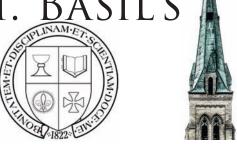
June 8, 2025

ST. BASIL'S



# Catholic Parish

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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: 7:30am; 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:
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# MEMBERS OF GOD'S EXTENDING FAMILY

"Lover, Beloved, and the Love Between Them" – Have you ever heard this description of the Trinity attributed to St. Augustine? Within this image, the Holy Spirit is the dynamic relationship of Love that exists within God's very self.

Last week we celebrated the great mystery that, through the Ascension, humanity is now forever part of the Divine Life. At Pentecost we celebrate that we are enfolded into the relationship of love within the Trinity through the Holy Spirit. Life with God is not for us only after death, but here

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.







and now. The Holy Spirit is poured out – upon the disciples at Pentecost and upon all of us through Baptism and Confirmation – wrapping us up in the mystery of the Trinity, and transforming us into God's children, siblings of Christ, empowered to walk in his ways each day.

This gift of the Holy Spirit is not about escaping the world, but about allowing the whole of creation to be embraced by the mystery and the mission of God's love. We who have received the Spirit are called to extend the family circle, that all the world may know and love God.

We see this in our first reading, when at Pentecost, the followers of Jesus are empowered by the Spirit to proclaim the good news of Christ's life, death, and resurrection, in words that all people may understand. Previously trapped by fear, their encounter with the Spirit transforms them into missionary disciples who know how to stir the hearts of others. Have we experienced this transformation ourselves? Do we feel drawn into relationship with God and sent on a mission? Can we speak of God's love in ways that touch the hearts of others?

Today we celebrate Pentecost as not just as a

moment in history, but an ever-present reality: The Spirit is being poured out into our world, our church, into our lives, desiring to communicate God's love and care to all creation – in and through us. The Spirit needs us to have hearts open to receive this gift and lives ready to respond.

The Spirit forms us into a family of faith united in love. Transforms and empower us to be the Body of Christ, witnessing to God's abundant love in this world in concrete ways. The Spirit keeps us wrapped up in God's love, and strengthens us each day to live our faith. Helps us communicate God's love to others, continually expanding the circle of embrace. Through the Holy Spirit at work in and among us, God is renewing the face of the earth!

We know our world is crying out for renewal. How is the Spirit calling us to be instruments of God's renewing love in our world today? How can we be pilgrims of hope who communicate God's love, mercy, and transforming power so all people can be wrapped up in God's love?

I trust the Spirit will show us the way. This Pentecost, let us pray: Come Holy Spirit, Come!

– JoAnn Melina Lopez

#### **SHARELIFE**

### You are the light of hope this ShareLife Sunday

Together with your support, let us illuminate His light in the darkest of places, providing strength to those enduring unimaginable hardships. Because of you, people who feel the weight of the world on their shoulders can experience some relief. Like young mother Sarah, and her 4-week-old baby, who fled a life-threatening situation. She went from being alone, homeless and afraid, to supported, secure and safe through programs at Catholic Family Services of Durham.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at <u>sharelife.org/donate</u>.

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

June 27 - 29 Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre (Mississauga)

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# CHORAL CONCERT: O SACRUM

Saturday, June 14, 7:30 p.m. Ensemble *ex nihilo* 

Join ensemble *Ex nihilo* for a concert of Eucharistic choral music including Byrd, Josquin, Tallis, Bairstow, Messiaen, and 19th century Canadian plainchant. Admission is free, with donations gratefully accepted (suggested amount, \$20).

### ST. BASIL'S PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Canadian Martyrs' Shrine (Midland, ON) Saturday, July 5, 7:30am - 7:30pm Register online at <u>stbasiltoronto.org</u>

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.

## ST. BASIL'S PARISH NATURE WALK

Monday, June 9, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Explore the beauty of creation through a Toronto Ravine Hike, as we walk together in community, enjoying summer fun and friendship! Our starting point will be the Davisville TTC station, and we will walk through Mt Pleasant Cemetery and parts of the Central Ravines together. Registration required by Friday, June 6. After our walk concludes near Rosedale Station there will be an opportunity for those who are interested in a short social to purchase refreshments.

Find out more and sign up at <u>stbasiltoronto.org</u> or contact JoAnn Lopez (joann.lopez@utoronto. ca) - 416-926-7122.

#### **UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS**

June 7/8: ShareLife

# Mass Intentions

## June 8-14



#### SUNDAY

#### PENTECOST SUNDAY

9:00am Jia Lin Huang (liv)

10:30am Pro Populo

12:00pm Maureen Sewell (\*) 4:30pm Julie Khayatt (\*)

## MONDAY MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

7:30am Sabino Rosales (\*)

12:10pm James Robert and Valerie Crilly (\*,\*)

#### **TUESDAY**

7:30am

**12:10pm** *People of Gaza (liv and* **♣**)

#### **WEDNESDAY** ST. BARNABAS

7:30am Vince Addario (liv)

12:10pm Lindsey and Julia Nelson (♣) (♣)

#### <u>Thursday</u>

7:30am

12:10pm David Ferraro (♣)

#### FRIDAY

#### ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

7:30am

12:10pm Luigi, Lina, Len, and Michael Ciavarella (\*.\*,\*,\*)

#### SATURDAY

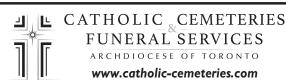
5:00pm Maximus Chongo (liv)

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.

#### PRAY FOR THE DECEASED.

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