

SEPTEMBER 8TH

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ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm; 3:00 pm - 8:00pm
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

Pastor:	Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB
Associate Pastor:	Fr. Norm Tanck, CSB
Office Manager:	Margaret D'Elia
Director of Music:	Dr. John Paul Farahat
Associate Organist:	Stefani Bedin
Director of Community Engagement:	Michael Pirri
Coordinator of Social Justice:	Veronica Courtois
Director of Family Ministries:	Marilena Berardinelli
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:	Mariann Dunsmore

SHORT BUT SWEET

By Fr. Norm Tanck

I am impressed by my Protestant friends who have memorized large portions of the Bible. How would you like to impress people by memorizing a whole book of the Bible? Try memorizing Paul's Letter to Philemon, the book from which our second reading is taken today. It is only 25 verses long.

St. Paul is writing this letter from prison. With him is Onesimus, a runaway slave who was about to be returned to his master. Since he ran away, he was converted and baptized a Christian. Although, under the law, he was still a slave. Paul is asking Philemon and the Christian community he leads to welcome Onesimus back as a brother in Christ. He is asking them to see the man in a new light and relate to him in a new way. Paul writes, "I am sending him, that is, my own heart,

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Mothers are welcome to nurse their children in church or provide them snacks as needed. 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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back to you... Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord”.

The ambiguity is that when Onesimus returns he will still be a slave under the law, but he is first and foremost to be accepted and welcomed as a brother. Sadly, it would be centuries before human slavery is abolished. And there are many things today that still hold people captive. Human trafficking exists in many forms throughout the world. Our brothers and sisters of different races and languages, different cultures and faiths are still held in bondage, alienated from the human community, our society, the Church and nation because of prejudice and fear.

Who will be the St. Paul in this day and age asking us and the world to welcome all as beloved brothers and sisters, as children of God? How will we respond when this is asked of us?

SEPTEMBER 8 READINGS:

- WISDOM 9.13-18
- PSALM 90
- PHILEMON 9B-10, 12-17
- LUKE 14.25-33

ORGAN 100TH ANNIVERSARY RESERVATIONS

Reservations for the 100th Anniversary Organ Concert by Olivier Latry taking place on **November 22** open to Saint Basil’s parishioners beginning Monday, September 9, at 10:00AM.

The website is bit.ly/StBasil100
The code to access tickets is **Parishioner**

Please note that, as seating is limited, the maximum reservation possible at this time is for 2 tickets.

We hope to see you there!

SERRA CLUB MEETING

The Serra Club of Toronto Downtown welcomes Ms. Olenka Laschuk as guest speaker for the **September 18** meeting, which takes place following the 12:10PM Mass. Ms. Laschuk is pursuing a Masters Degree at the University of St. Michael’s and is the wife of Fr. Alex Laschuk, Byzantine Priest and Judicial Vicar at the Archdiocese of Toronto.

A light lunch and meeting follow the 12:10PM Mass. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to the parish office. All are welcome.

REGISTRATION: FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION

Registration is now open for children (born 2012 and after) ready to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion. Children gather weekly from 11:30- 12:30 in the Atrium. At 12:30pm the children, accompanied by their catechists, join the larger Church community for the Eucharistic portion of the Sunday liturgy.

The program begins Sunday October 27 and extends after First Communion (May 3) to Pentecost (May 31), allowing the children time to deepen this new aspect of their relationship with Jesus, Bread of Life.

To help us defer the costs of the programs, there is a \$120.00 registration fee, payable by cash or cheque at the start of the program. Cheques can be made payable to: St. Basil’s Catholic Parish. This financial commitment can be reduced or waived to meet your family’s budgetary concerns.

PARENTAL COMMITMENT: The program also supports parents in their role as their child’s primary educator in the faith. The program calendar (found on our website) indicates when parents also gather with the children.

For additional information or register your child, contact our Director of Family Ministry: marilena.berardinelli@utoronto.ca.

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the parish office will close early at 5:45PM on Wednesday, September 11, 2019.

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There is still a need for volunteers both for preparation (including baking) and clean-up. If you are interested in learning more, please speak with Michael at michael.pirri@utoronto.ca

MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

The St. Basil's Singers, an upper voices choir which sings at the Sunday 4:30PM Mass, is welcoming new members. Rehearsals take place before Mass at 3:00PM; there are no rehearsals in the week.

The St. Basil's Parish Choir, which sings at the Sunday 10:30AM Mass, is welcoming new Tenor and Bass singers. Rehearsals are Thursdays from 7:00-9:00PM, and Sunday morning at 9:45AM before Mass.

Interested women and men are invited to contact music@stbasiltoronto.org to find out more about joining the choirs.

ROAD CLOSURE

Please note that Bay Street will be closed next Sunday morning from 7:30AM to 11:30AM for the Exact Yorkville Run.

More information about the closure is available at www.yorkvillerun.com

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Saturday, September 14th is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, marking the 163rd anniversary of St. Basil's opening for worship.

All are invited to join for a special Mass marking the occasion on **Saturday, September 14th** at 9:45AM.

SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, September 1, 2019 \$5,625.50

MASS INTENTIONS



SEPTEMBER 8TH – 14TH

SUNDAY 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am Sarah and Al Nolan (liv.)
10:30am *Pro Populo*
12:00pm Manuel Rodrigues (+)
4:30pm Anzelm and Janina Waluk (+,+)

MONDAY

7:30am Irwin Mohammed (+)
12:10pm Stefan and Anna Papez (+,+)

TUESDAY

7:30am Lola and Joseph MacNeil (+,+)
12:10pm Rosina Dell'ece (+)

WEDNESDAY

7:30am Angelina DiMascio Ottaviani (+)
12:10pm Katrina Teh (liv.)

THURSDAY

7:30am Manuel and Julieta Lim (+,+)
12:10pm Giovanni Sinopoli (+)

FRIDAY ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

7:30am
12:10pm Luigi and Lina Ciavarella (+,+)

SATURDAY EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

9:45am *Pro Populo*
5:00pm Cheryl Sprogue-Catalano (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Clare DeMello, Roberto Martello, Filomena Larocca, Rebecca Beaton, Gemma Ciavarella, Gordon Walsh, Mary O'Brien, Erika Farncomb, Michael West, Rita Moran, Rosy Menezes, Paul O'Brien, Barbara Boyle, Maria Teresa Blackwell, Margaret Mary McKenzie, Josephine D'amico, Jose Gaitero, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Hilary McCormack, and Jasper David-Fuchs.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, Enrico Rota.


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