

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JANUARY 21

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5:00 pm (Sat);

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

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

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

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

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VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm

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Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

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## THE HALLMARKS OF INTENTIONAL PERSONAL DISCIPLESHIP

*by Erica Tice*

Ordinary time begins with the calling of the first Apostles. This is not a coincidence. Ordinary time signifies the period of time in the liturgical year which is set aside for spiritual growth, hence the vibrant green of the vestments, chalice veils, and votive candles. As Catholics, this spiritual growth is to be centered on developing intentional personal discipleship, emphasized by the calling of the Apostles. Last week the first encounter of Andrew and Peter with Christ was described by John; today the same encounter is described by Mark. Both evangelists take care to illustrate the overall theme of intentional discipleship with particular focus on the hallmarks of such discipleship: the theological virtue of faith, the art of abandonment, and complete trust.

**For 161 years (1856-2017), 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!**



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Andrew and Peter follow after Christ in an act of pure faith. Ordinarily, faith is a virtue infused at Baptism, but Peter and Andrew, as well as James and John, demonstrate a profound act of faith by immediately and intentionally following after Christ. Not only do they make a spectacular display of faith but they also exhibit an attitude of complete abandonment to God's will. Mark writes that they "*abandoned their nets and followed him.*" These four men walked away from the only livelihood they knew. None of them knew Christ personally and none of them had any certainty about the future. In simplicity and conviction, they heard the voice of Christ and responded without hesitation. Most importantly of all, each of the Apostles in today's Gospel wilfully put their trust in Christ. None of them knew what the future held - indeed, three of the four would profess their faith as martyrs - but they knew that Christ was part of that future.

So what are we waiting for? Like Peter and Andrew, James and John, we should endeavour to become intentional disciples. By virtue of our Baptism we know the voice of our Lord. As we respond to His voice with faith, abandonment, and trust, we too will be given everything we need to become "fishers of men" and like our brothers, the Apostles, we too can cast our nets into the deep and become heroic saints.

#### SUNDAY'S READINGS:

JONAH 3.15, 10

PSALM 25

1 CORINTHIANS 7.29-31

MARK 1.14-20

*Erica Tice is the Campus Minister for The University of St. Michael's College.*

## MARY WARD CENTRE: JOIN ECOLOGICAL MINISTRY

You are invited to attend a lecture on Flourishing of Life for All, sponsored by the Joint Ecological Ministry and the Mary Ward Centre. The special guest speaker is Dr. Heather Eaton. Joint Ecological Ministry (JEM) is a collaboration of religious communities and partners using their resources to promote caring for Creation and living within planetary limits. The lecture focuses on the power and responsibility of religious communities to be a prophetic voice for action on climate change. Ideas for collective action will be presented with a toolkit on how Congregations can get involved.

Heather Eaton is a professor at Saint Paul University. She has a PhD in ecology, feminism, theology and religious pluralism. Her recent work looks at religious imagination, evolution, peace and conflict studies on gender, ecology, religion, animal rights and non-violence.

The event takes place on **Wednesday, February 7, 2018 from 7:30pm-9:00pm** at the Mary Ward Centre, 70 St. Mary Street. No registration is required.

## SAINT BASIL SINGERS

The Saint Basil Singers is recruiting new members of all voice types for the Winter/Spring Session (January to June term).

The choir rehearses on Sunday afternoons at 3:00PM and sings at the 4:30PM Mass.

For more information please email [music@stbasiltoronto.org](mailto:music@stbasiltoronto.org) or speak to JP or Stefani after any weekend Mass.

## THEOLOGY ON TAP

All young adults (19-39) are invited to join Theology on Tap for an evening of thought-provoking conversation on Experiences of Poverty in the Third World. The special guest speaker for the event is Joseph Marquez, CFP, member, Board of Directors, VIDES International.

VIDES International is a group which exists to promote and contribute to the ongoing social and economic development of at risk women and youth through education, training, and advocacy based on the Salesian spirituality.

The event takes place on **Monday, January 29, 2018, 7:00pm** at Duke of York Pub (39 Prince Arthur Ave.) *Snacks provided — Come and bring a friend!*

## THE FRANCIS EFFECT

Get your popcorn ready! You are invited to join a special viewing of The Francis Effect on **Monday, January 29, 2018 at 7:00PM in Macrina Hall**. This is the first event of the new year for the St. Basil's Reader's Club.

Following the viewing, there will opportunity for discussion on key points of the film. The group will also pick the next book for reading through the Lenten season.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Michael via email michael.pirri@utoronto.ca or via phone at (416) 926-1300x. 3210

## CANDLEMAS BY CANDLELIGHT

Mark your calendars! On **Friday, February 2 at 7:30pm**, we will celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord – Candlemas!

We invite you to join us for a special meditative evening of readings, hymns, and choral music by candlelight. We hope to see you there!

## LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, January 14, 2018 \$ 5,630.05



## MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> — 27<sup>TH</sup>

### SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am Dolores Montemayor (+)  
10:30am *Pro Populo*  
12:00pm Myriam Scoppio (+)  
4:30pm Bosco Tang (liv.)

### MONDAY **St. Vincent**

7:30am Vitus Leung (liv.)  
12:10pm Joseph and Mary Troncone (liv.)

### TUESDAY

7:30am  
12:10pm Bruce and Nada Dancy (liv.),  
Philippe Jobin (+)

### WEDNESDAY **St. Francis de Sales**

7:30am Feliciano Macalino (+)  
12:10pm Margaret and Leonard Lawson (+)

### THURSDAY **Conversion of St. Paul**

7:30am  
12:10pm Anne Kenney (+)

### FRIDAY **St. Timothy and St. Titus**

7:30am Katrina Teh (liv.)  
12:10pm David Gotie Siem (+)

### SATURDAY

5:00pm Olimpio Ohaviani (+)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**, especially, Mary O'Brien, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Donna Wood, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Filomena La Rocca, Joseph Troncone, Carry Eillen, Neil McCormack, Barbara MacMahon-Firestone, and Alexander Wu

**PRAY FOR THE DECEASED**, especially, Rose Griffin, Norma Cunningham, and Steven Morth.



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