

JANUARY 16, 2022

ORDINARY TIME II

ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday 11:00am-1:30pm

Sunday 8:15am-1:15pm

SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 pm (Sat);

9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm; 4:30 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

CONFESSIONS

Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sat: 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

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

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:

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Current parish guidelines require parishioners to complete a self-screening at home before coming to the church, and to keep a log of all visits. The University is requiring that visitors to campus, regardless of the purpose of their visit, must be fully vaccinated (provided they are eligible for vaccination). Exemptions to the vaccine requirement must be approved by the University of Toronto.

Students, Faculty, and Staff of the University of Toronto, are required to complete the screening via the University's U-Check tool. Parishioners who are not students, faculty, or staff of the University of Toronto, must use the visitor attestation form available in the narthex.



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St. Basil's Parish, Toronto

A FEW UPDATES...

Most notably, you'll see that we have returned to our pre-pandemic version of the parish bulletin. Over the last month or so, we've been printing our bulletins in-house to get a sense of how many were needed each week.

A reminder that our parish office is now open only on Tuesday and Thursday, from 11:00am-1:30pm, and on Sundays from 8:15am-1:15pm.

Finally, if you were unable to join this weekend's Webinar hosted by the Magdala Colloquy, you will still have an opportunity to participate in Synodal work happening within St. Basil's. Most notably, a working group has been established through the University of St. Michael's College to begin the work of responding to the Synod's call to Walk Together in a Journey of Faith. Additionally, the Archdiocese is working on its response to the Synod on Synodality, and has invited responses to a survey available on the home page of their website, www.archtoronto.org.

UNBEKNOWNST TO YOU

The wedding at Cana — arguably one of the most famous moments that Jesus performs a miracle. What is so very interesting is that the bride and groom seem to have little-to-no knowledge of the impending crisis that is running out of wine at your wedding. The Gospel reading begins with an odd interaction — Jesus addresses his mother as “Woman” (*try that at home!*). You can almost feel Mary's eye-roll jump out in response; but she simply gives instructions to the servants: do as Jesus says. This is a wonderfully human on both the part of Mary and of Jesus.

Unbeknownst to the bride or groom, Jesus works behind the scenes to have the jars filled. Unbeknownst to the servants, the water is transformed into wine for the chief steward. These moments are put into action at Mary's prompting - a need is being expressed, and Jesus responds to his mother's call.

Our second reading, from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians reminds us that we each serve a

purpose—each of us with our unique gifts, contributors to the whole in a specific way. It would have been easy for Jesus to perform the miracle on his own, he didn't need the servants to fill the jugs, and he didn't need them to haul the jugs over to the steward for him to taste the wine. He could have easily just filled them with wine and then not told anyone. As always, Jesus brings to light the need for each of us, especially the servants, to have a place, for each of us to serve a purpose.

Recalling the first two readings for today, we can see the very real connection being made between works of faith or mercy, and their fruits, which are aided by Jesus, unbeknownst to us. In what ways do you feel Jesus is working behind the scenes to strengthen our faith through our gifts?

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

ISAIAH 62.1-5

PSALM 96

1 CORINTHIANS 12.4-11

JOHN 2.1-12

OUR THANKS

*Parish staff extends their gratitude for all of the well wishes, cards, and desserts we received over the Christmas Season.
Thank you!*

170 YEARS OF SERVICE

Wednesday, January 19, 2:00pm-4:00pm
Register at csj-to.ca/170yearsofservice

All are invited to celebrate the launch of *170 Years of Service: A Collection of Essays on the History & Mission of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Toronto*. This is a great opportunity to meet authors as they share a story and an image from their essay.

TAX RECEIPTS - FINAL CHANGES

Our Parish Office is looking to ensure that information is properly recorded before tax receipts are sent out. If you moved in 2021, please confirm your new address with Margaret, our Office Manager so that you will receive your donation receipt at the correct address. The last chance to commit these changes is **Wednesday January 19th**. We anticipate that Tax Receipts will be sent out in early February.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Sunday January 23, 4:00pm
Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church,
920 Progress Ave, Scarborough

Join Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches. All are welcome to attend in person or watch the livestream on Facebook at: facebook.com/TorontoArmenianChurch.

UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTION:

February 12 & 13: BUILDING FUND



MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY 16TH – 22ND

SUNDAY 2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

9:00am Anna Andrusyszyn (✠)
10:30am *Pro Populo*
12:00pm Shirley Mannara (✠)
4:30pm Adele O'Connell (✠)

MONDAY ST. ANTHONY

7:30am
12:10pm Francis, Monica, Mary Gannon (✠,✠,✠)

TUESDAY

7:30am
12:10pm

WEDNESDAY

7:30am
12:10pm *Vocations*

THURSDAY

7:30am
12:10pm Anna Moloney (✠)

FRIDAY ST. AGNES

7:30am Maria Luchak (✠)
12:10pm Fr. John Joseph Hurley (✠)

SATURDAY

5:00pm

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Sue Banfield, Rebecca Beaton, Barbara Boyle, Desmond Brownlee, Anne C., Steve Chandeller, Mary Jane Cowan, Josephine D'amico, Jasper David-Fuchs, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Jose Gaitero, Maisie Henry, Maryanne Hodges, Margaret Mary McKenzie, Neil McCormack, Evelyn McGloin, David Martin, Rosy Menezes, Paul O'Brien, Delaila Salvador, Betty Veit, Eileen Vyphius, Alexander Wu, and Emilio Zaic.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, Teresa Lehman (Mother of Fr. Michael Lehman, CSB), and Shirley Mannara (Mother of Fr. Kevin Mannara, CSB).

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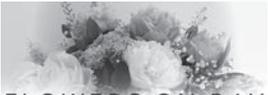
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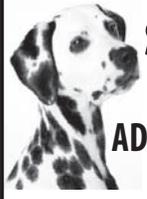
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