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## CATHOLIC PARISH

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#### SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 pm (Sat);

9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm; 4:30 pm

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Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm

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#### 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

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 your visit.



#### PARISH STAFF

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#### BECOMING THE SERVANT OF ALL

By Erica Tice, USMC Campus Minister

Today's Gospel features the second prediction of Christ's passion and death and Christ uses it as a teaching moment when His disciples neglect to fully comprehend the lesson He is trying to teach. He tells his disciples that if they wish to be first in the kingdom, they must be not only the last of all but also the servant of all. Although it is not yet clear to the disciples, sacrifice, service, and sanctity are necessary for following Christ who, being the master teacher, will lead by example and make the lesson clear when He accepts His passion and death.

Practical 21st century application of this lesson means that our life of service springs from our own devotion to the sacraments, especially the Eucharist which is so deeply tied to Christ's sacrifice on the Cross. Lumen Gentium describes the Eucharist as being "the source and summit of the







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Christian life," (no. 11). Sacrifice is, therefore, at the heart of our Christian life in the presence of the Eucharist. Our active participation in the Mass and our attentiveness in Adoration can fill us to the brim with the love of God present in the Eucharist, thereby allowing us to become conduits of God's grace and agents of humble service. We are sanctified through the sacraments and through the self-gift of our lives to others.

In today's Gospel, however, the disciples cannot yet see the connection between sacrifice, service, and sanctity. They do not yet have the grace that flows from the Eucharist; they cannot yet make their lives about humble service because their teacher has not yet instituted the Eucharist and ratified it by His passion and death. This is not the case for us: we can let the sacraments fill us with God's love so that we might become the least of all and the servant of all in imitation of Christ, our teacher and our Lord.

#### **SUNDAY'S READINGS:**

WISDOM 2.12, 17-20 PSALM 54 JAMES 3.16 - 4.3 MARK 9.30-37

#### USMC BOOK SALE

Mark your calendars! From Tuesday, **September 25**, **to Saturday, September 29**, the University of St. Michael's College used book sale is being held at Fr. Madden Hall, Located in Carr Hall (100 St. Joseph Street). The USMC book sale features more than 50,000 donated booked and other media, raising funds for Kelly Library. For more information, please visit stmikes.utoronto.ca/booksale

#### **BUNDLE UP WEEKEND**

On **October 27 & 28**, the Society of St. Vincent dePaul will have a truck on site for Bundle Up Weekend. Volunteers will be on hand to collect donations by the truck before and after all weekend Masses.

For a list of items that are accepted, please visit www.ssvptoronto.ca

#### SERVING THE POOR

On the weekend of **October 6-7**, there will be a second collection for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. There are envelopes in the weekly envelope packets, and there will be envelopes in the pews and at the back of the church. This fundraising helps provide food, clothing, beds, and other key supplies to more than 200 of the neediest households in our parish. We visit our neighbours in their homes to help those with mental and physical infirmities, shut-ins, abused women, single parents and children, students, new Canadians, and anyone in need. The Society is run by volunteers, and there is virtually no overhead cost. More than 98 cents of every dollar goes directly to the needy. The parishioners of St. Basil's have always generously supported this campaign, and as a result, our St. Vincent de Paul team is one of the most active in the city.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

## REGISTRATION: CATECHESIS FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-9

Registration is now open for our children's program: The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. This unique catechetical approach has as it's primary goal to nurture the religious potential of the child; to journey with the child to know more intimately Jesus the Good Shepherd made known to us in Scripture and Liturgy.

The Program extends from October 15- May 5, 2019. A one year commitment is required and weekly attendance is strongly encouraged. A detailed program calendar is available on our website. The following time slots are available:

GROUP A (3-6 years old): 9:00-10:00 GROUP B (3-6 years old): 10:30-11:30 GROUP C (6-9 years old): 11:30- 1:00

Children meet in the Atrium – a purposely designed space that supports the growing relationship between God and the child (located in the Church's lower level).

For additional information, to schedule a visit of the Atrium or to register your child, contact our program coordinator: Mariann Dunsmore: cgsmariann@gmail.com.

#### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

In observance of St. Francis of Assisi's feast day, there will be a special blessing for any pets on **Saturday, October 6^{th}, at 10:30AM**.

Be sure to join us with your furry friends outside the east doors of the church for the annual Blessing of the Animals.

# REGISTRATION: FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION, AND CONFIRMATION

Registration is now open for our children's sacramental preparation programs. First Reconciliation and First Communion: Begins on October 14. The children gather weekly from 11:30-12:30 in the Atrium. At 12:00pm the children, accompanied by their catechists, join the larger Church community for the Eucharistic portion of the Sunday liturgy. The program extends after First Communion (May 12) to Pentecost (June 9), allowing the children time to deepen this new aspect of their relationship with Jesus, Bread of Life.

Confirmation: Begins on November 25. The children gather weekly from 4:00-5:00 in Gabriel Room. At 5:00pm the children, accompanied by their catechist, join the larger Church community for the Eucharistic portion of the Sunday liturgy. The program ends on Pentecost (June 9).

To help us defer the costs of the programs, there is a \$100.00 registration fee, payable by cash or cheque at the start of the program. Cheques can be made payable to: St. Basil's Catholic Parish. This financial commitment can be reduced or waived to meet your family's budgetary concerns.

PARENTAL COMMITMENT: Both program also support parents in their role as their child's primary educator in the faith. The respective program calendars (found on our website) indicate when parents also gather together to learn and reflect how to best accompany their child in their maturing relationship with Jesus.

For additional information or register your child, contact our Director of Family Ministry: marilena.berardinelli@utoronto.ca.

#### LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, September 16, 2018 \$4,766.15



#### SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup>

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

9:00am Stanislawa Zwolinska (+)

10:30am Pro Populo

12:00pm Felipe Macalino (+)

4:30pm Manuel and Julieta Lim (+,+)

#### Monday

7:30am Joseph M. Boyle (+)

12:10pm Joseph and Thomas Boyle (+,+)

#### TUESDAY

7:30am Gregory Dan (liv.)

12:10pm Fatima Sebastiampillai (+), Maria Ereddia (+)

#### Wednesday

7:30am Paul James Streeter and Family (+)

12:10pm Wilfred Godard (+)

#### THURSDAY ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

7:30am

12:10pm Emma Alonzi (+)

#### Frid<u>ay</u>

7:30am Sr. Cabrini Fahlman (liv.)

12:10pm Howard Shaughnessy (+)

#### Saturday

5:00pm Michelina Scoppio (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Ellen Salnek, Celerina Agpoon, Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Mary O'Brien, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Rebecca Beaton, Paul O'Brien, Carry Eillen, Maria Teresa Blackwell, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Tai-Ho Myung, Young-Mi Sim, Marywynne Parke, and Jasper David-Fuchs.

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