Ordinary Time VIII 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

MARCH 3, 2019

5:00 pm (Sat); 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm; 4:30 pm

BASII'S

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: Associate Pastor: Deacon: Office Manager: Director of Music: **Assistant Organist:** Director of Community Engagement: Michael Pirri Coordinator of Social Justice: **Director of Family Ministries:** Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: R.C.I.A. Coordinator:

Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB Fr. Norm Tanck, CSB James Sand, SJ Margaret D'Elia J.P. Farahat Stefani Bedin Veronica Courtois Marilena Berardinelli Mariann Dunsmore Trevor Rainwater, SJ

KNOWN BY OUR FRUITS

By Michael Pirri

Our Gospel reading today challenges us to first see our faults before we consider pointing out the faults of others. This reading is especially poignant this week; Former Cardinal McCarrick has been laicized, Cardinal Pell was found guilty of sexual offenses involving minors, and a much anticipated meeting of Church leaders on the abuse crisis seems to have fallen short of expectations.

These are no doubt difficult conversations to be having. As a Catholic higher education community, we have an obligation not only to have these conversations, but also to facilitate and lead them.

I recently gave a talk on Ministry for the Parish R.C.I.A. program. In it, I spoke about our baptismal call to fulfill our roles as Priest, Prophet,





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and King. I think the Church today is in need of Prophets - Catholic women and men who go out into the world to spread the message of the Gospel.

The abuse crisis is, rightly, jarring – it disturbs us. It is disheartening to experience as a global community, especially when it is not the reality the majority of us live in our faith lives. It erodes our trust in our faith, in the Church, and regretfully, for some even in God. Further, it challenges our values, and the impression of what our values are. We cannot give tacet approval.

How are we to fulfill our roles as prophets in the reality we now live in? We are called to be witnesses in our thoughts, in what we say, and in what we do. In that way we are called to share the Gospel with those around us, to be prophets in our daily lives. We don't need to be teachers, or influencers to be effective prophets, we need simply act in a way which is befitting of our role as messenger of the Gospel. We are to be known by our actions.

In this disruption, there is opportunity for reconciliation, for inner conversion. This begins with conversation. With all important dialogue, it is important to be educated on the topic, to seek truth rather than approval, to listen to those who are not listened to, but most importantly to be receptive, **to listen.**

In a few weeks time, there will be an opportunity to do just that – listen and learn. <u>The</u> <u>Wounded Body of Christ: Listening and Responding</u> <u>to Abuse in the Church</u> begins with a talk on Thursday, March 14, and a full day colloquium follows on Friday, March 15. I'd like to encourage you to attend either the talk or the full day colloquium as we begin to consider how to best find our voice on the abuse crisis in the Church.

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Sirach 27.4-7 Psalm 92 1 Corinthians 15.54-58 Luke 6.39-45

Readers Group

All are welcome to join for an opening talk on 'Dialogue in our Lenten Journey' this **Friday**, **March 8th**, **at 6:00PM** (following the Stations of the Cross) in Ardèche Hall.

Over Lent, the St. Basil's Readers Group will be reading <u>Seven Last Words</u> by James Martin, SJ. The book is a meditation on the seven last phrases Jesus spoke from the cross. The book shows how each phrase reveals how much Jesus participated in our human condition, and how each saying can help you feel close to Jesus.

If you would like to join the Readers Group, please contact Michael at michael.pirri@utoronto.ca or (416) 926-1300 x.3210

LITTLE BLACK BOOKS

The Lenten Little Black Books will be on sale beginning this weekend for \$3.00 in the narthex. These books offer a wonderful opportunity to spend 6 minutes of reflection throughout Lent.

If you would like to purchase a copy after this weekend, please visit the Parish Office.

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Join us in exploring the Living Word of God through the lens of the Gospel of Luke—the Gospel read this liturgical year. This four session series is an opportunity to enrich our understanding of Luke's distinct portrait of Jesus and discipleship as presented by the evangelist. You need not have attended our first session to attend an upcoming one. Our upcoming sessions are:

- March 13 Jesus' ministry and teaching (rescheduled from February 6)
- **April 3** The passion narrative and the Risen Jesus

Sessions take place from 7PM-8:30PM in Ardèche Hall. Although registration is not required, it is encouraged so as to better prepare to welcome everyone.

For more information or to register please contact Marilena, our Director of Family Ministry: <u>marilena.berardinelli@utoronto.ca</u>

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday, March 6. Mass will be celebrated at the following times:

7:30am, 12:10pm, 1:30pm (University Liturgy), 5:10pm, 7:00pm

THANK YOU

Thank you for your generous support of the John Ford First Sunday Food Drive this past weekend. Your donations go a long way to providing warm meals to those most in need.

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.

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Michael at (416) 926-1300 x.3210 or michael.pirri@utoronto.ca

THE WOUNDED BODY OF CHRIST: LISTENING AND RESPONDING TO ABUSE IN THE CHURCH

Believing in a Sinful and Holy Church

All are invited to attend a public lecture by Dr. Brian Flanagan, Marymount University. Thursday, March 14 at 7PM in Alumni Hall, Room 100, 121 St. Joseph Street.

Voices from survivors

Voices from survivors, with Dr. Brian Flanagan facilitating the conversation. Friday, March 15 9AM-5PM in Charbonnel Lounge, 81 St. Mary Street

- A paper by Sr. Nuala Kenny, O.C., M.D., F.R.C.P., on diagnosing and treating clerical sexual abuse
- A paper by Dr. Mary Ann Hinsdale, IHM, on • clericalism as it relates to abuse

All events are free and open to the public, please *RSVP:* events.usmctheology@utoronto.ca

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, February 24, 2019 \$5,693.30

MASS INTENTIONS

MARCH $3^{RD} - 9^{TH}$

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday

> 9:00am Shiu Hing Lo (liv.) 10:30am Pro Populo 12:00pm Protection of the unborn 4:30pm Cess Rodriguez (+)

Monday

7:30am 12:10pm

TUESDAY

7:30am The Thalheimer Family 12:10pm *Holy Souls* (+)

WEDNESDAY ASH WEDNESDAY

7:30am, 12:10pm, 1:30pm, 5:10pm, 7:00pm: Pro Populo

THURSDAY

7:30am 12:10pm

Friday

7:30am 12:10pm Lucille Mirvish (+)

Saturday

5:00pm Lina Ciavarella (+)

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.

