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# CATHOLIC PARISH

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### 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

### 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

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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.



### PARISH STAFF

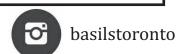
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### THE WEDDING AT CANA

By Dane and Anne MacCarthy

Cana has a special affection for us as we fondly remember a pilgrimage trip to Israel in 1997 when, along with other married couples in our group, we had the opportunity to renew our wedding vows in the little church at Cana in Galilee. This weekend's Cana readings give us pause to reflect on a number of things.

We understand that the Evangelist John mentions Mary by name only twice in his Gospel. Today's reading is a significant first – Mary asking her son, Jesus, to perform a miracle at the beginning of his public ministry. Though reluctant, He agrees. Maybe we need to call on Jesus through His mother at challenging times in our lives - how can a son say no to his mother?





But why at a wedding celebration did Jesus perform the first of His signs? We married couples like to believe that He wanted to recognize marriage as a key event in many lives. Marriage marks the beginning of a new family, and is not family a little church? This Cana event points the way to the establishment of marriage as a sacrament (which admittedly did not occur until centuries later). Possibly, this is why marriage can seem to be the forgotten sacrament. Yes, the wedding day (or days as in the time of Jesus when a week of celebration was the norm) is certainly a highlight for a couple with all the accompanying dazzle - including plenty of wine. But how do we and even our Church honour the sacrament of marriage after the wedding day when couples need that support in living out day to day life with its many struggles and challenges? We would be delighted to see in the worldwide church, a special day to honour marriage, as is the case for the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life, the World Day of Prayer for the Sick etc...

Here in the Archdiocese of Toronto, we are fortunate that our Archbishop, Cardinal Collins, has since 2011, designated the second Sunday in February as Marriage Sunday. On this day, all parishes in the Archdiocese are asked to honour married couple in a significant way, be it by special blessing or the communal celebration of significant wedding anniversaries.

The Cana experience is also seen as being about transformation from the old law to the new, as well as the ongoing transformation of our lives whether our vocation be Marriage, Holy Orders, Consecrated Religious or Single Life. Indeed, Cana gives us much cause to reflect.

### **SUNDAY'S READINGS:**

Isaiah 62.1-5 Psalm 96 1 Corinthians 12.4-11 John 2.1-12

### **NEW BEGINNINGS MINISTRY**

New Beginnings is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce, or death of a loved one. This program provides counselling, opportunity for reflection and spiritual guidance as part of the healing journey through live-in retreat weekends, monthly renewal meetings and parish support groups. It is a ministry dedicated to helping people who have suffered the loss of a loved one (through death, separation, or divorce) make a NEW BEGINNING in life.

Representatives from New Beginnings will speak this weekend following all the Masses about the work of the ministry in Toronto. The first session begins on **Wednesday**, **February 27**, at **7PM** here at St. Basil's.

### **ESTATE PLANNING SESSION**

Our parish, together with the Development Office of the Archdiocese of Toronto, will be hosting a Catholic Estate Planning Seminar on **Sunday**, **January 27, 2019 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm** in Ardèche Hall. An estate planning kit will be provided at no cost. Light snacks will be served.

Come and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team will share:

- How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will.
- How to ensure your wishes are legally protected.
- About Powers of Attorney.
- Estate Trustee selection.
- Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors.
- Our Catholic traditions around wills, cremation, burial and funerals.

Good estate planning ensures that your family is cared for should something happen to you, and that your assets will go where you want it to. Please consider attending this seminar. Contact Michael for more information (416) 926-7110 or michael.pirri@utoronto.ca

### WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019

World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with the Pope which is typically celebrated every three years in a different country. The next World Youth Day will be held in Panama City, Panamá from **January 22nd to 27th, 2019.** 

Merciful Father,

Grant us the grace of being a Church that goes forth with vibrant faith and a youthful face to communicate the joy of the Gospel. May we help to build up the kind of society we long for, one where there is fairness and fellowship.

We pray for the Pope and the bishops; for young people; for all those who will take part in World Youth Day in Panama and for those who are preparing to welcome them.

Our Lady of Antigua, Patroness of Panama, help us to pray and live with generosity like yours: "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1.38).

Amen.

# WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

"Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue"
-Deuteronomy 16.20

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Jan. 18-25) is an annual ecumenical celebration. Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship.

All are invited to join together for an ecumenical prayer service led by Catholic, Anglican, and Orthodox bishops along with Leaders from Christian Church in the GTA.

The prayer service is on **Sunday**, **January 27**, **2019** at **4**:**30PM** at St. James Anglican Cathedral (at King and Church Streets). Refreshments to follow.

For more information, please contact The Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs Office at <a href="mailto:ecumenical@archtoronto.org">ecumenical@archtoronto.org</a>

### LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, January 13, 2019 \$4,947.60



Sunday

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9:00am Maria Do Rosario Nobrega Caires (+)

10:30am Pro Populo

12:00pm Rev. Peter Swan (+)

4:30pm Angela Sanson (+)

Monday

ST. AGNES

7:30am

12:10pm

TUESDAY ST. VINCENT

7:30am

12:00pm Joan MacNeil (+), Salam Gobran (liv.) Amird Issd (liv.), Ruth and Louise Scott (+,+)

Wednesday

7:30am The Loretto Sisters

12:10pm Stef and Anna Papez (+,+)

THURSDAY ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

7:30am Marie Bernice Casey (+)

12:10pm Feliciano Macalino (+), David Go (+)

FRIDAY CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL

7:30am Maryann Molinari (+)

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

Saturday St. Timothy and St. Titus

5:00pm Rev. Peter Swan (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Mary O'Brien, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Rebecca Beaton, Gemma Ciavarella, Gordon Walsh, Rita Moran, Marie Ange, Paul O'Brien, Barbara Boyle, Carry Eillen, Maria Teresa Blackwell, Margaret Mary McKenzie, Donna Wood, Jose Gaitero, Ed Brash, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Young-Mi Sim, Gne Parke, and Jasper David-Fuchs.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED.

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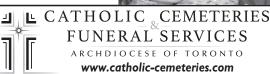
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