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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

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*Third Sunday of Lent
February 28, 2016*



*Lord, you are truly the Saviour
of the world; give me living
water, that I may never be
thirsty.
~ John 4.42, 15 ~*

Lenten Schedule

Lenten Series - "Having Mercy"

Wednesday evenings 7 - 8 pm, Main Hall
February 24, March 2, 9, 16, 23

Join us for a five week series for youth and adults.
Find a pathway to understand and live Mercy more
fully. The sessions will be filled with rich examples,
Scriptures, and questions for discussion and
sharing. For information contact Greg Beath.

Stations of the Cross

9:30 am on the Fridays of Lent.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Feb. 29	9:00 am	Thanksgiving
Tues. Mar. 01	9:00 am	†Peter Glowezewski
Wed. Mar. 02	9:00 am	†Josephine Giuffre
Thurs. Mar. 03	9:00 am	Conor Wilson
Fri. Mar. 04	9:00 am	Mike Abbi Sicat
Sat. Mar. 05	9:00 am	Memot Palma Manguiat
		†Joseph (Joe) Parisi
		†Ulisses Ramlheiro
		†Nicholas Fraumeni
		†Alan Dilworth
		†Mary Murray
		†Olga Laporte
Sat. Mar. 05	5:00 pm	†Roberto Santos
Sun. Mar. 06	8:30 am	Hugh Canning (father and son)
	10:00 am	Parishioners
	12:00 pm	†Leandro De Los Santos

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sanctuary Lamp: Wes Ong
Vigil Lamp: †Peter Glowezewski
For the Sick: Deacon Sal Badali, Jim Small,
Lois Walsh, Gerry Downey,
Leonel & Judith Alvarez

Gluten Free Hosts: Come to the sacristy before
mass to arrange.

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:
Sr. Adua at 647-343-1340

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

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, February 29

7:00 pm First Communion Meeting/Francis Room
7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice/Church

Tuesday, March 01

7:00 pm First Communion Meeting/Main Hall
7:30 pm Bible Study Group/Oak Room

Wednesday, March 02

6:30 pm GRASP Group/Oak Room
7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous/Francis Room
7:00 pm Lenten Series-Having Mercy/Main Hall
7:30 pm Family Choir Practice/Church

Saturday, March 05

9:30 am Christian Meditation/Oak Room
9:30 am Al Anon Group/Bonaventure Room
1:00 pm First Communion/Main Hall

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

*For years I felt that Eucharistic ministers were
special people worthy of that ministry in the
church and could not see myself (full of faults and
questions) being one of them. Until one day I had
this urge to apply. I believe the Lord was pushing
me to participate more actively in the life of St.
Bonaventure. It has been now four years. I feel
very blessed for serving the church in this manner
and a greater communion with my fellow ministers
and all that come to receive Christ's Body and
Blood.*

These are the words of one of the regular
Eucharistic ministers. She, and all her fellow
ministers, have made and continue to make a
wonderful contribution to St. Bonaventure's parish
community.

We are currently in need of additional Eucharistic
ministers at all masses and invite parishioners to
consider this ministry of service to our community.
For more information call Carole Clune at 416-445-
5713.

If you would like to join us, please contact Fr.
David Stachurski at 416-447-5571 to arrange a short
interview.

Won't you consider joining us as simple travelers on
the journey? Sainthood is not a requirement.

WORKS OF MERCY

The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy are
actions we can perform that extend God's
compassion and mercy to those in need.

Corporal Works of Mercy are these kind acts by
which we help our neighbors with their material and
physical needs;

*feed the hungry
give drink to the thirsty
clothe the naked
shelter the homeless
visit the sick
visit the imprisoned
bury the dead*

Spiritual Works of Mercy are acts of compassion,
as listed below, by which we help our neighbors
with their emotional and spiritual needs;

*counsel the doubtful
instruct the ignorant
admonish sinners
comfort the afflicted
forgive offenses
bear wrongs patiently
pray for the living and the dead*

STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIVING

February 21 Offertory Collection

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection: \$8,855

Donate Now: \$449

Pre-Authorized Giving: \$3,175

Second Collection

Sunday, March 6- Flowers For Easter Offering

ShareLife Sunday - March 13, 2016

Working wonders for those in our community...

"At Mary Centre, the residents of our homes have developed friendships, yet they maintain their own individuality," says Denise Tremblett, Program Manager, "Although some of their relatives may have passed on, they love to remain active with healthy recreational activities and visiting regularly with the rest of their friends and family members. We enjoy cooking and providing for them so they can remain at home here and enjoy their lives. We are extremely grateful that ShareLife donors have helped to make a difference for these very special people!" last year, over 1,500 people with special needs received outreach services from ShareLife-supported agencies.

Sunday March 13, 2016 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously. You can work wonders!

COMMUNITY LIFE

News from the St. Vincent de Paul Society

Lent is a time for reconsidering our feelings, for letting our eyes be opened to injustice, to open our hearts to those suffering. ~ Pope Francis

We have a request from a mother whose coat was stolen for a knee length winter coat, size 12 or medium. We also need size 3 winter boots for her daughter. Her current boots have been worn through and are leaking. If you have a suitable coat and/or boots that you no longer need, please call Jack or Judy at 416-390-9495.

Ministry with Maturing Adults

Tuesday mornings 10:00 am, Francis Room
March 15 & 22.

Spiritual Growth in the Second Half of Life.
Topics: Caregiving, Walking by Faith, Our Life Story, Growth in Wisdom, Prayer and A Lifelong Mission. Facilitator: Sister Mary Rose Marrin, CSJ

Maturing Adults Town Hall Meeting

Tuesday, March 8, 9:30 am - Bonaventure Room
"Town-Hall Meeting" for those interested in helping plan for the future of Ministry with Maturing Adults at St. Bonaventure Parish.

SCRIPTURE SHARING, TUES EVENINGS, 7:30PM

An opportunity to share faith & life experience.

Community-Building Lunch

March 29, 12 noon, Main Hall

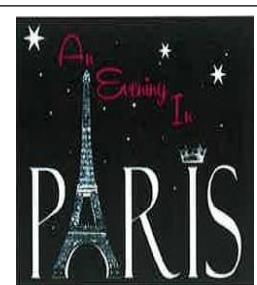
Ministry with Maturing Adults participants are holding a community-building lunch. The guest speaker is Mary Perry-White, Maturing Adult Minister at St. Mary's Parish, Barrie ON. Tickets are \$20 and will be sold after the Masses on March 5-6 and March 12-13. All are welcome.

Canadian Food For Children

March 5th and 6th weekend we will be accepting donations of oil to support the work of Dr. Simone.

Workshop on the Art of Discernment

March 5th, Saturday, 9:00 am, Loretto College
'A day to reflect on making choices in life' workshop presented by a team of men and women religious and a married couple; on March 5, 2016, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm at Loretto College, 70 St. Mary Street (south of Bay/Bloor Subway). Suggested donation is \$25. To register or for more information contact: Frances Harrison-Atell, fharrison-atell@csj-to.ca or 416-467-8070 ext.2691



An Evening in Paris

Saturday, April 16, Donalda Club
Tickets \$80/each
Call 416-690-0330 or online at www.stclareinn.org

St. Clare Inn's Annual Fundraiser is back! Stroll the streets of Paris, take your picture with the Eiffel Tower, snack on great Parisian fare and bid at the live & silent auction...all for a great cause. Come and join us!

St. Bonaventure Baseball

Registration is open until March 11. Registration forms are online and at the Ministry Centre. We are in need of adult volunteers to serve as coaches and conveners. For more information, contact: marieferguson@rogers.com



YEAR OF MERCY - LENTEN JOURNEY - WEEK 3

Scripture for the week:

My sacrifice, O God, is a contrite spirit; a heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not spurn. Psalm 51:19

Reflection:

We begin Lent with really good intentions by making resolutions. If those resolutions have fallen by the wayside, we may be feeling badly because we all want to be faithful in following Christ on our Lenten journey. Perhaps we come to near the middle of Lent with the feeling that we have empty hands.

Have we done everything perfectly that we set out to do? Perhaps not

Have we been as kind and merciful as we intended to be? Again, maybe not.

Have we appreciated our own soul and the souls of our neighbours as God calls us to? Sadly not.

Have we been faithful to quiet time for prayer that we may hear the voice of God within us? Not really. So busy!

God tells us not to worry and holds out his hand to our discouraged and humble hearts

A Time to Pause:

Let us take a moment to renew our intention to be instruments of God's Love and Mercy in our world this Lent. Weak though our efforts may be, they are precious in the sight of God. Let us rely on God who enlightens our hearts and gives joy to our spirit. Like the apostles, let us recognize the risen Christ among us and let our hearts be filled with Joy in the wonder of the Lord's presence within us.

During this Lent God listens deeply to our stories of human frailty, our works of human kindness and our desire to be people of humble and contrite hearts. At the same time, he encourages all his followers to be deliberate in searching for what will enhance the relationship of Love that flows between God, ourselves and our neighbour.

Let us gently renew our faith in God who can take what little we have to give and multiply it.

Prayer of Mercy: Response: Make me Merciful O Lord.

Help me, O Lord that I may hold others up to you in prayer... R
Help me, O Lord, that my hands may be merciful in serving another...R

Help me, O Lord, that my voice may be merciful in giving encouragement to another...R

Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful in comforting the lonely....R

Help me, O Lord in forgiving those who have hurt or betrayed me...R

Help me, O Lord in asking forgiveness from ones I have hurt...R
Help me, O Lord in opening the Door of my Heart to you ...R

May this week of Lent be very life-giving, to all of us, as we continue to open the Door of our Hearts to our God who wants only to love and companion us on our journey with Him.

*I love those who love me,
And those who seek me diligently find me...Proverbs 8:17*

My God within me, I adore You.

Patricia Moore, Spiritual Development sub-committee member.
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