

ORDINARY TIME XXIX

# CATHOLIC PARISH

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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

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

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 vour visit.



#### PARISH STAFF

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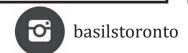
#### Brainstorm

By Nancy Nobrega

In the Gospel today Luke explains that if we want God's help we should just keep asking. He will help us, and we should not get discouraged if we don't get the help we need right away. The way He explains it makes me think that God will help us if we keep "bothering" Him - that we will stop nagging if He gives in. It does sound quite a bit like how we are with our children. We are told often that God loves us unconditionally, so we might think that we don't need to be thankful for the wonderful things we receive from Him. Life is messy but, we get lots of help and little miracles every day if we are present to His grace. We love our children unconditionally too. If my children ask me to help them, it certainly makes me feel better if they have expressed appreciation for my help and also if the help that I give them is paid forward to siblings, friends and strangers. I bet that applies to anyone who gives anyone else a helping hand. Don't we all feel better when we see the help and kindness spread and that there has been a realization of how important helping others is?

God sent Jesus to teach us the way. Now it's our turn to show our children and each other the way. Be a







good example...brainstorm with your kids how they might pass on kindness in their day. Are we not all so pleased when we see children who are kind and polite? They are watching and mimicking us! How can we pay forward the help that God has given us? We could be more cheerful. A smile and an encouraging word to friends and strangers goes so far! Remember when someone said something nice to you and how that just made your day? I know it makes me feel so good, and acknowledging that has made me brave enough to compliment strangers on good manners, thank wait staff who have looked after me, give a helping hand and a smile to tired young mothers with cranky children, let folks who are in a mad rush go ahead of me in line and call that acquaintance (not close friend) who has been having a hard time.

A friend of mine keeps granola bars in his glove compartment to hand out to the homeless instead of giving money or wondering how to give money in a safer or better way. Another friend has made sure that her children, who are now old enough, take the time to call elderly relatives who have cared for them over the years and who might be at home alone. Remember when Grandma used to take you to the park, well maybe now it's time for you to take her for a walk in the park on a nice day or go have tea with her on a rainy one. And of course, before we ask God for help we can say thank you by acknowledging all the blessings that are in our lives, that we sometimes take for granted and that make our lives gentler and easier. Even in the midst of our most awful days there are helps: the perfect parking spot just before we think we will "lose it" because everything is going wrong, the letter from a friend that fills us with joy, the visit that is out of the blue and so nurturing, a kind word or compliment for a job well done, or that we saw that someone paid forward a kindness that we offered to them.

#### SUNDAY'S READINGS:

EXODUS 17.8-13 PSALM 121 2 TIMOTHY 3.14 - 4.2 LUKE 18.1-8

#### MASS FOR ALL SOULS

There will be a special Mass for All Souls' Day on Saturday, November 2 at 10:00AM. All are invited to attend and remember the lives of all the faithful departed as we join in prayer for them.

#### **BUNDLE-UP WEEKEND**

On November 2 & 3, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will have a truck on site for Bundle Up Weekend. Volunteers will be on hand before and after Masses to collect donations by the truck outside the doors of the church. For a list of items that are accepted, please visit <a href="https://www.ssvptoronto.ca">www.ssvptoronto.ca</a>

#### THEOLOGY ON TAP

All young adults are invited for an evening of thought-provoking discussion with special guest Dr. Ryan Williams on **Monday, October 28 at 7PM**. Dr. Williams will lead a conversation on the topic of Artificial Intelligence and Human Dignity.

Duke of York Pub 39 Prince Arthur Ave. Toronto

#### **RCIA**

St. Basil's is accepting candidates for the 2019-2020 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program.

RCIA is a very special and intensive program designed for adults exploring the possibility of becoming members of the Catholic Church through the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). Also welcome to participate are baptized Catholics who desire to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. RCIA offers adults an opportunity to learn more about Roman Catholic theology and practice. RCIA is also open to fully initiated Catholics who wish to learn more about their faith and hear from experts on topics presented.

At St. Basil's, our RCIA program runs from October until April 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, the University of St. Michael's College, and Basilian Fathers.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about the RCIA program, please contact <a href="mailto:rcia@stbasiltoronto.org">rcia@stbasiltoronto.org</a>

#### BASILIAN FATHERS MISSIONS

Next weekend, Saturday, October 26th and Sunday October 27th, 2019, there will be an appeal for the support of the Basilian Fathers' work in Mexico and Colombia. Funds support over 700 student tuitions at INSA in Cali, Colombia - a Basilian institution ranked among the top 40 schools in the country. To learn more about the Basilian Fathers Missions, please visit online at <a href="https://www.basilianfathersmissions.org">www.basilianfathersmissions.org</a>

#### LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

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Saturday, November 9, 2019
9:30AM-3:00PM
St. Augustine's Seminary
2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough
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#### MARRIAGE RETREAT

WorldWide Marriage Encounter

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#### SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, October 13, 2019 \$4,677.00



#### Sunday

29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Therese Norma Frechette (+)

10:30am Pro Populo

12:00pm Salud Villareal and Jose Fernandez (+,+)

4:30pm Ignazia Del Vescovo (+)

#### Monday

7:30am Ursula Martins (liv.) 12:10pm David Roy (liv.)

#### TUESDAY

7:30am John King and Kathleen Angus (+,+) 12:10pm Myriam and Paolo Scoppio (+,+), Vera Darragh (+), Vernon Hall (+)

#### WEDNESDAY

7:30am

12:10pm Valerie Crilly (+)

#### THURSDAY

7:30am Marie Bernice Casey (+)

12:10pm Benedict and Joaquina Ferrao (+,+)

#### Friday

7:30am

12:10pm Emily Poisson (liv.)

#### Saturday

5:00pm Lindsey and Janet MacNeil (+,+)

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

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