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SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 pm (Sat);
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Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm
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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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm
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ADORATION

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

PARISH STAFF

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DOING THE HARD WORK

By Elizabeth Chesley-Jewell

In the Atrium when we speak about the liturgical seasons we tell the children that, *"green is for the growing time."* The idea of growing is brought to life when we talk about the kingdom of God being like a grain of wheat, a mustard seed, or how Jesus is the true vine and we are the branches. In each of these instances we focus on growth being something joyful and miraculous, like how a seed can break open so that a mighty stalk of wheat may emerge.

The readings for this week emphasize more of the hard work that we as humans must put into our relationship with Jesus. In the gospel, Jesus returns to his hometown and despite being one of their own the townspeople could not believe in him. Their hearts and minds were blocked possibly by fear, envy, and pride. They were unable to recognize these weaknesses as a problem and, in doing so,

Since 1856, 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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could not put their faith in Jesus as Lord and Saviour. Instead of placing their trust in Him they turned away.

In the second reading Paul shows that hard work must occur to keep our relationship with Jesus growing. In times of suffering Paul turns to the Lord and asks him to remove his sufferings. Jesus responds, *"My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."* This allows Paul to realize that he has no greater companion in his suffering than Jesus Christ who suffered and died for the sins of humanity. Paul tells us, *"whenever I am weak, then I am strong."* Strength comes from turning to Jesus in our suffering, whether we are angry, scared, or in pain. The simple act of turning to Jesus shows our faith in Him, and in turn, we do receive peace and grace.

Personally, I suffer from anxiety which can lead to immense feelings of fear and sadness. During these moments of anxiety my relationship with Jesus can drift to the way side. I'm like Paul, begging for my anxiety to leave me instead of seeking comfort and understanding from my compassionate God. I still have belief, but my fear is getting in the way of my relationship. The hard work is breaking myself open, so I may be completely vulnerable and place all my suffering in the hands of Jesus Christ.

Everyone of us has weaknesses and experiences pain and suffering. Today, let us place our weaknesses in the hands of our compassionate Lord Jesus Christ and allow ourselves to find strength in his healing love.

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

EZEKIEL 2.3-5

PSALM 123

2 CORINTHIANS 12.7-10

MARK 6.1-6

SHARELIFE

Though the three major ShareLife collections have come and gone for this year, we are still \$20,000 short of our \$83,000 suggested goal. Thank you to all those who have contributed so far!

For those who have not, it is not too late! I ask for your participation like St. Paul sought the help of the Corinthians as described in last week's second reading (**2 Corinthians 8**). St. Paul expresses a desire that the Corinthian Christians excel in their financial generosity towards those who were suffering from poverty by sharing with them some of their abundance. Thank you as you prayerfully consider how, based on your means, you might make the difference in the life of another through the many agencies supported by your ShareLife donation.

This year's ShareLife campaign concludes on July 31. Anything received after that date will be counted towards next year's campaign.

SUMMER JOBS PROGRAMS

Thousands of charitable organizations are being denied funding through the Canada Summer Jobs program. To qualify for funding, organizations must agree with certain beliefs held by the current federal government. This has impacted more than 150 jobs and more than \$1 million in funding in the Archdiocese of Toronto alone. Across Canada 1,500 groups had their applications rejected this year vs. 126 in 2017.

Dozens of Catholic organizations throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto were impacted by this policy. Cardinal Collins invites you to write your federal Member of Parliament to respectfully express your concerns.

Visit www.savesummerjobs.ca to send a message to your MP. This takes less than 3 minutes. You can also donate at the same site to support those organizations directly impacted.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

JUNE 2018

\$ 8,127

PARISH YEAR-END REPORT

Please review the St. Basil's 2017 Year-End Report, which you should find as an insert in the bulletin. Copies of the report are also available at the parish office. The report contains financial information and some statistics that you might find interesting about our growing parish. If you have any questions regarding the numbers, please contact Fr. Morgan; and he will do his best to answer them.

RENEW TORONTO

Renew Toronto is a conference for all Young Adults aged 19-39. It is an opportunity to grow in faith alongside like-minded people in a similar stage of life. This conference will offer unique opportunities for students, young adult professionals, young couples and families, men and women!

Sponsored by the Office for Catholic Youth, Renew Toronto takes place **October 12-14, 2018**.

For more information about registration, please visit <http://ocytoronto.org/renewto/>

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

This Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be held on **Wednesday August 15, 2018 at 7:00 PM** at the following Catholic Cemeteries:

- Assumption, Mississauga
- Christ the King
- Holy Cross
- Mount Hope
- Queen of Heaven
- Resurrection
- St. Mary's in Barrie.

His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins will be celebrating Mass this year at Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, July 1, 2018 \$ 5,227.38



MASS INTENTIONS

JULY 8TH – 14TH

SUNDAY 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am Dorie Santos (+)
10:30am *Pro Populo*
12:00pm David Robert Weiner (+)
4:30pm Hans Beretta (+)

MONDAY

7:30am Cleta DeDouza (+)
12:10pm Irene Merzlak (+)

TUESDAY

7:30am Miles W. Mathis (+)
12:10pm Jim and Catherine Cox (+,+), Emma deVilla (+), Myrna G. Tomas (+)

WEDNESDAY ST. BENEDICT

7:30am Yenukunme Chantal Jôssu (liv.)
12:10pm Arcadio de Guia (+)

THURSDAY

7:30am Ed Hooks (+)
12:10pm Rose Luzano-Anuddin (+)

FRIDAY

7:30am Cleta DeSouza (+)
12:10pm Amy Wong (+)

SATURDAY

5:00pm Claire Bonk(+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Donna Wood, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Mary O'Brien, Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Rebecca Beaton, Paul O'Brien, Carry Eillen, Romulus DeMello, Jerry O'Hearn, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Tai-Ho Myung, Young-Mi Sim, and Anne MacCarthy.

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