

JUNE 3, 2018 | BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

# ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE



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## SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 pm (Sat);  
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## CONFESSIONS

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

## PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB
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Director of Music:	J.P. Farahat
Assistant Organist:	Stefani Bedin
Director of Pastoral Ministries:	Jessica De Luca
Director of Community Engagement:	Michael Pirri
Director of Family Ministries:	Marilena Berardinelli
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:	Mariann Dunsmore

## WORSHIP THE LIVING GOD

*By: Elizabeth Chesley-Jewell*

The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ continues the celebration of the Feast of the Holy Spirit that we celebrated not so long ago. We have been provided with the fortitude, courage and wisdom to proclaim Christ's message in our daily lives. Today we are reminded that as a Church this is not a burden but a communal call we accept every time we receive the Eucharist.

Paul's letter to the Hebrews reminds us



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today of the great gift we received when our Lord gave His life for us. He writes, "how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our conscience from dead works to worship the living God." We do not receive the Eucharist passively. We are presented with Christ's body, we affirm His presence, and we consume. In this act we fully accept that we are the Body of Christ and we should rejoice in the knowledge that we are perpetually joined with the God who loves us. Through the Eucharist we can both give thanks for all God has given us and renew our spirit so that we may continue to be the face of God in the world.

This knowledge that we are inseparable from Jesus our Saviour can be full of overwhelming emotions. But for the children who received their First Communion last month, this interconnectedness is not hard to accept. They learned this year that when the priest pours the wine and water into the chalice those of us gathered can actually SEE our relationship with God. All the wine is poured, all of God. A drop of water is poured, a small piece of us. That small drop can never be separated from God. As we watch the priest perform this action we are also reminded that Christ our Lord was human and divine. So not only can we not be separated from Jesus, but He cannot be separated from His own humanity. There is no one better to accompany us on our earthly journey than the Saviour who understands all our joys and struggles.

Our God is a living God because through the receiving of the Eucharist we are given the strength to bring God's light into the world. It is hard, because being human is hard. So today let us receive the Eucharist with great joy and allow ourselves to be fully one with the Body and Blood of Jesus. In doing so may our ears, minds, and hearts be open to wherever God is calling us to be His face in the world.

### SUNDAY'S READINGS:

EXODUS 24.3-8

PSALM 116

HEBREWS 9.11-15

MARK 14.12-16, 22-26

## CALL TO ACTION

Cardinal Collins recently sent a letter to subscribed parishioners, via email, with a call to action to promote palliative care, conscience rights, and the protection of faith-based facilities. In the first of his letters, Cardinal Collins asked Catholics to visit <http://bit.ly/CanadiansforConscience> to send a letter to all candidates in their riding, in advance of the June 7 provincial election.

A pre-written letter is provided which can be amended as you chose. If you did not receive Cardinal Collins' emailed letter and would like to receive them in the future, please subscribe at <http://bit.ly/SignUpSundays>. Thank you for helping to advocate on these important issues.

## VOCATIONS

Receiving the Eucharist is a real sign of unity in our Church. God nourishes us with the "Bread from Heaven" if we have ordained priests to celebrate the Liturgy. If you feel God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocations Director for the Archdiocese of Toronto at (416) 968-0997 or at [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

## BUNDLE UP WEEKEND

Mark your calendars! On June 16 and 17, 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](http://www.ssvptoronto.ca)

## THANK YOU

As the academic year comes to a close and the summer begins, several of our ministries take a well deserved break.

This weekend's Masses mark the final time that the choirs will lead us in song until the fall. On behalf of the entire St. Basil's community, the pastoral staff would like to especially thank all choir members for their dedication and gift of music!

## SHARELIFE

*Living the Gospel by the promoting mental health of kids.*

Jake wrote a story in his grade 7 class that made his principal worry he might harm himself. The principal called his mother and recommended she take him to see a counsellor at Catholic Community Services of York Region, a ShareLife-funded agency.

While the boy was very quiet during the first session, he eventually revealed his sadness and confusion about his parents' divorce. As the counsellor helped Jake learn how other kids respond to a family breakup, he was relieved to find out his grieving was normal. Jake started to feel much better. By donating to ShareLife, you're helping kids like Jake find healing and happiness.

**Thank you for your generosity in support of ShareLife.**

## PRAYER FOR UPCOMING ELECTIONS

*Loving God,  
help the people of our province*

*to make wise choices in the forthcoming election.*

*Enlighten us and those who will be elected*

*with the wisdom and fortitude to do your will.*

*Strengthen the gifts of your Spirit  
so that we may work together*

*for your glory and the good of all citizens.*

*We offer this prayer through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. Amen.*

Blessings and Prayers for Home and Family, from the CCCB

## LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, May 27, 2018 \$ 5,867.55



## MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> — 9<sup>TH</sup>

### SUNDAY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

9:00am Flora and Paul Sim (+,+)

10:30am *Pro Populo*

12:00pm Gilbert Duchamp (+)

4:30pm Jean Holdom (+)

### MONDAY

7:30am Katherine Thalheimer (+)

12:10pm Marie Slaunwhite (+)

### TUESDAY ST. BONIFACE

7:30am Lillian Thalheimer (liv.)

12:10pm Luz De Guia (+), Charlotte Groner (+), Dorino Cappelletto (+)

### WEDNESDAY

7:30am The Thalheimer Family

12:10pm Eileen Davlin (+), Alice and Michael Rowe (+,+)

### THURSDAY

7:30am Lois Hollingsworth (+)

12:10pm Stephanie Hugo (+)

### FRIDAY THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

7:30am Kyle Nathan Arnold (+)

12:10pm Luigi and Lina Ciavarella (+,+)

### SATURDAY

5:00pm Larry Strader (+)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**, especially, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Donna Wood, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Mary O'Brien, Paul and Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Rebecca Beaton, Paul O'Brien, Carry Eillen, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Barbara MacMahon-Firestone, Alexander Wu, and Desmond Brownlee.

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