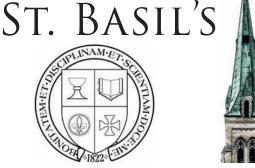
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Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 1:00pm Sunday: 8:15am - 1:15pm

SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 7:30am; 12:10pm

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

Monday - Friday: 5:10pm

ADORATION

Tuesday: 3:00pm-6:00pm

CONFESSIONS

Monday - Friday: 11:30am - 12:00pm Saturday: 4:30pm - 5:00pm

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS

Please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings require a one year notice.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:
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I love people watching at church. I delight in each person walking in the doors with the joys and hopes, griefs and anxieties they bring to meet God. This "gathering procession" reminds me of today's first reading: God's promise to gather together all the scattered, in all our diversity – child and adult, persons with and without disabilities, joyful and mourning – all called to be one people, beloved by God. God is gathering each and every person in our world into a community of restored relationship. We are being knit together in relationship with God, one another, and all creation.

In Rome during the opening of the Synod, sisters from Brazil's Amazon region taught me a song (translated): "Everything is interconnected as if we were one, Everything is interconnected in this our common home." This weekend

Since 1856, St. Basil's Parish has been home to people of all ages and needs. We are blessed because you are all here!

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.







the Synod on Synodality closes, and we await the outcomes of this process. Synodality is already at work and will only continue! We are being invited to more intentionality and prayerfulness as we journey together as a Church. We are challenged to all live our call as the baptized with a sense of co-responsibility and equal dignity, listening to and trusting the Spirit at work in our midst, guiding us forward. How might we, at St. Basil's, prayerfully continue this synodal work of communion, mission, and participation, and share the Good News of God's love which is restoring us to interconnected relationship?

Today's Gospel touches my heart as I consider Bartimaeus' courage in the face of those who would silence him for reaching out to Christ. He is a true disciple, who calls out for God, springs into action wholeheartedly, speaks his needs honestly, and follows Jesus along the way. May we encourage each other in our desire to encounter Jesus, and may the Eucharist we share nourish us to be true disciples in our world!

-JoAnn Melina Lopez

FAITH IN FOCUS

In this series we reflect on excerpts of Church documents that invites us to deepen our life of faith. For the next few weeks, we will be reading sections on The Eucharist featured in "Teach Us to Pray" (2024) published for the Year of Prayer, to prepares us for the 2025 Jubilee Year.

"The Mass is ended, go in Peace": Having been nourished at the table of bread and wine, with the final greeting, we are invited to become credible witnesses of Christ and bearers of peace in the world." (Teach Us to Pray, p. 25)

Reflect: Having celebrated the Eucharist with your whole heart, how would you like to live Christ's love in the world? Is there a particular call at home, at work, or in your relationships this week? Let us be pilgrims of peace, joy, and hope in our lives.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING

Interested in serving our community at weekend Masses as a Lector, Communion Minister, Altar Server, or Minister of Hospitality? We would love to have you share your gifts to enrich our worship and draw our community closer to Christ.

All new volunteers are required to complete the Volunteer Application Form (found on our website) and attend our upcoming training and formation in order to serve in these roles. Our training is scheduled for Monday, November 4 at 6:30p.m. You can RSVP to JoAnn Lopez (joann.lopez@utoronto.ca). For a list of liturgical ministries and their duties, check out our website.

CHORAL CONCERT: FALL MYSTICISM

Join the Elmer Iseler Singers and the Elora Singers, with conductor Lydia Adams, on Friday, November 8, at 7:30pm at St. Basil's, for the world premiere of Peter-Anthony Togni's new composition, *The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom.* The acclaimed Canadian composer Peter-Anthony Togni, son of former St. Basil's organist Victor Togni, offers his transcendent and mystical work in a performance by two of Canada's finest choral ensembles. Tickets can be purchased for this concert online at www.elmeriselersingers.com, \$45 (regular) / \$40 (senior) / \$25 (under 30). For more information, email info@elmeriselersingers.com.

TAIZÉ PRAYER

Join Christian Communities at the University of Toronto on Friday, November 1, at 6:30 p.m. for an evening of prayer and song led by Brother Emile from the Taizé community during his visit to Canada. This ecumenical and meditative prayer formincludes music, scripture, prayers, candlelight, and silence, and will invite us to reflect on our call to holiness in the Beatitudes. A community conversation with Br. Emile will follow the prayer service. Hosted at St. Basil's Catholic Parish (50 St. Joseph St.). All are welcome! Questions? Contact joann.lopez@utoronto.ca.

SAVE THE DATE! ARCHBISHOP LEO WILL BE CELEBRATING THE 10:30AM MASS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH.

JOIN THE PARISH CHOIR!

From September to June, Saint Basil's Parish Choir sings at the Sunday morning 10:30am Mass. The Parish Choir nurtures a love of music, strengthens singing abilities, and offers a close-knit community through which to serve the liturgy.

Choir members commit to regular rehearsals on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00pm and meet on Sunday mornings at 10:00am. As part of their enrolment, choir members have the option of receiving voice lessons with our Musician-in-Residence, Dr. Lindsay McIntyre.

Interested in joining? Contact our Director of Music and Principal Organist, Dr. John Paul Farahat, at johnpaul.farahat@utoronto.ca.

JOHN FORD FOOD DRIVE

The John Ford First Sunday Food Drive supports our Outreach Ministry through monetary contributions as well as donated items that can be used for our meal service or distributed directly to our patrons. To make our food drive a success, we are requesting specific food items that are in high demand. These should be unopened items with a longer shelf life (far from expiration dates).

We are looking for: Canned meats and fish, Canned or dry lentils and beans, Rice, Pasta, Barley, Oats, Nut butters (peanut, almond, soy, etc), Canned or jarred stew, Canned or jarred pasta sauce, Canned vegetables and fruit. We are beginning to collect items for the winter season, especially Adult Winter Socks, Toques, and Gloves/Mittens, for the Christmas lunch gift bags.

We will be collecting these donations before and after Mass on the weekend of November 2-3. As always, cash donations are accepted to support the bulk purchasing of these items.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

November 9/10: Building Fund

Mass Intentions

OCT 27 - NOV 2



Sunday

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9:00am Eleanor Jiuliana Rindlisbacher (*)

10:30am Pro Populo

12:00pm Jose Lamarca (♣)

4:30pm David Ross (liv)

<u>Monday</u>

St. Simon and St. Jude

7:30am

12:10pm Renée Carmel Roy (*)

TUESDAY

7:30am Margaret Cahill (★)

12:10pm Loretta Storey (*), Amado Pasion (liv),

W. Galen Weston (♣)

Wednesday

7:30am Elena Dellosa (♣)

12:10pm Rocco Martino (♣)

THURSDAY

7:30am

12:10pm Vivian Kwok and Winnia Man (liv)

Scoppio and Lazupone Families (♣)

FRIDAY

ALL SAINTS

7:30pm Betty MacDonald (♣)

12:10pm Vocations

<u>Saturday</u>

5:00pm Benjamin Arteficio (♣)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Sue Banfield, Rebecca Beaton, Desmond Brownlee, Lori Celik, Steve Chandeller, Josephine D'amico, Jasper David-Fuchs, Clare DeMello, Maisie Henry, Maryanne Hodges, Bohdanka Koval's'ky, Tyler Koval's'ky, Elaine Landrie, Margaret LaRose, Cheekon Leong, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, David Martin, Rosy Menezes, Joan Mills, Dr. Peter Moran, Januz Niemczyk, Paul O'Brien, Robert Rodbourne, Delaila Salvador, Todd Snow, Federico Sorianosos Jr., John Sytsma, Betty Veit, Eileen Vyphius, and Alexander Wu.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, Girolamo Scoppio.



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