August 19, 2018 | Ordinary Time - XX CATHOLIC PARISH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

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Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm; 3:00 pm - 8:00pm Sat 9:00 am - 6:30 pm Sun 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Administered by the Basilian Fathers

SUNDAY MASSES 5:00 pm (Sat); 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm; 4:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm Sat: 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

ST. BASIL'S

BAPTISMS. WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

Please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings require a one year notice.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon-Fri: 7:30 am; 12:10 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm Lauds Sat: 9:00 am

ADORATION

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

Since 1856, St. Basil's Parish has been home to people of all ages and needs.

Mothers are welcome to nurse their children in church or provide them snacks as needed. If you need to, feel free to walk with your child in the back of the church or in the hallway off the side aisle. We are blessed because you are all here!

For those who need hearing assistance, devices are available at the front desk. Simply leave a photo ID to borrow one during your visit.





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PARISH STAFF

Pastor: **Associate Pastor:** Office Manager: Director of Music: **Assistant Organist: Director of Pastoral Ministries:** Director of Community Engagement: Michael Pirri Director of Family Ministries: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB Fr. Norm Tanck, CSB Margaret D'Elia **J.P. Farahat** Stefani Bedin **Jessica De Luca** Marilena Berardinelli Mariann Dunsmore

TASTE AND SEE THE **GOODNESS OF THE LORD**

By Erica Tice, USMC Campus Minister

Today's readings are all about the sacred banquet and the necessity of tasting the goodness of the Lord that we may see Him clearly. Although the Gospel for today recounts the end of the bread of life discourse, it is preceded by readings that pertain to holy wisdom as a means of preparing us for the revelation of Jesus giving us His flesh and blood to forever satiate our spiritual hunger.

In the first reading, wisdom is personified as a woman who has set her table, prepared a meal, and invited the simple-hearted to partake of her feast. At first glance, we might be tempted to observe this as nothing more than good hospitality, but the reality is that wisdom has prepared a meal not to satisfy physical hunger but to assist those seeking God by increasing their understanding.



This is the Holy Spirit at work in our hearts: He bestows the gifts of wisdom and understanding upon us that we may attain better knowledge and deeper love of God. Our souls long to taste the goodness of God, because we instinctively understand that we are radiant with joy when our souls glory in the Lord.

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Christ comes to satisfy our longing and alleviate spiritual hunger. In today's Gospel, He offers us nothing less than His very own Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in what has become known as the sacred banquet. Ordinarily what we consume with our bodies is transformed and becomes part of our bodies. But in the divine economy, when we participate in the sacred banquet and consume Christ present in the Eucharist, we are the ones transformed, we become what we consume, and our souls become radiant with the joy that is found only in God. Christ promises to abide in us and we in Him each time we participate in the sacred banquet, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ and that we may taste and see the goodness of the Lord forever.

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Proverbs 9.16 Psalm 34 Ephesians 5.15-20 John 6.51-58

CHALICE APPEAL

This weekend, we welcome Deacon Philip Allard who will speak about Chalice, a Canadian, Catholic sponsorship program.

Chalice sponsorship focuses on nurturing the special relationship between a sponsor and their sponsored friend. Chalice recognizes that when given the support and encouragement caregivers will make good decisions that benefit their family. They will set their children up for success by making sure they go to school, eat nutritious meals, and receive proper medical care.

For more information please visit their website at <u>www.chalice.ca</u>

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

As fall approaches, we are looking to expand our volunteer base for some parish groups. We are looking for a new Team Lead for our parish Coffee Hour group, extra helping hands for Out of the Cold on Tuesdays, Liturgical Ministers for the 4:30PM Sunday Mass, as well as new choristers for the St. Basil's Singers.

If you're interested in finding out more about volunteering opportunities, please reach out to Michael after Mass, or send him a message via email michael.pirri@utoronto.ca or (416) 926-1300 x.3210

WELCOME USMC DONS

A special welcome to Dons from the University of St. Michael's College and Loretto College who are joining us this Sunday at the 4:30PM Mass. These individuals help facilitate the transition for 1st year students whether they live in residence, or commute to campus.

On Sunday, September 2nd at the 4:30PM Mass, we welcome all students from the USMC and Loretto College communities to join us at the start of the 2018-2019 academic year.

RESEARCH ON RABBI AJ HESCHEL AND EXPERIENCES IN ISRAEL

A talk featuring Fr. Eric Rodrigues, Doctoral Student in Theology - Gregorian University, Rome. Fr. Eric was Associate Pastor at Blessed Trinity and Pontifical Master of Ceremonies for Cardinal Collins. He is currently working on his thesis on the thought of Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel and its contribution to Catholic theology. Last year, Fr. Eric received a fellowship to spend a semester at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, studying Judaism and Modern Hebrew. He is again spending July of this year in Jerusalem, and will speak about his research and various experiences in Israel. All are welcome. Run by the Fellowship of St. Joseph of the Association for Hebrew Catholics.

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 7:00PM - 9:00PM Blessed Trinity Parish Hall 3220 Bayview Ave., Toronto

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

Please note that the parish office will be closed on Monday, September 3, 2018. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00AM, after which the Church will be closed; regularly scheduled confessions are cancelled.

ARTICLE ON ST. BASIL'S

Last week, The Toronto Star featured the parish and the works of John Elmsley, whose heart is placed within the western wall of the parish. To see the article, visit <u>https://bit.ly/2nzZcEc</u>



12:00pm Rhonalyne Mae Palma (+) 4:30pm Amelia and Boleslaw (+,+)

MONDAY ST. BERNARD 7:30am Bernhard Vosicky Ocist (liv.) 12:10pm Paul Larocca (+)

TUESDAYST. PIUS X7:30am Margaret O'Gara (+)12:10pm Stefanie Rodrigues (+), Tamara
Tumidajski (+), Adriano Dumlao (+)WEDNESDAYQUEENSHIP OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY7:30am Katrina Teh (+)
12:10pm Fr. Daniel Chui, CSB (+)

Thursday

7:30am Leo Dugbe (liv.) 12:10pm Mary Gerarda Scheer (+)

Friday St. Bartholomew

7:30am 12:10pm Luigi and Lina Ciavarella (+,+)

Saturday

5:00pm Helen Ng (+)

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, August 12, 2018 \$5,597.30





