

JUNE 22, 2025

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OFFICE HOURS

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

SUNDAY MASSES

5:00pm (sat)
9:00am; 10:30am; 12:00pm; 4:30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 12:10pm

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

Monday - Friday: 5:10pm

ADORATION

Tuesday: 3:00pm-6:00pm

CONFESSIONS

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

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS

Please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings require a one year notice.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Fr. Morgan V. Rice, CSB
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FOOD OF THE KINGDOM

"Take – Bless – Break – Give" Did you hear these words today? They are a sign of Eucharistic celebration. We hear them in Paul's account of the Last Supper, and in Jesus' feeding of the multitudes. This pattern is echoed in Jesus' resurrection appearances, where the disciples know him in the breaking of the bread. Every time we gather for the Mass, we remember that Jesus "took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples." In fact, we embody this pattern through our ritual action: we take up the gifts, bless them, break them, and give them to the faithful.

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

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.



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I am struck by how the crowd in the Gospel would have experienced this feeding moment as good news. Jesus not only proclaims the Kingdom of God, but enfleshes the in-breaking reign of God in the midst of the poor and hungry crowd. As they are fed, satisfied, and leftovers remain, the crowd experiences the promised kingdom of abundance and equality that the prophets promised. The vision of that hoped-for world where all are satisfied without cost comes to life for people who are physically and spiritually hungry.

Have we experienced the good news of God in this way ourselves – as something not only to be heard, but to be encountered with our whole being? Have we been nourished, loved, and transformed by our encounter with Christ? When we share our faith with others, do we enflesh God's love through our words and deeds, so they may encounter this transforming love too?

Every time we celebrate the Eucharist, we, like the crowd, are caught up in the reign of God that Jesus lived and died for. We too experience our profound equality before God, we are reminded that all is gift, and we receive what we need to truly satisfy us. Encountering Christ's Real

Presence strengthens us with abundant graces to live our faith out in the world, being witnesses to the kingdom of God breaking into our midst. The Eucharist is a Sacrament of Initiation because it continually forms us to live as the Body of Christ in the world.

What does it mean to live Eucharistically? Take-Bless-Break-Give is the pattern of Jesus's life, of the liturgy, and of the life of discipleship. Jesus calls us to receive God's gifts with open hands, to turn our hearts towards God with praise and thanksgiving, to be responsive to the pain and suffering of the world even if it means our hearts breaking, and to become gift given for others, partnering and participating in God's constant self-gift in our world.

Perhaps we feel overwhelmed at the idea of meeting the needs of those who are physically or spiritually hungry. Can we, like the disciples, see the needs of those around us and offer what we have to Jesus, trusting that he can bring the abundance that we need to multiply our gifts? May the Eucharist we share today nourish us always for the work of the kingdom.

– JoAnn Melina Lopez

ST. BASIL'S PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Canadian Martyrs' Shrine (Midland, ON)

Saturday, July 5, 7:30am - 7:30pm

Register online at stbasiltoronto.org

Join us to journey together as pilgrims of hope for our Jubilee Year pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario on Saturday, July 5. Our time at the Shrine will include opportunities for learning and prayer. Registration required. Cost per person is \$75 (cash/cheque), which covers transportation, the entrance fee, and a box lunch.

Contact JoAnn Lopez (joann.lopez@utoronto.ca, 416-926-7122) with any questions.

SUMMER READING GROUP: CANTICLE FOR LEIBOWITZ

Alternate Thursdays (July 3, 17, 31; August 14 & 28; September 11) 7-8:30pm

Macrina Hall

Explore themes of science, technology, faith and peace through reading Walter Miller's mid-century novel *A Canticle for Leibowitz*. This is a unique work that has elements of science fiction, historical fantasy, and theology. It still speaks to our time. It is divided into three sections. We will discuss the first half of Book One "Fiat Homo" at our first meeting. For more information and to register, please visit www.stbasiltoronto.org.

7:30AM MASS—PAUSING FOR SUMMER

After prayerful discernment, we have decided to pause the 7:30am Mass for the summer. We regret that we are not able to offer this Mass in a sustainable way during the summer as we know it is very important for those come to it. Our final 7:30am Mass before the summer pause will be on Friday, June 27, the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. We anticipate resuming the morning Mass after Labour Day as we secure commitments from clergy who have more regular availability during the academic year. Please check our bulletin boards, website, and bulletin in late August for an update regarding our Mass schedule for the fall. During the summer, the church will continue to be open from 7am to 7:30pm on weekdays. There will not be a change to the 12:10 Mass schedule.

MEDITATION GROUPS

In Person Christian Meditation Groups continue to meet during the summer.

Both the Monday (12:45-1:30p.m.) and Saturday (11:00a.m-12:00noon) in-person Christian Meditation groups will continue to meet as usual throughout the summer with no interruptions. All are welcome and no previous experience is necessary. For any questions contact: Lorena at patakav@yahoo.ca.

HEARING ASSISTANCE: MOBILE CONNECT

The new wifi/bluetooth hearing assistance system is now active in the church. It involves:

1. Downloading the Sennheiser "MobileConnect" app to your phone.
2. Using your phone to join the "Hearing_Assist" WIFI network; password: LetMeHear1!
3. Open the MobileConnect app, and choose the "St Basil Hearing Assist" channel.
4. You can listen to the channel directly on your phone, or you can connect your phone to a bluetooth device such as hearing aids or earbuds.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

July 12/13: Building Fund

MASS INTENTIONS JUNE 22-28



SUNDAY CORPUS CHRISTI

9:00am Jia Lin Huang (liv)
10:30am *Pro Populo*
12:00pm Joemarie Pahila (✱)
4:30pm Reynaldo Echavez (✱), Wilhelmina Rosales (✱)

MONDAY

7:30am
12:10pm Mary Gardner (✱)

TUESDAY NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

7:30am
12:10pm Maria Arcangela Rubino (✱)

WEDNESDAY

7:30am
12:10pm Mary Morelli (✱)

THURSDAY

7:30am
12:10pm

FRIDAY MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

7:30am Fredick and Montse (liv)
12:10pm Stefan and Anna Papez (✱,✱)

SATURDAY


5:00pm Marcela (liv) and Sebastian (✱)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Sue Banfield, Rebecca Beaton, Annabelle Brossard, Desmond Brownlee, Steve Chandeller, Yvonne Clarke, Josephine D'amico, Jasper David-Fuchs, Clare DeMello, Maryanne Hodges, Bohdanka Kovalska, Elaine Landrie, Anne McFadden, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, David Martin, Rosy Menezes, Dr. Peter Moran, Paul O'Brien, Robert Rodbourne, Delaila Salvador, Todd Snow, Federico Sorianosos Jr., John Sytsma, Betty Veit, Eileen Vyphius, Rosalie Wimbs, and Alexander Wu.

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