

OCTOBER 6, 2024

ORDINARY TIME XXVII

# ST. BASIL'S

# CATHOLIC PARISH

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE



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ADMINISTERED BY THE BASILIAN FATHERS

## OFFICE HOURS

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

<b>Pastor:</b>	Fr. Morgan V. Rice, CSB
<b>Office Manager:</b>	Margaret D'Elia
<b>Director of Faith Formation</b>	JoAnn M. Lopez
<b>Director of Music &amp; Principal Organist:</b>	Dr. John Paul Farahat
<b>Assistant Organist</b>	Adrian Ross
<b>Musician-in-Residence:</b>	Dr. Lindsay McIntyre
<b>Coordinator of Outreach &amp; Hospitality:</b>	Hilda O'Connor
<b>Director of Community Engagement:</b>	Michael Pirri

## UPLIFTED HEARTS

A BASILIAN CELEBRATION OF MUSIC,  
MINISTRY, AND MISSION

October 18 to 21 at St. Basil's Catholic Parish.

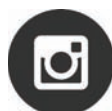
A ministry exchange between St. Basil's Catholic Parish and St. Anne Catholic Community, the Basilian Parish in Houston, TX. Encounter Jesus through uplifting music, powerful preaching, and engaging conversation as we learn and live our Christian mission as a community! Join for one, some, or all our gatherings. More details regarding registration are available on the parish website.

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.



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## RECOGNIZING AND RECONCILING RELATIONSHIPS

Today's readings trouble me. Too often they have been misused to justify judging those who are divorced, relegating women to an inferior position in church and society, and human domination over creation. Unfortunately, I don't have enough bulletin space to counter all these poor interpretations! This week's *Faith in Focus* encourages me to return with an open heart to encounter the Living Word, asking God to guide my understanding.

I find myself reflecting on relationships. We believe in a Trinity – in dynamic relationship within God's very self. In Genesis, God breathes this life into humanity and desires joyful partnership for us. **We are from love, of love, for love.** Whether or not we are married, we have probably all experienced meeting someone "at last!" who was like us. That spark of mutual recognition leads me to delight and love. We have also all experienced the painful reality of broken relationships. In the Gospel, Jesus challenges me to have a softer heart, and to find paths to restore relationship. If you have ever felt like one of the Gospel's "little children," judged and prevented from encountering Jesus because of who you are or what you have done, please know that Jesus is seeking you out, desiring to embrace you! As Church, how can we support marriage and family life, accompany those experiencing difficult relationships, and stop creating obstacles to encountering Christ?

The second reading proclaims that the ultimate One who is like us, bone of our bones and flesh of our flesh, is Jesus – God Enfleshed – who comes to share in our life and suffering. Do we recognize him with joy? Jesus reveals a new way of being in loving relationship with God and re-forms us back into one family. Let us respond by seeking reconciliation – with God, between human beings, and with all creation.

-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.

**"Listen carefully to the Word of God:** maintain a receptive, meditative attitude that enlightens the heart and mind of every Christian because the Word is "living". By listening and through personal recollection, it is possible to translate the Word into everyday life, receiving help and consolation. Therefore, especially when standing up at the time of the proclamation of the Gospel, we are called to recognize the presence of the Lord who, through the minister, still speaks to us today in the Eucharistic celebration." (*Teach Us to Pray*, p. 24)

Reflect: As you listen to the readings, notice what stirs in your heart. What words or phrases stand out? Consider reading the scriptures before you come to Mass, or returning to them again after Mass. You can join Breaking Open the Word, Tuesdays evenings on Zoom, to engage the sacred scriptures each week.

## CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a Montessori-based approach to the religious education of children, which offers children the most essential aspects of our faith, trusting this will nurture their capacity to enjoy God's loving presence in their life. St. Basil's will be hosting a CGS Level 1 program (for children aged 3-6), on Sunday mornings (9 a.m.) beginning on Sunday, October 27. Families can attend 10:30 a.m. Mass together after the session. The program fee is \$75/child, or \$125/family. We do not want cost to be a barrier for any family, and financial assistance is available. If you would like to register, please complete the registration form on our website, or contact Director of Faith Formation, JoAnn Lopez ([joann.lopez@utoronto.ca](mailto:joann.lopez@utoronto.ca)).

## BUNDLE UP SUNDAY

Weekend of October 19 + 20

Volunteers from the Society of St. Vincent dePaul will be collecting gently used clothing and accessories for donation on the weekend of October 19/20. There is no storage at the church so please be sure to hold on to your donation until that weekend. For a complete list of items they can accept, please visit [www.ssvptoronto.ca](http://www.ssvptoronto.ca). Thank you for your generous support of our community!

### SING TO THE LORD: A VESPERS MUSIC WORKSHOP SERIES

Come learn how to chant Vespers (Evening Prayer)! Following our second workshop last week, we're happy to offer the next installment in the series, this coming Monday, October 7.

Join us for workshops where we'll gradually learn how to sing Vespers, building on what we learn from week-to-week. Each workshop will take place at 4:30pm on the dates below, with Vespers following at 5:10pm in the sanctuary.

- Monday October 7: Hymn Melodies for Vespers
- Monday October 21: Singing the Readings and Responses

All are welcome! Email our Assistant Organist, Adrian Ross, for further information at [assistantorganist@stbasiltoronto.org](mailto:assistantorganist@stbasiltoronto.org).

### VOLUNTEER AT ST. BASIL'S!

If you are wondering how to share your presence and God-given gifts this fall, consider volunteering to serve our community. We are currently looking to recruit Liturgical Ministers (Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or Minister of Hospitality) ahead of our training in November. We are also welcoming new members to the Parish Choir. To find out more, visit: <https://www.stbasiltoronto.org/ministries>.



### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

October 12/13: Building Fund

## MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 6-12



### SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME XXVII

9:00am

10:30am *Pro Populo*

12:00pm Alexander Villalobos (✝)

4:30pm Bill MacLean (✝)

### MONDAY OUT LADY OF THE ROSARY

7:30am Bob and Ester Holt (liv)

12:10pm Gina and George Copeland (liv)

### TUESDAY

7:30am

12:10pm Rollande Rushton (✝)

### WEDNESDAY

7:30am

12:10pm Julia and Lindsay Nelson (✝)

### THURSDAY

7:30am

12:10pm Bernard Syron (✝)

### FRIDAY

7:30pm

12:10pm Luigi, Lina, Michael, and Len  
Ciavarella (✝,✝,✝,✝)

### SATURDAY

5:00pm Chiara (liv)

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, Girolamo Scoppio, Todd Snow, Federico Sorianosos Jr., John Sytsma, Betty Veit, Eileen Vyphius, and Alexander Wu.

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