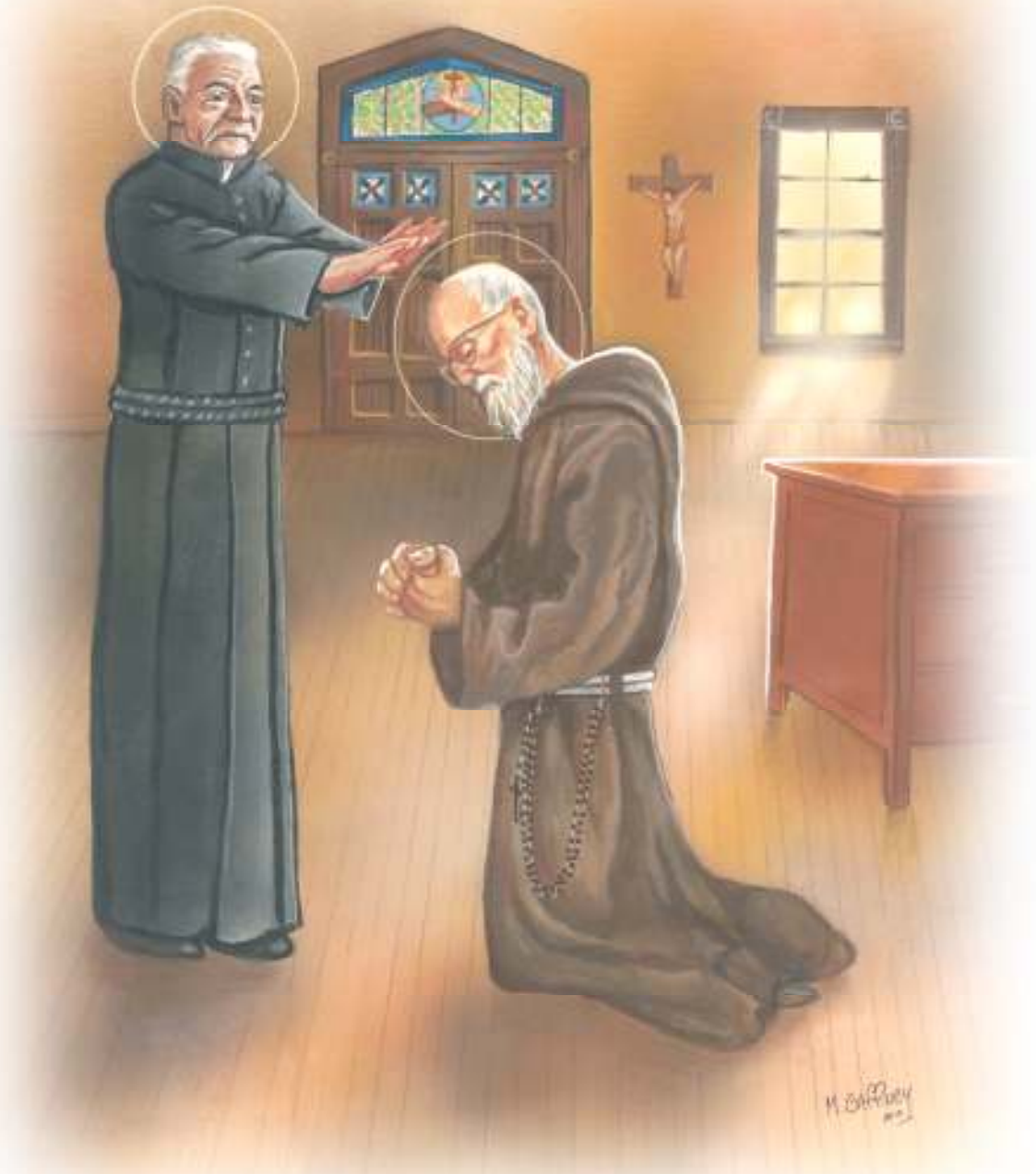


SUMMER BENEFACTORS APPEAL 2023



Sometime during 1935 then Brother Andre Bessette came to St Bonaventure Monastery to see Fr Solnaus... he knew almost no English and Solanus no knew no French, but they spoke through an interpreter (some family who brought Andre) and prayed together and blessed each other.

(this image was painted to commemorate their meeting by the late Bro Michael Gaffney + - Detroit MI)



Capuchins of Central Canada

2100 Jane Street, Toronto, ON M3M 1A1

Pray for Ukraine



Pictured: Trent/Severn Lift Lock, Peterborough ON

Summer 2023

Dear Friends;

Happy news! Brother Sunil has been approved for ordination to the Diaconate the date of which is to be announced, also he is currently with the Capuchin brothers in Guatemala where he is learning Spanish. Brother Martin continues to progress towards the same goal of ordination. Bro Peter Poel has been approved to pronounce his Solemn Vows later this year and continues with his ministry at Poverello Charities. Bro Michael Mascarenhas is our Vocations Director, a ministry he has wholeheartedly embraced.
(see back page)

As always, we remain ever grateful for your generous financial gifts which enable us to provide for the Capuchin Franciscan formation of our brothers and those who are discerning a vocation to our Capuchin life. We also remain thankful for your ongoing prayerful support for these men in our formation programs, and those discerning.

Solanus Casey, OFM Cap. (November 25, 1870 – July 31, 1957), born *Bernard Francis Casey*, and was a professed member of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin. He was known during his lifetime as a healer for his great faith and his abilities as a spiritual counselor, but especially for his great attention to the sick, for whom he celebrated special Masses. The friar was much sought-after and revered, especially in Detroit, where he resided at St Bonaventure Monastery. He was also a noted lover of the violin, a trait he shared with his eponym, Saint Francis Solanus.

On July 2, 1957, he was readmitted to the hospital for the final time Casey's sister, Martha, came to visit him after being notified of the seriousness of his condition; the two prayed the rosary together. He died from erysipelas at 11:00 am on July 31, 1957, at Saint John Hospital in Detroit, with only his nurse at his side. His last words were reportedly: "I give my soul to Jesus Christ." An estimated 20,000 people filed past his coffin before his funeral and burial in the cemetery of his Detroit monastery. On July 8, 1987, his remains were exhumed and reinterred inside the chapel at Saint Bonaventure Monastery, which eventually became part of the Solanus Casey Center.

He was officially recognized as Servant of God in 1982, and he received the title of Venerable in 1995. After a miraculous healing attributed to him was approved by Pope Francis in 2017, he was beatified in Detroit at Ford Field on November 18, 2017. Blessed Solanus' Feast Day is celebrated on July 30.

In Christ, Francis & Clare
Bro Alan R. Gaebel, ofm, cap +



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A new Capuchin Ministry in Peterborough ON*



Capuchin Burse Report

01 January, 2023—25 May, 2023

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u># OF DONATIONS</u>
203	Gilda and Raffaele Gaglione Family Burse	\$ 50.00	(1)
22	Bro David Connolly Burse	\$ 200.00	(3)
299	Bro Alan Gaebel Burse	\$ 170.00	(2)
411	Joseph & Bridgett Heffernan Memorial Burse	\$110.00	(3)
416	St Alphonsus Parish Burse	\$ 90.00	(2)
418	Harvey Corriveau Memorial Burse	\$ 1,000.00	(1)
476	Bro Paul Duplessie Burse	\$ 200.00	(1)
477	Fr Ladislaus Council #7744 Burse	\$ 100.00	(1)
480	Francis J La Madrid Memorial Burse	\$ 400.00	(1)
483	Bro Louis Mousseau Burse	\$ 100.00	(1)
489	St Jude Burse	\$ 50.00	(1)
500	Padre Pio Burse	\$ 20.00	(1)
505	Seminarians Burse	\$ 2,309.27	(20)
520	Bro John Corriveau Burse	\$ 100.00	(1)
523	Sr Muriel Williams, ofs Burse	\$ 100.00	(1)
524	Bro Michael Mascarenhas Burse	\$ 20.00	(1)
533	Bro Martin Ngo Burse	\$ 500.00	(1)
540	Sr Bette Ann Kuehn, ofs	\$ 160.00	(2)



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<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-capuchin-foundation/>



We, the Capuchin Brothers of Central Canada, wish you a Safe and Enjoyable Summer!

Pictured: Lang Pioneer Village Gristmill, Keene ON

E-Transfers may be made to CapFoundation@capuchins.ca
(auto deposit, no passwords req'd)

Is God calling YOU to our Capuchin-Franciscan brotherhood?



Please pray for Capuchin vocations and for our brothers in formation and studies...



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OUR CAPUCHIN BURSE PROGRAM

The Capuchin Burse Program exists to fund our participation in the Capuchin Initial Formation Programs. These programs consist of three elements, Postulancy, Pre-Novitiate and Novitiate, in which our men receive their initial training and education in the Capuchin Franciscan way of life. Our Postulancy Program is a collaborative effort between the Capuchin Provinces of St. Joseph (Detroit), St. Mary (New York) and ourselves, and is currently based in Milwaukee, WI. The Novitiate program is international, with the Capuchin provinces of the United States, Australia, Canada (English), and Guam sending their novices to our Intercontinental Novitiate in Santa Ynez, CA. During this time our novices begin studying the life of St. Francis of Assisi as well as our Capuchin and Church history. Our Initial Formation Programs provide a solid religious foundation for our men, which is world-class, informative, and enlightening. Our programs emphasize that their vocations are not only to the local, but also global Church.

The current costs of these programs is approximately \$120,000.00 (CDN) per person. Every donation YOU make to our Capuchin Burse Program directly enables our men to participate in these Capuchin Formation programs providing our Catholic Church with

OUR CAPUCHIN LEGACY PROGRAM – What will YOUR LEGACY be?



As Christians one of the most important tasks we have is that of faithful stewardship. This is beautifully expressed in St. Francis' "Canticle of the Creatures" which gives thanks for our interdependent relationship with all of God's creation, in which we all share. This same spirit also finds contemporary resonance in a quote by Blessed Fr. Solanus Casey, OFM, Cap (d.1957) who stated, *"The only science that gives purpose to every other science is the science of religion – the science of our happy relationship with, and our providential dependence on God and our neighbour."* One of the most important and faith filled acts of stewardship that you can do is to make certain that you have a current will. It is your loving remembrance for others and your love is returned a hundred-fold in your reaching out and assuring "new life" for others.

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