

Regular 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: 2:00 pm to 6:30 pm
Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

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Week Day 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

**St. Bonaventure Catholic School
Kindergarten Registration**
St. Bonaventure Catholic School provides opportunities for spiritual and academic growth through a diverse range of programs and services designed to meet the needs of each learner.

We invite parents to register their children for Junior Kindergarten beginning January 15th, 2020 at 10:00 am. For parents who are not available during the regular school day, we are hosting after school hours, please call the school for appointment. Registration for September 2020 all children born in 2016 are eligible to attend kindergarten.

Parents can complete their application online beginning at 10:00 am on January 15, 2020, at SOAR.tcdsb.org

Please contact the school for detailed information at 416-393-5263 or for more information call 416-222-8282 ext. 5320 or visit www.tcdsb.org/kindergartenregistration

**The Needlework Guild of Canada
Toronto Branch**
Would You Share Your Handiwork with those in need?

The Needlework Guild began in Dorset, England in 1882 as a response to the needs of children orphaned by mining disasters in Wales. The group later spread to North America as well as around Britain. There the name has become the Queen Mother's Clothing Guild, but the original name has been retained in North America.

The Toronto Branch is a registered charity that has been providing new clothing to the needy through front line social agencies since 1892. Our financial base is derived solely from members and monetary donations from other charities, corporations, service clubs, foundations, bequests and memorials.

For more information visit our website:
www.needleworkguildofcanadatoronto.com

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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.

January 19, 2020
The Second Sunday of Ordinary Time



The Sin of the World

In Today's Gospel, John sees Jesus and exclaims: "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" He doesn't say "the sins of the world;" he uses the singular: "the sin of the world".

We all sin, and we sin in different ways and at different times. We can speak of "sins", but all our sins are of a piece: they are different manifestations of our sinfulness. The liturgy alternates between these two perspectives, acknowledging that "you take away the sin of the world" (Glory to God) and also that "you take away the sins of the world" (Lamb of God). The recently developed concept of social sin is an attempt to articulate the sinfulness of humankind. It isn't just that we do wrong things: the fact is that we are basically "off center." It is our "original" sin that matters most, our fundamental option for ourselves over and above God.

The wonder of Jesus is that he takes away not only the sins but also the sin. He fills us with the Spirit of sinlessness, who will "make us one in peace and love"

Vatican II, **Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, 1965:25**
Now published in book form, *To Love and Serve: Lectionary Based Meditation*, by Gerald Darring

And Now, A Word from Our Patron Saint

Even if you feel lukewarm in spirit, draw near to Jesus with confidence.

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.

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

Religious Life: Discerning a call to the consecrated religious life please see one of the friars.

Spiritual Direction: Contact **Friar Mark** at friarmsted2015@gmail.com

Prayer Network: Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. For prayer request contact **Maureen Talley** at 416-423-3510.

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

Psalm 40~ Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

Mass Intentions

Jan. 20 Monday 9:00 am Students, Teachers and Staff
(Mass with school children)
Jan. 21 Tuesday 9:00 am †Mary Margaret Badali
Jan. 22 Wednesday 9:00 am †Jennifer Khayat
Jan. 23 Thursday 9:00 am †Martin Vandersteen
Jan. 24 Friday 9:00 am †Francis Jones
†Ron Woods
†Joseph O'Neil
†Rita Lennon
†Mary DiGregorio
†Joanna Chang
†Eriko Yamaguchi
Jan. 25 Saturday 5:00 pm †Gloria Odette
Jan. 26 Sunday 8:30 am †Gervais Lewis
10:00 am †Colette Payette
12:00 pm Matthew and Maria Tan

Prayer Intentions:

Sanctuary Lamp: Personal Intentions
Vigil Lamp: Matthew and Maria Tan
For the Sick: Anita Baker, Nirmalee De Silva, Yuk Ling, Michael Morra, Ebherhardt Leithner, Sean Morra, Michelenia Oakes, Margaret Fernando, Margaret Wood, Alfonz Pavli, Raymund Fung, Dorothy Lord, Neil McDonald, Jurie Cuapero Marcos, and Denise Baranecki
For the Deceased: Frank Szauer, Mary Richardson, Sam Agu and Mary Tinmouth

**Stewardship: A Way of Living
January 12, 2020 Offertory Collections**

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection \$ **6,057.95**
Pre-Authorized Giving \$ **2,926.00**
Donate Now \$ **328.00**

Special Collection:

February 2nd, 2020 ~ Maintenance Fund

Secular Franciscan Meeting

The Secular Franciscan meeting will be Monday, January 20, 2020 at 7:00 pm, Francis Room.

Theology and Tea

The next T&T will be Thursday, January 23rd, 2020 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.

This Week in Our Parish Hall

Monday, January 20
6:30 pm Sparks & Brownies/Main Hall
7:00 pm Secular Franciscans/Francis Room
Tuesday, January 21
7:00 pm Bible Study Group/Oak Room
7:00 pm Sacramental Preparation- First Holy Communion- Group A Session/Main Hall
Wednesday, January 22
7:00 pm Sacramental Preparation-First Holy Communion- Group B Session/Main Hall
7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room
7:00 pm GRASP/Oak Room
Thursday, January 23
9:30 am Theology and Tea/Francis Room
Saturday, January 25
9:30 am Al Anon/Bonaventure Room
9:30 am Christian Meditation Group/Oak Room
2:00 pm Sacramental Preparation-First Holy Communion- Group C Session/Main Hall
Sunday, January 26
1:00 pm CWL General Meeting

News from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel after Jesus was baptized, John the Baptist testified saying, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove and remain on him."
As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's Spirit of love to those in need. Thank you for your continuing support and generosity. For assistance, please call **416-447-5571, Ext 570.**

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

This month's deadline is **January 26, 2020.** 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.**

Thank You!

Today, someone hungry and homeless will knock on the doors of Good Shepherd Ministries. And thanks to you, they will get a warm welcome and hot meal. Thank you for making casseroles. May 2020 be healthy and happy for you..... from **Good Shepherd Ministries**

Dear Friends at St. Bonaventure. Thank you for your generosity and support of **Community Share Food Bank** through your donations of \$870 in gift cards through the 'Giving Tree' Programme. We are grateful not just your monetary and food donations, but also for the volunteer hours so many of you give. We could not do our work without you.

Knights of Columbus – 2020 Ontario Charities Lottery Tickets are now available at the Parish office. Tickets are \$5.00 each with 500 prizes available to be won. The proceeds go to support the Ontario Special Olympics, Arthritis Society and Local Charities in our Community. See the bulletin board at the back of the church for more information or at the Parish Office.

Community Life

**Nurturing our Spirituality
in the Second Half of Life
Seeking a More Contemplative Way of Life**



2020 Winter Programme

**Tuesday Mornings; Coffee & Treats 9:30 to 11:45 am
Dates and Programme Topics:**

- January 28** ~ What are some Meditation/Contemplative practices for deepening our relationship with the Divine? By Maureen McDonnell
- February 11** ~ An Artistic and Spiritual Pilgrimage with Henri Nouwen – By Katharine Lochnan
- March 03** ~ Contemplating the wisdom of Sr. Nuala Kenny – By Maureen McDonnell
- March 10** ~ Exploring obstacles to and challenges in maintaining a contemplative practice in everyday life. By Odilie Gaudet and Maureen McDonnell (Spiritual Directors and Retreat Facilitators)
- March 31** ~ Understanding the Contemplative Dimension of Christianity. By Kathy Murta, interfaith facilitator at the Loretto Mary Ward Centre
- April 21** ~ Orfe Eco-Art: Join our Journey of Discovery. By Orfe Millan
Orfe strives to teach children and adults love for our beautiful planet and to create, through different artistic techniques and the use of recycled materials, magical and wonderful world, as they explore and discover the potential of their creativity.
- May 12** ~ Franciscan Contemplative Tradition – Br. Ignatius Feaver, O.F.C., Cap. And luncheon – A Celebration of Community

There is no monetary cost for this program. For more information: Maureen@st-bonaventure.ca or call Maureen McDonnell at 416-447-5571 Ext 550

And Now, A Word from Our Pastor

Next Saturday, January 25, is the day that Christians remember how St. Paul was converted from persecutor to believer. Paul experienced Jesus Christ alive and present to him. The lord said to Paul, simply: "I am Jesus."

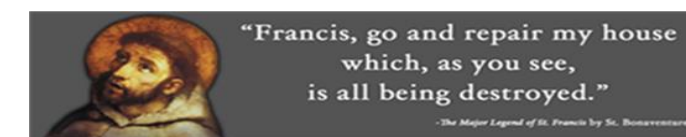
Paul is the author of almost one half of the 27 books of the New Testament. His writings give us a wealth of teaching about things theological (like: Who is Jesus), things liturgical (like how early believers celebrated Word and Eucharist) and things pastoral (like how early communities were organized for worship and service). Where did Paul get all of this? – From experience.

First of all, from Paul's experience of Jesus Christ alive and present in his life. Second, from Paul's experience of Jesus Christ alive and present in the many communities Paul founded or visited.

Maybe that's the most important thing Paul has to teach us: We, too, encounter Jesus Christ alive and present in our lives in the Word and Eucharist of our worship. We, too, encounter Jesus Christ alive and present in one another in our community of St. Bonaventure. In both experiences the Lord reveals Himself to us and speaks to us He spoke to Paul saying: "I am Jesus."

Congratulations to
Helen and Lawrence Noronha
George and Joyce DeGannes
Who recently celebrated 70 years of sharing the
Sacrament of Marriage.

Please pray for the 61 children who begin to prepare for First Communion this week. May God bless them, their parents, and catechists as they make this journey to the Lord's Table.



'Vocation Seeds'

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 19, 2020
St. Paul tells us that we have been sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people. Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? visit www.franciscans.org; www.vocationtoronto.ca or speak with one of the friars.

