

APRIL 21, 2019

EASTER SUNDAY

# ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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*Alleluia. He is Risen!*

## 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

## WEEKDAY MASSES

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

## BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

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

## LITURGY OF THE HOURS

VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm  
LAUDS Sat: 9:00 am

## ADORATION

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm



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St. Basil's Parish, Toronto

## THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

*Fr. Morgan V. Rice, CSB*

During my first years in Rochester, I needed to replace the car I had been driving. Some parishioners recommended that whatever car I purchased to make sure it had a sunroof. They said that I would want to absorb as much light as possible, especially in the grey days of the long winter. How true! Light can have a significant effect on our emotional and physical well-being.

The same can be said about our spiritual well-being when we consider the Light of the World, Jesus Christ, whose resurrection we celebrate in a special way this weekend. Jesus give us light and life to counter darkness, death, and all its manifestations.

This is demonstrated in a magnificent way during the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night when the Paschal Candle, representing Christ, is first lit from the Easter fire. It is then brought into the dark church and announced as "the Light of Christ". Some of the darkness disappears. However, when that light is spread by using it to light the candles of each person in the church, the darkness disappears with the church aglow with warm light.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit at our Baptism, we have received the light of Christ and been invited to share in his mission of bringing light to those who suffer due to the darkness of their lives. As Jesus described at the beginning of his public ministry, that involves bringing good news to the poor, sight to the blind, and freedom to the oppressed (**Luke 4.18**).

While each of us do this individually by sharing Christ with others, we see even more powerful results when we join together as the Body of Christ to bring Jesus' healing, compassion, freedom, life, and peace to others. As we celebrate the fifty days of Easter, may the presence of Christ in each of us enhance the well-being of everyone we encounter due to their exposure to the Light.

HAPPY EASTER!

## THANK YOU

Thank you to the Parish Choir and Schola Cantorum members who led us in music during our Easter celebrations! Your voices helped lend even greater glory to our joyful praise. Thank you to our flower ministry for beautifying the sanctuary and church. Thank you also to all Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ministers of Hospitality, and Altar Servers who participated in our Triduum. Finally, thank you to all those who volunteered and contributed to our parish's Easter Vigil reception to celebrate the newly baptized and confirmed.

## SAVE THE DATE

This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the installation of Saint Basil's 1919 Casavant Frères organ. In celebration of this occasion, Saint Basil's is thrilled to be able to welcome OLIVIER LATRY, Organist of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris and Professor of Organ at the Paris Conservatory, for a solo organ concert at Saint Basil's on the evening of **Friday, November 22, 2019**.

The evening concert will be free, though a reservation will be required through Eventbrite. For more information please contact John Paul Farahat, at [johnpaul.farahat@utoronto.ca](mailto:johnpaul.farahat@utoronto.ca).

*Please continue to pray for the Notre Dame de Paris community following the devastating fire on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.*

## SHARELIFE

*Living the Gospel through immediate mental health services*

Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in counselling. This initiative can often meet clients' need without requiring longer term counselling. Clients report a clinically significant increase in confidence that they can tackle their problems. For some agencies, ShareLife is the sole funder of this important program. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping restore hope to those in crisis.

**May 5 is ShareLife Sunday.  
Please give generously.**

## EASTER MONDAY

While the parish office will be closed all day, please note that regularly scheduled Masses will take place on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30AM, and 12:10PM. However, there will be no regularly scheduled confessions or Vespers, and the church will close following the 12:10PM Mass. The parish office will reopen on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Please note that the Eastern Liturgy, which usually takes place on the first Sunday of the month, has been moved to the second Sunday of the month for May. The Liturgy begins at 2:00PM in the Sanctuary.

If you are interested in attending one of these services, or finding out more about the Oriental Eastern Catholic Church, please contact the parish office.

## BAKING CLUB

As Mother's Day approaches, the St. Basil's Baking Club is looking for new members who would be willing in contributing to the bake sale.

Volunteers can contribute baked goods made at home, or gather together in the parish kitchen.

*If you are interested in finding out more information, please contact Michael, at (416) 926-1300 x. 3210 or [michael.pirri@utoronto.ca](mailto:michael.pirri@utoronto.ca).*

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our parish's neophytes! May God continue to bless you on your journey of faith. Know that you are always supported by this parish community that has welcomed you with great joy! This year 24 adults received the Sacrament of Confirmation and were fully initiated into the Church. Of those 24, 16 were Baptized.

Please keep all those who have received the Sacraments of Initiation during the Easter Vigil on April 20<sup>th</sup> in your prayers.

## LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, April 14, 2019 \$8,717.74



## MASS INTENTIONS

APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>

### SUNDAY

### EASTER SUNDAY

9:00am *Pro Populo*  
10:30am *Pro Populo*  
12:00pm *Pro Populo*

### MONDAY

7:30am Joe and Lola MacNeil (+,+)  
12:10pm Ann Harper (liv.)

### TUESDAY

7:30am  
12:10pm Bernice Casey (+), Jim Rothwell (+),  
Thor Eaton (+)

### WEDNESDAY

7:30am Vincent Marmion (+)  
12:10pm Shane Carroll (liv.)

### THURSDAY

7:30am Marie Bernice Casey (+)  
12:10pm David Robert Weiner (+), Angel  
Zablan (+)

### FRIDAY

7:30am  
12:10pm Mary LeNoir and Hugh Kierans (+,+)

### SATURDAY

8:30pm Patrick Kerwin (+)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**, especially, *Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Mary O'Brien, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Rebecca Beaton, Gemma Ciavarella, Gordon Walsh, Rita Moran, Paul O'Brien, Barbara Boyle, Maria Teresa Blackwell, Margaret Mary McKenzie, Jose Gaitero, Shane Carroll, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Helen Tilston, Marywynne Parke, and Jasper David-Fuchs.*

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