

### Ministry Centre Hours

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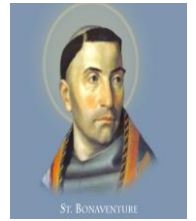
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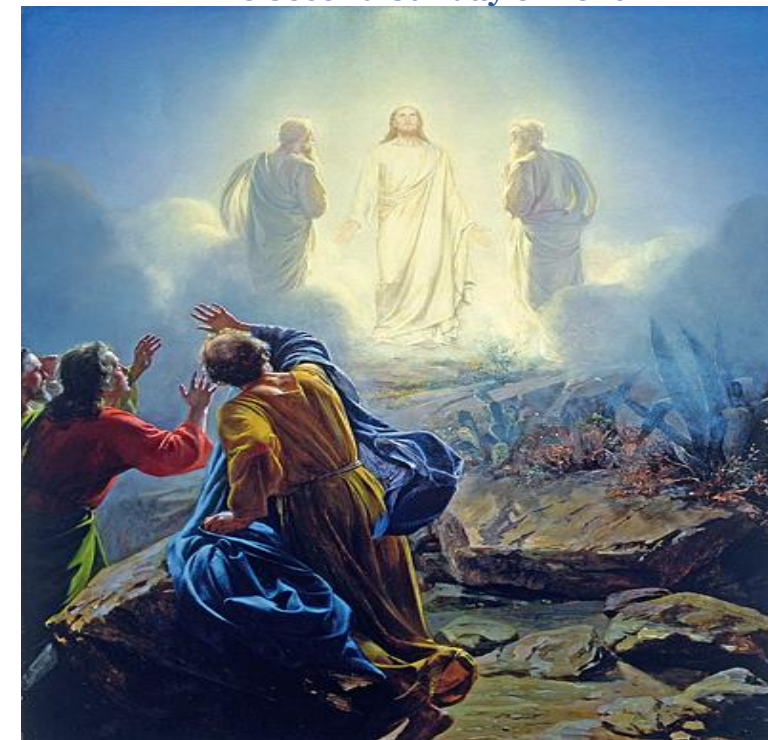


YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. BONAVENTURE

**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.*



February 25, 2018  
The Second Sunday of Lent



The Transfiguration by Carl Bloch

*A central focus of our Lent journey is dealing with the tension between life and death. Like the disciples at the Transfiguration, we too try to reconcile death with the glory of God. We often ask what this 'rising from death' means.*

*But eventually for Jesus and for each one of us as baptized Christians, 'rising from death' means passing from this life to the next, to eternal joy in the nearer presence of God. It is this dying and rising again that we celebrate at every baptism, each confession, and every time we gather around the altar to receive Christ at Mass.*

*Like Transfiguration, Holy Eucharist draws us into the Paschal Mystery. As we receive anew the blessed and broken body of Christ, let us resolve to live into this mystery of the mercy of God.*

*Beverly Illauq, Kemptville, ON*

**Weekday Liturgy: Monday to Friday, 9 am**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4 pm**

**Sunday Liturgy: Saturday, Vigil, 5 pm  
Sunday, 8:30 am, 10 am, 12 noon**

**Stations of the Cross: 9:30 am - every Friday in Lent**

Join our Parish: Pick-up a registration form at 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 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 [frfarmsteed2015@gmail.com](mailto:frfarmsteed2015@gmail.com)

**Prayer Network:** Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact Sr. Adua Zampese at 647-343-1340

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



**Psalm 116: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.**

**Mass Intentions**

Feb. 26 Monday 9:00 am †Chuk Wang Chan  
Feb. 27 Tuesday 9:00 am †Joseph Fotyi  
Feb. 28 Wednesday 9:00 am †Anna Meyer  
Mar. 1 Thursday 9:00 am †Peter Glowczewski  
Mar. 2 Friday 9:00 am Vocations  
Terry and Colleen O'Connor  
Krista Zupan  
Irene and Terry Wolff  
Cecilia Look-Hong  
Mar. 3 Saturday 5:00 pm †Mackie Ortega  
Mar. 4 Sunday 8:30 am Int. of the Parishioners  
10:00 am †Anna Meyer  
12:00 pm †Antony Fredric Cranston

**Prayer Intentions**

Sanctuary Lamp 1: †Peter Glowczewski  
Sanctuary Lamp 2: †Joza Jani  
Vigil Lamp: Chua Family  
For the Sick: Weston Druery, Frankie Horgan, Sigrid Ades, Emily Chan, Keith David, Dorothy Lord, Roger Payette, Mary Digregorio, Cathy Valenti, Teresita Peiris, Vivienne Brown, Lucy DiBona, Raymond Fung, Pat O'Connor, Patricia DiBona, Michael Morra and Fr. George D'Souza  
For the Deceased: James Shortt

**Stewardship: A Way of Living  
February 18 Offertory Collection**

Thank you for your generous donations.  
Regular Collection: \$ 9542  
Pre-Authorized Giving: \$ 2,926  
Donate Now: \$ 328

**Second Collection:**

March 11 – **Flowers for Easter Offering**

**ShareLife Sunday Collections:**

March 18 – **First Offering**  
April 22 – **Second Offering**  
May 27 – **Third Offering**

**Living the Gospel through ShareLife**

Second Sunday of Lent – February 25  
**Living the Gospel by supporting vocations**  
“Living and studying at St. Augustine Seminary has brought untold blessings to my life,” shares Matthew Gunnarson, one of 80 seminarians undergoing formation at the joint campus of St. Augustine’s Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Seminary. He adds, “The seminary could not run without the generous support of ShareLife donors.” By Supporting ShareLife, you are helping our future priests follow God’s call.

**March 18 is ShareLife Sunday  
Please give generously**

**This Week in Our Parish**

**Monday, February 26**

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

**Tuesday, February 27**

9:30 am Ministry with Maturing Adults-Living out Spirituality in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Half of Life/Francis Room  
7:00 pm Bible Study/ Bonaventure Room

**Wednesday, February 28**

7:00 pm Catholicism-Documentary Film Series/Main Hall  
7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room  
7:00 pm Grasp/Oak Room

**Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**

9:30 am Theology and Tea/Francis Room  
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus-Officers Meeting/Oak Rm.

**Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

11:00 am CWL – World Day of Prayer Reception/Main Hall  
9:30 am Christian Meditation Group/Oak Room  
9:30 am Al-Anon Group/Bonaventure Room  
2:00 pm Sacramental Preparation- First Holy Communion-Group C/Main Hall

**Second Sunday of Lent**

*The Assurance of Faith*

Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” (Mark 9:5)

**Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18** – The testing of Abraham

**Romans 8:31b-34** – God’s love for humanity

**Mark 9:2-10** – Jesus transfigured

**Adults:** How deeply do you believe that since God is for you, no one can destroy you?

**Kids:** What would you like to ask God to do for you and your family?

**Celebrate Your Marriage with a Worldwide**

**Marriage Encounter Weekend!** March 2- 4, 2018

(Four Points by Sheraton, Argentia Rd., Mississauga)

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! The weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. For more information contact Gerard & Marge McCauley at [gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:gerard.marge@rogers.com); [www.wvme.org](http://www.wvme.org) or 905-792-1925.

**World Day of Prayer**

*Saturday, March 3 at 10:00 am, St. Bonaventure Church.*

We are hosting this year’s Ecumenical Prayer service, written by ladies of Suriname. Please come and join us for the service, followed by a social in the Parish Main Hall.

**Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre**

The deadline for next month’s casseroles is **Sunday, March 25th**. If you can spare some time to make a casserole each month, contact **Eva Trace at 416-447-3040**.



**2018 Call for Conscience campaign**

Sign-Up Sundays! February 24/25 & March 3/4. We Need Your Help! Cardinal Collins and bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address from every Catholic family in their community, with a goal of 100,000 email addresses collected by the end of February 2018. This information will be used locally by Cardinal Collins and trusted faith partners to communicate periodically (approximately 6-8 times each year) on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community. The first campaign of 2018 is the Call for Conscience, inviting our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPP’s) and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faith based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide. There are two ways that you can sign-up. Online at <http://bit.ly/SignUpSundayRegistration> or by filling out a sign-up sheet at the back of the church this weekend or next weekend.

**Ministry with Maturing Adults**

**Living out Spirituality in the Second Half of Life**

Tuesday Mornings Coffee and Treats 9:30-11:30 am in the Francis Room

All are Welcome! St. Bonaventure’s Parish, 1300 Leslie St. **February 27 ~ Understanding Islam-Being in dialogue with neighbours.** Guest Presenter:

Khadijah Kanji, Noor Cultural Centre

There is no monetary cost for this program. For more information [maureen@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:maureen@st-bonaventure.ca) or 416-447-5571 Ext. 550



**Week two – February 25**

*Building cultural and religious tolerance in Lebanon*

During this second week of Share Lent, we focus on the organization Adyan, a Development and Peace partner that contributes to peace in the Middle East by fostering cultural and religious tolerance. Adyan offers a wide range of programs, including conferences, training sessions, and workshops on peace, reconciliation, and coexistence.

In this part of the world wounded by past and present wars, Adyan’s work is essential and your support is indispensable to them. “At Adyan, we promote spiritual solidarity, which means integrating the other into my thoughts and prayers. I must integrate the suffering of others and understand it.” - Nayla Tabbara, Director of the Institute of Citizenship and Diversity Management at Adyan.

**Community Life**



**Catholicism** is a groundbreaking Documentary Film Series created and hosted by **Bishop Robert Barron**. Our next video is on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the St. Bonaventure Church Main hall. All are welcome!

**February 28 – A Vast Company of Witness – The Communion of Saints**

Bishop Barron gives consideration of some of the Church’s greatest heroes, and demonstrates how their extraordinary examples display both the passion and creative potential of the Catholic Church.

**Theology and tea**

Next T & T will be on **Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>** after the 9:00 am Mass, and alternating Thursdays thereafter (except Holy Thursday). The sessions are open to all parishioners and their friends.

**Canadian Food for Children**

On **March 3rd and 4th** weekend we will be accepting donations of **oil** to support the work of Dr. Simone.

**2018 Lift Jesus Higher Rally**

*Saturday, March 3- 9:00 am to 5:30 pm, Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. West*

The theme of this year’s rally is “Fire on the Earth” (Luke 12:49). Featuring: inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote speaker Patti Mansfield. An adult High Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins; a youth Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Bishop Scott McCaig. A separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits. Cost: \$25 for adults; \$15 for youth. Contact: Catholic Renewal Ministries at 416-251-4255 or 905-270-2510; Email: [info@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca](mailto:info@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca); Website: [www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca](http://www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca)

**Silent Retreat for Men**

Friday, March 16, 2018 7:00 pm to Sunday, March 18, 2018 1:00 pm Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent retreat in the Jesuit tradition. Fr. Michael Knox, SJ, will facilitate the retreat, “Heroic Christian Leaders for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century” for men. **Cost:** Suggested offering \$185 per person. This includes accommodation, meals, programs and spiritual direction.

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