

MAY 19, 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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
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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
LAUDS Sat: 9:00 am

ADORATION

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

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A SIMPLE MESSAGE

By Michael Pirri

In the first reading today, Paul and Barnabas are busy traveling around sharing the Gospel and building up the Church here on earth. Their commission in making disciples of all nations seems to have been taken quite seriously, traveling from Lystra to Iconium and Antioch, then Pisidia and Pamphylia, and further still to Perga and Attalia.

Their work here is a response to what we hear in the Gospel reading, Christ reveals His imminent departure from the world. Presumably, this creates a great deal of uncertainty for the apostles; someone who they've left everything behind to follow, will be leaving them shortly. Their worries, I'm sure, would have been mostly logistical – Who will lead us? What will we do? Where will we go?

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.



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St. Basil's Parish, Toronto

Christ's response is to provide a new commandment: *"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."* (**John 13.34-35**)

The simplicity of the commandment is, presumably, what has led to Paul and Barnabas' success on their travels. A message so simple, yet so profound, is the key to evangelization. Pope Francis expands upon the centrality of this commandment in *Gaudete et Exsultate*, writing: *"In other words, amid the thicket of precepts and prescriptions, Jesus clears a way to seeing two faces, that of the Father and that of our brother. He does not give us two more formulas or two more commands. He gives us two faces, or better yet, one alone: the face of God reflected in so many other faces. For in every one of our brothers and sisters, especially the least, the most vulnerable, the defenceless and those in need, God's very image is found. Indeed, with the scraps of this frail humanity, the Lord will shape his final work of art. For "what endures, what has value in life, what riches do not disappear? Surely these two: the Lord and our neighbour. These two riches do not disappear!"* (#61)

May we continue to see the face of Christ in others around us, and love them fully, without exception, as Christ loves us.

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

ACTS 514.21B-27

PSALM 145

REVELATION 21.1-5A

JOHN 13.1, 31-33A, 34-35

LONG WEEKEND

Please note that the parish office will be closed on **Monday, May 20th** in observance of Victoria Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00AM after which the church will close; regularly scheduled confessions are cancelled.

BUNDLE-UP WEEKEND

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at St. Basil's will collect gently used items for families in need, on the weekend of **June 1 and 2**.

They accept clothes, footwear, blankets, sheets, towels and drapery, as well as new or nearly new toys, and small household goods. They don't collect appliances, baby or other furniture, dishes, books or video/audio cassettes. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul donates the goods to families in need, exchanges them for vouchers to help the needy, or sells them to support our charitable works.

There will be a truck parked at the church all weekend, and volunteers will be there before and after the Saturday and Sunday Masses. Please be sure to tie up your donation bags to make handling easier, and to prevent spoilage.

Thank you in advance for your kind support for those who need it most.

SHARELIFE

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What difference does training make for youth ministers? Consider that the 40+ youth ministers in the Archdiocese of Toronto collectively impact thousands of youth and their families. The Office of Catholic Youth (OCY), funded by ShareLife, visits parishes, equips youth ministers, and facilitates networking—including an archdiocesan training day attended by 200 youth ministers and volunteers. OCY helps ensure a vibrant church for future generations.

**June 2 is the next ShareLife Sunday.
Thank you for your generosity.**

CANADIAN CATHOLIC PHYSICIANS FEDERATION MEETING

Join Catholic health care providers from across Canada for education and fellowship! The 11th annual conference of the Canadian Catholic Physicians Federation is happening **May 31st to June 2nd** in downtown Toronto.

Info and tickets at
<https://canadiancatholicphysicians.com/conferences>

ADVANCE CARE PLANNING AND END-OF-LIFE CARE

What does my doctor mean by “DNR”? Do Catholics have to “try everything” when they get a terminal illness? What is palliative care? If you have ever had questions about these topics, come hear a presentation by Dr Lucas Vivas (parishioner) about the Catholic perspective on health in advancing age and towards the end of life.

Join us on **Monday, May 27th at 7:00pm** in Ardèche Hall. The 40-minute presentation will be followed by an open Q & A session.”

STUDY & PRAY IN ISRAEL

You are invited to register for a study abroad, retreat program that will prayerfully read the Book of Numbers while exploring Israel in the footsteps of Jesus this summer. Hosted by Bat Kol and the Centre for Christian-Jewish Studies at the Ratisbonne Institute in Jerusalem, you would partake in a three week program examining the fourth book of the Torah in the sacred land of Israel from **July 2-23, 2019**. The Book of Numbers explores God’s presence amongst a wandering people. This unique study program takes place in the heart of the old city of Jerusalem consisting of classes, evening lectures from renowned Rabbis and Christian theologians, excursions to archeological sites, and immersion into Jewish culture and religiosity.

This program can be taken for academic credit (accredited through The University of St. Michael’s College Faculty of Theology and the Gregorian University in Rome among other institutions), OR you are most welcome to audit the course- for an intellectually and spiritually enriching, memorable experience of the Holy Land!

Looking for more information regarding cost and registration? Please visit <https://batkol.info/>. USMC Faculty of Theology will also be hosting an information session in the Faculty’s **Brennan Lounge, room 115A, in Brennan Hall (81 St. Mary Street; on the St. Michael’s College campus) on Tuesday, May 21 at 7:00pm.**

LAST SUNDAY’S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, May 12, 2019 \$5,385.00



MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 19TH –25TH

SUNDAY 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00am Manuel Rodrigues (+)
10:30am *Pro Populo*
12:00pm Lorena Vicente (liv.)
4:30pm Zofia and Marian Kupfer (+,+)

MONDAY

9:00am Magno Catabijan (+)

TUESDAY

7:30am
12:10pm Demaree Jazz Ramos (+)

WEDNESDAY

7:30am
12:10pm

THURSDAY

7:30am
12:10pm *Holy Souls*

FRIDAY

7:30am
12:10pm Luigi and Lina Ciavarella (+,+)

SATURDAY

5:00pm Metuda Mandaric (+)

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, Michael West, Rita Moran, Paul O’Brien, Barbara Boyle, Maria Teresa Blackwell, Margaret Mary McKenzie, Jose Gaitero, Shane Carroll, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Helen Tilston, Hilary McCormack, and Jasper David-Fuchs.*

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