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CATHOLIC PARISH

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

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Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm; 3:00 pm - 8:00pm Sat 9:00 am - 6:30 pm Sun 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Administered by the Basilian Fathers

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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm

LAUDS Sat: 9:00 am

ADORATION

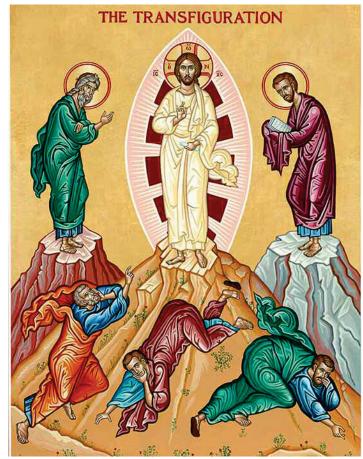
Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

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

Pastor:

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Director of Community Engagement: Michael Pirri

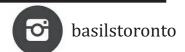
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CALLED AND CHOSEN

By Fr. Norm Tanck, CSB

Last Sunday at the 10:30 Mass an impressive number of people who are in our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program where called forward by name and were chosen by the Church for full membership in the Body of Christ through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Those who will be baptized then wrote their names in the Book of the Elect. Our elect and candidates for Confirmation and Holy Communion join a long line of holy women and men who were named, called and chosen by God into a deeper relationship with God and their brothers and sisters, into a covenant relationship. They were given a promise of a new life and a new future. In today's readings we hear some of those names.

Abraham and Sarah, Moses and Elijah, Peter, James and John were all called to leave behind an old life and given a new one. They all said yes to that call and began a journey in faith. They were given a vision of what the glory of God was like and how they would be part that glory.

Holy Saturday night, just before our elect are baptized, we will sing the Litany of the Saints naming many of the holy women and men who have been called and chosen. Like them, each one of us has been called by name and chosen by God for this incredible journey. Lent is a special time for us affirm our yes to that call and to dream together what life will be like when the Lord returns in glory to lead us to the Promised Land, the full realization of the Kingdom of God.

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18 Psalms 27 Philippians 3.17-4.1 Luke 9:28b-36

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us on **Fridays during Lent** for the Stations of the Cross. Each week we will join in prayer beginning with Vespers, at 5:10PM followed by the Stations of the Cross. Each week during Lent, we will use a different variation of the Stations of the Cross.

AID TO WOMEN: BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Aid to Women is a Christian charity offering practical help to pregnant women in crisis, enabling them to choose life for their unborn children. In addition to providing counseling, they provide material, emotional, spiritual and financial support for these mothers in need. Representatives from Aid to Women will be at the back of the church after each mass the weekend of MARCH 16/17, handing out their baby bottles that contain more information about the campaign. You are asked to return the bottles to the parish with your donation on the weekend of April 13th and 14th. 100% of the donations received go directly to Aid to Women's life affirming work.

USMC SCHOLA CONCERT: IN THE MIDST OF LIFE

St. Michael's College Schola Cantorum and Constort present In the Midst of Life: A Concert for Lent. Funeral anthems and other usic for voices and strings by Henry Purcell, Thomas Morley, and Joh Merbecke. Consort led by Chris Verrette, Directed by Michael O'Connor.

Sunday, March 17, 2019 St. Basil's Catholic Parish 8:00PM

Admission is free, but donations are welcomed.

DONATION TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for donations made in 2018 were mailed at the end of February. Kindly inform the parish office if you were supposed to receive a receipt and have not, or if there are any corrections necessary.

Please contact the parish office by March 20th, as no changes will be permitted after this date.

FAMILY PRAYER MINISTRY

Marriage & Family Prayer Ministry invites all those able to attend the **12:10pm Mass on Tuesday March 19**, the Feast of St. Joseph, patron of families. Fellowship in Ardeche Hall will follow. All are welcome.

LETTER FROM CARDINAL COLLINS

His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins has prepared a Pastoral Letter for Lent 2019, offering tangible reflections on how we can use this most holy time of year as a period of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Cardinal Collins also invites us become more engaged in the efforts of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul.

Copies of the letter are available in the Parish Office and at the back of the church, or by visiting www.archtoronto.org

USMC LENTEN RETREAT

Please join the University of St. Michael's College Community for their Twilight Retreat led by Sr. Linda Gregg, CSJ, as they explore the theme <u>The Good News of Creation: Finding our Common Home</u>.

The evening will begin with supper and fellowship in Charbonnel Lounge at USMC, attendees will then cross the street to Loretto College for the retreat, quiet reflection and Eucharist in Loretto's lovely chapel. \$30 for dinner, free for USMC students.

For Information and registration contact USMC Alumni Affairs at (416) 926-2331, email: smc.alumniaffairs@utoronto.ca

SERRA CLUB

The Serra Club of Downtown Toronto invites all parishioners to attend a luncheon talk on **Wednesday, March 20, 2019** following the 12:10 PM Mass.

The Serra Club of Toronto is pleased to inform you that there will be two guest speakers and they will share their experience at the recent World Youth Day in Panama: Jean Ko Din, from the Catholic Register and Andrew Santos, from the Archdiocesan Communications Office.

The lunch and talk will take place immediately after the 12:10 Mass, in Macrina Hall. Please RSVP to the Parish office (416) 926-7110 or office@stbasiltoronto.org, for catering purposes.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, March 10, 2019 \$5,506.70 Ash Wednesday \$3,557.80



Sunday

 2^{ND} Sunday of Lent

9:00am Agnes Stock (+)

10:30am Pro Populo

12:00pm Francis, Monica, and Mary Gannon (+,+,+)

4:30pm Kevid Goddard (+)

Monday

7:30am John Quane (+) 12:10pm Cyril Sequeira (+)

TUESDAY St. Joseph

7:30am Hermina Neidhart (+)

12:10pm Gemma Ciavarella (liv.), Nguyen Thy Hong (liv.)

Wednesday

7:30am Elizabeth Wuerth (liv.)

12:10pm Vocations

THURSDAY

7:30am Johanna Pregetter (+)

12:10pm Manuel Calma Buenafe Jr (+). Jessica De Luca and Matthew Sottile (liv.)

FRIDAY

7:30am Claro Lorenzo Lagdameo (+)

12:10pm Bishop Kasun (liv.)

Saturday

5:00pm Josephine and Michael Harrington (+,+)

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, Shane Carroll, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Helen Tilston, Young-Mi Sim, Marywynne Parke, and Jasper David-Fuchs.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, Leo Doucette.

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