

### 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  
Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

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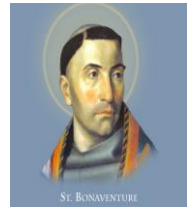
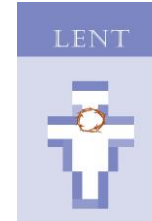
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YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. BONAVENTURE

**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.*

March 11, 2018  
The Fourth Sunday of Lent



### Jesus' teaching to Nicodemus

John's Gospel shows a way out of the lament and devastation: "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son." Love is the path out of lament and devastation. Through this ultimate sacrifice on our behalf, we become people of the light forever abandoning the darkness that threatens to overshadow hope.

Marilyn-Ann Elphick, Mississauga, ON

For Nicodemus, God is first and foremost a friend, a lover, a Lord and a Saviour, who patiently waits for us by day, and even by night. Rather than approaching Scripture as something to master, we must allow the Word of God to master us.

Words Made Flesh: Biblical Reflections for Year B

By Fr. Thomas Rosica, C.S.B., September 2011

**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 [friarmsteed2015@gmail.com](mailto:friarmsteed2015@gmail.com)**

**Prayer Network: Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact Moira McKeown at 416-445-8494**

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

**Psalm 137: Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!**

**Mass Intentions**

Mar. 12	Monday	9:00 am	†Michael Vincent Chua
Mar. 13	Tuesday	9:00 am	Sebastien, Rose Ballin and Children
Mar. 14	Wednesday	9:00 am	†Irene Victoria
Mar. 15	Thursday	9:00 am	†Norma Sadaka
Mar. 16	Friday	9:00 am	The Friars †James Wallace †Duke Delahey †William O'Connor †Gabriele Medoro †Francesco Galle
Mar. 17	Saturday	5:00 pm	Int. of the Parishioners
Mar. 18	Sunday	8:30 am	†Hugh Canning (father & son)
		10:00 am	†Edward Nolan
		12:00 pm	†Chris John Bouris

**Prayer Intentions**

Sanctuary Lamp 1: †Joseph and †Michael Chua  
Vigil Lamp: †Alicja Karwowska

**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 and Michael Morra  
**For the Deceased:** †Denise Tomkins, †Shirley McDonald, and †Carmela Sebastian

**March 4 Offertory Collection**

Thank you for your generous donations.  
Regular Collection: \$ 7877  
ShareLife: \$665  
Pre-Authorized Giving: \$ 2,926  
Donate Now: \$ 328

**Living the Gospel through ShareLife**

Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 11, 2018

**Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife**

How do we “Live the Gospel” toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some it’s volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife-funded agencies with our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife Collection. Over the next week, reflect on your ability to help “Live the Gospel” through Catholic agencies, and make a decision to support our ShareLife parish campaign.

The 2018 overall ShareLife campaign for parishes is \$13.9 million. Our parish goal for 2018 is \$130,500.00  
Our parish campaign achieved the following:

In 2015 - \$112,955.00  
In 2016 - \$100,108.80  
In 2017 - \$126,416.60

**ShareLife Sunday, March 18. Please give generously.**

**Lenten Days of Confession: March 11-17, 2018**

Listed below are the times of confessions at our parish and some neighboring parishes. For the times at other parishes please go to [www.archtoronto.org/confessions](http://www.archtoronto.org/confessions)

**St. Bonaventure Parish**

**Tuesday March 13: 9:30 am to 10:30 am; noon to 1:00 pm; 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm**

St. Gabriel’s, 670 Sheppard Ave. East  
March 14: 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm

St. Monica’s 44 Broadway Ave  
March 14: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

St. Louis-de-France 1415 Don Mills Road  
March 20: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

St. Andrew Kim’s 849 Don Mills Road  
March 25: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm; 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

**This Week in Our Parish**

**Monday, March 12**

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

**Tuesday, March 13**

9:30 am Maturing Adults Ministry-Living our Spirituality in The Second Half of Life/Francis Room  
7:00 pm Bible Study/Oak Room

**Wednesday, March 14**

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

**Thursday, March 15**

9:30 am Theology and Tea/Francis Room

**Saturday, March 17**

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

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

*Through the Eyes of Faith*

Jesus said to Nicodemus, “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.” (John 3:17)

**2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23** – Dissolution of Judah

**Ephesians 2:4-10** – Generosity of God’s plan

**John 3:14-21** – Jesus’ teaching to Nicodemus

**Adults:** Do you see the world as basically evil, or as good? What difference does this make in the way you live?

**Secular Franciscan Meeting**

There will be a Secular Franciscan meeting, **Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm, Francis Room.

**Community Life**

**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.

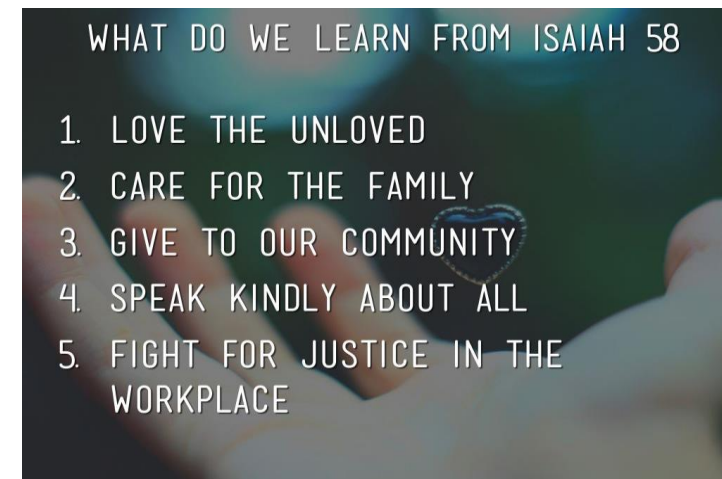
**March 13 Homeless in Toronto** – Presentation on homelessness and on models of service.  
Maureen McDonnell with Guest Presenters

**March 20 The Wisdom of Teresa of Avila** – Responding to the summons of our elder years - Maureen McDonnell

**April 24 Special Event with luncheon (9:30 – 12:30)**

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

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



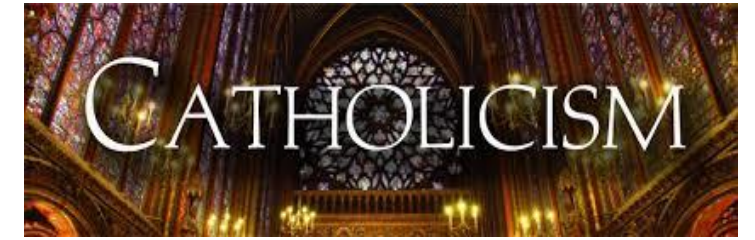
**Theology and tea**

Next T & T will be on **Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>** after the 9:00 am Mass, and alternating Thursdays thereafter. The sessions are open to all parishioners and their friends.

**Stations of the Cross- 9:30 am on Fridays of Lent. (except Good Friday)**

**Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre**

The deadline for this 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.



**On March 14<sup>th</sup>** we will present the last topic of Bishop Barron’s Catholicism series. It will be at 7:00 pm in the St. Bonaventure Church **Main hall**. All are welcome!

**March 14 – Word Without End – The Last Things**

Explore the Church’s conviction that life here and now is preparation for an extraordinary world that is yet to come – a supernatural destiny. Bishop Barron presents the catholic vision of death, judgment, heaven, hell and purgatory.

**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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**Dynamic Women of Faith**

Catholic Women’s Conference

Saturday, March 24, 2018, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Road, Mississauga, Ontario

Registration: 8:00 am; Mass: 9:15 am; Conference: 10:00 am  
Keynote Speaker: Canadian Singer/Songwriter: Mark Mallett  
Topic: Watch and Pray.

Register at [www.dynamicwomenfaith.com](http://www.dynamicwomenfaith.com) or call 416-907-1042

**U of T, St. Michael's College Scholarship**

The Toronto Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is offering a scholarship of \$3,000 which is open to any young woman who is of Catholic faith, who is completing her secondary school education, and who has indicated on her application to the University of Toronto that St. Michael's College is her first choice. The applicant must be entering the Faculty of Arts and Science in one of the following areas of study: Commerce, Computer Science, Humanities and Social Sciences or Sciences. The applications must be submitted by May 31, 2018. For further information, contact Céline Massaroni, Health & Education Convener of St. Bonaventure’s C.W.L. , at 416-447-5571.





