside of the Archdiocese of Toronto (for example, in another diocese either in Canada or in another country) are required to meet with either Friar Tom or Friar Peter and complete their preparations in the Archdiocese of Toronto. One of either the bride or the groom (i.e., the Catholic party) ought to live within the parish boundaries, or, if living outside the parish boundaries, should be a registered parishioner and participate in Eucharist on a regular basis. It is a policy of the Archdiocese of Toronto that one year's advance notice is required for marriages. It is important that couples do not book reception venues, etc., before contacting either Friar Tom or Friar Peter.

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, + Chi Cheung, + Albert Mihaly, + Stanley Kee, + Irene Devlin, + Austin Lehman, + Jude Weerasinghe, and + Louise Mackenzie.*

HELPING OTHERS

CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE



Completed casseroles should be dropped off to the Ministry Centre by Monday October 28th for pick up.

We welcome new volunteers to join in this Mission of Mercy. Recipes and pans are available in the cupboard at the back of the church. Thank you in advance.

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/>

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE ~ THANK YOU!



The Thanksgiving Food Drive at St Bonaventure's helps provide meals for the homeless and at-risk individuals in our community. With the support and generous food donations from our parishioners and local community we delivered **1,000 LBS** of food to the Good Shepherd for Thanksgiving. **THANK YOU! THANK YOU** to all for your generous food donations and for your kindness. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for organizing this effort to help our neighbours in need.

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 hope 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! There is no need to pre-register for these events below. Just come and you will be warmly welcomed! And feel free to invite a friend!

If you would like more information, email Trena Finnegan, Coordinator Ministry with Maturing Adults:
trena@st-bonaventure.ca

Tuesday October 22nd 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Main Hall

Spiritual Essentials for Life's Second Act

A Workshop looking at our needs as we live out the second half of our lives

- Based on the book by Janet Schaeffler, OP

The first two needs Sr. Schaeffler identifies are: The Need to live a life of Meaning and Purpose and The Need for Love and Relationships. We will spend time in small groups, pondering, wondering and discussing these needs with guided questions. We will then explore and share in the large group creative ways to practice, celebrate and live out these needs so that we can continue to enjoy life to the full.

Workshop facilitated by: Trena Finnegan, Coordinator - Ministry with Maturing Adults

Tuesday November 5th 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Main Hall

The Importance of Personhood & Social Connections within our Integrated Home Care Community Model.

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. In this presentation they will discuss home care options, questions to ask when hiring a home care agency, what services does Ontario Health@Home provide, social programs in the community and staying connected & importance of building social networks.

Jane is dedicated towards developing awareness of home and health care issues in the community and to developing relations between healthcare professionals, home care providers, not-for-profit agencies and other important services providers that are needed to provide the wider levels of support often required by those in need in the community.

Website: www.mosaichomecare.com

Save the Dates: November 19, December 3rd and December 17th. More information coming soon!

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 and a performance at 3:15 pm on the following Mondays: October 21, November 18, December 16, January 20, February 10, March 3, April 14, May 12, and June 9. For more information: Contact Queenie Yu at 416-444-3054 or gyu@hawthornschoo.com Hawthorn School, 101 Scarsdale Rd, Toronto

SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL FLEA MARKET, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024



Saturday October 26, Open from 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Drop off your donations at the Parish Hall Kitchen entrance on October 24 & 25 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!

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL SENIOR CHOIR VISITS ST. BONAVENTURE PARISH

St. Michael's Choir School Senior Choir will be joining us to celebrate Mass on Sunday, October 27th at 10AM. Founded in 1937, with the purpose of providing sacred music for services at **St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** in downtown Toronto, St. Michael's Choir School is a centre for musical and academic excellence. It is one of only six choir schools in the world affiliated with the **Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music in Rome and consistently ranks at the top of the Fraser Institute**. Each student admitted to the Choir School is trained in vocal and instrumental music and sings in at least one of the school's choirs. In addition to the annual Christmas concert, the choirs tour regularly and perform at many local events. St. Michael's Choir School operates under the auspices of the Toronto Catholic District School Board and the Archdiocese of Toronto. To learn more about St. Michael's Choir School, please visit smcs.on.ca

COMING SOON! BONNIE VENTURE AFTERNOON TEA PARTY, DECEMBER 1, 2024



December 1, 2024. This event is to bring our community and friends together and to support our Parish Maintenance Fund.

Along with the Afternoon Tea we will have a Silent Auction, a Hat Contest, a door prize and Entertainment.

Tickets are \$40. per person. Cash or cheque payable to CWL St. Bonaventure. Tickets are available starting October 20 after all masses. Advance sales only.

Plan to attend and support St. Bonaventure Parish!

SERAPHIM AND CHERUBIM CHORUS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Save the Date: Friday December 6, 2024
More information to follow

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ARE YOU REGISTERED? IF NOT, ASK AN USHER
FOR A PARISH REGISTRATION FORM TO COMPLETE

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Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

416-447-5571 ext 580

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416-447-5571 ext. 570

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REFLECTION

***“And they said to him, ‘Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.’”
(Mark 10:37)***

Jesus responds that they too must drink the cup that he will drink, or in other words, also must undergo pain. He himself begged God to take the cup of suffering away, and when he was asking, he used the term, “Abba,” a familiar form of “father,” (Mark 14:36). And in another place, during the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission (Hebrews 5:7). He was heard? What? God heard these fiery prayers and then sat by idly while the passion and cruel death went right along.

Such observations put us directly in front of *the terrible question*, the one that has plagued humankind since the beginning. Why does a trustworthy, loving, parental God allow suffering and catastrophe even when he has heard in detail the prayers of those about to be afflicted? Loss, death and suffering certainly seem to be the worst that could happen to a human being. Maybe so, but still worse would be loss of love's groundwork, which is the never-ending relation to God.

If [my servant] gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life, and the will of the Lord shall be accomplished through him. Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days. (Isaiah 53:10)

Does suffering stretch and widen all human souls, even that of the Servant of God, Jesus? He calls it “the greatest love” there is: i.e., knowing God, acting on behalf of others, letting in that which is greater than death or life: love. God's love stays even when life does not. If this is true, then God's love is parental after all. He loves us through the worst in order to show what the best really is.

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May the Lord bless you and keep you!