

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00am-1:00pm 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.

ince 1856, St. Basil's Parish has been home to people of all ages and needs. We are blessed because you are all here!

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 respect your decision to remain masked or unmasked.

For those who need hearing assistance, devices are available at the rear of the church.





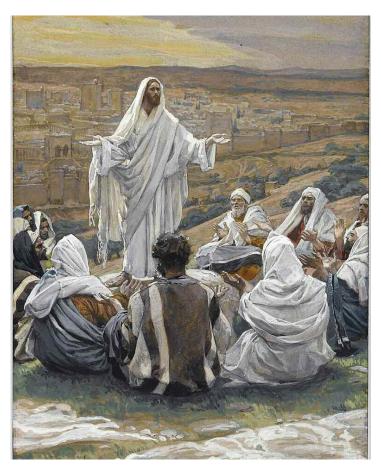
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Parish Staff

Pastor: Associate Pastor: Office Manager: Director of Music: Associate Organist: Director of Community Engagement: Coordinator of Social Justice:

Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB Fr. Norm Tanck, CSB Margaret D'Elia Dr. John Paul Farahat Stefani Bedin Michael Pirri Veronica Courtois



The Lord's Prayer – James Tissot



St. Basil's Parish, Toronto

UPDATES FROM FR. MORGAN

It has been quite the two weeks since my last bulletin article! Thank you for the prayers for the Basilian Fathers during the recent General Chapter, and thank you to Fr. Norm and the other priests who helped cover for me and Fr. Farge while we were away. If you read last weekend's E-Bulletin, you would have learned that I was re-elected to the General Council for another four-year term. While it is an honour to serve the Basilian Fathers in this capacity, the responsibility stretches me a bit and can be time-consuming; therefore, I am most grateful for all the support and assistance that you, the staff, and volunteers provide me as Pastor. What we can offer together is an affirmation of what Pope Benedict XVI wrote in 2012, that all of us are "'co-responsible' for the Church's being and acting".

You also might have learned that the Basilian General Chapter had to be cut short due to the spread of COVID among many of the participants, including me. It was most unfortunate! My infection was not severe, but the symptoms seemed to linger for a while, sort of like a bad cold. People have been taking good care of me and encouraging me to eat well, drink a lot of fluids, and rest! Fortunately, I had relatively good energy levels after the first few days of infection, so I was able to stay busy in isolation. I ask for your prayers for continued healing for me and my Basilian confrères who contracted Covid.

Some of what has occupied my time in isolation is preparing for the fall. One of the major needs at St. Basil's is a Director of Faith Formation to succeed Marilena Berardinelli, who had the heart of a Christian educator and a special love for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) program. Based on the parish's Synod discussions, faith formation has

been identified as something for which parishioners hunger, so filling this staff position is of high importance. A job description has been provided to the Archdiocese of Toronto for posting, so now we wait. My prayer is that the Holy Spirit will send us a Director of Faith Formation that St. Basil's needs at this point in our history to plan and offer faith formation opportunities for all ages-from our youngest disciples in CGS to our most senior parishioners. However, going back to that notion of "coresponsibility", I also realize that this does not fall on one person but is shared among many who are called to use their gifts to help carry it out. Please keep all of this in your prayers!

– FR. MORGAN

LOOSE HANDRAILS AT EAST ENTRANCE

The University of St. Michael's College has arranged for a contractor to repair the loose handrails at the east church entrance, so we hope that they will be fixed soon. Thanks for your patience and care.

WORLD DAY OF GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

On January 31, 2021, Pope Francis decided to institute throughout the Church the celebration of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. It will be held every year on the fourth Sunday in July (July 24, 2022) near the liturgical memory of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus.

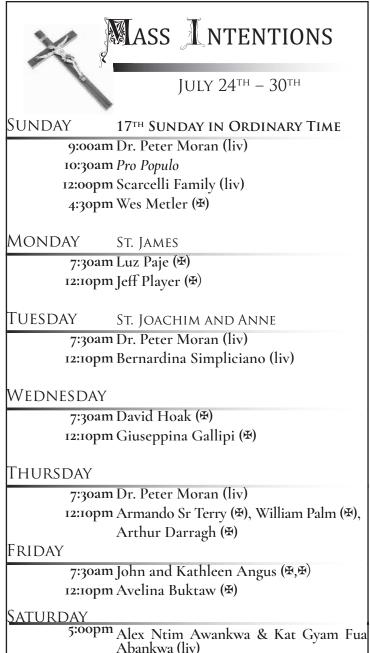
AUGUST LONG WEEKEND

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, August 1st. Only one Mass will be celebrated on at 9:00am on August 1st, after which the church will close. Regularly scheduled confessions are also cancelled.

IF YOU'RE HAPPY AND YOU KNOW IT - A GRATITUDE RETREAT

Follow your heart to a weekend (Aug 5-7) at Mount Carmel and take yourself on a life journey to nourish, embrace and celebrate all that you are. Learn how to strengthen your foundation of happiness, and how it can help to build a lifetime of laughter and joy. When we search for the path to happiness we find that gratitude and happiness are closely linked.

For more information about the retreat, please visit <u>www.carmelniagara.com</u>



UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

August 6/7 Building Fund August 13/14: Canadian Missions



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