

"Jesus was born of Mary, who was engaged to Joseph, son of David." Mt. 1:18, 20

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. thank you.

This Week in our Parish

Sat., Dec. 28 Vigil of the Feast of the Holy Family

5:00 p.m. Mass intention for the Brennan, DesRoches and Walsh Families requested by Ken and Janet DesRoches

5:00 p.m. Mass intention for Anthony Menezes req. by Family

Sun., Dec. 29 Feast of the Holy Family

9:00 a.m. Mass intention for †Eric Moore req. by Louise Moore

11:00 a.m. Mass intention for †Nick Costantini req. by his Wife and Family on the 15th anniversary of his passing

Mon., Dec. 30 in the Octave of Christmas

9:00 a.m. Mass intention for all deceased relatives of our Parish Community

Tues., Dec. 31 Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

5:00 p.m. Mass intention for all who work for peace

Wed., January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

11:00 a.m. Mass intention for peace in the Middle East

Thurs., Jan. 2 Saint Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen

9:00 a.m. Mass intention for the ministry of the Congregation of St. Basil throughout the world

Fri., Jan. 3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus

9:00 a.m. Mass intention for the Graham Family requested by Louise Rathier

Sat., Jan. 4 Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord

5:00 p.m. Mass intention for new parents in our parish

5:00 p.m. Baptism with the Furey/Doyle Family

Sun., Jan. 5 60th Anniversary Mass with Archbishop Prendergast

10:00 a.m. Mass intention in thanksgiving for our Parish Community

11:00 a.m. K of C New Year Brunch—Parish Hall

As a result of the Christmas season and publication restrictions, we do not have data on our Sunday collections and on our Accessibility and Hospitality campaign.

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

Please note that any donations and regular contributions delivered to the parish office by noon on **Tuesday**, **December 31** will be included in the 2019 tax receipt.

IN YOUR GENEROSITY, PLEASE CONSIDER A DONATION OR BEQUEST TO ST. BASIL'S PARISH

Parish News

NO INCENSE WILL BE USED AT CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas and New Year's Liturgies

Christmas Eve

4:30 (Family Mass), 7:30 and 10:00 p.m.

(Children's Christmas Pageant at 4:00 p.m.)

(Half hour program of music at 7:00 & 9:30 p.m.)

Christmas Day at 11:00 a.m. only

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday, December 28 at 5:00 p.m. and

Sunday, December 29 at **9:00 a.m.** and **11:00 a.m.**

New Year's Eve

Tuesday, December 31 at **5:00 p.m.**--Vigil of the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

New Year's Day

Wednesday, January 1 at **11:00 a.m**.--Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

Epiphany

Saturday, January 4 at 5:00 p.m. and

Sunday, January 5, **10:00 a.m. only – 60th Anniversary** of the Parish mass presided by Archbishop

Prendergast

Baptism of the Lord

Saturday, January 11 at 5:00 p.m. and

Sunday, January 12, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

End of the Christmas Season

ACCESSIBILITY AND HOSPITALITY CAMPAIGN

As of December 15, 2019, the Parish has raised \$230,008 of our fundraising goal. This represents 67% of our goal of \$342,000. Thank you to everyone who has made a donation to keep this beautiful building and St. Basil's parish alive and vibrant. *(Please note that at the time of printing the bulletin, the most recent financial information was not yet available).



Message from the Pastor On the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary

At the beginning of this new year, I am happy to wish all parishioners many blessings in the coming year. We

always have much to be thankful for.

This year begins our parish's celebration of 60 years as a faith community. Actually, the community at St. Basil's began before 1960, but the first mass in this church building with the pastor Fr. John Ruth, CSB was held on Christmas Day, 1960. This is the date which we hold as our parish's birthday.

With interested parishioners, we have had two informal meetings to plan the year-long anniversary. First, we discussed how we hope that this year's activities would yield rich fruit in renewal — both individually and communally.

To foster spiritual renewal, we hope to have a number of prayer services (ecumenical and interfaith), a parish mission and youth retreats. There are many ways we can enhance spiritual renewal – re-examining our liturgies, providing studies on the Scriptures and Christian teachings with other opportunities for faith sharing.

We want an educational component in our parish's anniversary celebration. We are hoping to have a yearlong series of about six lectures by prominent Catholic Canadians on topics that face our parish and the Canadian Catholic Church in general. In addition to these lectures, we will continue to have informative workshops, "lunch and learn" gatherings that deal with important social justice topics.

We plan to look back on our parish history with exhibitions, publications, videos. We hope to have reunions and homecomings inviting former parishioners to help us celebrate our anniversary. Naturally we also want to have fun with events such as parish picnics, a gala and a number of other social gatherings. We want to participate in Open Doors Ottawa and to offer presentations on our parish's unique design and architecture.

On this new year's feast day, let us ask Mary, the Mother of God and St. Basil to pray for many blessings on our efforts to celebrate 60 years of faith and community at St. Basil's.

Fr. Daryold Winkler
On January 1, the Solemnity of Mary

ST. BASIL'S 60th ANNIVERSARY MASS

All are invited to the parish's 60th Anniversary mass on **Sunday, January 5**, 2020, with Archbishop Prendergast presiding. This marks the beginning of the parish's many celebrations. Please note there will only be one mass that morning at **10:00 a.m.**

ST. BASIL'S 60th ANNIVERSARY BRUNCH

The Knights of Columbus are proud to be hosting their annual 'Welcome in the New Year' Sunday Brunch celebrating St. Basil's 60 years as a parish on **Sunday**, **January 5** after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in our Parish Hall. What better way to kick off the New Year and start celebrating our long time presence as a community? Tickets available at the door.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The next meeting for the Prayer Shawl Ministry is on **Monday, January 6** at 9:30 a.m. in the Resource Room. All are invited to attend.

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING

Our next meeting for the Communications Team will be on **Tuesday**, **January 7** at 7:00 p.m. in the Resource Room. All are welcome to attend.

Notes from Pastor Daryold Winkler

- 1. Consensus Decision-Making Workshop with Dr. Carol Kuzmochka: The parish is hosting a workshop on the theme of consensus decision making. Dr. Kuzmochka will explain valuable methods about achieving consensus. Parish hall: January 25, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- **2. Imagining a Youth Ministry for the Parish:** We are calling on all interested parishioners to discuss the possibilities for re-initiating a Youth Ministry. This will take place after the Christmas season in the parish hall: **Feb. 1, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**