

ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

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50 St. Joseph Street, Toronto, ON

416-926-7110

SUNDAY MASSES

5:00pm (Saturday)

9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm, 4:30pm

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 *Ardèche Hall (basement)*Saturday: 11:00am *Decker Room (basement)*

FAITH SHARING (ONLINE)

Tuesday: 7pm (<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):****Director of Outreach & Hospitality:****Director of Music & Principal Organist:****Assistant Organist:****Musician-in-Residence:**

Fr. Morgan V. Rice, CSB

JoAnn M. Lopez

Margaret D'Elia

Hilda O'Connor

Dr. John Paul Farahat

Adrian Ross

Dr. Lindsay McIntyre

LOVE IS OUR FOUNDATION

St. Paul presents us with a beautiful image: the human person as God's temple. To the Jewish people, the Temple in Jerusalem was more than just a nice assemblage of stone where they could pray to God. They believed that God's Spirit chose to make its home in the Temple.

But now things have changed. God's Spirit no longer lives in the Temple in Jerusalem. By virtue of Christ's sacrifice and our baptism as Christians, God's Spirit comes to make its home in each one of us. Each one of us is a temple founded on Jesus Christ wherein God dwells.

Yikes! That's certainly a wake-up call for me. Not even in my most generously lenient estimation of myself do I even come close to fitting that description.

And yet God does not wait for us to be worthy of Him (not that that would actually be possible!). Instead, He comes to dwell in us, and it is up to us to make sure we're looking after the temple – sweeping the floors, cleaning the gutters, polishing the candlesticks. We have to make sure our temple, our life, corresponds with the foundation on which it is built: Jesus Christ.

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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.



What does it mean to have a life built on a foundation of Jesus Christ? It means to have a life built on love, the love of a God who became a human being and suffered in order to save us. It means risking the scorn of the world in order to live differently. In everything we do, the world teaches us to ask, "What's in it for me?" Instead, we should ask, "What does love ask of me?"

Love does not lead us down an easy path, but God will always give us the grace to follow it if we ask Him for it.

Take a moment and try to imagine what your life would be like if you lived to the very fullest your calling to live a life of love, a life founded on Jesus Christ. Now imagine that every Christian did the same. What would that world be like?

~ Kristina Glicksman

EXPLORE LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Wednesday, November 12

7-7:45pm

Join us as we learn to pray the Liturgy of the Hours, the daily prayer of the Church. This introductory session, which begins with a short explanatory talk, is followed by an opportunity to pray Evening Prayer (Vespers) together, and includes hymns, psalms, readings, and silence. All are welcome. For more information, contact johnpaul.farahat@utoronto.ca.

ADVENT RETREAT: A JOURNEY INTO FRIENDSHIP WITH JESUS

Mondays, November 17 & 24, December 1, 8 & 15

7-8:30pm

Rooted in the Ignatian tradition, this 5-week Advent retreat invites you to experience God's presence in everyday moments and discover how friendship with Jesus opens the door to something far greater than ourselves. Participants pray at home throughout the week and gather for spiritual conversation in small groups, facilitated by our parishioner leaders. Let this Advent be a season of connection, reflection and renewal. Please register by this Sunday, November 9. For more details and to sign up, visit our website.

ST. BASIL'S IS HIRING!

St. Basil's is seeking a dynamic, collaborative, and compassionate Coordinator of Community Engagement to foster a culture of hospitality, encounter, servant leadership, and engagement at the parish by ensuring parishioners of all ages feel welcomed, known, and valued as part of our faith community. This part-time (15 hours/week) role would primarily involve being present at the parish on weekends and one weekday. If you know of someone who would be a good fit for this position, please spread the word! **Application deadline is December 1.** Find out more details through the Archdiocesan website: <https://www.archtoronto.org/careers>

SUPPORTING FAITH JOURNEYS

St. Basil's is lucky to have about 40 people seeking to grow in relationship with Christ through preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation this year. Their desire for God is a great witness of hope in our community during this Jubilee Year! These spiritual seekers need our support in their faith journey. As part of a welcoming community of faith, please prayerfully consider if you are being called to support the RCIA cohort in one of these ways:

1. **Being a Mass partner** (during the weekend Mass time you already attend) – host a participant during the liturgy so they feel welcomed and more comfortable participating.
2. **Being a sponsor** (meeting weekly, scheduled one-on-one) – walk with someone as a conversation partner in faith. Sponsors must have already received the Catholic Sacrament of Confirmation.
3. **Praying for the participants** (on your own time) – pray for a particular participant by name each week, entrusting their needs to God.

Contact JoAnn Lopez (joann.lopez@utoronto.ca) for more information and to sign up!

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

We need your delicious, homemade, and decorated Christmas cookies to sell at the University of St. Michael's College (USMC) Christmas Market taking place on Thursday, December 4, from 3-6pm. Proceeds will support St. Basil's outreach initiatives. **Please deliver your treats to the parish office between Sunday, November 30 to Tuesday, December 2.** The outreach volunteers will package the cookies beautifully for sale on Wednesday, December 3. Thank you for your generosity and support!

SHARELIFE: HELP US MEET OUR GOAL!

Our parish is just \$35,000 away from our suggested goal for this year's ShareLife campaign, which supports agencies that carry out the mission work of the Church. Until the end of the year, contributions will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000. Your support for ShareLife becomes a saving grace for at-risk children and youth, refugees in crisis, and survivors of domestic violence, ensuring they receive the care and resources they need. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or you may donate online at sharelife.org/donate, and select St. Basil's as your parish.

ONLINE SERIES: "THE FOUR CONSTITUTIONS OF VATICAN II"

Tuesday November 11, 7-9pm

The Office of Formation for Discipleship at the Archdiocese will present a **session on *Gaudium et Spes* (on the Church in the Modern World)**. The gathering will include presentation, reflection, and conversation. Register: <https://bit.ly/FCV2-Register2025>

RENEW TORONTO

November 21-23

RENEW Toronto is a conference for all young adults ages 18 to 39 taking place on Christ the King weekend. Whether you're a student, young professional, young couple or part of a young catholic family, this conference has something special for you! For more information and to register, visit: www.renewtoronto.org

WOMEN AT THE HEART OF JUSTICE

Thursday, November 13, 4-5:30pm
Regis College (100 Wellesley St W., Toronto, ON)

Join Canadian Jesuits International (CJI) for an event highlighting the powerful role women play as changemakers in the global struggle for justice, equality, and sustainability. Featuring Sister Laura Vicuña Pereira Manso, a Franciscan Catechist and Indigenous leader from Brazil's Kariri people, who serves as vice president of the Ecclesial Conference of the Amazon (CEAMA). Sr. Laura has spent over 20 years advocating for human rights and environmental justice in the Brazilian Amazon. Her voice is a vital one in the Catholic Church and beyond, championing the inclusion of women and the protection of vulnerable communities. Register at <https://www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca/fall-campaign-2025/>

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

November 8-9: 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.

November 15-16: The Shepherds' Trust

This fund ensures that elderly and disabled priests have sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry.

MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 10 - 16

MONDAY

7:30am | Fernandes family (liv.)
12:10pm | James Robert & Valerie Crilly (+,+)

TUESDAY

12:10pm | Dr. Peter Moran (+), Richard Opaczewski (+),
Joseph D'Cruz (+) Luan Pinto (+),
Vincent Shen (+), Bruno Cirillo (+)

WEDNESDAY

12:10pm | Souls in Purgatory (+)

THURSDAY

12:10pm | Theresa & Mike Chochla (+), Vincent Shen (+),
Kwok Family (+, liv.), Henryk & Family (+)

FRIDAY

7:30am | Vincent Shen (+)
12:10pm | Luigi, Lina, Len & Michael Ciavarella (+,+,+)

SATURDAY

5:00pm | Joaquim, Maria & Jacinto Russo (+,+,+)

SUNDAY

9:00am | Ming Guat Lau (+)
10:30am | *Pro Populo*
12:00pm | Włodaek Czarnecki (+)
4:30pm | Zofia & Marian Kupfer (+,+)

Pray for the Sick, especially, Sue Banfield, Rebecca Beaton, Annabelle Brossard, Desmond Brownlee, Steve Chandler, Lynden Beiyang Chen, 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, 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, especially, Dr. Peter Moran.



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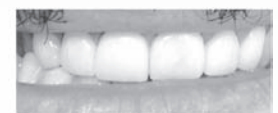

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