

Week Liturgy: Monday to Friday, 9:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
 Saturday, 4:00 pm
Sunday Liturgy: Saturday Vigil, 5:00 pm
 Sunday, 8:30 am, 10:00 am
 and 12 noon

Ministry Centre Hours
 Monday to Thursday: 9 am to 4:30 pm
 Friday: 9 am to 3 pm
 Closed for lunch: 12:30 to 1:30 pm
 Saturday: 2 pm to 6:30 pm
 Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

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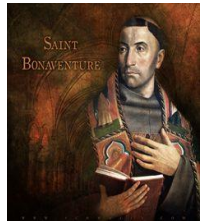
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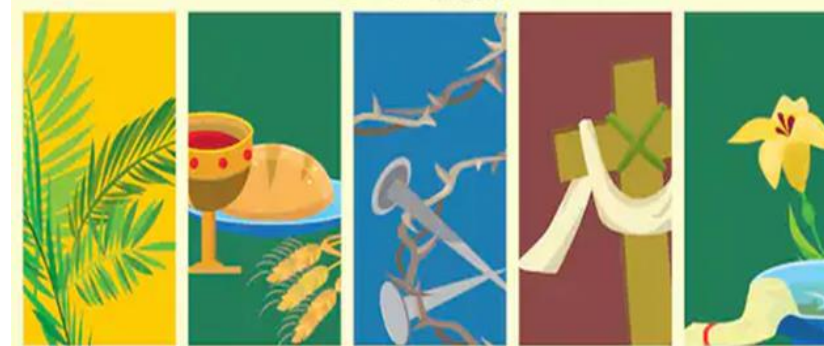


YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. BONAVENTURE

GROWING IN SPIRIT, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE
Inspired by St. Francis we seek to live and proclaim the gospel in our daily lives, responding to the spiritual hungers of the community and becoming an oasis of peace, prayer and service.



April 14, 2019
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



Every year, the Church opens a window into Christ's suffering, so we understand the love that compelled Him. "Jesus took his place at the table, and the Apostles with him." Jesus is taking His place, in place of us.

He took His place as the sacrificial lamb during the Passover meal. Then, He took His place in humble service. He took His place being counted among wicked, losing all His social standing. He took His place interceding for us, then, in undergoing scurrilous insults. He took His place in being convicted while innocent, while watching an ungrateful, guilty criminal walk free.

He received help, care, even pity. This is our Lord God, Saviour and Redeemer. He received the final punishment with its nails and the crown of thorns. While He received the judgment of the world upon Himself, He received the repentant sinner, hung along-side Him. This is how our Saviour lived. And died.

When you receive Him in the Eucharist today, do so gratefully, humbly and confidently. For God so loved the world that He gave all. For you.

Johanne Brownrigg, Orleans, ON.

Sunday, April 14th – Palm Sunday, 7:00, in Church. The Living Stations of the Great Three Days. The Youth of St. Bonaventure Parish will present scenes from the story of Jesus' Last Supper, Prayer in the Garden, Journey to Calvary, Death and Rising, complete with narration prayer and song. A great Way to make final preparations for the Liturgy of Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday.

And Now, A Word from Our Patron Saint

Your heart is to be an altar of God. It is here that the fire of intense love must burn always. You are to feed it every day with the wood of the Cross of Christ and the remembrance of His suffering.

St. Bonaventure

Join our Parish: Pick-up a registration form at the back of the church, Ministry Centre or download online.

Private Prayer: Contact **Friar Boniface** at 416-447-5571 ext. 500

Spiritual Direction: Contact **Friar Mark** at friarmstead2015@gmail.com

Prayer Network: Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact **Mary Cushing** at 416-445-1403

Funeral: Please contact the Ministry Centre and we will assist you in planning the liturgical services.

Holy Week and Easter Liturgy Schedule:

Holy Thursday, April 18
 No Morning Mass
 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
 Adoration after Mass until 11:00 pm (Main Hall)

Good Friday, April 19
 No Morning Mass
 12 noon and 3:00 pm Commemoration of the Passion of the Lord Services

Holy Saturday, April 20
 11:00 am Blessings of Easter Baskets (Main Hall)
 No 5:00 pm Mass
 8:00 pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 21
 8:30 am, 10:00 am and 12 noon Celebration of the Eucharist

Easter Monday, April 22
 9:00 am Regular Mass
 Ministry Centre is closed

Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem~ Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Psalms 22 ~ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Mass Intentions

Apr. 15 Monday 9:00 pm	†Vivienne Brown †Fr. David Suckling
Apr. 16 Tuesday 9:00 am	†Shirley Ainsworth Felthman
Apr. 17 Wednesday 9:00 am	†Ana Fernandez & †Cristobal Rodriguez
Apr. 18 Thursday 9:00 am	No Morning Mass
(Holy Thursday) 7:30 pm	Vocations
Apr. 19 Friday 9:00 am	No Morning Mass
(Good Friday) 12:00 pm	The Passion of the Lord
3:00 pm	The Passion of the Lord
Apr. 20 Saturday 5:00 pm	No Mass
8:00 pm	Intentions of the Parishioners
Apr. 21 Sunday 8:30 am	Intentions of the Parishioners
10:00 am	†Salvatore Vella
12:00 pm	†Patrick Bernard Matthews

Prayer Intentions:

Vigil Lamp: †Alicja Karwowska
For the Sick: Christine Wojnicki, Deanna Andrew, Alfonz Pavli, Raymund Fung, Teresita Peiris, Kay Corner, Dorothy Lord, Avelino Vista, Mary DiGregorio, Liliana De Las Mercedes Vazquez, Elisabetta Schiavone, Michael Morra, Mabel Lim, Larry Chretien and Fernando DiBona

Stewardship: A Way of Living

April 7, 2019 Offertory Collections

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection	\$ 8,578.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 4,353.00
ShareLife Collection	\$ 7,345.00
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 2,926.00
Donate Now	\$ 328.00

Second Collections:

April 18 – Community Share Food Bank

April 19 – Good Friday/Holy Land Offering

April 21 – Easter Offering

Palm Sunday – April 14, 2019

Living the Gospel by supporting vocations

Martin Dicuango had a life-changing encounter when he visited Serra House, a residence run by St. Augustine's Seminary for those discerning a priestly vocation. He is now a third-year theology student at St. Augustine's. "I thank Sharelife for supporting St. Augustine's Seminary," says Martin, "where young men like myself, after experiencing the love of Christ, are joyfully preparing for ordination to the priesthood."

May 5th is ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.

This Week in Our Parish Hall

Monday, April 15

6:30 pm Sparks/Bonaventure Room
6:30 pm Brownies/Main Hall
7:00 pm Secular Franciscans Meeting/Francis Room

Tuesday, April 16

7:00 pm Bible Study/ Oak Room

Wednesday, April 17

7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room
7:00 pm GRASP/Oak Room

Thursday, April 18 – Holy Thursday

8:30 pm Adoration until 11:00 pm/Main Hall

Saturday, April 20 – Holy Saturday

9:30 am Christian Meditation/Oak Room
9:30 am Al Anon Group/Bonaventure Room
11:00 am Blessing of Easter Baskets/Main Hall

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

This month's deadline is **April 21st, 2019**. Drop off your casseroles at the Ministry Centre. If you can spare some time to make a casserole each month, contact **Eva Trace** at **416-447-3040**.

News from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who carry their cross of suffering and pain. This year, our clothing drives will take place June 8/9 and August 24/25.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion ~ April 14, 2019

"Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" (Luke 19:38)

Adults: When have you felt that you betrayed the confidence of another, as Peter did when he denied Jesus?

Children: When have you let someone down who trusted you? How did you feel?

Holy Thursday ~ April 18, 2019

He came to Simon Peter, who said to Him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." (John 13:6-7)

Adults: What is the most difficult thing you have done as a service to another person?

Children: What is the hardest thing you have ever done for another person who needed your help?

Good Friday ~ April 19, 2019

"I told you that I am he, so if you are looking for me, let these men go." (John 18:8)

Adults: Can you say that you have grown through your experiences of physical or emotional suffering?

Children: How can the story of Jesus' suffering make it easier for you to face something painful or uncomfortable?

'Vocation Seeds' ~Passion (Palm) Sunday – April 14, 2019

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, visit the website: www.vocationtoronto.ca; www.franciscans.org or speak with one of the friars.

Community Life

St. Bonaventure's Ministry with Maturing Adults

Upcoming Events



Thursday, May 16th – Why Are We Here: A Meditation on Canada. 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Main Hall

"Why are we here?" asked the Tsimshian chief.

'It is a question that shapes cultures, nations and empires. Much depends on whether we have the courage to hear this question and allow it to search out our future as a country. I am convinced that the question of the Tsimshian chief now addresses us as a country. For we are all here and we are all now, Indigenous peoples, settlers and newcomers. This remains and must become even more our question together: Why are we here at this time and in this place called Canada?' ~ **Mary Jo Leddy**, Guest Speaker
Invite your family, friends and neighbours as **all are welcome!**

Saturday, June 1st – "Stewarding the Fruits of Your Ageing: Cultivating, Harvesting, and Feeding the Church with Your Gifts" guest speaker **Robert Weber**, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. This is a day long workshop. To register for this event please follow this link formation@archtoronto.org

Wednesdays, April 24th to June 5th, New Workshop Series with Ginny Doty "**Creating Harmony and Hope Through Forgiveness**" 1:00 – 2:30 pm, Bonaventure Room. Contact **Ginny** at 416-447-5571 ext. 560 to register and for more information, space is limited.

Theology and Tea

The next T & T will be on **Thursday, April 25th** after the 9:00 am Mass in the **Francis room**. Come and join **Friar Mark** for some time to ponder and enjoy our relationship with God. The sessions are open to all parishioners and their friends.

The **CWL** invites all women of the parish to a **GENERAL MEETING** with an open forum, and the presentation of our Newsletter, outlining our goals and accomplishments, on **Tuesday, April 23 at 7:00 pm in the Francis Room**.

The Living Kitchen, a new cookbook by Tamara Green and Sarah Grossman will be on sale after mass on the weekend of April 27 and 28. The cost is \$30 tax inclusive. Contact Maureen Cassidy at 647-343-0210 or maureensurprise@gmail.com for more information.

The Knights of Columbus – 2019 Charities Lottery Tickets are still available at the Ministry Centre until the Easter Weekend. Tickets are \$5.00 each in support of Special Olympics, the Arthritis Society and our local community charities. Your support is greatly appreciated.

And Now, A Word from Our Pastor

In the seminary we would sometimes pass the time in the evenings by assembling a jigsaw puzzle. Once, we were just finishing a puzzle when we discovered that several pieces were missing. We turned the living room upside down searching until we saw the smile on Bob's face. He thought it would be funny to hide a few pieces. The rest of us didn't think so. Bob never did that again!

The Great Three Days (evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday) are upon us. For 40 Lenten days we have prepared for these Three Days when we will be renewed in the Mystery of the Lord's Death and Resurrection. To go through the 40 days and then skip the Great Three Days would be like leaving pieces out of a jigsaw puzzle – it would not be complete. So, I invite you, as you are able, to participate in the Liturgy of the Great Three Days: **Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 pm; Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death at 12 noon and 3 pm; Holy Saturday Evening Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection at 8:00 pm. Easter Sunday Masses at 8:30, 10 am and Noon.**

Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the World, has saved us by His Cross and Resurrection and set us free. Let us keep the feast and Celebrate

Q Where do the catechumens go, and what do they do when they are dismissed?



A The catechumens, along with their catechist, are dismissed to a space that has been prepared with a candle, a Bible, and perhaps a symbol or sacred object of the season. During this time, the catechist leads a reflection and discussion on the Liturgy of the Word that assists the catechumens to be nourished by the Word of God and the liturgy. The catechist may also use minor blessings and exorcisms as a means to support the catechumens' journey.

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St. Bonaventure Baseball League

We still have some spots available in softball for players in grades 6-8. The season starts the week of April 29th and games are played on Monday or Wednesday evenings.

If you are interested in playing or have friends who would like to join you please have them drop off a registration form at the Parish Office.

