

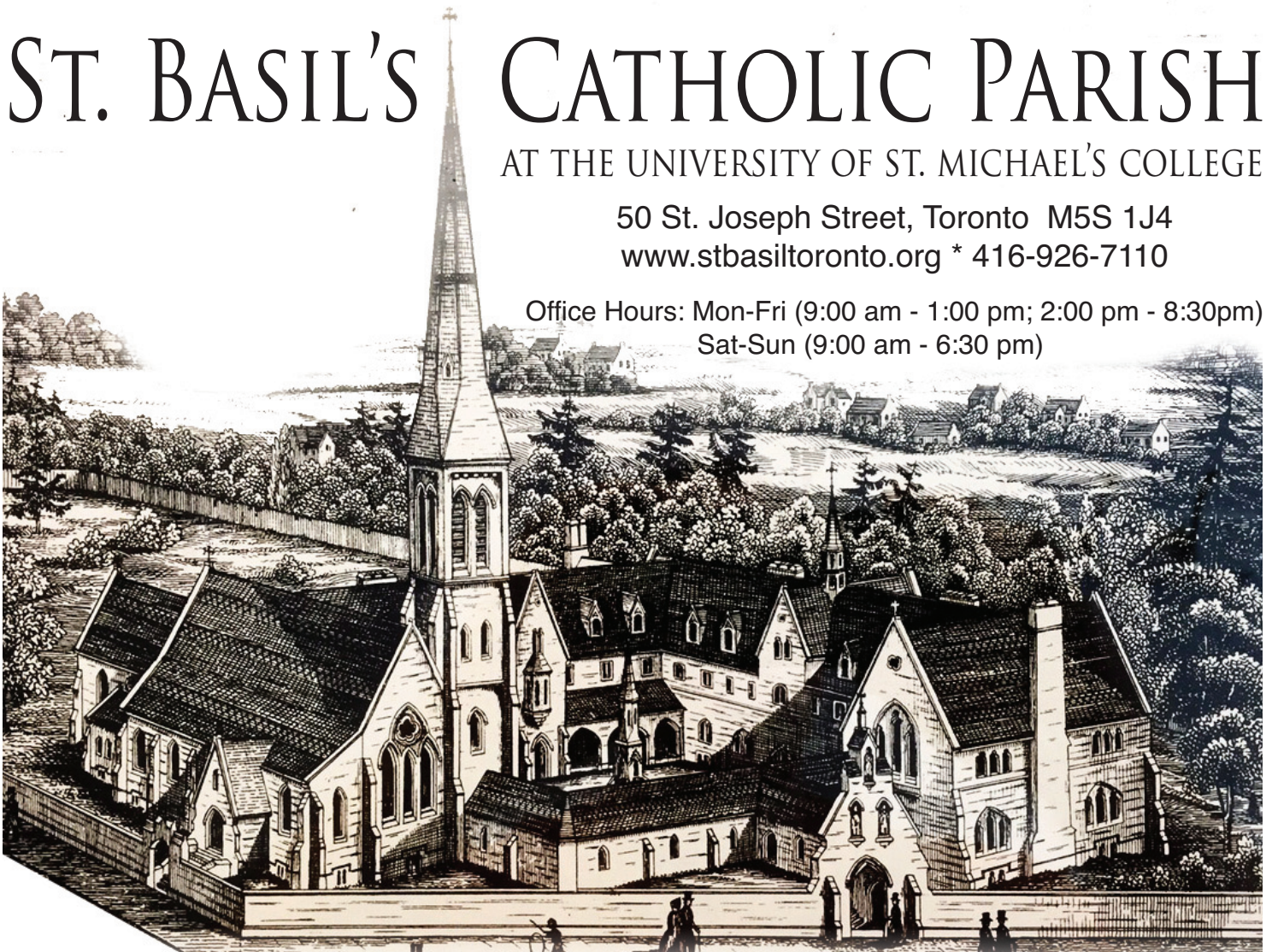
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5:00 pm (Sat); 9:00 am; 10:30 am;
12:00 pm; 4:30 pm

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Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm
Sat: 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

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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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Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm
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For 160 years (1856-2016), 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!

RESURRECTION & THE “GOD OF THE LIVING”

By Emily VanBerkum

I have tried to put myself in the mindset of understanding the Sadducees’ denial that the dead would resurrect. After all, they were Jewish and their frame of reference was the written Law. Yet, I find it interesting that in today’s Gospel, members of this elite Jewish sect got to converse with Jesus about a very pragmatic issue concerning the responsibility of extended family and raising children should one spouse die. Jesus’ clear command of the Torah takes center stage by recalling Moses’ encounter with a burning bush, stating that in conversation with the God of Abraham, Moses discovered that God is *“not God of the dead, but of the living.”*

Jesus turned the Sadducees’ assumption of the resurrection on its head. The Sadducees believed that the human construct of marriage existed in the same way beyond death. Jesus boldly claimed that this is simply not true. By proclaiming that God is “not God of the dead, but of the living,” Jesus implies that there are two ways of existing: an earthly life and a heavenly life marked by our resurrection. For Catholics, the resurrection is a reunification of our body and soul. God is a God of the living because, ultimately, *all will live in God eternally.*

Jesus’ resurrection created a beautiful paradox. Through death comes the resurrection- an eternal life with God set apart from our earthly existence. If our lives are oriented to God, and we are prepared to be one with “the God of the living” at the time of our resurrection, then what are we doing daily so that our very lives reflect a profound hopefulness of the resurrection? How can we get a foretaste of what it means to leave behind the trappings of this world and enjoy the life to come?

Sunday’s Readings:

*2 Maccabees 7.1-2, 7, 9-14; 2 Thessalonians 2.16-3.5;
Luke 20.27-38*

‘BUNDLE UP’ WEEKEND IS BACK!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is collecting clothing to be given to those in need or to be sold to help support special works in the community. Bring your donations to the Society’s truck for the upcoming **Bundle Up weekend** on **November 26/27**.

PRESENTATION ON THE BIBLE

All are invited this **Wednesday, November 9** for a presentation on the Bible with Scripture scholar and Basilian Father Bill Irwin. Our gathering will begin with evening prayer at **7:00pm in the church** (followed by the talk at 7:15pm in Charbonnel Lounge on the USMC campus). Fr. Bill will explore how we are to read the Bible and how the Catholic canon of sacred scripture was determined. No pre-registration is required.

USMC ADVENT RETREAT

“Finding Your Way to Advent” retreat is on **Sunday, November 13 immediately after the 4:30pm Mass in the Coop**, Brennan Hall (on the USMC campus). Email Angelo Minardi (angelo.minardi@utoronto.ca) to register.

MEAGHER LECTURE

You are cordially invited to the University of St. Michael’s College Faculty of Theology’s 7th Annual John Meagher Public Lecture, given by Fr. Dr. Mario D’Souza, CSB on “The Catholic University and the Unburdening of the Real World.” The lecture will take place on **Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00pm in Charbonnel Lounge**. Free admission, no pre-registration is required.

HANDEL’S DIXIT DOMINUS AND VIVALDI’S GLORIA

Sunday, November 20, at 7:30pm

\$30 general admission, \$20 seniors, \$10 students

The Schola Cantorum offer this Gloria as an homage to the brilliant work of Vivaldi at his Church of La Pietà. The genius of a youthful Handel created the thrilling Dixit Dominus, a grand work featuring double choir and orchestra. Mozart wrote “Handel understands effect better than any of us — when he chooses, he strikes us like a thunderbolt.” Founded in 2012 by Daniel Taylor, the University of Toronto Schola Cantorum aims to present the brilliant early choral and instrumental repertoire from across the centuries to a new audience. For ticket purchase, please visit: <https://performance.rcmusic.ca/event/u-t-presents-handels-dixit-dominus-vivaldis-gloria>

THE PEOPLE IN THE PEWS PROJECT

Fr. Chris invited you to participate in the ongoing 'People in the Pews' project. We want to hear your spiritual story: What brings you to the pew? Consider this not as a literal question, but a philosophical one: *Why do you come here? What draws you to Mass? Do you come often, or barely at all? Why?* For many Catholics, the usual answer is that we have always done this; however, we are hoping to consider the question anew.

While our practice often has moments of nostalgia, it is not based on that alone. We are always a work in progress: whether faith or in doubt, sanctuary or autonomy, we are beckoned to the pew for different reasons. Every story deserves to be heard. Your story, with your permission, will be posted on the Parish website so that it may be shared to inspire others.

This does not mean it becomes our 'property', but rather our privilege to read it publicly. Resources and helpful hints can be found on our website at www.stbasiltoronto.org/belonging/pews/sharing-your-story. Consider submitting your story to leanna.cappiello@utoronto.ca.

USMC TOY DRIVE

This Christmas season, the Office of Campus Ministry will be organizing its 2nd Annual USMC Toy Drive. Our drive provides much needed assistance to families in our community, identified by St. Vincent de Paul, that are unable to provide gifts for their children during the Christmas Season. ***Along with toys, we are also collecting cash donations so that we may purchase gift cards.*** Our campaign begins on **Sunday, November 27 and ends on Friday December 9**, at which time students and faculty from the University of St. Michael's College will be dropping off the items to the families in need. You may drop off a toy donation to our gift box in the parish office or donate cash with a labeled envelope indicating that the donation is meant for the toy drive to the parish office. Thank you for your support!

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, October 30, 2016 \$5,655.40



MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 6th - 12th

Sunday 9:00am- 10:30am- 12:00pm- 4:30pm-	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Zoltan Hancar (+) Pro Populo Alfredo Sottile (+) Antun & Hermina Sertich (+,+)
Monday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Norbert Flood (+) Helen Maria Eustachiwna Andrusyszyn (+)
Tuesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Miller Guest Hill (+) Manuel & Julieta Lim (+)
Wednesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Christine Teh (liv.) Gerd & Veronika Roser (liv.)
Thursday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Saint Leo the Great Emma Suba (+)
Friday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Saint Martin of Tours Ralph Pepe (+)
Saturday 5:00pm-	Saint Josaphat Walter Thompson (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Mary O'Brien, Claire Fidler, Helen Lau, Gloria Lau, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Hilary McCormack, Leslie Beck, Lucille Mirvish, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Concha Gaeitereiro, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, and Filomena La Rocca.


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