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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 am - 1:30 pm

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**SEPTEMBER 25, 2016**

*TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*



**THE PARABLE OF THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS**  
*"THE TIME CAME WHEN THE BEGGAR DIED AND THE ANGELS CARRIED HIM TO ABRAHAM'S SIDE. THE RICH MAN ALSO DIED AND WAS BURIED. IN HADES, WHERE HE WAS IN TORMENT, HE LOOKED UP AND SAW ABRAHAM FAR AWAY, WITH LAZARUS BY HIS SIDE. SO HE CALLED TO HIM, 'FATHER ABRAHAM, HAVE PITY ON ME AND SEND LAZARUS TO DIP THE TIP OF HIS FINGER IN WATER AND COOL MY TONGUE, BECAUSE I AM IN AGONY IN THIS FIRE.' ~LUKE 16: 22-24*

*TODAY'S GOSPEL IS NOT JUST ABOUT MONEY OR WEALTH. OUR FOCUS MUST BE ON THE WELL-BEING OF THE POOR AND DOWNTRODDEN. IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE, AND GOD LOVES CHEERFUL GIVERS. LET US CONSIDER WHAT WE ARE DEPENDING ON. DO WE THINK BEING RICH MEANS WE ARE RIGHT WITH GOD? IT IS WISER TO THINK AHEAD TO ETERNITY!*  
~FR. THOMAS ROSICA, CSB, TORONTO, ON

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon. Sept. 26 9:00 am †Cita Santos  
Tues. Sept. 27 9:00 am †Carl Hibbeln  
Wed. Sept. 28 9:00 am Special Intentions of the Lobo Family  
Thurs. Sept. 29 9:00 am †Michelle Dusseau  
Fri. Sept. 30 9:00 am †Corazon Honrado Feliciano  
Sat. Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 9:00 am †Peter Glowczewski  
†Salvatori Bondi  
†Allan De Sousa  
†Nancy Sidle  
†Hon Anne O'Meara  
Sat. Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 5:00 pm Parishioners  
Sun. Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:30 am †Francisco Jimenez  
10:00 am †Joseph Mascarenhas  
12:00 pm †Joshua Cole

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

For the Sick: Dr. Martin Young, George Joel, Geraldine Daly, Kay Corner, Eileen Velazquez & George MacNeill

For the Deceased: Joan Wright

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

**Transitus Service.** October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 pm, Church. Everyone is invited to join the Friars and Secular Franciscans as we celebrate the old custom of recounting the life and death of St. Francis of Assisi. Through songs, scriptures and accounts from the life of St. Francis, we remember this man who has touched the lives of believers and non-believers throughout the centuries.

**Feast of St. Francis.** Tuesday October 4<sup>th</sup>. Come and celebrate with us after the 9:00 am Mass at the Main Hall for coffee/tea and cake



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

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

**Prayer Network:** Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact Nimfa Chua at 416-447-5047

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

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Sunday, September 25**

2:00 pm Sacramental Preparation-Parent Information Meeting/Main Hall

**Monday, September 26**

6:30 pm Sparks/Bonaventure Room  
6:30 pm Brownies/Main Hall  
7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice/Church

**Tuesday, September 27**

7:00 pm Sacramental Preparation-Parent Information Meeting/Main Hall  
7:00 pm Community Share Food Bank Meeting/Bonaventure Room

7:30 pm Bible Study Group/Oak Room

**Wednesday, September 28**

6:30 pm GRASP Group/Oak Room  
7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous/Francis Room  
7:30 pm Family Choir Practice/Church

**Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**

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



*Though Jesus Christ was rich, yet he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.*

~ 2 Corinthians 8.9

## STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIVING

### September 18 Offertory Collection

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection: \$8,624

Mission Co-Op - Sri Lanka: \$5,189

Maintenance Fund: \$327

Donate Now: \$328

Pre-Authorized Giving: \$2,906

### Second Collection for 'St. Clare Inn Offering'

October 1 & 2 weekend, there will be a second collection to support St. Clare Inn.

## COMMUNITY LIFE

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

"There's someone out there who needs you. Live your life in such a way that they can find you." - A friend of Fr. Philip Chircop

Follow Christ by serving those in need. The Society's work aims to relieve suffering or poverty by bearing witness to the compassionate and liberating love of Christ. You are invited to join our small community of lay people in prayer, reflection and action. For more information, contact Jack or Judy at 416-390-9495.

### Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

The deadline for this month casseroles is **Sunday September 25, 2016**. If you can spare a few hours, contact Eva Trace, 416.447.3040. We provide the pan and recipe; you make the casserole according to your schedule.

### Thanksgiving Food Drive in Support of Community Share Food Bank.

October 8 - 10

Your food donations can help eliminate hunger in our neighbourhood. Help feed the hungry by bringing a nonperishable food item to Mass. Donations of canned fish, pasta and pasta sauce, canned vegetables, canned fruit, dried and canned beans, sugar, tea and coffee are high demand items. All donations are welcome! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### Canadian Food for Children

October 1 and 2, 2016 weekend

We will be accepting donations of **sugar** to support the work of Dr. Simone.

### Back to School Pokemon Go BBQ!

Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 2016, 1:00 pm

Welcome back to school Grades 6, 7 and 8! We meet in front of the Parish Hall for a Back to School Pokemon Go BBQ! Please bring your own devices (or your parents) to play. RSVP to Peter, Youth Animator at [pdosman@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:pdosman@st-bonaventure.ca) if you would like to attend.

### CWL Annual Flea Market

Saturday, October 22, 2016

Preparations for the Annual St. Bonaventure Catholic Women's League Flea Market are in full swing. We are now actively recruiting volunteers to help with this enormous event. As they say, "many hands make light work" and this is so true when it comes to our Flea Market. Volunteers are required to receive donations and distribute them to the proper booths; help out on the sale day & finally, we need strong hands to help carry what is left over out of the Parish Centre. There are no qualifications, every applicant will be accepted and no prior experience is necessary. There is a Volunteer Sign Up Sheet at the front entrance of the church. Give us whatever time you can. Please contact Tracy MacInnis at 647-973-7645 or e-mail [tmacinnis@rogers.com](mailto:tmacinnis@rogers.com) for more information.

### Ministry with Maturing Adults

The Program-Spiritual Growth in the Second Half of Life will be offered by **Maureen McDonnell, D.Min.** This programme is about our shared journey of discovering new meaning and grace in the second half of life. Hosted by St. Bonaventure Church on Tuesday mornings at 10 am between October 4<sup>th</sup> and December 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 in the Francis Room. All are welcome!

### Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion

Roman Catholic children are 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, it will be 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 25<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 3:30 pm, or**
- **Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 8:30 pm**

### Preparation for Confirmation

In September 2015, the age 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 will be important for you and your son or daughter to attend **one** of the following parent-confirmation candidate information sessions held in the Parish Centre, Main Hall.

- **Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 to 9 pm, or**
- **Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 3:30 pm**

## St. Bonaventure's Pastoral Council



**Evangelization:** This is one of the major elements of the 7 areas a Pastoral Council considers. I believe that we need to see this as the under pinning of everything we do. The 'compelling spirit' of what we do here at St. Bonaventure's. It is so essential that every group, every committee should use this as a lens for their activities.

We Catholics are slow to appreciate or understand this word. Especially in regions where Catholicism is either a major denomination or long accepted one. Yet the most recent Popes are challenging us to a "New Evangelization". What does that mean?

Now you may have visions of knocking on people's doors like the Mormons or standing on street corners handing out bibles. That is not it. However, in my past experience and in fact the experience in the larger world, there are folks of different denominations who are not only quite willing but eager to share their faith. We see the vast inroads that Evangelicals have made in traditionally Catholic areas.

So what is a vision of evangelization? Put in the simplest terms, it is an enthusiasm and recognition of the gift of faith. One is so convinced that their faith gives them meaning and purpose in life. Because we have discovered the essentials of living, we are eager to share that Good News with others. You know, the same way we get excited and want to share a new recipe, or our attachment to some sports team. Or more simply put, by the joy we find in life, other's will want to know what is our secret. And then we are willing to share it.

If we could dream of what it could look like for our parish, it might be something like this. A people so rooted in their faith and excited about it that they are willing to share their faith story with others. Again, this is not done in a "hit someone over the head" approach, but springs from the joy that they have discovered and wish to share it with those around them. They would especially seek out the fallen away Catholics as well as those who have no faith affiliation. It would be normative for them to invite people to come to Mass or some other function at the parish. Do we dare dream this dream and make it a reality? ~ Friar David Stachurski

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