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MISSION STATEMENT

Called by Baptism, nourished by the Eucharist, and inspired by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to live the Good News of Christ through Worship, Evangelization, Service, Spiritual Formation, and Stewardship.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 17

7:00 p.m. People of the parish (En Español)

Sunday, April 18

9:00 a.m. † Ed and Helen Szubinski

11:00 a.m. † George Meltzer

Monday, April 19

9:00 a.m. † Margo Sherman and

Dorothy Verdonk

Tuesday, April 20

9:00 a.m. † Marcella Merriman

Wednesday, April 21

9:00 a.m. People of the parish

Thursday, April 22 No Mass

Friday, April 23

5:00 p.m. † Ivo Knapp

Saturday, April 24

5:00 p.m. † Harold Filbrandt

7:00 p.m. People of the parish (En Español)

Sunday, April 25

9:00 a.m. † Dick and Carol Averill11:00 a.m. † The Feely family

OFFERTORY GIVING

All have felt the financial impact of COVID 19 in one way or another. Everyone's situation is very personal to them. Our offertory has dropped significantly with the limitations of capacity for participation at Mass.

Average weekly contribution needed to meet budget \$11,050

Offering April 4 \$9,986 Offering April 11 \$7,758

Please consider giving any amount that you are able to share so that we can continue the ministry of the church and help those in need. Contributions may be mailed in or made electronically via the church website.

Our Generosity to God for the weekend of April 4

Envelope Offering (57)	\$8,186.00
Electronic/Online Contributions	\$758.00
Loose Offering	\$1,042.00
Total Collection	\$9,986.00

Our Generosity to God for the weekend of April 11

Envelope Offering (33)	\$5,483.00
Electronic/Online Contributions	\$1,824.00
Loose Offering	\$451.00
Total Collection	\$7,758.00

CONTACT US

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Parish Office Closed

For information on our many services, groups, and committees, please visit our website at www.SaintBasilCatholicChurch.org or follow us on Facebook.



So that we all may be fully present at Mass, please silence your cell phones.



Eucharistic Adoration
Monday, 10:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.
Confessions

Monday, 2:30 p.m. Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

This week's bulletin sponsor is *Woodhams Ford.*

Please keep all of our advertisers in your prayers as our businesses and sponsors struggle during these times.

The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number setup by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: (844) 324-3374.

The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation.

To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.



I'm on vacation this week but, as I write this about a week and a half before, we are gearing up for this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal. Bishop Bradley had an online meeting with all of his priests recently to encourage us in the process.

Last year, to assist the parishes struggling with reduced income because of COVID, the diocese returned any money collected over 50% of our target goal. We did fairly well with the campaign in spite of COVID, and will be receiving around \$44,000 back from the diocese to help pay for the tuckpointing work we had done. This year, with a lower target, I'm hoping we can not only meet, but exceed our target goal of \$88,301. It's significantly lower this year because it's based on the previous year's collections and they were, of course, down due to the pandemic.

We should all be getting our packets sometime this week. If you don't get one by the last week of April, call the parish office to make sure you're on the list. If you're like me you have to take care of things like that right away or they get forgotten. So, as soon as you get your packet, make your pledge and send it in. Let's go over the top with this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal!

Fr. Jim

SATURDAY EVENING MASS RETURNS!

Beginning next Saturday, April 24, our 5:00 p.m. Mass returns! We need volunteers to help at <u>all</u> Masses with the check-in table as well as serving as ushers and cleaners. Please visit our website www.saintbasilcatholicchurch.org/clean-church and see what's involved. Contact the parish office if you can volunteer on Sundays or Saturday. We can't do it without your help!



WELCOME

We welcome all visitors and thank you for worshipping with us. If you are moving to the area and would like to

become a member of our parish, please call the office (269-637-2404) or stop by the parish office to register. You may find a parish registration form on our website, www.saintbasilcatholicchurch.org, click on info, then links.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2021

We will conduct the Bishop's Annual Appeal in our parish over the next few weeks. Next weekend is commitment weekend. All of our diocesan programs and ministries serve people in ways that we as a parish alone could never do. Please prayerfully consider what you as an individual and as a family can pledge to support the educational, pastoral and religious programs and services offered by our diocese. Our parish goal is 100% participation and with your gift we can do it. Remember, no gift is too large or too small

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Congratulations to the children who made their First Reconciliation on Saturday, April 10, with Fr. Jim and Fr. Fabio.

Sophia Gamino
Santiago Morales
Adrian Gil
Ava Scuiletti
Christopher Saucedo
Johnny Alexander



Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their preparation towards making their First Holy Communion in May.



April Preparation Sessions 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. <u>in church</u>

First-year candidates this Sunday, April 18 - Lesson 12

Second-year candidates next Sunday, April 25 - Lessons 23 and 24

"I believe in order that I may understand."
- St. Anselm of Canterbury,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church,
feast day April 21

SUNDAY CHURCH BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN

You may download one from our website, under the Education tab, and use it at home as we practice social distancing. We will also have some on the bulletin shelves in the back of church.



RICE BOWL

This is the last weekend to turn in your CRS Rice Bowls.. There is a table in the back of church for your convenience. Thank you for your generosity in supporting this ministry.

MASS RESERVATION REMINDERS

Just a reminder, when you use SignUp Genius to make a reservation to attend weekend Mass, please be sure to include the *number* of people in your group AND list the names of all who will be attending Mass.

Please contact the parish office if you have any questions, 269-637-2404.



Our parish office remains closed. You may still contact us at 269-637-2404. Your call will be automatically sent to our personal phones. If we don't answer immediately, your call will be forwarded to a voicemail which we

are able to retrieve from home. We remain available for you, just not in the office. Just about everything you need from us can be handled via phone and email.

St. Basil Catholic School

Our Annual Ribs 'n Raffle Auction is right around the corner and the Booster Club is hard at work putting together an awesome virtual auction again this year, complete with some exciting items to bid on such as boat tours, a signed Notre Dame football helmet, ice cream for a year, themed baskets, and many others. Our auction will begin at 8 a.m. on Thursday, April 29, and run until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, May 2. The site is currently "live" for anyone who prefers to just make a general monetary donation to the auction. Please visit http://2021rnr.givesmart.com/. You are always welcome to mail or drop off a donation to the school.

One of our **Fund-a-Needs** this year is a new intercom system for the school building. Yes, the old and faithful intercom, which has served Saint Basil well since the early years of the school, is failing. We are going to use this as an opportunity to upgrade the system for safety reasons. The current intercom system only allows the office to call to the various classrooms; the classrooms cannot call to the office, which does present a problem in the event of an emergency. Thanks to our continued growth, it is becoming ever more important for 2-way communication between the office and classrooms, especially with so many more students now in our upper level classrooms. I will have a price quote by the time you read this, but we're thinking somewhere around \$14,000. If interested in donating to this worthy cause, along with other school needs such as textbooks and technology, you may go to the GiveSmart website now, using the link mentioned above, to donate (just look for the "donate now" section). You are also welcome to wait until the auction weekend if you prefer.

While we were hoping for a return to an in-person auction this year, that just cannot be the case. However, we are planning a fabulous online auction, one which we think will be a great success. We appreciate all the support our parish community continues to offer our school and thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all you do for us. If you have any questions about this year's auction, please do not hesitate to call the school; we're more than happy to be of help!

Thank you and have a wonderful weekend!

Camille DeLano, Principal

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH





PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



The making of a prayer shawl is a spiritual practice which embodies our thoughts and prayers for the receiver. It is a gift freely

given with no strings attached. Made *in* prayer, *as* prayer, *for* prayer, the shawls are passed on hand-to-hand and heart-to-heart.

Over the course of the past several years St. Basil has sponsored a Prayer Shawl Ministry. During that time many ladies have knitted or crocheted over 150 prayer shawls.

The demand has been constant and the prayer shawls have been gifted to members of our parish and our community, accompanied by a specially written prayer and placed on the shoulders of those receiving the gift. They have been received by people who have lost their jobs, faced prolonged illness, moved to assisted living, are in the process of dying, or have faced a catastrophic life event, such as the loss of a spouse or child, or experienced a house fire. The overwhelming response is a feeling of being loved and prayed for, and almost always the giver and the gifted share tears and hugs.

If you knit or crochet, please consider creating a prayer shawl. To receive a copy of the standard pattern used, please contact Cecilia, 637-2404. You may drop off completed shawls at the parish office. And, if you have yarn that you'd like to donate, we have several parishioners who love to knit and crochet! It takes about four skeins of yarn to make one prayer shawl.

GROTTO PAVER BRICKS

St. Basil Parish offers you an opportunity to order a grotto paver for installment in May. A contribution of \$100 entitles you to a standard 4x8 paver brick engraved with your name, your family name, or a personal message or intention. Forms are available at the church



outside the office window and also on our website under the Info tab, then Links. You may mail in your form and payment. Call Cecilia at the parish office for more information, 269-637-2404, ext. 1103.



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

sponsored by our Knights of Columbus Wednesday, April 21 11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

at the Moose Lodge, Wells Street South Haven

Donors who made blood donations in February will be eligible to donate again, as well as anyone who has not given in 8 weeks or more.

Accepting appointments online at redcrossblood.org or 1-800-REDCROSS

Join Our School Family!

We are currently enrolling students in all grades, K-8. Please contact the office via phone, 269-637-3529, or email for more information.

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To enroll, go to our website, <u>saintbasilcatholic.com</u>, and click on Admissions, then Prospective Families. Come be a Basil Bear!

Mass at St. Peter Parish, Douglas Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Daily Mass Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 8:30 a.m. Mass at San Felipe, Fennville Thursday 6:30 p.m.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

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Wednesday, April 21
9:00 a.m. Mass
Thursday, April 22
No Mass
Friday, April 23
5:00 p.m. Mass
Saturday April 24
5:00 p.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Mass

WEEKEND MASSES

11:00 a.m. Mass

Mass

9:00 a.m.

Saturday and Sunday Mass attendance requires advance registration: https://www.saintbasilcatholicchurch.org/sign-up-for-mass We are grateful to the volunteers who have offered to check-in our Mass participants, usher, and clean the church after each Mass. Please contact Andrea at the parish office if you can help, 269-637-2404, ext. 1102.

Scripture Readings for the Week of April 18

Sunday Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9;

1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

Monday Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30;

Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday Acts 7:51—8:1a;

Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 & 21ab;

Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor

of the Church

Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a;

Jn 6:35-40

Thursday Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20;

Jn 6:44-51

Friday Saint George, Martyr;

Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc-2;

Jn 6:52-59

Saturday Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen,

Priest and Martyr

Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;

Jn 6:60-69

Lord let your face shine on us.

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