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AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE



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Sat 9:00 am - 6:30 pm Sun 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

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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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

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

ADORATION

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB
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Community Coordinator:	Michael Pirri
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HUMBLE SERVICE

by Fr. Morgan V. Rice, CSB

The second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians is one of my favourites and particularly worthy of reflection. It is an important exhortation of how we are to live as the Church. Keep in mind what we heard last weekend, *"Live your life in a manner worthy of the Gospel of Christ" (Phil 1.27)*. It sets the stage for the unity St. Paul desires of the Christian community to whom he writes: *"Be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind" (2.2)*. The Church is still striving for that unity which becomes reality when we live as Christ calls us.

To move closer to that unity, the virtue of humility is necessary. *"In humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of*

For 161 years (1856-2017), 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!



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others" (2.3-4). Humility. It's so necessary and yet so difficult. The temptation can be to cling to those things that give us an advantage—social status, wealth, power, position, education—and use them for our own self-interests. Christ, however, showed us a different way, in his particular case by not exploiting his divine status but to empty himself of that which would give him an advantage, even to the point of death on a cross. That is our model.

Each of us is invited to reflect on our own particular situations and the things that we need to let go of in order to better serve the interests of others. Some of the advice that was given to me as a new pastor reflects this notion of humility:

- Self-centredness is a route to your demise. Keep the focus off yourself.
- As a priest, you are not superior to anyone.
- When you make a mistake, own up to it, accept responsibility for it, and apologize for it.

During the 4:30pm Mass on Sunday, October 15, I shall be installed as the pastor of St. Basil's. You might be wondering, "Aren't you already pastor, Fr. Morgan?!" Well, yes. Cardinal Collins officially appointed me pastor, effective July 1, but there is a formal installation ceremony that Bishop Bob Kasun will perform in two weeks. I ask for your continued prayers as I prepare for the installation and my ongoing ministry at St. Basil's that it might be in humble service. Be assured of my prayers for you as well.

SUNDAYS READINGS:

EZEKIEL 18.25-28

PSALM 25

PHILIPPIANS 2.1-11

MATTHEW 21.28-32

ENROLLING CHILDREN AGES 3-9

Registration is open for The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program which begins Sunday, October 15th. Please note that the 10:30-11:30AM group is at capacity. The full schedule is available on the parish website. Please contact Mariann Dunsmore, the program coordinator at cgsMariann@gmail.com for more information or to register.

St. Basil's Atrium (3-6 year olds)

- Children meet weekly from 9:00-10:00am.

St. Basil's Atrium (6-9 year olds)

- Children meet weekly from 11:30am- 12:30pm in the Atrium and then proceed together to celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist with the larger parish community (12:30-1:00pm).

R.C.I.A. AT ST. BASIL'S

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (known as 'R.C.I.A') is a very special and intensive program designed for adults over the age of eighteen seeking reception into the Roman Catholic Church, or for baptized Catholics looking to learn more about Roman Catholic theology and practice. At St. Basil's, our R.C.I.A. program runs for nearly 30 weeks and explores a variety of topics dealing with the sacramental life and real-world discipleship. Our program draws in an exciting line-up of speakers from the Toronto School of Theology, University of St. Michael's College, and Basilian Fathers.

Whether you are seeking to receive the Sacraments of Initiation and convert to Roman Catholicism, or you are already a long-time fully-initiated Roman Catholic, come and discover the Catholic faith anew!

If you are interested in learning more about the R.C.I.A. program, please contact Jessica, the Coordinator of the program for more information. She can be reached at rcia@stbasiltoronto.org

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The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2018. St. Michael's College School is the only independent Catholic School for boys from Grade 7 to Grade 12. Open Houses for interested parents and their sons will be held on Thursday, October 19 and Tuesday, October 24 from 7:30-9:30PM.

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October 1, 2017: Compassion and Humility
Sirach 3:11-31

All are welcome to attend Lectio Divina on Sunday October 1st, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Vespers (evening prayer) begins at 7:00PM, followed by Lectio Divina from 7:30 to 8:15PM.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, September 24, 2017 \$ 5,961.65



MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 1ST — 7TH

SUNDAY 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am John and Stella Dabrowski (†, †)

10:30am *Pro Populo*

12:00pm Maximo Costiniano Jr. (†)

4:30pm Victoria Migriño Chatto (†)

MONDAY **The Holy Guardian Angels**

7:30am Maria Myung (liv.) and Family

12:10pm Armand Prefontaine (†)

TUESDAY

7:30am

12:10pm Ella Pereira (†)

WEDNESDAY **St. Francis of Assisi**

7:30am The Thalheiner Family

12:10pm Stefan and Anna Papez (†, †), Frank and Mike Gregoire (†, †)

THURSDAY

7:30am

12:10pm Fiorina and Ernesto DiPede (†, †)

FRIDAY

7:30am

12:10pm *Vocations*

SATURDAY **Our Lady of the Rosary**

5:00pm Anne Gregoire (†)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Mary O'Brien, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Concha Gaeitereiro, Clare DeMello, Gerald Dunlevie, Erika Farncomb, Filomena La Rocca, Joseph Troncone, Hai Luen Liu, Neil McCormack, Barbara MacMahon-Firestone, and Alexander Wu.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, Fr. Mario D'Souza, CSB

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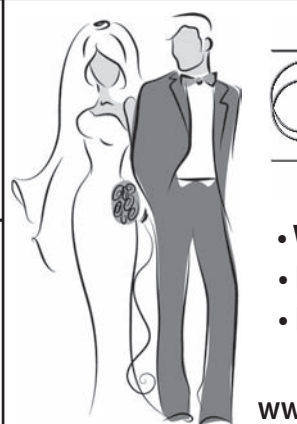
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