

**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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## 2019 - Parish Family Photo Directory

The purpose of this new project is to help develop the community spirit among us and to help us get to know our fellow parishioners by name. This year is a Jubilee year for Fr. Peter, Deacon Sal, Fr. Boniface and Fr. Dennis who are all celebrating anniversaries. We are also commemorating 60 years of the building of the Church.

Remember, it's free and we need you to participate! Thanks in advance for your support and participation in the program. This directory will embrace young and old, families, couples and single members. You are all members of our church family, our directory is not complete without you.

Early sign-ups get the benefit of first choices of appointment times. We have set aside the following dates:

**Oct 17 - 11 am to 6 pm**  
**Oct 18 - 2:30 pm to 8:30 pm**  
**Oct 19 - 10 am to 3 pm**  
**Nov 19 - 2:30 pm to 8:30 pm**  
**Nov 20 - 2:30 pm to 8:30 pm**  
**Nov 21 - 11 am to 8:30 pm**

More dates will be added once these dates are fully booked. Sign-up sheets are available at the back of church. You can also sign up on-line at:

<https://booknow.securedata-trans.com/b2xyj39s/>

You will be able to view and select from available appointment times.

**Some tips for a great photo: Please wear rich colours and dress for a full-length portrait.**

Please consider volunteering for this project. We need some volunteers to help with the album layout, make telephone calls to book appointments, greeters to help guide families to the phot shoot. If you are interested, please contact the Ministry Centre for more information, 416.447-5571.

### How long is the photography process?

From registration through taking photos and choosing your directory poses between 30-45 minutes.

### What to wear for the best professional photography?

Group coordinated solid colours, long sleeves and smile.

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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.*



**October 6, 2019**

### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



~ Vincent Van Gogh, Autumn Landscape, 1885

#### THAT KIND OF FAITH

The apostles ask Jesus to increase their faith. He answers with the metaphor of the mustard seed: "If you had the faith the size of a mustard seed, you could do whatever it is you want."

The problem is that we do not have that kind of faith. We do not really believe that we can accomplish the things we desire. We cry out to God about the violence, ruin, and misery in our world. We do not seem to believe that God's "love for us surpasses all our hopes and desires." Moreover, we do not have faith in our own ability to do wonders such as moving sycamores.

And so, the world continues being overwhelmed with violence, ruin, misery, destruction, strife and discord. Poverty, hunger, oppression, and war exist not because they have to but because we do not have faith in God or in ourselves.

Lord, increase our faith!

*My dear friends: hard work and a strong sense of family and community have sustained you in the past in your upright Christian lives. Above all, your faith in Jesus Christ and the hope that it generates in you are at the basis of all your aspirations for a better future. ...May God our Father grant success to the work of your hands.*

Pope John Paul II, *Address at Newfoundland, Canada, 1984: 6.* In "To Love and Serve, Meditation Book" by Gerald Darring.

### And Now, A Word from Our Patron Saint

*Come, let us give a little time to enjoyment. Even on a grey day let's find some time for joy.*

*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 **friarmsted2015@gmail.com**

**Prayer Network:** Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact **Nimfa Chua** at **416-447-5571 ext. 222**

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

*Psalm 138~ If today you hear God's voice,  
harden not your hearts.*

### Mass Intentions

October 7	Monday	9:00 am	P. Chevrier
October 8	Tuesday	9:00 am	†Margaret Lamantia
October 9	Wednesday	9:00 am	†Jennifer Khayat
October 10	Thursday	9:00 am	†Jonathan Duffy
October 11	Friday	9:00 am	Brothers, Sisters and Benefactors of the OFM Souls in Purgatory †Jim Small †Stanley Czarnik †Mohanakumari Thirukesan †Saydé Awad †Nick Nicholas
October 12	Saturday	5:00 pm	†Agnes Ravindran
October 13	Sunday	8:30 am	Deceased Members of the D'Souza Family
		10:00 am	Int. of the Parishioners
		12:00 pm	†Esther Villarroel-Hiller

### Prayer Intentions:

Sanctuary Lamp: †Tina Lamantia

Vigil Lamp: Andrew Family

**For the Sick:** Tonya M., Beatriz Ortega, Michelena Oakes, Douglas Woollings, Margaret Fernando, Josephine Jenkinson, Christine Wojnicki, Alfonz Pavli, Raymund Fung, Kay Corner, Dorothy Lord, Mabel Lim, Fernando DiBona, Pina Aristodemo, and Carol Marchant.

**For the Deceased:** Patrick Burns and Carlton Paul

### Stewardship: A Way of Living

#### September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Offertory Collections

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection .....	\$ 9,154.90
Needs of the Canadian Church .....	\$ 2,610.50
Pre-Authorized Giving .....	\$ 2,926.00
Donate Now .....	\$ 328.00

### Second Collections:

October 20 ~Evangelization of Nations

November 3 ~ Maintenance Fund

November 17 ~ Shepherds' Trust

### Theology and Tea

The next T&T will be **Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>** and **October 31<sup>st</sup>** after the **9:00 am Mass** in the **Francis Room**. All are welcome, bring a friend and spirit of holy adventure to explore and appreciate God's presence in our world and in one another.

**Blessings of Animals.** Today, Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm, Courtyard of the Church. One of the most popular celebrations surrounding the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi is the annual blessing of animals. Come and bring your pets for a special blessing.

### This Week in Our Parish Hall

#### Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>

1:15 pm Sacrament of Confirmation Information Meeting (Parents + Youth)/Main Hall

2:00 pm Blessing of Animals/Church Courtyard

#### Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Ministry with Maturing Adult-Fall Program/ Francis Room

7:00 pm Sacrament of Confirmation Information Meeting (Parent + Youth)/Main hall

#### Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>

1:30 pm Life Story Writing- Gisela Cote/Bonaventure Room

7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room

7:00 pm SSVP Meeting/Bonaventure Room

#### Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Theology and Tea/Francis Room

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting/ Bonaventure Room

7:00 pm Al-Anon Business Meeting(D-19)/Oak Room

#### Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Christian Meditation/Oak Room

9:30 am Al Anon Group/Bonaventure Room

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

*In Today's Gospel Jesus tells his disciples, "When you have done all you have been commanded, say: We are unprofitable servants; we have only done what we were obliged to do."*

This week, please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those in need, for indeed we are only doing "what we are obliged to do." Thank you!

### Canadian Food for Children

This weekend October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, we will be accepting donations of **sugar** to support the work of Dr. Simone.

### Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

This month's deadline is October 27<sup>th</sup>, 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.

### Secular Franciscan Meeting

Because of the election on October 21<sup>st</sup> the Secular Franciscan meeting will be on **Monday, October 28, 2019 at 7:00 pm, Francis Room.**

### Community Life

### St. Bonaventure's Ministry with Maturing Adults 2019 Fall Series



#### Tuesday, October 8, 9:30 -11:45 am; Francis Room.

Intergenerational Connections – for Action on Climate Change: How are we being called to act for justice? Listening together, we can discuss and discern a step forward into a future with hope for future generations and justice for all of creation. Presenter: Maureen McDonnell

*Climate activist Greta Thunberg, 16, from Sweden, at the 2019 UN climate action summit in New York: "...You have stolen my dreams and my childhood with your empty words, ... We are in the beginning of a mass extinction and all you can talk about is money and fairy tales of eternal economic growth – how dare you!"*

*On day later, Indigenous activist Autumn Peltier, 15, from Manitoulin Island, delivered a speech to the Global Landscapes Forum and the United Nations General Assembly. "...We need to join forces with all nations regardless of colour and nationality. Mother Earth does not discriminate, and we need Mother Earth to live, and we need the waters. When we stand together as one, we are one voice and one nation, and together as one we are stronger. We have this one last chance to save our planet. Let's do this for our great, great grandchildren."*

All are invited to come and enjoy this time of companionship and discussion. Please invite a friend, neighbour and family member to come along with you! For more information please contact Maureen McDonnell, [maureen@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:maureen@st-bonaventure.ca)

**The Flea Market**, a yearly fundraising event of the St. Bonaventure Catholic Women's League which supports various charities, will be on **October 26<sup>th</sup>** from **9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall**. You may start outting away gently used items to donate: clothing, housewares, small appliances, toys, sports equipment, electronics, books, and jewellery. All items must be clean, working and in a condition for which someone would pay. Items, including Preserved Goods (Jam and Jellies) can be dropped off on Thursday October 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 8:00 pm. Baked goods should be dropped off on Friday or on Saturday morning before 9:00 am.

**We do not accept** magazines, textbooks, encyclopedias, video or audio tapes, mattresses, baby furniture and baby equipment or plants.

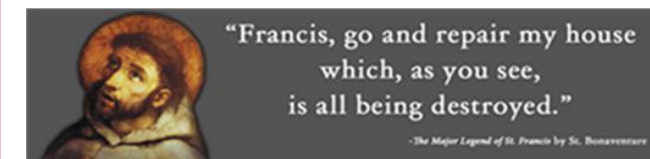
### And Now, A Word from Our Pastor

Rev. Mr. Salvatore Badali

On the day Deacon Sal was ordained, the Bishop handed him a Book of the Gospels and said: "Receive the Gospel of Christ, whose herald you have become. Believe what you read, teach what you believe, practice what you teach." For 25 years Deacon Sal has done exactly that, in word and in deed. In gratitude for God's faithfulness to Deacon Sal and his faithfulness to God and God's People, we will honour Deacon Sal on **October 20, 2019, Sunday at the 12 noon Mass**. Following the Mass, the celebration will continue with a reception in the Parish Centre, Main Hall. We hope you will join us. We also congratulate Deacon Sal on receiving the 2019 Donor of Distinction Award from the Providence Health Care Foundation.

"So, what's a Synod"

"Where two or three gathered, I will be in their midst." This week representatives are gathering in Rome for a Synod about the Church in the Amazon. One bishop, who participated in a recent synod, explained "every bishop and representative of local church communities (dioceses and countries) make the journey to Rome for a Synod carrying the sufferings and hopes of the People of God entrusted to their care." At a Synod, lay persons, religious, priests and bishops, together with the Pope, commit themselves to discover the will of God through prayer to the Holy Spirit, reflection, discussion (and sometimes arguing). In the words of the Second Vatican Council they read "the signs of the time and interpret them in the light of the Gospel." The word "Synod" comes from two Greek words meaning: "together on the way." We join the Synod participants in prayer as walk together to discover how to let God's goodness, mercy and love flourish in the Church in the Amazon.



### Vocation Seeds – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Increase our faith." Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest or religious? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, visit [www.franciscans.org](http://www.franciscans.org); [www.vocationtoronto.ca](http://www.vocationtoronto.ca) or speak with one of the friars.







