

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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Sacramental Preparation 2019-2020 at St. Bonaventure Parish

The following information meetings are for parishioners of St. Bonaventure's Church.

Preparation for Confirmation

In September 2015, the age when youth may begin to prepare for and celebrate Confirmation was lowered to age 12 in the Archdiocese of Toronto. If your child is baptized 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-Youth Confirmation Information Meetings held in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre to learn about the preparation process, registration, and celebration of Confirmation:

- **Sunday, October 6th, 1:15 to 2:30 pm,**
- or
- **Tuesday, October 8th, 7:00 to 8:15 pm**

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.

We have set aside the following photo session dates: **Oct 17, 18, 19 and November 19, 20 and 21.** More dates will be added once these dates are fully booked. We will have sign-up sheets at the back of church for each of these days. Appointment times are set for 30 minutes. You will be able to see your photos at the end of your session.

Some tips for a great photo: Please wear rich colours and dress for a full-length portrait...and remember to smile!

We need some volunteers to assist with this project. Please contact the Ministry Centre for more information, 416.447-5571.

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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.



September 29, 2019
Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time



The Feast of the Holy Archangels

As we celebrate St. Michael, the patron of the Archdiocese of Toronto, we remember also two other archangels: St. Gabriel and St. Raphael. In Hebrew, "El," which concludes each of the archangels' name is one of the names for God. Each of these archangels reflects some characteristic of God. Raphael guided the Old Testament Tobit on his journey to find medicine for his sick father; Raphael's name means "God heals" and reflects Divine Compassion. Gabriel instilled the courage to say yes in the frightened heart of Mary; Gabriel's name means "God is my strength" and mirrors the might of the Almighty. Michael, our Archdiocesan Patron, leads us in our struggle with pride that leads us to act as if we were gods; Michael's name means "Who is like God?" and reminds us to let God be God.

Like all the holy ones, Michael, Raphael and Gabriel invite us to turn to God and experience God's compassion in our brokenness, God's strength in our fears, and God's greatness in our littleness.

And Now, A Word from Our Patron Saint

Humans do not fear a powerful army as much as the powers of evil fear the name and protection of Mary.

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 **Teresa Krijgsman** at **416-444-4719**

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

Psalm 138~ In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Mass Intentions

Sept. 30	Monday	9:00 am	†Richard Goldsmith
Oct. 01	Tuesday	9:00 am	†Peter Glowczewski
Oct. 02	Wednesday	9:00 am	†Mary Di Gregorio
Oct. 03	Thursday	9:00 am	†Mary Carpenter
Oct. 04	Friday	9:00 am	Vocations †Charles Kelly †Margaret Sullivan †Bridget Calpin †Santana Dias †Elias 'Louie' Lovatsis †Rev. K. O'Keefe
Oct. 05	Saturday	5:00 pm	Thanksgiving Int. for Gisela VanSteen
Oct. 06	Sunday	8:30 am	Intentions of the Parishioners
		10:00 am	†Patrick Bernard Matthews
		12:00 pm	Chinwe Rosemary Osuji

Prayer Intentions:

Sanctuary Lamp: Personal Intentions

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, Mary Jane Coronado, Mabel Lim, Fernando DiBona, Pina Aristodemo, and Carol Marchant.

For the Deceased: Peter Domenic Lamantia and Margaret West Ough

Stewardship: A Way of Living

September 22nd, 2019 Offertory Collections

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection	\$ 8,470.45
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 2,926.00
Donate Now	\$ 328.00

Second Collections:

October 6 ~ St. Clare Inn

October 20 ~Evangelization of Nations

November 3 ~ Maintenance Fund

November 17 ~ Shepherds' Trust

Canadian Food for Children

On **October 5th and 6th weekend** we will be accepting donations of sugar to support the work of Dr. Simone.

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

This next month's deadline is **October 27th, 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**.

Celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Transitus Service. Thursday, October 3rd, 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 Assisi. Through song, scripture and accounts from the life of St. Francis, we remember this man who touched the lives of believers and non-believers throughout the centuries.

Feast of St. Francis. Friday, October 4th, 9:00 am Mass. Come and celebrate with us. Refreshments after mass in the Parish Hall.

Blessings of Animals. Sunday, October 6th, 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.

This Week in Our Parish Hall

Wednesday, October 2nd

1:30 pm	Life Story Writing-Gisela Cote/ Bonaventure Rm.
7:00 pm	Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room
7:00 pm	GRASP/Oak Room
7:00 pm	Society of St. Vincent de Paul-Toronto North Council Meeting/Main Hall

Thursday, October 3rd

7:00 pm	Transitus Service/Church
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting/Bonaventure Room

Friday, October 4th

9:30 am	St. Francis Feast Day Celebration/Main Hall
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Saturday, October 5th

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

Sunday, October 6th

1:15 pm	Sacrament of Confirmation Information Meeting (Parents + Youth)/Main Hall
2:00 pm	Blessing of Animals/Church Courtyard

News from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

On September 27, the Church celebrated the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, who knew that "God had sent him to bring good news to the poor." Together with your gifts, members of our Conference continue his work and mission in our parish and community.

Since August 23, 2019, through your gifts, our Conference was able to "bring good news" to the less fortunate, by assisting 16 families, providing \$1,120 in grocery gift cards as well as \$5,000 in support of the 23 homes/shelters managed by Toronto Central in the GTA. Thank you!

The **Knights of Columbus** will do **"The Roses for Life program"** again this year. This program is designed to increase awareness of the Culture of Life and pro-Life issues. **The Roses will be available next weekend, October 5th and 6th after all Masses.**

Community Life

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



Ministry with Maturing Adults invites a deepening awareness of the depths of our spiritual life as we grow into the fullness of our wisdom years. The program offers an exploration of relevant and thought-provoking topics led by a variety of presenters. All are welcome, please come and participate in this most satisfying program. We are pilgrims together!

Tuesday, October 8th at 9:30 to 11:30 am in the Francis Room. 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!

October 8 – Intergenerational Connections – for Action on Climate Change – How are we being called to act for Justice? - **Maureen McDonnell.**

October 22 – "Supportive Communication" presentation with **Nicole Gardner**, Public Education Coordinator, **Alzheimer's Society of Toronto**

For more information please contact Maureen McDonnell, maureen@st-bonaventure.ca

Theology and Tea

The next T&T will be **Thursday, October 10th and October 31st 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.

The Flea Market, a yearly fundraising event of the St. Bonaventure Catholic Women's League which supports various charities, will be on **October 26th 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 24th and Friday, October 25th 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

In a mosaic, every tile is essential if the picture is to be complete. Every person in our community of St. Bonaventure is essential if our picture as the Body of Christ is to be complete. So, I hope you'll take part in the preparation of a parish photo album. A Who's Who of our community. Here are the details.

Your photo session will last approximately 30 minutes. The photos are taken digitally and are available for viewing at the end of your session. You will receive a free 8 x 10 and a copy of the parish photo album. You can buy a photo package if you wish but there is no obligation to do so. Check the back of the bulletin and posters for the sign-up dates. I encourage you to get your picture taken. Families are welcome!

Our celebration of the Liturgy at St. Bonaventure is vibrant, reverent and orderly. To further those characteristics, I want to implement one of the directives from the Roman Missal, the liturgical book of our Catholic faith. It says: "Sacred silence is a part of the celebration of the Liturgy and is to be observed at designated times. After Communion (the Assembly-congregation) keeps a time of silence as the people praise God in their hearts and pray to Him."

Silence includes not only silence of words but also silence of movement. To insure a time of silence after Communion for internal praise and prayer, when we have a second collection, the ushers will take up that second collection immediately after the first collection.

I hope that by implementing this aspect of silence into the Communion Rite we will have a moment to enjoy the Lord's Eucharistic Presence more deeply.

Fr. Dennis

Vocation Seeds – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

But if only someone would go to them. Pray for those who are called to 'run the race' as priests, sisters, deacons or brothers. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, visit www.vocationtoronto.ca; www.franciscans.org or speak with one of the friars.

