# ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

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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



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.

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!

ARCHITECT MICHAEL HAYS' ORIGINAL DRAWING OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE & ST. BASIL'S CHURCH

WEEKDAY MASSES Mon-Fri: 7:30 am; 12:10 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm Sat: 9:00 am

ADORATION Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm



St. Basil's Parish, Toronto

#### PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Associate Pastor: Office Manager: Director of Music: Assistant Organist: Community Coordinator: Director of Family Ministries: **Evening Office Assistant:** 

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# NAVIGATING CONFLICT

by Elizabeth Chesley-Jewell

Anyone that knows me well knows that I am not comfortable with confrontation and conflict. But I know that I am not alone; the self-help section of Indigo assures me of this. In our Gospel today it appears that Jesus Christ himself was quite aware that managing conflict requires a "How To" lesson and a pep talk. Jesus provides His disciples with directives on conflict resolution, and how in general, conflict between two individuals comes to affect the entire community.

If a resolution does not occur between two people in private, then witnesses must be made present to aid in the resolution process. If the wrongdoer still refuses to listen, then the ordeal must be taken to the heads of the Church. Finally, if it is clear that the individual will not acknowledge their misconduct, they are to treated "as a gentile and a tax collector".

However, we listen to the words of Jesus reiterated in Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans, "Love your neighbour as yourself." To resolve any conflict, we must be able to call on that very simple commandment. It does not mean we want to become friends with this person or that we have any desire to associate with them once the conflict has reached its end. It does mean, however, that we recognize the basic human desire to be listened to and understood, and that we are willing to, in turn, provide that to the one who has harmed us. It takes immense courage and strength; it is not always easy, but it is worth it.

At the end of the Gospel, Jesus offers one last piece of advice that brings us back to the Letter to the Romans. He says, "Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." I find these words most encouraging. Yes, sometimes we struggle to resolve conflict. But, if two people enter a conflict and still recognize the goodness within one another, and desire a resolution, then God is present. God will provide the courage to do the hard work all relationships require.

God our Father, who knows our deepest desires: give strength and courage to those experiencing conflict throughout the world to approach their neighbour with love, understanding and a willingness to reconcile.

Sundays Readings: Ezekiel 33.7-9 Psalm 95 Romans 13.8-10 Matthew 18.15-20

#### **UPDATE FROM HOUSTON**

A note from Fr. Chris in Texas:

Over the past week, I have received several notes of concern from parishioners. Thank you for your prayers - people in Houston certainly need them! The University where I live is very high. We have power and supplies. My immediate family is also dry and with power.

The outer loop of Houston is 170 miles around with 6.5 million living in the area. Hundreds of thousands of people have lost everything. If you want to make contribution to assist those in need, you are welcome to donate to Catholic Charities in Houston: https://catholiccharities.org. Again, thank you for your help and prayers!

# LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Please note that Celebration of Liturgy of the Eastern Oriental Rite has once again resumed on the first sunday of the month.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A) program is accepting candidates for the 2017-2018 program.

R.C.I.A.

If you, or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith, please visit our website or send us an email at rcia@stbasiltoronto.org for more information.

# BLESSING FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

"Blessed are you, Lord God, At the beginning of this new school year, we implore your mercy : bless the students, teachers and staff, that together we may grow in faith, hope, and love as we learn from you and each other how to follow your Son Jesus."

-Excerpt from Blessings and Prayers for Home & Family, CCCB Publications

# THANK YOU!

<u>Thank you</u> for your generous contributions over the summer months to the *John Ford First Sunday Food Drive*.

## LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, September 3, 2017 \$ 5,418.80

	ASS INTENTIONS
	SEPTEMBER 10 <sup>TH</sup> - 16 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00am- 10:30am- 12:00pm- 4:30pm-	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Joseph & Thomas Boyle (+,+) Pro Populo Lola, Joseph, Lindsay MacNeil (+,+,+) Anzelm & Janina Waluk (+,+)
<b>Monday</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Max Costiniano (+) Angelina DiMascio Ottaviani (+)
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	For the protection of unborn children
Wednesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	<b>y St. John Chrysostom</b> Benedict Lee (+) Kristina Potapczyk (+)
<b>Thursday</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Exaltation of the Holy Cross David Myung & Family (liv.) Kathleen Angus (+), Marie-Christine Godlewski (+), Mary Dool(+), Benedict Lee (liv.)
<b>Friday</b> 7:30am- 12:10pm-	<b>Our lady of Sorrows</b> Benedict Lee (liv.) Luigi & Lina Ciavarella (+,+)
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00pm-	<b>St. Cornelius</b> Anne (liv.), John & Katharine Angus(+,+)

**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, Erika Farncomb, Filomena La Rocca, Joseph Troncone, Hai Luen Liu, Neil McCormack, Barbara MacMahon-Firestone, and Alexander Wu.

#### PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

