# ST. BASIL'S 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



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

#### **BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS**

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

For 160 years (1856-2016), St. Basil's Parish has been home to people of all ages and needs. For those who need hearing assistance, devices are available at the front desk. Simply leave a photo ID to borrow one during your visit.

Mothers are welcome to nurse their children in church or provide them snacks as needed. As Pope Francis has said, children's voices, even when crying, make "the most beautiful choir of all." 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!

ARCHITECT MICHAEL HAYS' ORIGINAL DRAWING OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE & ST. BASIL'S CHURCH

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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm Sat: 9:00 am

ADORATION Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm



St. Basil's Parish, Toronto

#### PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Associate Pastor: Office Manager: Director of Music: Assistant Organist: Community Coordinator: Director of Family Ministries: **Evening Office Assistant:** 

Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB Fr. Norm Tanck, CSB Margaret D'Elia J.P. Farahat Stefani Bedin Michael Pirri Marilena Berardinelli Stela Tudor

### A HOUSE FOR ALL PEOPLES

By Father Morgan V. Rice, CSB

The first reading from Isaiah ends with the Lord's saying, "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples" (56:7). The psalm echoes that notion of all people offering prayer to God in the response, "Let the peoples praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you!" (67:3). Would that not be a beautiful experience of a united human family that has come to know our merciful and loving God shown to us in the person of Jesus Christ? I believe we get tastes of it when we, a diverse people representing different nations, cultures, ages, and backgrounds, gather together at the Eucharist to worship the Lord and be nourished by Jesus. This I have witnessed during my two or so months here at St. Basil's; however, we know this is not the case in all parts of our world.

I received my undergraduate degree from the University of Virginia (UVA) in Charlottesville, Va., where the violent and hateful events of last weekend occurred. The demonstration of one group of people claiming to be superior to others goes against the future the Lord has laid out and against what Jesus taught us by his compassion and non-violence. Instead of the community of trust, mutual respect, and life that the Lord desires, the actions of those in Charlottesville led to the loss of human life and an atmosphere of fear and division. Condemning the violence at UVA, the university's Rector wrote in a message to alumni, "We are all here for a purpose, and the events of the last few days have leant that purpose greater clarity and urgency".

Events like Charlottesville certainly do clarify our purpose as women and men striving to live out Gospel values and bring the Good News of Christ to all. One of those values is to open ourselves to the gifts and goodness of others who come from backgrounds that we might have been taught to fear or be suspicious of. We do that when we make it a point to encounter and get to know others, particularly those who are different from us, with a belief that we can learn and be transformed from our interactions. Jesus' encounter with the Canaanite woman and the recognition of her tremendous faith demonstrated that his mission was broader than originally understood. To what insights might our interactions lead us?

In a couple of weeks, university students from around the world will be coming to begin the academic year. The University of St. Michael's College campus will be abuzz with Orientation Week activities. As part of those activities, students will be attending the 4:30pm Mass on Sunday, 3 September. My hope is that hundreds will come to celebrate and will find a welcoming home at St. Basil's, where together we can all join in praise of God and truly be a house of prayer for all peoples.

Sundays Readings: Isaiah 56.1, 6-7 2 Peter 1.16-19 Matthew 17.1-9

#### Archdiocesan Events 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

#### Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine

Saturday, September 9, 2017 Martyrs' Shrine, Midland 10:30am—4:00pm

All are welcome to join Cardinal Thomas Collins for an Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in celebration of the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our archdiocese. The gathering will include the Rosary, Mass with Cardinal Collins, and personal time to visit the shrine grounds. Visit www.archtoronto/175 for more information.

#### Prayers for Peace: Ecumenical Prayer Service

Sunday, September 10, 2017 St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto 3:00pm

All are welcome to join as we remember victims of violence, terror, and persecution around the world, especially our Christian brothers and sisters in Egypt and throughout the Middle East.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

It goes without saying that there are many people here at St. Basil's that help to keep things running smoothly every weekend. From Lectors to Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers to Ministers of Hospitality, these individuals lend a helping hand in order to enable us to join in prayer. A special thank you goes out to those who help us already.

## We are currently in need of new individuals for all Liturgical Ministries.

If you are curious about any of these liturgical ministries, please speak with Michael directly following Mass or reach out via email at michael.pirri@utoronto.ca.

#### **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION**

Are you planning to have your child baptized at St. Basil's, or have you been recently asked to serve as a Godparent?

Please note that our parish's baptismal preparation classes will begin again this fall, taking place on the following dates:

- -August 26, 2017
- -September 30, 2017
- -October 28, 2017
- -November 25, 2017

To register for a class or to get more information, please email liturgy@stbasiltoronto.org

#### WELCOME USMC DONS

A special welcome to Dons from the University of St. Michael's 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 3 at 4:30pm, we welcome all students from the USMC community to join us for the Academic Year 2017-2018 welcome Mass.

#### LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Amount Unavailable

X	MASS INTENTIONS
	AUGUST 20 <sup>th</sup> - AUGUST 26 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00am- 10:30am- 12:00pm- 4:30pm-	<b>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Waverley Eugene (liv.) Pro Populo Maria Miller (liv.) Amelia (+) & Boleslaw (+)
<b>Monday</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	<b>Saint Pius X, Pope</b> Bernt Carstens (+) Stephanie Rodrigues (+)
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary Catherine Sandrasagra (liv.) Elizabeth Anne MacDonald (+), Myriam Scoppio (+), Maria Myung & Family (liv.)
<b>Wednesda</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	<b>y</b> Hyung Bum Myung (+) Christina Fratchko & Aria (liv.)
<b>Thursday</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	<b>Saint Bartholomew</b> Florin Tudor (liv.) Joaquim & Maria Russo (+)
<b>Friday</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Bessie, Horney, and Julia Goldy (+)
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00pm-	Paolo & Paolo Jr. Scoppio (+)
PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Cathy Angus, Mary O'Brien, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Concha Gaeitereiro, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Filomena La Rocca, Joseph Troncone, Hai Luen Liu, Neil McCormack.	

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PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, Nicholas Volk and Geri Keayf.

