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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: 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

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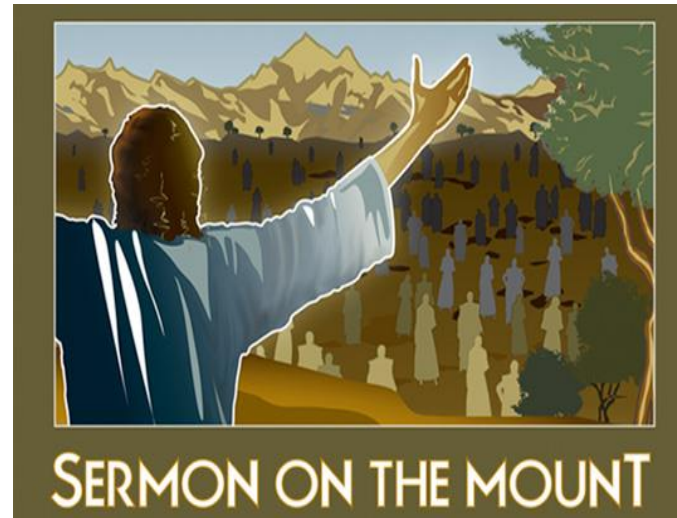
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**JANUARY 29, 2017**

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**GOD CHALLENGES US TO RECOGNIZE THAT  
GOD-IN-US WILL LEAD TO GREAT THINGS. THE  
BEATITUDES SHOWS THE WORLD A NEW WAY TO  
LIVE, ONE ROOTED IN CHRIST. GOD'S LOVE FOR  
US COMPELS HIM TO SHARE HIS DIVINE NATURE  
WITH US THROUGH CHRIST. DOES HE INVITE  
US? EVERY DAY. LET US SAY, YES!**

**REJOICE THEN, THAT JESUS CAN USE US TO  
TEACH THE STRONG AND, AT TIMES, HUMBLE  
THEM. EVEN IN THIS, NO ONE CAN BOAST,  
BECAUSE WE ALL SHARE THE SAME SELF-  
GLORIFYING HUMAN NATURE. WE ARE ONLY  
OUR BEST SELVES WHEN GOD'S DIVINE NATURE  
IS AT WORK IN US. THERE IS NO GLORY FOR US  
WHEN LIVING THE BEATITUDES. ALL GLORY  
BELONGS TO GOD.**

~ JOHANNE BROWNRIGG, ORLEANS, ON.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon. Jan. 30 9:00 am Mildred Brown  
Tues. Jan. 31 9:00 am †Jacinto 'Jogy' Mantaring  
Wed. Feb. 1 9:00 am †Eva Ferradas  
Thurs. Feb. 2 9:00 am Personal Intentions of  
H. Rodrigues  
Fri. Feb. 3 9:00 am †Mrs. Paulette Bourgault  
Sat. Feb. 4 9:00 am Vocations  
†Cita Santos  
†Amparo Restrepo  
†Maddie Guitard  
†Dianne Agius  
†Ronan Garvey  
†Hilario Justo  
†Elizabeth Brooks  
†Conception P. D'Costa  
†Joan Mackey  
Sat. Feb. 4 5:00 pm Fernando Family  
Sun. Feb. 5 8:30 am Rheta & Anthony Chen  
10:00 am Parishioners  
12:00 pm †Cora Alabastro-Palma

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Sanctuary Lamp:** Edward Quinto  
**For the Sick:** Gord Roberts, Peter Holloway,  
Kay Corner, Linda Nasturzio,  
Eileen Velazquez, Martin  
Young, Geraldine Daly and  
Dorothy Lord  
**For the Deceased:** Mollie Lavelle and  
Gervais Lewis



**Psalm 146**

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

**Baptism:** One Sunday every other month. Request forms are on the website and at the Ministry Centre.

**Marriage:** The bride or groom must be a registered member of our parish. Contact the Ministry Centre at least one year before the date you would like to be married.

**Anointing of the Sick:** The sacrament can be received after any Mass or by appointment.

**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 Joan Pape at 416-444-6981

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

**This Week in Our Parish**

*Monday, January 30*

6:30 pm Sparks/Bonaventure Room  
6:30 pm Brownies/Francis Room  
7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice/ in the Church  
*Tuesday, January 31*

7:00 pm Bible Study Group/Bonaventure Room  
*Wednesday, February 1*

6:30 pm GRASP Group/Oak Room  
7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous/Francis Room  
7:30 pm Family Choir Practice/in the Church  
*Saturday, February 4*  
9:30 am Christian Meditation/Oak Room  
9:30 am Al Anon Group/Bonaventure Room

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Blessed are we**

Reading I Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13  
(promise for Jerusalem)  
Reading II 1 Corinthians 1:26-31  
(paradox of God's choice)  
Gospel Matthew 5:1-12 (the beatitudes)

*Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. (Matthew 5:11-12)*

**Questions of the Week:**

**Adult:** When you heard the Beatitudes announced today, which one struck you most strongly?

**Child:** Who is welcome in the reign of God? Who would you like to tell about the reign of God?

## STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIVING

### January 22 Offertory Collection

Thank you for your generous donations.

Initial Offering: \$96

Regular Collection: \$7,655.30

Donate Now: \$328

Pre-Authorized Giving: \$2,906

### Second Collection

There will be a second collection on **February 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> weekend** for the Maintenance Fund Offering.

## COMMUNITY LIFE

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

Consider this: *Our Lives are the only scriptures some people will ever read. For many, we are the only edition of the Bible.*

Watch your thoughts; they become words.

Watch your words; they become actions.

Watch your actions; they become habits.

Watch your habits; they become character.

Watch your character; it becomes your destiny.

~ Philip Chircop, SJ

### Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

The deadline for this month casseroles is **Sunday, February 26, 2017**. If you can spare a few hours, contact **Eva Trace at 416.447.3040**.

### Knights of Columbus 2017 Charities Lottery

The Knights of Columbus is selling the 2017 Charities Lottery Tickets in support of the Special Olympics and the Arthritis Society. 500 prizes valued at over \$500,000 including a Grand Prize of \$200,000. Tickets are available for sale at the Ministry Centre.

### Canadian Food for Children

On **February 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> weekend** we will be accepting donations of **salt** to support the work of Dr. Simone.

### World Day of the Sick

#### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

**Saturday, February 11, 5 pm.**

During mass we will offer the sacrament to all who are seriously ill, elderly or anticipating surgery. Through this celebration those who receive the sacrament are surrounded and supported by the prayers of Jesus and the Christian community. Through this sacrament we continue the healing ministry of Jesus.

### Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) Training

The parish has purchased two units for the Church and Parish Centre. If you are interested in attending the training session, please call the office at 416-447-5571.

### Marriage Sunday 2017

St. Bonaventure Parish is celebrating the Marriage Sunday on the weekend of February 11 and 12. There will be a blessing of couples married in a Catholic Church after the Communion.

### Spiritual Growth in the Second Half of Life

Dates and Programme Topics

**February 14:** Images of God and images of Aging- How are these connected in me?

**February 21:** Aging and Wisdom: What qualities do you look for in a wise person?

**March 7:** Aging Well: Generativity  
An essential dimension to successful aging; What is my legacy?

**April 4:** Be well, Be Wise and Be Holy;  
Spirituality of Aging Savouring the Fruits of Awareness, Reflection and Action

To register call **416-447-5571 Ext. 550** or email at [maureen@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:maureen@st-bonaventure.ca)

### World Day for Consecrated Life

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on **Thursday, February 2, 2017** and in parishes on the **weekend of January 28/29, 2017**. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

All are welcome to come to a special **Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick, Sunday, January 29 at 3:00 pm at St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto** to celebrate with and pray for these men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

*"The consecrated are men and women who can awaken the world. Consecrated life is prophecy. God asks us to fly the nest and to be sent to the frontiers of the world, avoiding the temptation to 'domesticate' them. This is the most concrete way of imitating the Lord"*

~ Pope Francis ~

### 2017 St. Bonaventure Baseball Season

St. Bonaventure Baseball League has been around for over 55 years and is still a vibrant part of the Parish Life. We are looking to fill several positions like: coordinator; T-ball, Rookie ball & Soft ball convenors; coaches; umpires & youth volunteers. If you can spare some time and be more involved with the community, please consider volunteering. Call 416-447-5571 or email [connie.durante@st-bonaventure.ca](mailto:connie.durante@st-bonaventure.ca) for more informations.

### "Together, Opening Paths of Hope"

In our final installment of four proposals from Brother Alois of the Taizé Community, we are invited to explore the value of solidarity as we embrace others who are different from ourselves.

**Fourth proposal:** Allow friendship to grow in order to prepare peace

*Jesus is not ashamed to call us his brothers and sisters. (Hebrews 2:11)*

*Jesus said: You have one Teacher, and you are all brothers and sisters. And do not call anyone on earth "father," for you have one Father, the one in heaven. (Matthew 23:8-9) He also said: Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother. (Matthew 12:50)*

*People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the banquet in the Kingdom of God. (Luke 13:29)*

Contributing to peace and to international justice is another path of hope that we can open today.

Peace on earth begins in the heart of each person. It is first of all our hearts that have to be changed, and his change involves a simple conversion-allowing God's Spirit to dwell within us, welcoming a peace that will spread out and be communicated from one person to another.

"Achieve inner peace and thousands around you will be saved." (Seraphim of Sarov, a Russian monk, 1759-1833)

- With our own lives let us write the new pages of a simple solidarity that goes beyond partitions and walls: physical walls constructed in different parts of the world as well as walls of ignorance, prejudice and ideology. Let us be open to other cultures and mentalities.
- We cannot allow the rejection of foreigners to enter our hearts, for the refusal of others is the seed of barbarism. Instead of seeing foreigners as a threat to our standard of living or our culture, can we welcome them as members of the same human family? Why not go to visit refugees, simply to get to know them and to listen to their stories? Then-who knows?-other steps of solidarity may follow.
- How can we get to know others who are different from us? And share with those who think differently, in a dialogue where we really listen to one another, without getting into arguments even before having understood the other person. Can we find ways of remaining present in places of division, and of building bridges? Let us pray for those whom we do not understand and who do not understand us.
- Signs of solidarity can be multiplied beyond the borders of religion. Meeting believers of other religions encourages us to deepen our knowledge of our own faith, while asking ourselves what God wants to tell us and to give us through these brothers and sisters who are so different from us.



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