

# ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE



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Sat-Sun (9:00 am - 6:30 pm)

ADMINISTERED BY THE BASILIAN FATHERS

## SUNDAY MASSES

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

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon-Fri: 7:30 am; 12:10 pm; 5:10 pm

## BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

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

St. Basil's Parish was founded in 1856 and is the third oldest parish in the city of Toronto after St. Paul's Basilica (1822) and St. Michael's Cathedral (1845).

We are the collegiate church of the University of St. Michael's College at the University of Toronto, as well as being the parish church to our parishioners who come to worship here from all over the city.

Since October 2007, we have been the home of the National Televised Daily Mass, reaching people in their homes all over Canada. The Daily Mass is broadcast six day a week on Vision TV, the Crossroads, Television Network and Salt and Light TV.

## PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Fr. Chris Valka, CSB
Director of Music:	John Paul (J.P.) Farahat
Assistant Organist:	Rashaan Allwood
Office Manager:	Mary Hopper
Community Coordinator:	Leanna Cappiello
Sacramental Coordinator:	Emily VanBerkum

## CONFESSIONS

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

Sat: 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

## THE URGENCY OF LOVE

**John Dalla Costa**

Time is short.

Everything is at stake.

Change begins right now, this very moment.

Later is too late.

That's because nothing we do is neutral.

Even the smallest actions bear the biggest consequences.

Mary's "yes" was instantaneous in real time.

So too the fishermen leaving their nets on the spot to become Apostles.

Turns taken in the blink of an eye turned out to transform everything.

The prophets know that no time can be wasted.

Every second is precious: every hand is needed to make a difference.

Time's up, said Jonah. Time's short, said Paul. Time is now, said Jesus. "Repent."

Why demand so much?

Because truth is all or nothing.

Why such impractical impatience?

Because such is the urgency of love.

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Nineveh is in our neighbourhood. Can't you see it?  
Loneliness camouflaged by busyness;  
Poverty, and illness, and exclusion, whitewashed by bright lights;  
Gridlocked streets crowded with gridlocked hearts.

Nineveh is in us. Don't you feel it?  
Longing to be seen, and heard, and to belong;  
Aching to have gifts and talents recognized;  
Questions of meaning that consumption or career can't answer.

"Repent" means to turn.  
To turn back to the grace-filled sources for spiritual learning.  
To turn up ready to attend to God's loving bidding.  
To turn on that which we have the capacity to become.  
To turn to one another for solace, consolation, support.

Start now. Because later in God's plan is simply too late.

Readings:

### **THANKS FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

St. Vincent De Paul wishes to thank parishioners of St. Basil's Parish for their generous donations during the Christmas season and throughout the year. As a result we were able to make 97 visits during December and provide food, clothing, furniture, gifts and toys worth over \$5700. During 2014 over \$31,000 worth of valuable assistance was provided to needy families and individuals in our area. Donors who used St. Vincent de Paul envelopes and made donations of \$20 or more will be receiving a charitable tax receipt within the next month.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

St. Basil's Parish is in need of volunteers for our Out of the Cold program (which runs on Tuesdays from 10:00-1:00pm). This ministry is a social outreach program that offers a sit down and bagged lunch to the less fortunate of our community. Responsibilities of membership in this group include shopping for groceries, food preparation, food service, and clean-up. Volunteering may be done on a regular or occasional basis and no prior experience is required since training is provided! Please contact Emily at [liturgy@stbasiltoronto.org](mailto:liturgy@stbasiltoronto.org) for more details and to arrange for training.

### **PIANO CONCERT:**

**\*FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 @ 7:30 PM**  
**(\*please note date change)**

**SATURDAY:** Piano and clarinet duo Adam Żukiewicz and Peter Stoll perform a varied programme including Schubert's *Arpeggione Sonata* (abbreviated transcription by Jack Brymer), Schumann's *Violin and Piano Sonata no. 1* (transcription by Stephen Korody-Kreutzer), as well as the recent work, *Follow me*, by Canadian composer John Beckwith.

Admission is free, donations will be directed towards the music program of Saint Basil's.

### **MAT-PAT LEAVE GROUP**

All moms and dads on Maternity and Paternity leave are welcome to join us as we gather in the Parish Hall on Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. Warm, caffeinated beverages will be provided for the parents, and clean mats available for infants and toddlers. As always: BYOB, bring-your-own-baby!

### **QUOTABLE POPE FRANCIS**

How often we forget to dedicate ourselves to that which truly matters! We forget that we are children of God.

### **SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY**

Sunday, January 18, 2015                      \$6,711.36

### **Wine & Board Games**

Back by popular demand!!  
Join us in the Parish Hall at 7:30pm on Friday, February 6th for some healthy competition and good company. Couples and singles welcome.  
Bring your favourite board games....  
Bring your own wine....  
Bring your game-face.

### **FOLLOW US**

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Part 1: March – October 2015

Mondays 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Mar. 23, 30 Apr. 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 25, June 1, Sept. 14,  
 21, 28, Oct. 5, 19

+ Two Saturday Sessions 9:30 am-3:30 pm: Apr. 18 and  
 Oct. 24

Part 2: November 2015 – January 2016

Mondays 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Dec. 7, 14, Jan. (2016) 11, 18, 25  
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If you would like to register for the upcoming course  
 or would like more information regarding the  
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 Program, please contact Kathleen Ennis, 416-934-3400  
 ext. 511 or kennis@archtoronto.org



January 25<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>

**Sunday**

- 9:00 – Alan Dilworth +
- 10:30 – Pro Populo
- 12:00 – For World Peace
- 4:30 – Sergio Fiorese (liv.)

**Monday – St. Timothy and St. Titus**

- 7:30 – Caroline Whellans (liv.)
- 12:10 – Fred Sheehan +
- 5:10 – Go Tie Siem +

**Tuesday**

- 7:30 – Olimpio Ottaviani +
- 12:10 – In Thanksgiving
- 5:10 – John, Anabelle, Matthew & Samanthn  
 Quiao (liv.)

**Wednesday – St. Thomas Aquinas**

- 7:30 – Lavern Robertson (liv.)
- 12:10 – Rene Bercasio +
- 4:00 – Televised Daily Mass
- 5:10 – Televised Daily Mass

**Thursday**

- 7:30 – Alfred Macarota +
- 12:10 – Bondi family (liv.)
- 4:00 – Televised Daily Mass
- 5:10 – Televised Daily Mass

**Friday**

- 7:30 – Pedro & Crescencia Cabigao +
- 12:10 – Rev. Kenneth Decker (liv.)
- 4:00 – Televised Daily Mass
- 5:10 – Televised Daily Mass

**Saturday – St. John Bosco**

- 5:00 – Alex Santiago +

**PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially Doris Marcon,  
 Ancoretta Amigleo, Don Alvaro, Rita Moran, Rev.  
 Kenneth Decker CSB, Clare DeMello, Edna  
 Fernandez, Kenneth Heath, Marina Kazakis, Eric  
 Christensen, and Hilary McCormack.**

**PRAY FOR THE DECEASED.**



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