

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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A MESSENGER OF HOPE FROM PADUA, ITALY

Over seven hundred and fifty years ago, St. Bonaventure discovered the relics of St. Anthony. This month, one of these precious relics will be visiting Ottawa from the Saint's Basilica in Padua, Italy.

St. Anthony is often remembered as a help in times of loss. We invite you to come and ask for his intercession for more than the loss of material things, but also for those who have lost peace of mind or who have lost a sense of direction. We will pray for his help that we might truly build a just society where no one is left behind, forgotten or lost. **Services will be held at the times and locations listed below.**

Mississauga, ON., St. Christopher's Parish,
1171 Clarks Road North

- ◇ **Saturday, June 8th** ◇
Veneration of the Relic: from 3:00 pm
Celebration of the Eucharist: 5:00 pm
- ◇ **Sunday, June 9th** ◇
Celebration of the Eucharist: 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 12 noon
Veneration of the Relic throughout the day

Whitby, ON., Holy Family Parish, 91 Ribblesdale Drive

- ◇ **Tuesday, June 11th** ◇
Celebration of the Eucharist: 9:00 am
Veneration of the Relic throughout the day
Celebration of the Eucharist: 7:00 pm

Toronto, ON., Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure
1300 Leslie Street

- ◇ **Thursday, June 13th** ◇
Celebration of the Eucharist: 9:00 am
Veneration of the Relic throughout the day
Celebration of the Eucharist: 7:00 pm

Etobicoke, ON., All Saints Parish, 1415 Royal York Road

- ◇ **Saturday, June 15th** ◇
Veneration of the Relic from 2:00 pm
Celebration of the Eucharist: 5:00 pm
Veneration of the Relic: 6:00 – 7:00 pm
- ◇ **Sunday, June 16th** ◇
Celebration of the Eucharist: 8:00 am in Italian,
9:30 and 11:30 am in English
Veneration of the Relic until 1:00 pm

For more information call Anna Marziliano at 416-690-9904

THE FRANCISCAN CHURCH OF ST. BONAVENTURE

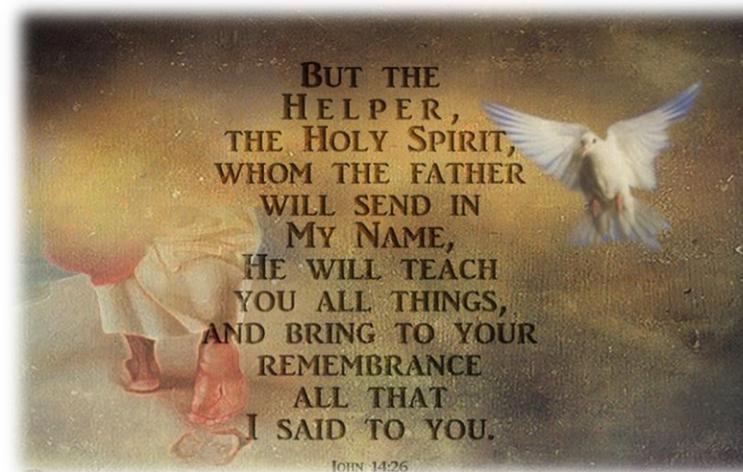
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YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. BONAVENTURE

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

May 26, 2019
The Sixth Sunday of Easter



A Better World

No celebration of Easter would be complete without a reference to the peace brought to us by the Paschal mystery. Today's liturgy provides us with that reference: 'Peace' is my farewell to you, my peace is my gift to you.

Peace is what Jesus gave us in his redemptive acts of dying and rising.

The early Christian communities experienced dissension and controversy. The reading from Acts documents the manner in which the leaders of the church resolved those conflicts and brought peace to the Church.

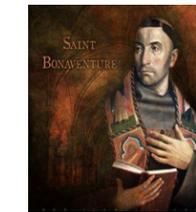
"O God let all the nations praise you!" for you have rescued them from death and offered them the gift of peace through your resurrection.

The perfect world, we Christians believe, is beyond the horizon, in an endless eternity where God will be all in all. But a better world is here for human hands and hearts and minds to make.

For the community of faith, the risen Christ is the beginning and end of all things. For all things were created through him and all things will return to the Father through him.

It is our belief in the risen Christ which sustains us in confronting the awesome challenge of the nuclear arms race.

U.S. Bishops, *The Challenge of Peace*, 1983:337-39.
Now published in book form, *To Love and Serve: Lectionary Based Meditations*, by Gerald Darring



And Now, A Word from Our Patron Saint

If you learn everything except Christ, you learn nothing. If you learn nothing except Christ, you learn everything.

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

Spiritual Direction: Contact **Friar Mark** at friarmarked2015@gmail.com

Prayer Network: Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact **Gerald Desjardins** at 416-755-6721

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

*Psalm 67~ Let the people praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.*

Mass Intentions

May 27	Monday	9:00 am	†Al McDonell
May 28	Tuesday	9:00 am	†Elaine Loxton
May 29	Wednesday	9:00 am	†Mackie Ortega
May 30	Thursday	9:00 am	†Cristobal Rodriguez and †Ana Fernandez
May 31	Friday	9:00 am	†Aurea Mascardo †Mary Galati †Anthony Kelliher †Mary McMahan †Nancy Fernandes †Giuseppina Marcellino †Marcelina Barrientos
June 01	Saturday	5:00 pm	†Peter Glowczewski
June 02	Sunday	8:30 am	Intentions of the Parishioners
		10:00 am	†Friar Canice Connors
		12:00 pm	†John LoPresti

Prayer Intentions:

Sanctuary Lamp 1: Andrew Family
Sanctuary Lamp 2: C. Castelino
Vigil Lamp: Maria Gogela

For the Sick: Rosalita Prospero, Gerald Heffler, 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, Fernando DiBona, Pina Aristodemo and Maria Gogela

Stewardship: A Way of Living

May 19, 2019 Offertory Collections

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection	\$ 8,502.00
ShareLife	\$ 710.00
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 2,926.00
Donate Now	\$ 328.00

Second Collections:

June 02 – Maintenance Fund

June 09 – Marygrove Camp

Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ May 26, 2019

Living the Gospel by supporting isolated seniors

In the span of three months, Debbie felt she had lost everything. Her partner of 33 years died, her leg was amputated, and she could no longer care for her beloved pets. She turned to the Society of Sharing, a ShareLife-funded agency, who partnered her with a volunteer named Geoff. Not only did Geoff provide friendship, he used his teaching background to help Debbie fulfill a lifelong goal: learning how to properly read. Though it will be impossible for Debbie to regain all she has lost, her life is feeling full again.

**Next Sunday, June 2nd is the next ShareLife Sunday
Please give generously.**

This Week in Our Parish Hall

Monday, May 27

6:30 pm Sparks/Bonaventure Room
6:30 pm Brownies/Francis Room

Tuesday, May 28

7:00 pm Bible Study/ Oak Room

Wednesday, May 29

1:00 pm Forgiveness Workshop/Bonaventure Room
7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room
7:00 pm GRASP

Saturday, June 1st

9:30 am Workshop sponsored by Office of Formation for Discipleship with Robert L. Weber, Ph.D., M.Div. as guest speaker/Main Hall

9:30 am Christian Meditation/Oak Room

9:30 am Al Anon Group/Bonaventure Room

Sunday, June 2nd

3:00 pm Sacrament of Confirmation/Church and Main Hall

News from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.”

Pope Paul VI adds: “If you want peace, work for justice.” Your gifts to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul and your donations of clothing, footwear and household textiles to our Bundle Weekend, June 8/9, help us assist those in need. Thank you!

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

This month’s deadline is May 26, 2019, and next month’s deadline is **June 23, 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)

Canadian Food for Children

On **June 1st and 2nd weekend** we will be accepting donations of **wool, knitting needles and thread** to support the work of Dr. Simone.

Unauthorized Posting in the Parish Bulletin Board

We recently had unauthorized posting in the Church bulletin board. Parish sanctioned events, materials and information are not promoted this way. Please drop by the Ministry Centre in order to receive permission to do so. Thank you for your cooperation!



Congratulations to the youth who are receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit next Sunday.

May the Lord bless you and your families with an abundance of Grace.

Community Life

**St. Bonaventure’s Ministry with Maturing Adults
Upcoming Events**



Exciting Workshop

You are invited to attend an exciting **Workshop at St. Bonaventure Parish on Saturday, June 1st, 2019** from **9:30 am to 3:30 pm** sponsored by Office of Formation for discipleship. This workshop is for all men and women in the second half of life. Guest Speaker is **Robert L. Weber, Ph.D., M.Div.** Clinical psychologist and co-author of *The Spirituality of Age: A Seeker’s Guide to Growing Older*.

The workshop will frame a vision of spirituality of Age that will serve to encourage and enhance spiritual growth not in spite of ageing, but because of ageing. **Who should attend:** all those who are entering the retirement years, those in retirement who want to learn more about spiritual growth in the second half of life, and those who serve and volunteer with those in the second half of life. For more information please pick-up a registration form at the back of the church, or contact Sally Amaral at samaral@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3400, ext. 518 or Maureen McDonnell, at maureen@st-bonaventure.ca

The Summer Film and Book Club

Let’s share our enjoyment of films and books. Connecting with others and enjoying community spirit with coffee and cake. **Tuesdays, June 4 & 18; July 9 & 23; and August 6 & 20**, from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm, mark you calendar! All are welcome – bring a friend.

Theology and Tea

The next **T & T** will be on **Thursday, June 6th and June 20th** after the 9:00 am Mass. Come and join **Fr. Mark** for some time to ponder and enjoy our relationship with God. The sessions are open to all parishioners and their friends.

Reaching Out Thro’ Music

Saturday, June 8, 2019, 7:00-9:00 pm, Parish Hall
We invite all parishioners and friends to Reaching Out Thro’ Music, an Annual Fundraising Musical evening to benefit children of an education/breakfast program in South Africa, organized by members and friends of an ecumenical women’s group. Tickets: Adults- \$25; Children (12 under)-\$10. See the CWL bulletin board for further information.

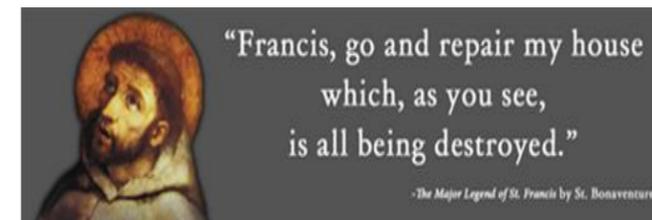
CWL Potluck Lunch

All women of the parish are invited to the CWL Potluck Lunch on Sunday, June 23 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Come and enjoy a luncheon with entertainment, in the company of other parish members and the CWL.

And Now, A Word from Our Pastor

In the 13th century, when the Franciscan Order was young, St. Francis gathered all the friars for a general meeting. They prayed together, shared stories of their lives and ministries, gave thanks for the past and looked forward in faith to the future. (They also ate a lot!). Since then, it is the custom of the Order to gather representative friars from around the world to meet every several years – for the same reasons. On May 18, ninety-one Conventual Franciscan Friars (representing the 4000 + members of the Order) gathered in Assisi. They will, pray, share stories of their lives and ministries, give thanks, and look to the future as followers of St. Francis dedicated to serving God’s people until June 17. An important portion of the meeting will be the election of the 120th successor of St. Francis to serve as the General Minister of the order. Please offer a prayer to the Holy Spirit to guide the friars in their time together. Thanks.

Congratulations to Gregory Cifelli, our organist and Sandra Jee who will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage on June 1st. May Our Lady and St. Joseph bless them in their married life.



**Vocation Seeds ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 26, 2019**

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood or religious life? 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.

Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 26, 2019

“My own peace I give you”

Adults: What difference has it made in your life when you made a decision in accord with Jesus’ teaching?

Children: When will you have to make a decision this week? What will help you make a good decision?

