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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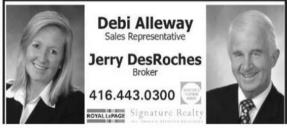
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GROWING IN SPIRIT, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

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.

January 7, 2018 Epiphany of the Lord



Perfected Revelation

The "epiphany" of Jesus, his revelation to the world, was accompanied by the offering of three gifts, each of which symbolized a different aspect of the divine/human savior.

Frankincense is offered to Jesus, the Son of God, the eternal Word of the Father who is worshiped with the Father and the Spirit.

Gold is offered to Jesus the King of the human race, the summit of creation.

Myrrh is offered to the divine/human savior of the world who suffered and died for the salvation of all.

Jesus is revealed in our own day. He is revealed as the Word of God speaking to us in marvelous workings of nature, in the achievements of the human spirit, and in the dialogue between Church and world.

He is revealed to us as King in every victory over ignorance, alienation and powerlessness. He is revealed to us as Suffering Messiah in the heart and face of every poor person, every stranger, every wanderer living in a back alley or under a bridge, every person victimized by others.

"His glory has shone among us." We have only to recognize him and to do what the magi did in his presence: "They prostrated themselves and did him homage."

Jesus perfected revelation by fulfilling and manifesting himself: through his words and deeds, his signs and wonders, but especially through his death and glorious resurrection from the dead and final sending of the Spirit of truth.

Vatican II, <u>Constitution on Divine Revelation</u>, 1965:4. Gerald Darring
Now published in book form, To Love and Serve: Lectionary Based Meditations, by Gerald Darring

Epiphany of the Lord Saturday, January 6^{th} – 5:00 pm Sunday, January 7^{th} 8:30 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon

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 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 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

Prayer Network: Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact Joan Pape at 416-444-6981

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

Psalm 72: Lord, every nation on earth will Monday, January 8 adore uou.

Mass Intentions

Jan. 8 Monday 9:00 am Thanksgiving Intentions of Beatriz Jan. 9 Tuesday 9:00 am †William Thomas Phelan Jan. 10 Wednesday 9:00 am †Basil McLeod Jan. 11 Thursday 9:00 am †David Tomcik Jan. 12 Friday 9:00 am Vocations Cathy Valenti Rose Marie Zupan Mary Ronson Viola Athaide 5:00 pm †Edmond Odette Jan. 13 Saturday Jan. 14 Sunday 8:30 am †Int. of Parishioners 10:00 am †Walter Stracey 12:00 pm †Ladislav & Michael Mocak

Prayer Intentions

Sanctuary Lamp 1: Andrew Family Sanctuary Lamp 2: Anita Sioson Vigil Lamp: Simon Family

For the Sick: Lucy DiBona, Emily Chan, Keith David, Cathy Valenti, James Shortt, Roger Payette, Teresita Peiris, Fr. George D'Souza, Randy Fung, Carlos Goncalves, Patricia O'Connor, Frankie Horgan, Dorothy Lord, Vivienne Brown, and Mary Digregorio

For the Deceased: Ruth Caverley, Pablo Chan, and Joseph Fotyi

Stewardship: A Way of Living

December 31 - January 1st Offertory Collection

Thank you for your generous donations. Regular Collection: \$ 9,333.25

Christmas Offering: \$ 1,765.00 Solemnity of Mary: **\$ 2,171.00** Initial Offering: \$ 958.50 Pre-Authorized Giving: \$ 2,926 Donate Now: \$ 328

Second Collections:

January 7 – Franciscan Missions Offering February 4 – Maintenance Fund Offering

This Week in Our Parish

6:30 pm Sparks/Bonaventure Room 7:00 pm RCIC/ Main Hall 7:00 pm Brownies/Francis Room

Tuesday, January 9

7:00 pm Bible Study/ Bonaventure Room CWL Executive Meeting/Francis Room 7:00 pm 7:00 pm First Holy Communion-Parent Information Meeting/Main Hall

Wednesday, January 10

7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room

7:00 pm Grasp/Oak Room

Thursday, January 11

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting/Francis

Saturday, January 13

9:30 am Christian Meditation Group/Oak Room 9:30 am Al-Anon Group/Bonaventure Room

Sunday, January 14

2:00 pm First Holy Communion-Parent Information

Meeting/Main Hall

Epiphany of the Lord

Overcoming Jealousy

Then Herod sent the magi to Bethlehem, saying, "go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." (Matthew 2:8)

Isaiah 60:1-6 – Glory of the new Zion **Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6** – Commission to preach God's

plan **Matthew 2:1-12** – The visit of the magi

Adults: When have you been jealous or fearful of another person? When are such feelings harmful?

Kids: When have you been jealous because something good happened to another person instead of you? What is the problem with feeling that way?

Canadian Food for Children

On January 6th and 7th weekend we will be accepting donations of **rice** to support the work of Dr. Simone.

Secular Franciscan Meeting

There will be a Secular Franciscan meeting Monday, January 15 at 7:00 pm, Francis Room.

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

The deadline for next month's casseroles is **Sunday**, **January 21st.** If you can spare some time to make a casserole each month, **contact Eva Trace** at 416-447-3040

Help the Homeless – City Street Outreach

City Street Outreach, a Canadian registered, non-profit charity, run completely by volunteers and serving the city since 2010 needs blankets, sleeping bags, pop-up tents, coats, scarves, mittens and socks to be distributed to the homeless and to families living in poverty. Please drop off new or gently used items at the Ministry Centre.

Community Life

Ministry with maturing Adults Living out Spirituality in the Second Half of Life 2018 Dates and Program Topics

Tuesday Mornings Coffee and Treats 9:30-11:30 am in the Francis Room

All are Welcome! St. Bonaventure's Parish, 1300 Leslie St.

January 23 Dementia and Alzheimer's – Fostering Compassionate presence. Guest Presenter: Bruna di Giuseppe-Bertoni of Vita **Community Living Services**

January 30 Creating Circles of Care - What happens when I or a loved one needs support and care at home? With Special Guest: Valerie Walsh

February 20 Advanced Care Planning - This spiritual practice of reflection and dialogue is for all adults. How to let people in your life know what kind of health and personal care you would want in the future if you were unable to speak for yourself.

Guest Presenter: Curtis McDonnell, lawyer

February 27 Understanding Islam – Being in dialogue with neighbours. Guest Presenter: Khadijah Kanji, Noor **Cultural Centre**

Homeless in Toronto – Presentation on March 13 homelessness and on models of service.

March 20 The Wisdom of Teresa of Avila -Responding to the summons of our elder vears. Maureen McDonnell

Special Event with luncheon April 24 (9:30-12:30)

There is no monetary cost for this program. For more information Maureen@st-bonaventure.ca or 416-447-5571 ext. 550

News from the St. Vincent de Paul Society

May the Lord grant us the wisdom to seek that which is worthwhile and to love, not with our words but with our actions. ~ Pope Francis

Our Society strives to help those in need within our community through visiting them in their homes and responding to their requests for assistance with basic needs. We always require volunteers who visit, hold poor boxes, and help with administrative duties and creative ideas. If you have a desire to help those who need our support, please leave your name and contact information with the Church office.

Theology and tea

T & T will resume again on Thursday, January 18th after the 9:00 am Mass, and alternating Thursdays thereafter. 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.



Catholicism is a groundbreaking Documentary Film Series created and hosted by Bishop Robert Barron. In breathtaking and high-definition cinematography, the truth, goodness, and beauty of Catholicism are illustrated in an epic multimedia experience. We will be viewing the last five of Bishop Barron's topics in 2018. Each topic is about 45 - 55minutes long. The series is at 7:00 pm in the St. Bonaventure Church Main hall on the following evenings.

February 7 - A Body both Suffering and Glorious -The Mystical union of Christ and the Church. February 14 - Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven – The mystery of the liturgy and the Eucharist.

February 28 - A vast Company of Witness - The Communion of Saints.

March 7 – The Fire of His Love – Prayer and the Life of the Spirit.

March 14 - World Without End - The Last Things.

A Celebration of Marriage Sunday, February 11, 2018, 3:00 pm at Blessed Trinity Parish, 3220 Bayview Ave., North York.

A mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins for a special recognition for couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60 + anniversaries in 2018. (reception to follow). All are welcome!

To reserve designated seating for a milestone anniversary couple or for more information, call 416-934-3400 ext.523 or visit www.archtoronto.org/mariage

Epiphany – January 7, 2018

'Vocation Seeds'

The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is present to the world through His Church. If you think that God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, vocation director, archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997, website: www.vocationtoronto.ca; www.franciscans.org, or speak with one of the friars.

Walk-in Counselling Services

Catholic Family Services of Toronto offers a Walk-In counselling services at 2 locations. The single-session consultation is aimed at helping individuals, couples or family clients address their concerns. No appointment required. Central office: 1155 Yonge St., Ste. 100, Toronto, Tuesdays 9 am to 7 pm. Phone: 416-921-1163. North office: 5799 Yonge St., Ste. 300 North York, Thursdays 9 am to 7 pm. Phone: 416-222-0048. Email: info@cfstoronto.com