

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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*Risen Lord, we come to you today filled
with awe and gratitude, humility and joy.
We thank you for this gift of new life and
this promise of hope.*



*The power of this holy day drives away all evil,
washes away all guilt, restores lost innocence, and
brings joy to all those who mourn.*

*May the Risen Lord fill you and your families
with joy grace and peace.*

~ from the Friars and the Staff

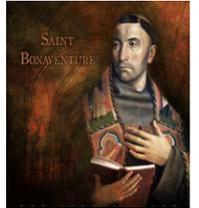
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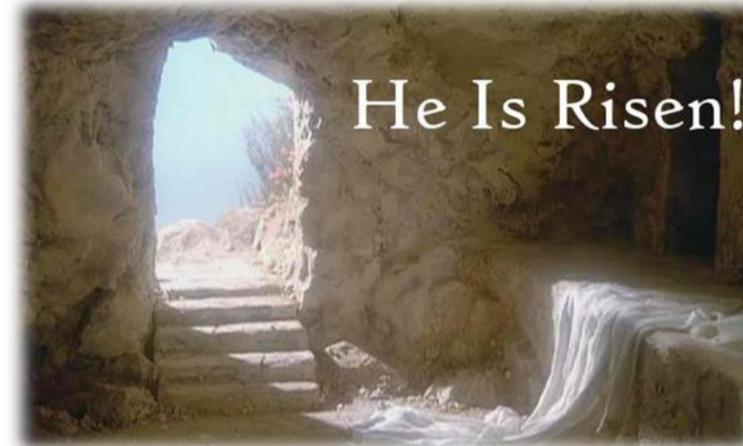


YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. BONAVENTURE

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 21, 2019
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



Rising to New Life

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." Easter is the great celebration of victory of life over death.

Ours is an Easter religion. We do not deny or turn away from the evils that surround us: the wars that have killed some 100 million people in our (last) century; the poverty that grips more than half of the human race; the hunger that kills millions every year and ruins the lives of millions more; the discrimination that divides the human family into contending parties.

We do not deny these miseries, but we refuse to surrender to their power because of our faith in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Suffering will be vindicated; death will be overcome; a new life will arise: that is the Easter message of the Paschal Mystery.

"Let us feast with joy in the Lord." Just as Christ passed through death to resurrection, so too will the world pass through its suffering to the glory of a new life.

There is no room for despair: our Easter faith tells us that God will "raise us up and renew our lives."

This is the 'day which the Lord has made.' Alleluia! Take fresh hope, brothers and sisters of the whole world! With Christ our Passover everything is possible! Christ goes forward in our future!

Pope John Paul II, Easter Message, 1991:8.
Now published in book form, *To Love and Serve: Lectionary Based Meditations*, by Gerald Darring.

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.

Baptism of Infants: One Sunday every other month. Request forms are on the website, at the back of the church or at the Ministry Centre.

Becoming Catholic (RCIA): For those not baptized, those baptized in another Christian tradition and those baptized Catholic but have not completed their initiation, a process of becoming Catholic involving prayer, inquiry and study is available. Please contact **Greg**, our Lay Pastoral Associate.

School-aged Children: Preparation of children for the celebration of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation is provided through our Parish Program. Further information will be provided in the bulletin during the school year.

Marriage: Contact **Friar Dennis** or **Friar Peter** at least one year before the desired date. Couples need to participate in a Marriage Preparation Course.

Religious Life: Discerning a call to the consecrated religious life please see one of the friars.

Pastoral Care: Ministers of the Eucharist bring Communion to the homebound. Contact the Ministry Centre to make arrangements.

Private Prayer: Contact **Friar Boniface** at [416-447-5571 ext. 500](tel:416-447-5571)

Spiritual Direction: Contact **Friar Mark** at friarmsted2015@gmail.com

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

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

*Psalm 118 ~ This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.*

Mass Intentions

Apr. 22 Monday 9:00 pm †Fr. Canice Connors
†Fr. David Suckling
Apr. 23 Tuesday 9:00 am †Doris Longman
Apr. 24 Wednesday 9:00 am †Christopher Scott
Apr. 25 Thursday 9:00 am †Camilla Faulkner
Apr. 26 Friday 9:00 am The Friars
†Peter Scott
†Maria Crocco
†Dr. James Yao
†Mrs. Pavao
†John Cuniberti
†Daryl Poole
Apr. 27 Saturday 5:00 pm †Andre Cabral
Apr. 28 Sunday 8:30 am †Mackie Ortega
10:00 am Intentions of the Parishioners
12:00 pm †Anna Korbylo

Prayer Intentions:

Sanctuary Lamp 1 – Regina Johnson
Sanctuary Lamp 2 – Broglio Family
Vigil Lamp: †Wayne Huk

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 14, 2019 Offertory Collections

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection	\$ 9,293.90
Maintenance Fund	\$ 488.00
ShareLife Collection	\$ 3,505.00
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 2,926.00
Donate Now	\$ 328.00

Second Collections:

May 5 – ShareLife Sunday

May 26 – The Pope's Pastoral Works

Easter Sunday – April 21, 2019

Living the Gospel through immediate mental health services

Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in counselling. This initiative can often meet clients' need without requiring longer term counselling. Clients report a clinically significant increase in confidence that they can tackle their problems. For some agencies, ShareLife is the sole funder of this important program. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping restore hope to those in crisis.

**May 5th is ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.**

This Week in Our Parish Hall

Monday, April 22

Easter Monday – Ministry Centre is closed

6:30 pm Sparks/Bonaventure Room

6:30 pm Brownies/Main Hall

Tuesday, April 23

7:00 pm Bible Study/ Oak Room

7:00 pm CWL General Meeting/Francis Room

Wednesday, April 24

1:00 pm Forgiveness Workshop/Bonaventure Room

6:30 pm Umpire Training/Bonaventure Room

7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room

Thursday, April 25

9:30 am Theology and Tea/Francis Room

Saturday, April 27

9:30 am Christian Meditation/Oak Room

9:30 am Al Anon Group/Bonaventure Room

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

This month's deadline is **April 21st, 2019**. And next month's deadline is May 26, 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**. (to get your pan and recipe)

News from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, like Mary Magdalene and the disciples, we experience the challenge of also seeing, believing and living the Resurrection.

As you put your gift into the St. Vincent de Paul box, you help those who are in need to "see and believe" in the Resurrection.

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.

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. All funds generously donated support the Sunnybrook Department of Psychiatry Patient and Family Advisory Council. Email Maureen Cassidy at maureensurprise@gmail.com or call 647-343-0210 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.

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!**

Tuesday, May 21st – Come and Celebrate Ministry with Maturing Adults Community! 9:45 am – 1:30 pm, gather for coffee after mass, Main Hall.

We will watch the wonderful movie – Babette's Feast followed by a delicious Luncheon. All are welcome, whether or not you have been before, bring a friend or neighbour and join this Spring Celebration!

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

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.

'Vocation Seeds' ~Easter Sunday

April 21st, 2019

The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters. 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.

And Now, A Word from Our Pastor

Happy Easter! Our 40 days of preparation for the Great 3 Days are behind us. Our celebrations of the Great Three Days of Jesus' Death and Resurrection have enlivened us. Now the 50 days of the Easter Season lie before us. We've only just begun. For seven full weeks we will experience, unpack and explore the Mysteries in which the Great 3 Days immersed us- the Mysteries of the new life which is ours in Jesus. If we fasted for 40 days, can we feast for 50 days? Why not? The Liturgies of the Easter season with their special sights, sounds and colors will guide us until we arrive at Pentecost to experience anew the presence of the Holy Spirit – the Gift of the Risen Christ.

Thank you for your example of faith. I am truly blessed to be a member of St. Bonaventure Parish. Happy Easter. ~ Friar Dennis

Divine Mercy

From April 21 until April 28, we Catholics celebrate every day as Easter day. That week is known as the Octave of Easter. On the eighth day, as we mark the Second Sunday of Easter, the Word of God at Mass focuses our attention on the Mercy of God. In the Gospel that day, the Risen Jesus appears to His disciples with His message of Mercy. On that day we will extend our reflection and celebration into the afternoon.

On Sunday, April 28 at 3:00 pm we will gather for the Devotion of Divine Mercy. Scripture and Song, Silence and Adoration, Praise and Petition will lead us to deepen our experience and our gratitude for the Mercy of God that is ours through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. We hope you will join us.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord April 21st, 2019

"Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. (John 20:8)

Adults: What change could the hope of the Resurrection of Christ inspire you to make?

Children: What bad habit would you like to "clear out" during the hopeful time of this Easter season?

