

ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

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SUNDAY MASSES

5:00pm (Saturday)
 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm, 4:30pm
Coffee Hour follows the 10:30am Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday & Friday: 7:30am
 Monday - Friday: 12:10pm

CONFESSIONS

Monday - Friday: 11:30am - 12:00pm
 Saturday: 4:30pm - 5:00pm

EVENING PRAYER (VESPERS)

Monday - Friday: 5:10pm

ADORATION

Tuesday: 3:00pm - 6:00pm
 First Friday: After 12:10pm Mass until 1:30pm

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Monday: 12:45pm *Ardeche Hall (basement)*
 Saturday: 11:00am *Decker Room (basement)*

FAITH SHARING (ONLINE)

Tuesday: 7:30pm (<https://tinyurl.com/StBasilFaithSharing>)

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Monday & Tuesday Lunch: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Society of St. Vincent de Paul can be reached for assistance at 416-926-2292

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 1:00pm
 Sunday: 8:15am - 1:15pm

For information about baptisms, weddings, and funerals, please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings require one year's notice.



PARISH STAFF

Pastor:
Lay Pastoral Associate:
Office Manager (on leave):
Office Administrator:
Director of Outreach & Hospitality:
Director of Music & Principal Organist:
Assistant Organist:
Musician-in-Residence:
Coordinator of Community Engagement:

Fr. Morgan V. Rice, CSB
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THE GOOD SHEPHERD: OUR GUIDE, PROTECTOR AND PROVIDER

In today's Psalm and Gospel, we hear about the Good Shepherd and how the shepherd metaphor is used to describe God's relationship with us, His people. These readings portray God as a shepherd who guides, protects and cares for His people while communicating a relationship built on trust, safety and belonging. Specifically, in Psalm 23 we are reminded that God's care is constant, especially in moments of fear or uncertainty. In the Gospel we are reminded of the importance of listening to God's voice amid the noise and many competing voices in the world.

Together, these passages remind us that we are not alone. Like the sheep guided by a shepherd, we are invited to trust in God's presence and follow the path that leads to life. Moreover, we are assured that He walks with us, protects us, and guides us toward a life of peace and abundance.

In the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS), we share these readings with the children and ask them to ponder the meaning of what it is to be a sheep that is continuously guided and cared for by the Good Shepherd. These little children (aged three to six) quite easily make the connection that we are the sheep and that God, as our Shepherd, knows us each by name and loves us so fiercely and dearly that He will always guide us, protect us, and provide for us even if we stray away from the path.

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Since 1856, St. Basil's Parish has been home to people of all ages and needs. We are blessed because you are here!

Parents are welcome to feed their children in church. Feel free to move about with your child in the back of the church or in the hallway off the side aisle.



Through the pure and profound insights of the children we are reminded that trusting in God's voice allows us to feel safe, cared for, known and loved.

As we go forward, let us remember that God's care for us is personal, faithful and constant. Like the Good Shepherd who knows each sheep by name, God knows each of us deeply and lovingly. He walks with us in times of peace and in moments of fear, guiding us toward what is good and life-giving. Let us all, with the children and the Psalmist, sing with hope and trust: "The Lord is my shepherd!"

~ Neda Mirian

RESURRECTION HOPE: EASTER TAIZÉ PRAYER

Wednesday, April 29, 7pm

Join us on Wednesday, April 29, at 7pm at St. Basil's for a Taizé prayer service, where we will rejoice in resurrection hope and reflect on our call as disciples to bear the light of Christ in our world. This ecumenical and meditative prayer form includes music, scripture, prayers, candlelight, and silence to draw us out to live our baptismal call. All are welcome! Questions? Contact: joann.lopez@utoronto.ca

JOHN FORD FOOD DRIVE

May 2 - 3, before & after all Masses

Outreach volunteers are here to collect donated unopened pantry items, which will be used for our meal service or distributed directly to our patrons. Meal-replacement drinks, canned stews, and canned meat and fish are particularly helpful to our patrons.

We also welcome donations of rain gear to assist our adult patrons. During this season we also welcome donations of new or gently used rain gear to assist our adult patrons. Items such as socks, umbrellas, and coats will truly make a difference in someone's life. Some patrons have also requested sleeping bags. Cash donations are also gratefully accepted, and you can donate online.

READING GROUP AT ST. BASIL'S

2nd and 4th Monday of each month, 7 - 8:30pm

We are a welcoming community of book lovers who read together, ponder what we've read, and share our thoughts and ideas. We aim to read a wide variety of literature through the year. Register through our website, or contact Kristina: kristina.glicksman@gmail.com

Upcoming offerings:

- May 25: "Revelation" and "Good Country People"
by Flannery O'Connor
- June 8: "The Displaced Person" and "The River"
by Flannery O'Connor
- June 22 onward: *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro

7:30AM MASS PAUSING FOR THE SUMMER

As the academic year draws to a close, we will observe our summer weekday liturgy schedule. We will pause our 7:30am Mass for the summer. There will not be a change to the 11:30am Confession and 12:10 Mass schedule. The church will continue to be open from 7am to 7:30pm on weekdays. Our final 7:30am Mass before the summer pause will be on Friday, May 1.

We anticipate resuming the morning Mass on Mondays and Fridays during the academic year after Labour Day. Please check our bulletin boards, website, and bulletin in late August for an update regarding our fall Mass schedule.

CHILDREN'S BAPTISM PREPARATION

We are running a special baptism preparation program this May for older children, aged 5-10, who are not yet baptized. **Please contact us by May 1 for information about baptism preparation for older children.** For information about infant baptism, check our website. For more information, please contact: joann.lopez@utoronto.ca

SHARELIFE SUNDAY: CELEBRATING 50 YEARS!

Today is ShareLife Sunday. Since 1976, ShareLife has been rooted in our Catholic values of charity and in living the Gospel by caring for those in need. ShareLife recognizes that all humans are created in the image of God, with a commitment to the dignity of the individual and the right to life, working on behalf of the poor and vulnerable. As we celebrate this milestone anniversary, we invite you to join us in honouring this legacy of serving the marginalized in our parish community and around the world. With your support, ShareLife-funded agencies can continue to provide vital services — like counselling for families, support for isolated seniors, and care for those facing mental health challenges — for years to come.

Our parish fundraising goal is \$109,000. Please give using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

LUMEN GENTIUM FORUM

Applications now open for the 2026-2027 cohort

Applications are now open for the 2026-2027 cohort of the Lumen Gentium Forum — a nine-month fellowship program for young Catholic professionals, offered by CAPP-Canada in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Toronto. This program is designed to form Catholics aged 25-40 for their vocations as leaders who serve the common good, share the light of Christ with others, and bring Gospel values alive in their careers, communities, families, parishes, and civic engagement. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and will close once a full cohort has been formed, so we encourage those interested to apply as soon as possible. Candidates can learn more and apply at www.LumenForum.ca. Contact Program Coordinators: Brendan Steven (brendan@lumenforum.ca) and Robin D'Souza (robin@lumenforum.ca) for more information.

MASS FOR NURSES

Wednesday, April 29, 12:15pm
Newman Center (89 St. George St.)

The National Association of Catholic Nurses - Canada invites all student, practicing, and retired nurses to a Mass on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 12:15pm at the Newman Center (89 St. George St.), on the memorial of our patron, Blessed Hanna Chrzanowska, a nurse who courageously served in the Second World War. We also will venerate her relic on that day. For more information about the NACN-Canada, visit our website: catholicnurses.ca, or email nacn.torontocouncil@gmail.com.

A DAY WITH MARY

Saturday, May 30 (Register before May 15)

The Archdiocese of Toronto invites you to a "Day With Mary" taking place on Saturday, May 30 at Villanova College in King City. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for adults and children's catechesis for the little ones. There will be music, fellowship and more. There is no fee to register — this is a free event open to all. Register before May 15: <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>. Complete information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>.

SAVE THE DATE

May 23 - 24: Bundle Up Sunday (Clothing Drive)

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is collecting gently used clothing, bedding, and footwear during the weekend of May 23 to 24. A truck and volunteers will be present before and after the Saturday and Sunday Masses.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

April 25 - 26: ShareLife

ShareLife supports agencies that carry out the mission work of the Church. Their efforts to serve the marginalized in our communities and around the world are made possible thanks to our donors' generosity. This year is the 50th Anniversary of ShareLife. Our parish fundraising goal is \$109,000. To give, use a ShareLife envelope, give online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

May 9 - 10: Building Fund

This fund is set aside to be used for future building repairs and renovation projects. It ensures our parish's long-term financial stability.

MASS INTENTIONS

APRIL 27 - MAY 03



MONDAY

7:30am | Souls in Purgatory (+)
12:10pm | Anoja Homer-Vanniasinkam (+)

TUESDAY

12:10pm | Frederic (liv.), Adrian Ross (liv.),
Elaine Patricia Hine (+), Souls in Purgatory (+)

WEDNESDAY

12:10pm | Jozef Swiderek (+)

THURSDAY

12:10pm | Leonard Agbayani (+), All parish families (liv.),
Fr. Wilfrid Janisse (liv.), Fr. Kevin Kirley (liv.)

FRIDAY

7:30am | Perfecto Capua Suarez (+)
12:10pm | Vocations

SATURDAY

5:00pm | John Paul Farahat (liv.)

SUNDAY

9:00am | Fr. Daniel Callam, CSB (liv.)
10:30am | *Pro Populo*
12:00pm | Vivian Kwok & Winnie Man (liv., liv.)
4:30pm | Godfrey & Jasmin Paraiso (liv.)

Pray for the Sick, especially, Sue Banfield, Marion Bayfield, Rebecca Beaton, Annabelle Brossard, Desmond Brownlee, Steve Chandeller, Lynden Beiyang Chen, Yvonne Clarke, Josephine D'amico, Jasper David-Fuchs, Clare DeMello, Maryanne Hodges, Helen Keeley, Bohdanka Kovalska, Elaine Landrie, Anne McFadden, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, David Martin, Rosy Menezes, Paul O'Brien, Robert Rodbourne, Delaila Salvador, Todd Snow, Federico Sorianosos Jr., John Sytsma, Betty Veit, Eileen Vyphius, and Alexander Wu.

Pray for the Deceased.

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