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AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE



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Sat 9:00 am - 6:30 pm Sun 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

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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

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

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TESTING MIND AND HEART

by Lucinda M. Vardey

The readings for this Sunday turn what our cultures consider normal or usual to the obscure ways of God, always a mystery to our human reasoning.

We are told by Isaiah to seek God while God may be found: from the psalm that God's presence is near, in fact as close to us as a heartbeat. Yet, God's thoughts are not ours. Paul declares dying to be a necessary gain in order to live life true to the Gospel.

The Gospel teaches us that it is no good using our human logic to decipher God's ways. The hardest work we will ever attempt in our spiritual life includes giving up trying to work God out, dying to our separate agendas and plans, so that we may experience the amazing power that is unleashed through practicing what Jesus preached.

For 161 years (1856-2017), St. Basil's Parish has been home to people of all ages and needs. For those who need hearing assistance, devices are available at the front desk. Simply leave a photo ID to borrow one during your visit.

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!



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St. Basil's Parish, Toronto

At a recent Mass in a small town in Umbria, Italy, the priest called the Gospel the "Wisdom of Love." Love speaks more clearly in mystery. It is through our hearts that we can more naturally place Jesus at the centre of our lives, making familiar our place at the last so he can be first in everything.

In her excellent book Radical Gratitude Mary Jo Leddy wrote that finding happiness by truly believing that Jesus meant what he said, required a turning away from the economies of consumption, gain, competition and rewards, towards one of gratitude and gift. Gratitude develops the grace of hope and trust in the everlasting goodness of God, acceptance of the wisdom of God in each situation, and receptivity to being surprised by God's generosity.

SUNDAYS READINGS:

ISAIAH 55.6-9

PSALM 145

PHILIPPIANS 1.20-24, 27

MATTHEW 20.1-16

COME & SEE

The Daughters of St. Paul are hosting a Come & See Weekend: *A vocational discernment retreat for young women*. The retreat runs from September 29, to October 1, and includes: Daily Mass, Morning and Evening Prayer, Conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, and a Silent Retreat Day.

Single women aged 18-33 are invited to contact Sr. Helena Raphael for more information at rhelenaburns@gmail.com or (617) 850-5584

CALLING GREEN THUMBS

The **flower ministry** at St. Basil's needs volunteers to regularly maintain and help with the flower arrangements. If you are interested in offering an hour each week to keep our church and sanctuary beautiful and fresh, please contact Michael.

Our surrounding gardens also need regular maintenance - weeding, pruning and keeping clean. If you love to garden and could volunteer your services twice a month, please also contact Michael michael.pirri@utoronto.ca

JOHN FORD FOOD DRIVE

The next John Ford First Sunday Food Drive will take place on the weekend of September 30-October 1. Although all donations are most certainly welcome, we are most in need of:

- Mayonnaise
- Canned tuna
- Canned kidney beans, chickpeas
- All sorts of cookies
- Apple sauce
- Fruit cocktail
- cake mixes
- muffin liners
- soft granola bars
- fruit cups

THANK YOU!

USMC SCHOLA CANTORUM

The Schola Cantorum of the University of St. Michael's College directed by Michael O'Connor is joined by The Musicians In Ordinary, led by violinist Christopher Verrette to perform the **Polychoral Mass in D** by *Ignacio de Jerusalem*.

Friday, September 29, 8 p.m.
Admission is free

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Faith Connections and The Office of Catholic Youth (OCY) present — Theology on Tap: Synods (Past, Present, Future). Talk given by Dr. Michael Attridge, Professor of Systematic Theology, Christology, and Vatican II courses at The University of St. Michael's College.

Young Adults aged 19-39 are encouraged to attend the talk on **Monday, September 25, 7:00PM**. Talks take place at the Duke of York Pub, 39 Prince Arthur Ave., Toronto.

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/TOTTORONTO

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, September 30th, at 10:00AM**. Be sure to join us with your furry friends outside the east doors of the church for the annual Blessing of the Animals.

SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL

At the Weekend Masses on September 30 & October 1, there will be a special, second collection for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. Envelopes will be available in the pews and at the back of the church, as well as in the regular weekly envelope packets.

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The parishioners of St. Basil's have always supported these appeals, and our St. Vincent de Paul team is one of the most active in the city. We hope that you can find it in your hearts to respond generously.

THANK YOU!

LECTIO DIVINA

WITH CARDINAL THOMAS COLLINS
October 1, 2017: Compassion and Humility
Sirach 3:11-31

All are welcome to attend Lectio Divina on Sunday October 1st, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Vespers (evening prayer) begins at 7:00PM, followed by Lectio Divina from 7:30 to 8:15PM.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, September 17, 2017 \$ 5,775.90



MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 24TH - 30TH

SUNDAY 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am Felipe Macalino (†)
10:30am Pro Populo
12:00pm Joseph and Thomas Boyle (†, †)
4:30pm Patrick Joseph O'Donnell (†)

MONDAY

7:30am
12:10pm Ryszard Kazmierczak (†)

TUESDAY

7:30am
12:10pm Maureen Sewell (†), Angela
Puopolo (liv.)

WEDNESDAY St. Vincent dePaul

7:30am
12:10pm Camille Olga Claudette Kneider (†)

THURSDAY

7:30am Sr. Cabrini Fahlman (liv.)
12:10pm Emma Alonzi (†)
St. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael,

FRIDAY

Archangels
7:30am David Myung and Family
12:10pm Howard Shaughnessy (†)

SATURDAY St. Jerome

5:00pm Dr. Romulo Javier (liv.)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Mary O'Brien, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Concha Gaeitereiro, Clare DeMello, Gerald Dunlevie, Erika Farncomb, Filomena La Rocca, Joseph Troncone, Hai Luen Liu, Neil McCormack, Barbara MacMahon-Firestone, and Alexander Wu.


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