

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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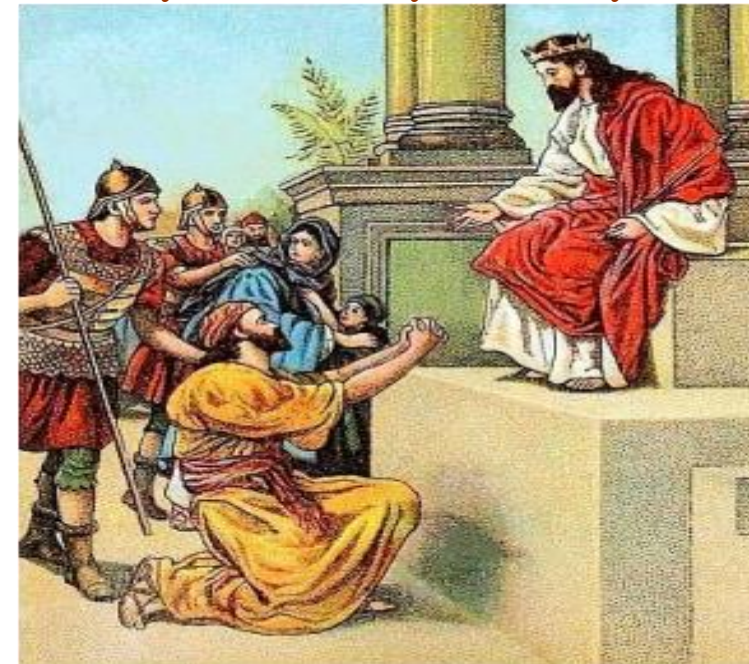
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GROWING IN SPIRIT, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE
Inspired by St. Francis we seek to live and proclaim the gospel in our daily lives, responding to the spiritual hungers of the community and becoming an oasis of peace, prayer and service.



September 17, 2017

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Matthew 18. 21-35

Pope Francis says that Jesus asks us to do something radical, when he asks us to forgive our brothers and sisters unreservedly. Can you think of ways you can do this?

Jesus asks us to believe that forgiveness is the door which leads to reconciliation. In telling us to forgive our brothers (and sisters) unreservedly, he is asking us to do something utterly radical, but he also gives us the grace to do it. What appears, from a human perspective, to be impossible, impractical and even at times repugnant, he makes possible and fruitful through the infinite power of his cross. The cross of Christ reveals the power of God to bridge every division, to heal every wound, and to re-establish the original bonds of brotherly love.

Homily of Pope Francis, Holy Mass for Peace and Reconciliation
August 18, 2014

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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

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: For more information and assistance in discerning a call to the consecrated religious life, priesthood or diaconate 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

Prayer Network: Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact Nimfa Chua at 416-447-5047

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

*The Lord is kind and merciful.
Slow to anger, rich in kindness.
(Psalm 103)*

Mass Intentions

Sept. 18 Monday	9:00 am	†Mackie Ortega
Sept. 19 Tuesday	9:00 am	†Edward Quinto
Sept. 20 Wednesday	9:00 am	†Cita Santos
Sept. 21 Thursday	9:00 am	†Linda Nazturzio
Sept. 22 Friday	9:00 am	†Aileen Moore
Sept. 23 Saturday	5:00 pm	†Laurence Higgins
Sept. 24 Sunday	8:30 am	Intentions of the Parishioners
	10:00 am	†Salvatore Vella
	12:00 pm	Deceased Member of the Gregorio and Te Family

Prayer Intentions

Sanctuary Lamp: Wes Ong

Vigil Lamp: †Chuk Wang Chan

For the Sick: Cathy Valenti, Weston Druery, Teresita Peiris, Mark Reffle, Clement Leung, Jamal Ramani, Gabrielle Suthers, Mabel Lim, Reita Williams, Lina Cornacchio, Bernie Hanrahan, Dorothy Lord and Raymond Daly

Stewardship: A Way of Living

September 10 Offertory Collection

Thank you for your generous donations.

Regular Collection: \$ **8,930.05**

Maintenance Fund Collection: \$ **3,20.00**

Donate Now: \$ **328**

Pre-Authorized Giving: \$ **2,906**

Second Collection:

September 24 – Needs of the Canadian Church



Happy 90th Birthday Friar Boniface!

Come help us celebrate this special occasion. Join us for cake and coffee after the 9:00 am mass on Tuesday, September 19th in the Main Hall.

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, September 18

6:30 pm Brownies/Main Hall
6:30 pm Sparks/Bonaventure Room
7:00 pm Secular Franciscans Meeting/Francis Room

Tuesday, September 19

9:30 am Fr. Boniface 90th Birthday Celebration/Main Hall
9:45 am Ministry of Maturing Adults, Spirituality & Healthy Living in the Second Half of Life/Francis Room
7:00 pm Bible Study Group/Bonaventure Room

Wednesday, September 20

7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous/Francis Room
7:00 pm Grasp/Oak Room
7:30 pm Society of St. Vincent De Paul Meeting/Bonaventure Room

Saturday, September 23

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

Sunday, September 24

11:15 am Liturgy of the Word for Children Volunteer Meeting/Bonaventure Room
2:00 pm Sacramental Preparation-Parent Meeting/Main Hall

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Forgiveness and mercy

Reading I Sirach 27:30-28:7
(call to forgiveness and mercy)

Reading II Romans 14:7-9
(to live and die for Christ)

Gospel Matthew 18:21-35
(merciless official)



Then Peter came and said to Him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times" (Matthew 18:21-22)

Adult: When someone hurts you, how do you forgive them?

Child: When have you forgiven someone who treated you unfairly?

Community Life

St. Bonaventure's Ministry with Maturing Adults presents a *new six-part series*. "Spirituality and Healthy Vibrant Living in the Second Half of Life"

Brochures which outline the unique focus of this ministry are available from members of the Advisory Committee today. This ministry supports our exploration and the deepening of our spirituality in the second half of life. **All are welcome!**

"A journey into the second half of our own lives awaits us all. Not everybody goes there, even though all of us get older, and some of us older than others. A "further journey" is a well-kept secret, for some reason... There are too few who are aware of it, tell us about it, or know that it is different from the journey of the first half of life." *Richard Rohr, 'Falling Upward'*

Opening gathering: Tuesday, September 19th, 9:45 to 11:30 am in the Francis room. Please invite your friends and neighbours to share in this new series of presentations.

There is no monetary cost for this program. For more information maureen@st-bonaventure.ca or phone **416-447-5571 ext. 550**

The Ministry with Maturing Adults presents a new program, 'Life Story Writing' begins on Wednesday, September 27th at 1:00 pm. Registration is required Call **Gisela** at **416-447-5571 ext. 550**

News from the St. Vincent de Paul Society
"Like Mother Teresa, may we open up opportunities of joy and hope for the many who are discouraged and need understanding and tenderness."
~Pope Francis

Bundle Up Weekend: September 23/24

Bring your discarded clothing, footwear, bedding and linens, drapery and small household items to the SSVP collection bin in the church parking lot next weekend. Your donations supply merchandise for our Society stores; clothing and footwear for persons in our "Special Works" homes; surplus materials to sell to wholesalers. We also supply stock to Salvation Army stores in exchange for vouchers to serve areas without Society stores.

Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre

The deadline for this month's casseroles is Sunday, September 24th. If you can spare some time to make a casserole each month, contact Eva Trace at 416-447-3040.

CWL Annual Flea Market

The CWL will be holding the annual flea market, our major fundraising project, in the Parish Hall from 9:30 am on Saturday, October 21st. Donations will be gratefully accepted on October 19 & 20. Now is the time to consider clearing out those unused items. Details to follow later.

Liturgy of the Word with Children: Sundays at the 10 am Mass

Through the dedication of volunteers, we are fortunate to be able to invite children to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word in a way in which they can participate. We believe that the Lord is present when we gather for worship and when the Scriptures are proclaimed. By providing a separate celebration of the Liturgy of the Word with children, we help our youngest parishioners encounter the Lord, interiorize the message of the Sunday Gospel, and pray together. We hope that this age-appropriate experience of the Liturgy will lead our children into full, active and conscious participation during the Mass, to which we are called.

We provide this ministry to children from age 3 (preschool) to age 9 (grade 4).

Volunteers are needed! Are you a person of prayer? Do you seek the Lord within the Scripture? Are you at ease in the presence of children? Are you comfortable in front of a group? Do you have a couple of hours once or twice a month to prepare for the Liturgy of the Word? Are you a young person that would like to read the scriptures, sing, or play an instrument? Are you able to gently assist with keeping a prayerful atmosphere? Then, you may have the gifts necessary to serve in a variety of ways within this ministry. Please contact Greg at the Ministry Centre 416-447-5571 ext. 258, to learn more. Volunteer Screening is mandatory.

Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Roman Catholic children are prepared to celebrate their **First Reconciliation (Confession)** and **First Communion** around the age of 7. If you are the parent of a 7-year old child (in grade 2), or older, who is baptised Roman Catholic, then it will be important for you to attend **one** of the following parent information meetings in the **Main Hall of the parish centre** to learn about the preparation process, registration, and celebration of these Sacraments:

- **Sunday, September 24th from 2 to 3:30 pm or**
- **Tuesday, September 26th from 7 to 8:30 pm**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend October 20-22, 2017 (Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga)

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couple rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling.

For more information and application, please go to www.wwme.org of contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or **905-792-1925**

