# **Ministry Centre Hours**

Monday to Thursday: 9 am to 4:30 pm Friday: 9 am to 3 pm Closed 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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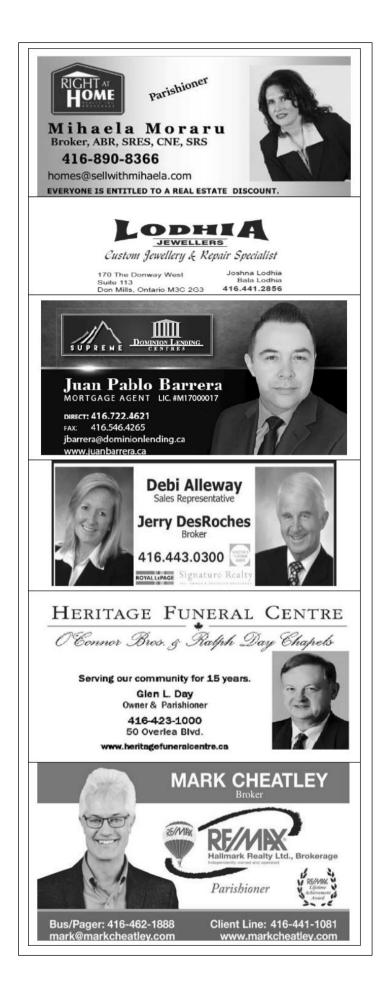
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# THE FRANCISCAN CHURCH OF ST. BONAVENTURE



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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

August 26, 2018 The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you -they are full of the Spirit and life. John 6:63

According to Pope Francis how do we become inserted into Christ's immense work of salvation? When and how does Christ sharpen our spiritual vision with his love?

"Lord, to whom shall we go?" We too, who belong to the Church today, pose this question. Even if it is more hesitant

on our lips than on Peter's, our answer, like that of the Apostle, can only be the person of Jesus. Yes, he lived 2000 years ago. But we can encounter him in our own time when we listen to His Word and are near to Him in a special way

in the Eucharist. ... May the Holy Mass never become a superficial routine for us! May we draw more and more from its profundity! It is precisely the Mass that inserts us

in Christ's immense work of salvation, to sharpen our spiritual vision by His love; by His "prophecy in act" with which, at the Last Supper, He initiated the gift of self on the cross; by His irrevocable victory over sin and death, which we boldly and festively proclaim. We need to learn how to live the Holy Mass.

Message of Pope Francis on the occasion of the National Eucharistic Congress of Germany. (Cologne, 5-9 June 2013, paragraph 3) -Anne Osdieck

Our heavenly Father only response to our failure and regret is pure compassion and unconditional love. If we allow ourselves to receive His love, we in turn become more compassionate and more loving ourselves. God wastes no opportunities for our good. The beauty of the Eucharist is that as we continue on our earthly pilgrimage, he gives us the nourishment we need to continue, to grow stronger and to eventually reach our eternal destination.

our daily lives, responding to the spiritual hungers of the community and becoming an oasis of peace, prayer and service.



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

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

Baptism of Infants: One Sunday every 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: For more information and assistance in discerning a call to the consecrated religious life, priesthood or deaconate please see one of the friars.

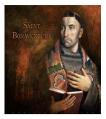
Pastoral Care: Ministers of the Eucharist bring Communion to the homebound. Contact the Ministry Centre to make arrangements.

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

Spiritual Direction: Contact Friar Mark at friarmsteed2015@gmail.com

Prayer Network: Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact Carol Molina at 647-200-4719

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



# **Psalm 34** ~ Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

# **Mass Intentions**

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Aug. 27 Monday 9:00 am	Thanksgiving Int. of Merlin	
	Thompson & Lisa Redhead	
Aug. 28 Tuesday 9:00 am	† Marissa Danao	
Aug. 29 Wednesday 9:00 am	<sup>†</sup> Rebecca Holle Watts	
Aug. 30 Thursday 9:00 am	Special Int. of Beatriz Ortega	
Aug. 31 Friday 9:00 am	† Max Sequeira	
	† Florrie O'Driscoll	
	† Tina Calafati	
	† Bill Corbett	
	<sup>†</sup> William Thomas Phelan	
	† Norma Sadaka	
Sept. 1st Saturday 5:00 pm	<sup>†</sup> Peter Glowczewski	
Sept. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 8:30 am	Josephine A. Valenzuela	
10:00 am Intentions of the Parishioners		
12:00 pm †Lily F.W. Chiu		
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### **Prayer Intentions**

Vigil Lamp: Mary DiGregorio

#### For the Sick:

Alfonz Pavli, Ashley Devlin, Joan Pape, Maggie Marquis, John Ladd, Raymund Fung, Teresita Peiris, Alice Eaglen, Joe Pimenta, Kay Corner, Dorothy Lord, Lina Cornacchia, Michael Morra, Mary DiGregorio, Mabel Lim and Roger Payette

### **Stewardship:** A Way of Living

## August 19<sup>th</sup> Offertory Collections

Thank you for your generous donations.		
Regular Collection:	\$ 9,417.75	
Canadian Shared Missions Collection	\$ 225.00	
Mission Co-Op	\$ 175.00	
Pre-Authorized Giving:	\$ 2,926.00	
Donate Now:	. \$ 328.00	

#### **Second Collection:**

September 9 ~ Maintenance Fund Offering

#### Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (August 26) Christian Marriage

This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church. Each of you, however, should love his wife as himself, and a wife should respect her husband. (Ephesians 5:32-33)

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b - Reminder of the divine goodness

Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32 - Christian wives and husbands

John 6:60-69 – Effect of the bread of life discourse

Adults: In what way has the example of Christian marriage (your own or that of another couple) helped you understand the relationship between Christ and his church?

Kids: What can you do for your family to show them Jesus' love and care?

#### With Gratitude to all

Linda's Wall



2018

Thank you to all who supported our 9<sup>th</sup> annual Linda's Walk. We had over 140 walkers and together with all who financially supported us, we raised some \$40,000 and counting. A special word of gratitude to all who volunteered their time and effort to make the walk a success. Thank you only begins to express my gratitude and that of the board of the Friends of Saint Francis, who sponsor the Inn, the staff of St. Clare Inn and of course the women who call the Inn their transitional home. We say thanks! ~ Friar Tom

# This Week in Our Parish

Wednesday. August 29th 7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room Saturday, September 1<sup>st</sup> 9:30 am Al-Anon Group/Bonaventure Room Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> Labour Day ~ Ministry Centre is Closed

### **Canadian Food for Children**

On September 1st and 2nd weekend we will be accepting donations of **powdered milk** to support the work of Dr. Simone.

#### **Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre**

The deadline for this month's casseroles is Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. And next month's deadline is Sunday, September 23rd. If you can spare some time to make a casserole each month, contact Eva Trace at 416-447-3040.

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Parish Barbeque, Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 to 7:30 pm at the Parish Parking Lot. Tickets are available after all Masses or at the Ministry Centre. All are welcome!

#### CWL General Meeting - Red Sand Project and Human Trafficking Guest Speaker

Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Parish Centre, Main Hall

Our special guest speaker will be Katarina MacLeod who is a survivor of human trafficking and founder of "Rising Angels" an organization helping women get out of the sex trade industry. At the meeting, we will be asking everyone to participate in raising awareness of human trafficking by pouring red sand into cracks between the bricks in our church sidewalk as a representation of those vulnerable young people who are falling through the cracks in society. We encourage you to attend this meeting to learn more about this criminal plague shockingly common in Ontario and across Canada.

St. Bonaventure's Ministry with Maturing Adults A Spirituality for the Second Half of Life **Embracing Wholeness and Challenge** 

### 2018 Fall Program

Tuesday Mornings 9:30 - 11:45 am, Francis Room **Dates and Programme Topics:** September 18 – Love at the Heart of the Cosmos September 25 – Love at the Heart of the Cosmos With the Wisdom of Fr. Richard Rohr October 16 – Oscar Romero: Celebrating a Witness to Love October 30 - Overview of Alzheimer's Disease and **Dementia** – presentation by Nicole Gardner November 13 – The Endless Pull of Love: Author Phil Small

November 27 - Compassion Care for All - presentation by Sr. Rosemary MacDonald, CSM

Flyers with the dates and programme topics are available at the back of the church for you to take home! All are welcome! There is no monetary cost for this program. For more information contact Maureen McDonnell at 416-447-5571 ext. 550 or maureen@st-bonaventure.ca

#### Ministry with Maturing Adults - Life Stories Program

A small-group *Life Stories* program will be offered in the Bonaventure Room for 8 consecutive Wednesday afternoons from Sept. 26 until Nov. 14, 2018. Time: 12:45 - 2:45 pm. Participants write and share stories about their lives. See brochures at the back of the church for more details. Cost: \$25. Preregistration required. To register, call Gisela Cote at 416-447-5571 Ext. 560

News from the St. Vincent de Paul Society Thanks to the gift of the Eucharist, our lives too become "bread broken" for our brothers and sisters. ~ Pope Francis

All are invited to join Vincentians from North York in celebrating the lives of Blessed Frederic Ozanam and St. Vincent de Paul with Mass in St. Bonaventure Church on Wednesday evening, September 12, 2018 at 7:00 pm. There will be gathering in the hall after mass for those interested in volunteering for the Society. For more information or to RSVP please call Jack or Judy at 416-390-9495 or leave your name and phone number at the Ministry Centre and we will return your call.

#### **Vocation Seeds**

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 26, 2018 Jesus has given His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon visit: www.vocationtoronto.ca; www.franciscans.org or speak with one of the friars.

### And now a word from our Pastor:

Peace and goodness to all. Today I want to share two dates with you: Saturday, Sept. 15, the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Parish Barbeque on our grounds (May the Lord bless them). Keep your eyes peeled for knights who will be selling tickets after Masses. Sunday, Oct. 14, Bishop Kasun will join us for the 10 am Mass to install the new pastor (that's me). The installation is a simple ritual rich with symbolism.

Into the hands of our Father, we gently commend Olive Chabrol and Jerry DesRoches who completed their earthly journeys and entered eternity this week. Also, please offer a prayer for Fr. Emmett Carroll, OFM Conv. a friar who died this week. May heaven be theirs and may peace be to those who mourn their passing.

#### Sacramental Preparation 2018-2019 at St. Bonaventure Parish

The following information meetings are for parishioners of St. Bonaventure church.

#### **Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion**

Roman Catholic children may begin to be prepared to celebrate their First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Communion around the age of 7. If you are the parent of a 7-year-old child (in grade 2), or older, who is baptised Roman Catholic, then it is important for you to attend one of the following parent information meetings in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre to learn about the preparation process, registration, and celebration of these Sacraments: •Sunday, September 23rd from 1:15 to 2:45 pm, or •Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

#### **Preparation for Confirmation**

In September 2015, the age when youth may begin to prepare for and celebrate Confirmation was lowered to age 12 in the Archdiocese of Toronto. If your child is baptised Roman Catholic and 12 years old (grade 7) or older, then it is important for you and your son or daughter to attend one of the following parent-youth Confirmation information sessions held in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre to learn about the preparation process, registration, and celebration of Confirmation:

•Sunday, October 14th from 1:15 to 2:30 pm, or •Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:30 pm