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# **Bonnie News**

Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure



Christus segnet die Kinder. (after 1537), Lucas Cranach the Elder (1472-1553). Paint on beechwood. Located in the Johanniterkirche, Schwäbisch Hall. Public domain.

Naïveté
is the other name for hope
when Christians,
sharing all human hopes
and fighting to realize a possible world,
do not trust in the logic of the sages,
but in that wisdom of which Paul says,
"God chose the foolish of the world
to shame the wise" (1 Cor. 1:27).

Naïveté, which is regarded as a defect by clever people, becomes a challenge for Christians. A challenge to the will-to-power before which Christ did not bow, because he sacrificed himself on the Cross.

P. Talec, Laissez-vous tenter par Dieu: Homélies à la télévision (Paris: Centurion, 1977), 76-77, quoted in Days of the Lord vol. 5, Ordinary Time, Year B. (Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 1993), 241.

# LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

# **NEXT WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday, October 7	9 AM	1 † Joselito Gacia	
Tuesday, October 8	9 AM	† Estrella And Karen Sahagun	
Wednesday, October 9	9 AM	9 AM † Esther Villarroel-Hiller	
Thursday, October 10	9 AM	9 AM Intentions for the Lee and Koo Families	
Friday, October 11	9 AM	† Vince Capone	
		† Raymond Fook Yuen Lam	
		Intentions of Merle Castelino - 80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday	
		Intention for Frances Fong	
		Brothers, Sisters, and Benefactors of the Order	
Saturday, October 12	5 PM	† Edward Haigh	
Sunday, October 13	8:30 AM	† Joseph & Cecilia Mascarenhas	
	10 AM	The Parishioners	
	12 PM	Thanksgiving to the Holy Trinity	
Sanctuary Lamps Bl. Sa	c. † Carmel	† Carmel Perera	
Bl. Sa	c. † Julia Sm	† Julia Smith	
Our La	dy † Louise Λ	† Louise MacKenzie	

#### 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. <u>Volunteers are needed!</u> 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)

Information Meetings about the Confirmation 2024-2025 program and how to register our parish's youth (ages 12 and up/Grade 7+) will be held on: <u>Sunday, October 6 at 1 p.m. and Tuesday, October 8 at 7 p.m.</u> in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre. The young person requesting Confirmation, and one parent are asked to attend **one** of these meetings.

# 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.

# 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.

# HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND



Dear Parishioners, we are re-establishing the Eucharistic Ministry for the Homebound. Our Extraordinary Minsters of Holy Communion will bring the Eucharist to homebound members of the parish who are ill or otherwise unable to attend church. If you or someone you know might benefit from his ministry, please call the Ministry Centre at 416-447-5571 and let us know.

#### **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,
- + Watt Gleeson, + Dernse Bardneckr, + Shoring Majica, + Alberto Samonte, + Marryn Sher, + Mary-Loa 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**

# SHARELIFE 2024 PARISH CAMPAIGN

We have raised \$62,100 of our goal of \$109,000 or 57% of our goal. We have not yet reached our parish goal. If you are able to, please consider making a donation. Through your support, ShareLife agencies can provide for the many needs of the greater community. Thank you for sharing your blessings.

# CASSEROLES FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE



Our casseroles makers are part of a collective effort to serve, individuals facing hunger who come to the Good Shepherd for a daily meal.

The need is great!! In October we sent 40 casseroles to contribute to the meal plan. 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.

# THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE IN SUPPORT OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE

Let's share our Blessings with those in need. Please help feed the hungry by dropping off any of these items to the back of the church for next weekend:

•	Tuna & Canned Meat	•	Beans & Chickpeas
•	Coffee & Tea Bags	•	Pasta & Pasta Sauce
•	Condiments, Ketchup, etc.	•	Granola bars and Pancake Mix
•	Peanut Butter and Jam	•	Dried Meals
•	Canned Vegetables	•	Bagged Rice

# 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/

# Collection for Indigenous Reconciliation Fund: October 5/6

The Indigenous Reconciliation Fund was established by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to accept donations from 73 Catholic Dioceses across the country, and to advance healing and reconciliation initiatives, fulfilling the \$30 million financial commitment made by Canada's Bishops in September 2021. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, local efforts have raised 50% of the archdiocese's \$6 million commitment. The fund seeks to support projects that are determined locally, in collaboration with First Nations, Métis and Inuit partners. The Indigenous Reconciliation Fund has established the following criteria for grant applications: Healing and reconciliation for communities and families; Culture and language revitalization; Education and community building; and Dialogues for promoting indigenous spirituality and culture. The fund has been designed to meet the highest standards of transparency and good governance and is overseen by a Board of Directors made up of Indigenous leaders.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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



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!

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



Bonnie Venture Afternoon Tea Party 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 available starting October 20 after all masses. Advance sales only.

Plan to attend and support St. Bonaventure Parish!

# 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 need more information: Email Trena Finnegan, Coordinator Ministry with Maturing Adults: trena@st-bonaventure.ca

Tuesday, October 8th at 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Main Hall

10 Ways to Improve Mental Health as we age

In this workshop, participants will learn to identify depression and effective ways to care for themselves and others.

Bio: Dr. Sandra Sagrati is a clinical psychologist, who works with children, teens and adults. She obtained her doctoral degree at the University of Toronto, worked at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, and now works in her own private practice, Toronto West Psychology. She has published research in the areas of depression and anxiety, and has recently published a book, Pivot Self-Talk: Stop Asking All the Wrong Questions.

Tuesday October 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> and December 17<sup>th</sup>. More information coming soon!

# ST. MICHAEL'S AWARD - CONGRATULATIONS DAN & ANN FELLIN

Last Sunday, the 29th of September and Feast of St. Michael the Archangel, Archbishop Francis Leo made the first presentation of the St. Michael Award. This award recognizes distinguished and faithful service to members of the Archdiocese of Toronto. One recipient is selected from each pastoral region of the archdiocese (Central, North, East and West). Dan and Ann Fellin were honored to receive the award this year for their many years of service in the area of social outreach. As we extend our congratulations to them, we also acknowledge that this is also a great honour for St. Bonaventure Parish and the many parishioners who have served the church and society in an outstanding way. Congratulations!







- Tuna & Canned Meat
- Coffee & Tea Bags
- Soup & Stews
- · Condiment (e.g. Soy Sauce, Barbecue Sauce, Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Mustard, etc.)
- Peanut Butter & Jams)

- Vegetables
- Beans & Chickpeas
- Pasta Sauce
- Granola Bars and Pancake Mix
- **Dried Meals**
- Bagged rice

Thank you for your donation and support!



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REFLECTION

#### "So they are no longer two, but one flesh." (Mark 10:8)

RE YOU REGISTERED? IF NOT, ASK AN USHE

God did a wonderful job in creating things. He did it with a Big Bang, out of which came the universe and galaxies, and ... well, whatever else. So, God is a great artist. Let's look.

For all eternity the three persons in God have loved each other so much that they are one. When God wanted to create a living being that could share in this inmost characteristic, he knew that they would share in what was called "deep love." But unfortunately, in the sequence of creation, *God made a mistake*. The First Reading tells us that he created the male first. Everyone knows that a man, left on his own, will likely be helpless. He needs company, needs partnership, correction, and sometimes just a lot of forgiveness. For almost all men, this means being with, or at least open to, the creature called woman....Instead of trying to form a partner out of the earth for the man, as he had with the animals, he spread a deep sleep over the man and removed a rib from him. He fashioned this into a woman. This new gambit worked. There was a great intimacy between the man and the woman. She was, as the man put it clumsily, "bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh!" The two were made out of the same stuff—how much closer can you get? Marriage came next. As the First Reading puts it, "That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one flesh."

As centuries went by, millennia really, there came a popular saying among husbands: Women! You can't live with them and you can't live without them! I cannot repeat here what women say, but it often starts out with, "MEN! ... " and a list of particulars follows. Sadly, divorce made its entrance. It had been around for centuries by the time the Pharisees came to Jesus with the following argument: "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss [his wife]" (Gospel). Jesus reminded them sternly of why God had made both man and woman, not just the one, not just the other. He wanted them to share an intimate relationship that would be like the Trinity. He stated it this way: "What God has joined together, no human must separate."

So, if today you find yourself divorced, or alone, or left without your beloved because of death, or if your mate and you do not get along, what can you do? Do everything you can. Like the rest of us, you are trying to mirror in your life the loving unity of the Trinity. Pray and do it as you are able.

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