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**WEEKDAY LITURGY:** Monday to Friday, 9 am  
**SATURDAY:** 9 am  
**PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:** 9 am  
**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday, 4 pm  
**SUNDAY LITURGY**  
Saturday Vigil: 5 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am, 10 am, 12 noon

**MINISTRY CENTRE HOURS**

Monday to Thursday: 9 am to 4:30 pm  
Friday: 9 am to 3 pm  
Closed 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm  
Saturday: 2 pm - 6:30 pm  
Sunday: 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

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**MARCH 19, 2017**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**



**JESUS SAID TO HER, "EVERYONE WHO  
DRINKS OF THIS WATER WILL BE  
THIRSTY AGAIN, BUT THE ONE WHO  
DRINKS OF THE WATER THAT I WILL  
GIVE WILL NEVER BE THIRSTY. THE  
WATER THAT I WILL GIVE HIM WILL  
BECOME IN HIM A SPRING OF WATER  
GUSHING UP TO ETERNAL LIFE."**

**JOHN 4. 13-14**

**MY THIRST MUST LEAD ME TO OTHERS AND TO  
JESUS. WHEN I THIRST, WILL OTHERS SHARE  
FROM THEIR BUCKET? WHEN I MEET OTHERS  
WHO THIRST, WILL I SHARE FROM MINE?  
ONLY THEN WILL PAUL'S IMAGE IN THE  
LETTER TO THE ROMANS MAKE SENSE –  
"GOD'S LOVE HAS BEEN POURED INTO OUR  
HEARTS."**

**SR. SUSAN KIDD, CND, CHARLOTTETOWN, PE**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon. Mar. 20 9:00 am Special Intentions of  
H. Rodrigues  
Tues. Mar. 21 9:00 am †George Joel  
Wed. Mar. 22 9:00 am †Kevin Seki  
Thurs. Mar. 23 9:00 am †H. Reingold  
Fri. Mar. 24 9:00 am †Julie Silva  
Sat. Mar. 25 9:00 am Special Intentions

Thanksgiving of  
Montgomery Family  
Holy Souls  
†Mrs. Culliton  
†Agnes Mendonca  
†Ricardo Rosales  
†Ellen MacInnis  
†Baba Dave  
†Ivana Campoli  
†Irene Victoria

Sat. Mar. 25 5:00 pm Intentions of Fernando  
Family

Sun. Mar. 26 8:30 am †Florencio Gorospe  
10:00 am †Aurora Lagace  
12:00 pm Parishioners

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Sanctuary Lamp:** Wes Ong

**Vigil Lamp:** Vivianne Hisey

**For the Sick:** Mary Rose Fernando, Gord  
Roberts, Kay Corner, Ronald  
Connaly, Linda Nasturzio,  
Dorothy Lord, Mabel Lim  
Eileen Velazquez, Klaus Stitz,  
and Geraldine Daly



**Psalm 95**

**Today you would listen to the voice of the Lord.  
Harden not your hearts!**

**Stations of the Cross**

9:30 am Every Friday in Lent after morning mass  
**Day of Confessions, March 29**  
9:30 am to 10:30 am; 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm and  
7:00 pm

**Prayer Network:** Members pray daily for  
intentions held in confidence. Contact  
Moira McKeown at 416-445-8494

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

**This Week in Our Parish**

**Monday, March 20**

10:00 am Discovering the Invitations of God by  
Fr. J. Martinez, OFM Conv./Francis Rm  
6:30 pm Secular Franciscan Meeting/  
Bonaventure Room  
7:00 pm **Sacramental Preparation-First Holy  
Communion-Session 5/Main Hall**  
7:00 pm Discovering the Invitations of God by  
Fr. J. Martinez, OFM Conv./Francis Rm  
7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice/in the Church

**Tuesday, March 21**

10:00 am Discovering the Invitations of God by  
Fr. J. Martinez, OFM Conv./Francis Rm  
7:00 pm **Sacramental Preparation-First Holy  
Communion-Session 5/Main Hall**  
7:00 pm Discovering the Invitations of God by  
Fr. J. Martinez, OFM Conv./Francis Rm  
7:00 pm Bible Study Group/Bonaventure Room

**Wednesday, March 22**

10:00 am Discovering the Invitations of God by  
Fr. J. Martinez, OFM Conv./Francis Rm  
6:30 pm GRASP Group/Oak Room  
7:00 pm Discovering the Invitations of God by  
Fr. J. Martinez, OFM Conv./Main Hall

7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous/Francis Room  
7:30 pm Family Choir Practice/in the Church

**Friday, March 24**

9:30 am Stations of the Cross/Church  
**Saturday, March 25**  
9:30 am Christian Meditation/Oak Room  
9:30 am Al Anon Group/Bonaventure Room  
1:00 pm **Sacramental Preparation- First Holy  
Communion-Session 5/Main Hall**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

**- Source of Strength -**

Reading I Exodus 17:3-7  
(water from the rock)  
Reading II Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
(faith, hope, and love)  
Gospel John 4:5-42  
(the Samaritan woman at the well)

**Questions of the Week:**

**Adult:** Where have you found a source of "Living  
water" for your own journey of faith?

**Child:** Name some times when your belief in  
Jesus helped make you stronger.

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EVERY STAGE OF OUR LIVES. AND WE SHALL SET OUT AGAIN,  
THIRSTING, AT LAST, FOR NONE BUT THE LIVING WATER  
WHICH YOU HAVE PROMISED US."  
PIERRE TALEC

## STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIVING

### March 12 Offertory Collection

Thank you for your generous donations.  
Regular Collection: \$7,209.15  
Donate Now: \$328 ShareLife: \$100  
Pre-Authorized Giving: \$2,906

### Second Collection

There will be a second collection on **March 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>** weekend for Flowers for Easter Offering.

### Gifts of Securities

Do you have securities that have gone up in value? You can now make your Parish offertory and special collections gifts using securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds). You will not have to pay any capital gains on your gift and you will get a tax receipt for the full amount. For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

## COMMUNITY LIFE

### News from the St. Vincent de Paul Society

#### The Importance of the Poor Box:

*Almsgiving teaches us to help those less fortunate than we are. It teaches us to be grateful for what we have received. It helps children to understand the difference between needs and wants.*

*Almsgiving also curbs selfishness by inviting the child to think of others and the needs of others. Thank you for your continuing generosity.*

### Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

The deadline for this month casseroles is **Sunday, March 26, 2017**. If you can spare a few hours, contact **Eva Trace at 416.447.3040**.

### 2017 ShareLife Parish Campaign

#### Third Sunday of Lent, March 19, 2017

Living the Gospel by providing for homeless youth...

On a given night, 6,000 people across Canada between 16 and 24 have nowhere to call home. This represents 20 per cent of the total homeless population. In Toronto, estimates of homeless youth range from 900 to 2,000 nightly. The ShareLife-supported Rights of passage program at Covenant House have been active in making a positive difference in the lives of homeless youth on the streets of Toronto. 75% of these youths have been matched with mentors and have also made progress in strengthening their life skills and family relationships, getting them ready for life on their own. In addition, the ShareLife funded Youth in Transition programs helps youth in foster care to transition to independent living.

**Sunday April 2, 2017 is ShareLife Sunday**  
**Please give generously.**

## Spiritual Growth in the Second Half of Life

### Date and Programme Topic

**April 4:** *Be well, Be Wise and Be Holy; Spirituality of Aging Savouring the Fruits of Awareness, Reflection And Action*

To register call **416-447-5571 Ext. 550** or email at [maureen@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:maureen@st-bonaventure.ca)

### Ministry with Maturing Adults

**Wednesdays, April 19<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1:00 to 2:30 pm at Bonaventure Room**

**The Power of Forgiveness!** A new series facilitated by Ginny Doty who is an experienced counsellor with a Diploma in Addiction Counselling. She is skilled at leading groups and individual therapy sessions. These sessions will include presentations and small group interactions, and will consist of 12 to 14 people. Please contact Ginny for registration or more information at **416-447-5571 Ext. 560**.

### Community Share Food Bank

#### Needed: Empty Egg Cartons

A generous donor is willing to give a multitude of fresh eggs to the Food Bank. We need empty egg cartons to help distribute them. Please bring in empty egg cartons and place them in the back of the church.

### 2017 St. Bonaventure Baseball Season

Baseball Registration has begun. Please be sure to register by March 31. We are looking to fill several positions: T-ball & Rookie ball coaches; umpires & youth volunteers. If you can spare some time and be more involved with the community, please consider volunteering. Call **416-447-5571** or email [bonaventurebaseball@gmail.com](mailto:bonaventurebaseball@gmail.com)

### Secular Franciscan Meeting

There will be a Secular Franciscan meeting **Monday, March 20, 2017 at 6:30 pm, Bonaventure Room**

### Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a membership drive during the week-end Masses on **March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**. If you are interested in helping those in need, serving our parish and community, growing in faith or obtaining exclusive access to top rated insurance protection for your family then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. Council members from the parish will be available at the back of the church to answer questions.

## Discovering the Invitations of God

**March 20, 21 and 22; 10:00 am or 7:00 pm**

Friar Julio Martinez, OFM Conv., received his training in contemplative spiritual direction from the *Shalem Institute for Spiritual Formation*.

God is always inviting us to deeper experiences of God's presence in our lives and in the world. These invitations, or movements of God, are expressions of God's appreciation and belief in us. They are signs of God's love for us and God's need of us.

This Lenten Mission is dedicated to awaken our desire for God and look at ways that help us be more attentive to God's work in us. Why do this? Because the more aware we become of God and God's movements and invitations, the more open we become to cooperating with God's graces in maturing in our faith, and ultimately bringing authentic compassion to the world.

We will explore the following:

- The story of our lives as a living scripture.
- The search for God as a response to God's invitations.
- The importance of celebrating life and faith.

This will be an interactive event that will be held in the Parish Center. **Please join us!**

### Join the "Call for Conscience"

**Feb 6 to March 31, 2017**

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing doctors to participate, despite their objections, when a patient decides to end their life. No other country does this. Please visit [www.CanadiansforConscience.ca](http://www.CanadiansforConscience.ca) to learn more. Write directly to your elected MPP asking them to amend Bill 84 to add conscience protection. Printed letters are available for pick up at the back of church. Please sign them and mail them to your MPP.



Join us for a night celebrating St. Clare Inn's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Great food, friends, entertainment and more! **Saturday, April 22, 2017, 7:00 pm at The Donald Club, \$85/person**. Tickets will be available at the Ministry Centre or go [www.stclareinn.org](http://www.stclareinn.org)

### Youth Ministry Blog

Hello all! Please check out our Youth Ministry blog: <http://stbonaventureyouth.blogspot.ca/> to stay up to date with activities and events upcoming for our Youth Community at St. Bonaventure!

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