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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

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

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VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm LAUDS Sat: 9:00 am

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

**ADORATION** 

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.

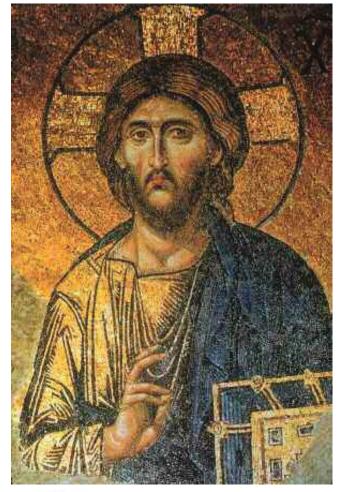


#### PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Associate Pastor: Office Manager: Director of Music: Associate Organist: Director of Community Engagement: Michael Pirri

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Today's celebration of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe ("Christ the King") marks the beginning of the final week of the liturgical year. We are concluding Cycle C of the Sunday readings, which have focused on the Gospel of Luke. The coming liturgical year starting with the First Sunday of Advent uses Cycle A, the focus of which is the Gospel of Matthew.

The Gospel passage this weekend presents us with a scene at Jesus' execution. We hear the heartfelt interchange between Jesus and one of the criminals, known in Christian tradition as Dismas, the "good thief", who is being crucified alongside Jesus. Acknowledging the wrong he has done, Dismas professes his belief in the king who Jesus truly is by requesting that Jesus will welcome him into his kingdom.

I can imagine that Dismas' request was music to Jesus' ears, the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost and brings them home. Jesus responds, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise" (Luke 23.43). It is one more example of the great mercy of God bestowed through Jesus, who desires that all people be saved to live with him forever. While Dismas might have only come to know Jesus and his mercy at the last moments of his earthly life, that encounter forever changed his future.

Encounters will Jesus can do the same for us. Let us thank God that we are blessed to have access to Jesus who, as Pope Francis mentions, never tires of forgiving us so that we can experience life abundantly. Let us not wait until our final moments to begin living God's kingdom,

but may we strive to acknowledge and accept Jesus as King and Lord of our lives here and now.

#### **SUNDAY'S READINGS:**

2 Samuel 5.1-3 Psalm 122 Colossians 1.12-20 Luke 23.35-43

#### 2020 PARISH ENVELOPES

A new calendar year is quickly approaching! Parish envelopes are now available for pickup in the back of the Church.

Like last year, labels are placed on the top of the envelope boxes. If you have used envelopes this year, please be sure to only pick up a box with your number and name on it. If you have not used envelopes but would now like to, please stop by the parish office to pick up a box and to register as a parishioner.

#### Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.)

Please consider switching to Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.), it's an automated withdrawal which is simpler for both you and the parish. Please contact Margaret, the Parish Office Manager, for more information at (416) 926-7110.

#### CORPORATE RETREAT PROGRAM

We are now accepting bookings for our corporate retreat program, which runs on select Thursday mornings. The Program includes a presentation on systematic poverty in the city, as well as a service component to help our neighbours in need. The program can accommodate a group of 8-12 individuals, and runs from 9:00AM to 12:00PM.

If you are interested in booking a date, please contact Michael Pirri at michael.pirri@utoronto.ca or (416) 926-2075

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#### **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

In commemoration of *All Saints'* and *All Souls'* Day, and as a special way to honour our deceased loved ones at this time, our parish's *Book of Remembrance* will be on display in the sanctuary throughout the entire month of November. Please sign the names of the faithfully departed and pray for those listed.

#### THURSDAY VESPERS IN ADVENT

All are invite to join as we celebrate sung Vespers, led by two cantors and organ, on Thursdays in Advent (**December 5, 12, and 19**) at 5:10PM following Adoration. We hope that you will join us in the sanctuary for this prayerful experience.

#### MISSAL SALES

New Sunday Missals for the 2020 Liturgical year are on sale in the Parish Office. Due to steadily rising costs over the last few years, the Sunday Missals will now be \$7.00; Monthly Missals will be going up to \$5.00 per copy, beginning with the January 2020 edition.

#### ORATORIO CONCERT

Join the University of Toronto Oratorio Ensemble for a concert of Advent music performed by undergraduate students of the Faculty of Music. **Tuesday, December 3rd at 7:30PM**. Works by Schubert, Bach, Mendelssohn, Mozart, and Saint-Saëns. Dr. Darryl Edwards, Director; Mia Bach, pianist. Free admission, with donations towards St. Basil's Catholic Parish.

#### 10TH ANNUAL MEAGHER LECTURE

Did the Early Christians Believe the Bible?

All are invited to attend the 10th Annual Meagher Lecture delivered by Dr. Colleen Shantz, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Theology. **Thursday November 28, 2019 at 7:00PM** in Charbonnel Lounge (81 St. Mary Street).

 ${\it Contact~\underline{events.usmctheology@utoronto.ca}~for~more} information.$ 

#### **SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:**

Sunday, November 17, 2019 \$5,120.90



#### Sunday

#### CHRIST THE KING

9:00am Stanislov Pcolinsky (+)

10:30am Pro Populo

12:00pm Katrina Teh (liv.)

4:30pm Lech Jaromir Kowalski (+)

#### Monday

7:30am

12:10pm Maureen Sewell (+)

#### TUESDAY

7:30am

12:10pm Anne Dowling (+), Lo Family (+)

#### Wednesday

7:30am

12:10pm Teresa Henriques (liv.)

#### THURSDAY

7:30am Marie Bernice Casey (+)

12:10pm Paul Clubbe (+)

#### Friday

7:30am

12:10pm Jenny, Charlie, John, and Kathleen Angus (+,+,+,+)

Saturday St. Andrew

5:00pm Stefan and Anna Papez (+,+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Clare DeMello, Roberto Martello, Rebecca Beaton, Erika Farncomb, Gemma Ciavarella, Mary O'Brien, Rita Moran, Rosy Menezes, Paul O'Brien, Barbara Boyle, Margaret Mary McKenzie, Josephine D'amico, Jose Gaitero, Kham Tang, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Ceceila Sorianosos, Wilfredo Sorianosos, Anne C., Delaila Salvador, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Betty Veit, Sue Banfield, Erin Sullivan, Hilary McCormack, and Jasper David-Fuchs.

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