

# St. Basil's Church

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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, of St. Basil's Parish, strive to be a welcoming community of Christian believers - Empowered by the Spirit - Challenged and nourished by the Word of God - Discerning together the way of Jesus - Supporting and nurturing one another in love - Compassionately committed to the poor and oppressed - Harnessing the wealth of our gifts - In joyful celebration - Rich in a heritage built by laity and Basilians, - We journey in hope.

### SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m. Sunday Morning Mass: 10:00 a.m.

### WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** By appointment. Please call the parish office.

**PASTOR:** Fr. Daryold Winkler

**PARISH OFFICE ADMINISTRATORS:** Mary Lou Daze & Louise Rathier

**CUSTODIAN:** Ibrahim Kreit

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [www.stbasilsparish.ca](http://www.stbasilsparish.ca)

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

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### NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to Saint Basil's Parish. We invite you to fill out the white registration card found on the table in the Church entry and put it in the collection plate. If you have requested envelopes please check the table in a couple of weeks. If you have any questions or concerns please leave a contact number with the Parish Office and a member of the parish will gladly contact you.

### PARISH SCHOOLS

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| St. Daniel Elementary School   | 613-225-4603 |
| Notre Dame High School         | 613-722-6565 |
| Frank Ryan Intermediate School | 613-224-8833 |

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Bulletin Submission** -must be received at the Parish office by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday morning.

**PARISH EMAIL:** [stbasilsparish@gmail.com](mailto:stbasilsparish@gmail.com)

### FINANCE COUNCIL

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Michelle Gleeson (Chair)           | 613-729-5299 |
| Peter Charbonneau                  |              |
| Jason Fekete                       |              |
| Qing Yang                          | 613-224-7033 |
| Rod Noakes                         | 613-228-8644 |
| Elizabeth Elliot                   | 613-692-2915 |
| Jim Shields (Chair: Premises Ctte) | 613-728-8504 |

## OUR FOUR CENTRAL PARISH MINISTRIES

### LITURGY MINISTRY

|                       |                              |              |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Liturgy Coordination  | Kevin Burns                  | 613-728-6831 |
| Lectors               | Elizabeth Elliot             | 613-692-2915 |
| Altar Servers         | Kevin Murnaghan              | 613-226-7028 |
| Altar Society         | Arlene Dolan                 | 613-422-7309 |
| Children's Liturgy    | Susan Fekete                 | 613-299-6426 |
| Director of Music     | Wolanyo Akakpo               | 613-261-7915 |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Margo Latimer & Karen Zappia | 613-225-8553 |
|                       | Judy Young                   | 613-727-5251 |
| Environment           | Bob Gates                    | 613-728-9026 |
| Funeral Assistants    | Paul Davis                   | 613-722-2434 |
| Hospitality / Ushers  | P&C Conway                   | 613-225-3449 |
| Sacristans 5 p.m.     | D. Allard                    | 613-820-6109 |
| 9 a.m.                | M. Imbleau                   | 613-729-6387 |
| 11 a.m.               |                              | 613-715-9645 |

### OUTREACH MINISTRY

|                          |                              |              |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Mission & Social Justice | Norita Fleming (co-chair)    | 613-261-1559 |
|                          | Rosemary Williams (co-chair) | 613-829-1912 |
| Refugee Family           | Terry Tunney (co-chair)      | 613-722-4472 |
|                          | Bill Elliott (co-chair)      | 613-226-3509 |
| Social Action            | Mary Ross                    | 613-797-9460 |
| Food Cupboard            | Michael Gleeson              | 613-729-5299 |

### FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

|  |                            |              |
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| Infant Baptism                         | Call Parish Office         | 613-729-5149 |
| St. Daniel's School Council            | Aaron & Tracy Ludmer       | 613-721-2855 |
| 1st Communion                          | Parish Office              | 613-729-5149 |
| Confirmation                           | Maria Costantini           | 613-228-0606 |
| Marriage                               | Michael & Michelle Gleeson | 613-729-5299 |
| Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults | Carmel Horan               | 613-737-3681 |

### PARISH VITALITY MINISTRY

|  |  |              |
|--|--|--------------|
| Coffee Sundays                                       | Tom Charlebois   | 613-798-1206 |
| Wednesday Afternoons (Coffee, Cards & Conversation)  | Maria Sayn-Wittgenstein  | 613-725-1384 |
|  | Alina Popp   | 613-729-4650 |
| Caring Ministries Coordinator                        | Maureen Ramsay   | 613-726-1767 |
| (Home Visits; Bereavement; Prayer Shawl; Medex Mass) |  |              |
| Catholic Women's League                              | Elizabeth Elliot   | 613-692-2915 |
| Collections  | Elizabeth Elliot   | 613-692-2915 |
| Knights of Columbus                                  | Pat Latimer  | 613-225-8553 |
| Ladies' Bridge Club at Home                          | Michelle Gleeson   | 613-729-5299 |
| Webmaster  | Aaron Ludmer   | 613-721-2855 |
| Parish Communications                                | <a href="mailto:stbasilcomms@gmail.com">stbasilcomms@gmail.com</a>         |              |
| Green Team   | <a href="mailto:stbasilgreenteam@gmail.com">stbasilgreenteam@gmail.com</a> | 613-820-9595 |



## Celebrating 61 Years of Faith and Community

*"Lord, make me know your ways."  
Psalm 25:4*

### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, January 23: 5:00 p.m.**

Mass intention for †**Elizabeth Roy** requested by her friend, Constance O'Donnell.

**Saturday, January 30: 5:00 p.m.**

Mass intention for the People of the Parish.

### Sick and Deceased in Our Parish

We pray for those needing healing in our Parish, especially **Louise Haridge, Amanda Monette, Archbishop Marcel Gervais, Toddy Kehoe, Mary Dietrich, Kevin Sloan, Judy Staniszewski, Victoria Toro, Frank Galipeau, Jean Leboutellier, Helen O'Donald** (sister of Vi Halstead), **Yang Bailu** (father of Yang Qing), **Mary Lou Iahtail, Elaine Vizena, Geoff and Nancy Clarke, Shirley Armstrong, Hubert Corbiere, Shaya Grubbe, and Rabbi Reuben Bulka.**

We pray for all those who have died, especially **Elizabeth Roy, and all who have died from the coronavirus.**

**The 29th World Day of the Sick** will be celebrated, as it is every year, on **Thursday, February 11, 2021**, the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. The Holy See has released the Holy Father's Message which is entitled *"You have but one teacher and you are all brothers and sisters."* (Mt 23:8), which encourages a trust-based relationship with the sick and the nurturing of integral human healing. In his Message, Pope Francis writes: "...the commandment of love that Jesus left to his disciples is also kept in our relationship with the sick. A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned."



## Parish News



Howard J. Ross is a lifelong social justice advocate, starting from the civil rights movement in the United States back in the 1960s. He is considered one of the world's leaders on identifying and addressing unconscious bias. A personable and engaging speaker, he has worked to confront racism and promote diversity with a wide variety of audiences.

St. Basil's parish is privileged to host a ZOOM discussion with Howard Ross on Sunday, January 24, 2021, **"Racism is Real — but what does that have to do with us?"**, is the second event in the St. Basil's Anniversary Lecture Series. We invite you to join us 2:30 - 4 p.m. to learn and be challenged by this world-renowned expert on "everyday bias" and how it influences us all.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762845358?pwd=TmYyT3h6T1RNS2ZTS3YvdEd3RkR3UT09> Meeting ID: 837 6284 5358. For more information about the speaker, check out <https://howardjross.com/bio/>.



### CWL Bakeless Bake Sale: A sincere

Thank You to all who contributed to the CWL Bakeless Bake Sale in December. Although we did not break the record of \$1,249 raised in 2019, we came very close with an amazing \$1,020! Your generosity and support are appreciated. We hope to have delicious baked goodies for you in 2021.



**Message from St. Basil's CWL Women in the Church Committee:** On January 11, 2021, Pope Francis announced a formal change to women's role in the church. Many Catholics were thrilled at what they perceived as a long-awaited necessary recognition of the reality of parish life. A short history of how this has played out at St. Basil's follows the article below from the National Catholic Reporter.

**The History of the role of women at St. Basil's**

What was a surprise to many parishioners at St. Basil's was that these newly approved roles for women was even a topic of concern in 2021.

When the parish (then known as St. Andrew's) was first established in February, 1957 the first altar servers were all boys because that is the way it was done that long ago. The importance of this role for boys was recognized by the annual ceremony of investiture for the Knights of the Altar. In 1960 alone, close to 50 young boys were invested by Father Silvester, parish priest, and received their cassock and surplice. It was hoped that some of them would go on to become ordained priests. However, the 1960s was a decade of huge change in the church. By the mid 1970s, the term "altar boys" had long been quietly changed to "altar servers" as both boys and girls were serving at Mass. So, there is a half century of history that girls and boys could be equals as servers at St. Basil's.

Another drastic change from the norm in the early days of the parish was the introduction of lay lectors by Father Ruth. In 1959, the first lay lectors were men (Gord Atkinson, Bernard Daly and Jack Kinsella – all used to being on the radio). Within a year or so, they would be joined by the first woman, Marion Dewar. About 1970, Father Silvester encouraged more women to join and one of the first to respond was teenager, Els Hilkes. By that time, it was normal that both men and women were lectors and there was a great push to bring in more young people, also seen as a radical change. So, there is a history of nearly 60 years in this parish of having people of all ages serve as lectors.

In 1979, Father Ruth introduced another change that was at first seen as radical. In response to the declining number of available priests, he asked married couples to serve as extraordinary Ministers of Communion. When it became difficult to find enough married couples to volunteer for duty, the

criteria changed again. Within a few years, the call for volunteers went out to anyone 16 years of age and older. Very soon the majority of Eucharistic ministers were women. So, there is a history of about 40 years of men and women serving Communion at St. Basil's.

**Why It Matters**

Pope Francis' Apostolic letter, *Spiritus Domini*, expands Canon Law 230 to include all lay people. While this change was made at St. Basil's many decades ago, it has yet to be made universal. Even in North America, there are still dioceses where women and girls are not allowed visible roles at Mass.

Pope Francis has the authority to change church teaching in order to reflect the signs of the times and to make the Church more inclusive. He has changed just one word in the Canon Law on the issue. He has made *laymen* into *laypersons*. In doing so, the Pope is confirming in law that women are equal to men in the eyes of God – the first time that the Church has done so. This is a big step forward.

That is why this announcement matters.

*Prepared by Catherine Casserly*

*Member of the St. Basil's CWL Women in the Church Committee*

*January 13, 2021*

**SOME REMINDERS FOR 9:00 a.m. MASS:**

- If you feel unwell in any way, please stay home.
- Please call the parish office to register your attendance for weekday morning mass.
- While in church, please maintain your physical distancing from your neighbour.
- Lastly, while in church, **everyone must wear a mask**, for the sake of all who are there. When coming to receive Communion, please keep your mask on. Once you have been given Communion in your hand, please take a step aside, remove the loop of your mask on one side, consume the Eucharist, and put your mask back on. *Thank you* for your cooperation and help in following the provincial health protocols, and keeping each other safe.



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