

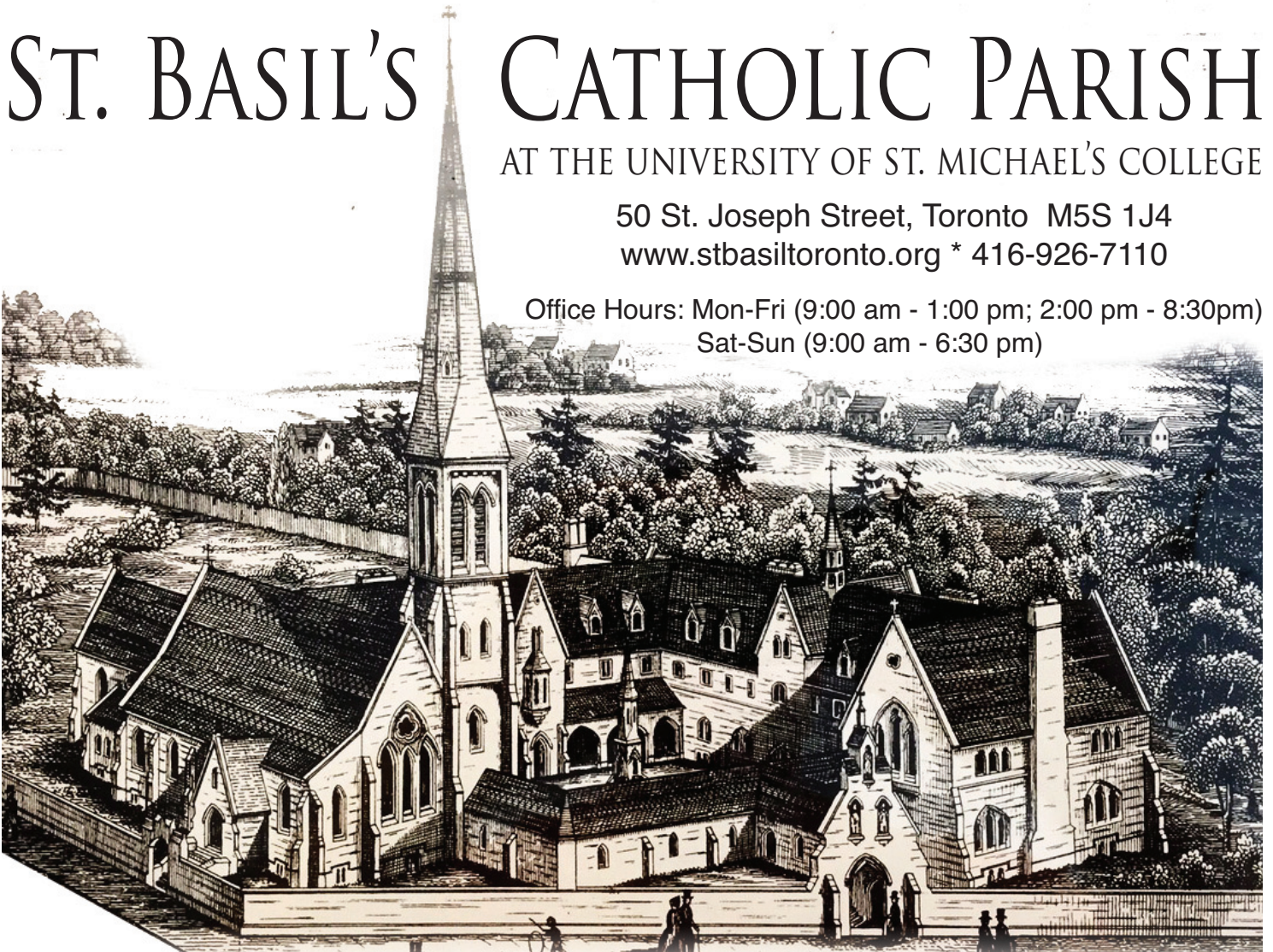
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Mothers are welcome to nurse their children in church or provide them snacks as needed. As Pope Francis has said, Children's voices, even when crying, make "the most beautiful choir of all." If you need to, feel free to walk with your child in the back of the church or in the hallway off the side aisle. We are blessed because you are all here!

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Fr. Chris Valka, CSB
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WHAT'S NEXT?

By John Dalla Costa

With the Year of Mercy ending soon, our question as church, and as individuals, is whether this year has made any difference.

Personally, I'd grade myself an "incomplete." I'd liked to have done more, learned more, and changed more. But I also trust that seeds have been planted - in my heart, in our church, and in our world - that are germinating still, and will yet yield a surprising harvest.

One small seed with enormous potential comes from Francis' invitation to speak gently. As a writer and teacher I love words, and mourn for how we've so debased language for the sake of commerce, politics or ideology. By demoralizing our words we've also drained facts of their ethical value, leaving us bereft of understanding even as we drown in reams of data. Our words matter. What we say to others, or about others, has a material impact on the hope and dignity we're creating together. So the simple task of changing our words can radically change our world, and the way we see it.

Another seed involves recovering the feminine dimension of our church. In his book, which preceded the Jubilee, Walter (Cardinal) Kasper explains that Mary is the exemplar of mercy. That she received the Word, bore God in her womb, helped Jesus to grow and go into the world, shows how we too can embody God's mercy to one another. The feminine spiritual wisdom of silent heeding, attentive waiting, and purposeful self-offering, as modelled by Mary - and which has been coming ever more visibly to life in our liturgy, prayers, community, and social justice work at St. Basil - represents an antidote for the misogyny still all too present in our culture.

Today's readings, while focused on God's justice, remind us that mercy is not for the fainthearted. When he launched the Jubilee, Francis explained that his aim was to spark a wholesale conversion. With our global society stuck in self-fulfilling indifference, Francis invoked mercy to help us

develop the skills of heart and imagination to become disruptors in the cause of God's justice. With the year soon ending, that task of growing mercy to grow justice has only begun.

Sunday's Readings:

Sirach 35.15-17, 20-22

2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18

Luke 18.9-14

EXPERIENCE A TEACHING MASS

Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program continues this **Wednesday, October 26** with a Teaching Mass at **7:00pm in the church**. Have you ever wondered what the priest wears during Mass, why we stand during the Gospel, or why the priest washes his hands during the Liturgy of the Eucharist? These questions and more will be explained along with the parts of the Mass with Fr. Norm Tanck, CSB as celebrant.

All are welcome to attend! No pre-registration is required. For more details, please contact Emily at emily.vanberkum@utoronto.ca.

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2017. St. Michael's teaches from Grade 7 to 12. **Open Houses for interested parents and their sons will be held on the following evenings: Thursday, October 20 and Tuesday, October 25 from 7:30-9:00pm.** St. Michael's College School is located at 1515 Bathurst Street (at St. Clair Avenue West). While St. Michael's College School is a private school, we offer financial aid to qualified students.

EASTERN CATHOLIC LITURGY

Oriental Eastern Catholic Liturgy will be resuming with Mass celebrated with Fr. Eugene Morishita-Miki on **the first Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm in St. Basil's church** from this Sunday (October 23) until June 2017.

HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

Is your child 7-9 years of age and would like to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion? If so, please register them for a special five week preparation program facilitated by Emily beginning on Sunday, November 27 after the 12:00pm Mass. For more information or to register, please contact emily at emily.vanberkum@utoronto.ca.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE SCHOOL PRESENTS: "THE RED DRESS PROJECT"

The "Red Dress Project" was created by Metis artist Jaimie Black to remember and raise awareness for the missing and murdered indigenous women of Canada. Since her initial project, communities across Canada have participated with their own red dress projects to remember and memorialize the missing and murdered aboriginal women in Canada. Each year on October 4th, the practice is to display a red dress as a symbol of our commitment to see this social justice issue brought to the forefront and addressed.

Native studies students of St. Joseph College School, under the direction of their art teacher, have created a tent-like dress covered in red dresses. The smaller red dresses made out of nylon tent material represent the missing and murdered aboriginal women and the larger dress structure represents sanctuary, safety, and protection taking on the appearance of a tent.

This weekend we welcome participation from the community of St. Basil's to join in the project that was also shared with the larger community on the night of Nuit Blanche. Please pin a red dress to the tent as a sign of your solidarity for justice for the missing and murdered indigenous women of Canada.

ENVELOPES

On the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday, **November 20**, the 2017 Envelopes will be available for pick-up in the back of the church.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, October 16, 2016 \$5,606.45



MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 23rd - 29th

Sunday 9:00am- 10:30am- 12:00pm- 4:30pm-	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Phyllis Daly (+) Pro Populo David & Maria Myung and Family (liv.) Jocelyn Weeks (+)
Monday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Teodomiro Amaral (+)
Tuesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Lamberto Douglas Bantilan (+) and Scherine Persad (+)
Wednesday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Memay Ganipan (+) Mr. & Mrs. Karovics (+)
Thursday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	
Friday 7:30am- 12:10pm-	Saints Simon and Jude Rene & Carmel Roy (+)
Saturday 5:00pm-	Eugene & Cezav (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Mary O'Brien, Claire Fidler, Helen Lau, Gloria Lau, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Hilary McCormack, Leslie Beck, Lucille Mirvish, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Concha Gaeitereiro, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, and Filomena La Rocca.


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